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Fr Peter Tien
Parish Priest



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER—YEAR B

Parish Bulletin

Sunday 18 April 2021

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia

FIRST READING: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
You killed the prince of life; God, however, raised him from the dead.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, let your face shine on us.

SECOND READING: John 2:1-5

A reading from the first letter of St John
Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 24:35-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
It is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Christ had to suffer and on the third day rise from the dead; in his name repentance and remission of sins must be preached to all the nations, alleluia.

Next week Readings: **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER— Year B**
Acts 4:8-12; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday - 5.00 pm—Adoration
5.30 pm— Tahmoor
Wednesday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor
Thursday - 8.30 am—**NO MASS**
Friday - 8.30 am—**NO MASS**

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 4.00—4.30pm
Please wear a face mask

Adoration: Tuesday: 5pm

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday

9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

St Anthony's Church - Tahmoor

Saturday Vigil - 5.00 pm

Sunday - 7.30 am & 9.30 am

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The first sentence of the gospel reading sets the context for the themes of today: 'Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.' Who is the Jesus that they recognised? And what does this recognition require?

Jesus is the servant of the God of the early ancestors, the long awaited messiah, and the innocent sufferer portrayed in the prophetic tradition. He is the fulfilment of our deepest aspirations. When we gather around the table for the sacramental meal, we encounter the Risen Lord. There the sacred traditions of our religious heritage are opened for us and we are enabled to recognise him in the traditions and in the breaking of the bread.

In order to encounter the Risen Lord in the breaking of the bread and in the breaking open of the word, we need docile hearts ready to embrace the deepest meaning of our religious heritage. We need hearts that have been purified in the love of God; hearts that have been totally transformed. The commandment of love requires nothing less.

Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the people described in the first reading, must live reformed lives. Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the people addressed in the second reading, must be obedient to God's commandment of love. Having recognised the Risen Lord, we, like the disciples portrayed in the gospel, must preach the good news of God's forgiveness to all nations. Easter faith assures us that all of this is possible.



YEAR of SAINT JOSEPH

“Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life”

DECEMBER 8, 2020 - DECEMBER 8, 2021

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH (POPE FRANCIS)

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary! To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

Lord grant them eternal peace & joy and to their families and friends strength and comfort

ANNIVERSARY: Ray Mason, Sandra Wise

RECENTLY DECEASED: Janelle Clifton

PRAY FOR THE SICK Marie Darlington, Christine Jupe, Graeme Menser, Ross Spirou, Lesley Thompson, Mauro Mariano, John Debono, Melony Cox, Joanne McMahon, Daniel Clarke, Margaret Brown, Lesley Gardiner, James McNeil, Ian Macnamara, Stephanie Macnamara, Elizabeth Linsell

READERS: **THIS WEEK**
VIGIL: BETH NOLAN
7.30AM: DON TURVEY
9.30AM: KATRINA BOUSTANI

NEXT WEEK
SANDRA RYAN
ANNE CORDINGLEY
MARGARET FOLDES

CLEANERS: COLUN DUNN

HELEN WILLIS
JEAN LE ROUX

FLOWERS: SANDRA RYAN

JOANNE MCELGUNN

SACRISTY: GILLIAN DOBSON

MARY GILBERT

SPECIAL MINISTERS will not be rostered on during the pandemic

ACOLYTES are most welcome to serve on the altar

DIOCESE OF WOLLONGONG MASS ONLINE For all of the online Mass options- please visit the DOW website <https://dow.sh/dailymass>

ALL WELCOME!!!

Parish Maintenance meeting

A meeting will be held Tuesday 20th April commencing at 7:00 pm in the Admin meeting room to plan maintenance and projects for the Parish. This is your opportunity to make suggestions, raise issues or contribute advice and assistance. Friendly group, relaxed format.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2021:

The Parish Sacramental Program for 2021 starts in early May. Details of the program are available in the racks in the church foyer. We are starting with Eucharist (First Holy Communion) To be eligible for First Holy Communion your child should be at least in Year 3 at school and have participated in a Reconciliation Program. You will need to attend one of Four PARENT ONLY meetings at 2.00pm OR 7.30pm on Tuesday 4th May OR 2.00pm OR 7.30pm on Wednesday 5th May. Enrolment forms will be completed at these meeting so please have your child's Baptismal details with you. You will need to register and book in for the meetings beforehand at the church office by phone or Email. The office hours and Email address are on the front of this bulletin. We are hoping to have the Sacrament at the Feast of Corpus Christi on the 5th/6th June, but it will depend on the state of the COVID restrictions in place at that time.



BINGO IS BACK!

Bingo at Tahmoor Inn is on every Thursday at 11am, everyone is welcome.

CURSILLO IN WOLLONGONG will be holding a Three-Day Weekend at beautiful Hartzler Park Retreat Centre (Near Moss Vale) from Thursday evening 1st July to Sunday afternoon 4th July 2021 for both women and men. Listen to talks and join in small group discussion with women or men from Wollongong Diocese and discover a way to live the Gospel in everyday life refreshed and with friends. To find out more please ring Denise on 0438254139 or email denisedamore0@gmail.com

HOLY LAND COLLECTION/GOOD FRIDAY

Thank you to all who gave generously to the collections on Good Friday, at The Stations of the Cross and The Passion of the Lord. A total of \$1271.05 was collected and is used to promote the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus.

6 Day Retreat 23-29 April 2021 "Become Like Water" Fr John Armstrong. This retreat will notice how we are called to be participants in the life of grace by reflecting on the Mysteries of Light and where we notice the waters of baptism welling up within us, inviting us to enter the river of life: Cost for 6 day Retreat: \$870 (**Prayer Weekend 23-25 April: \$290**) St. Mary's Towers Retreat Centre, Douglas Park. Download the Form from our Website: <http://towersretreat.org.au> or RSVP Ph:46300233 OR Email [con-tact@towersretreat.org.au](mailto:contact@towersretreat.org.au)

INCREASING THE EXPERIENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

in Your Parish, Wednesday 21st April, 7:00pm. Zoom Webinar The Holy Spirit wants to animate our lives and impact the ministries of Catholic leaders. How do we respond to this call? How can we help people in our parishes experience the Holy Spirit in a profound way? Relying on the power of the Holy Spirit is one of the three keys of Divine Renovation since we know that parish renewal cannot happen without his power. Join us for a webinar with Deacon Peter Pellican Executive Director, Evangelisation Brisbane, and Kevin Bailey AM as they discuss how to increase the experience of the Holy Spirit in your parish. To register go to: Devine Renovation Ministry on the internet

PLENARY COUNCIL 2021 With just over 180 days before the historic Plenary Council 2021, you can keep up to date by accessing the Plenary Post on the Plenary Council website <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>

THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH Pope Francis on December 8, 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde* (With a Father's Heart), commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Pa-

tron of the Universal Church. You are encouraged to visit the ACBC year of St Joseph page at <https://www.catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph> including Monthly reflections on various aspects of St Joseph's life and character and prayers.

YEAR AMORIS LAETITIA FAMILY, 19 March 2021

- 26 June 2022 On March 19, 2021, the Church marked five years since the publication of the Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* on the beauty and joy of love in the family. On the same day, Pope Francis launched the Year "Amoris Laetitia Family", which will conclude on 26 June 2022, on the occasion of the 10th World Meeting of Families in Rome with the Holy Father. The Vatican will be producing an array of resources, including a video series by Pope Francis breaking open the document and the Joy of Christian Family life. you are encouraged to visit to <http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia.html>

LATEST COVID DIRECTIVES

- *The total number of people allowed to attend Mass is 200 at St Anthony's Tahmoor*
- *Use of QR code is the preferred method of registering for each Mass.*
- *If unable to attend Mass, it can be viewed on line, or other prayerful means.*
- *Please only attend Mass if you are well.*
- *Please leave the kneeler down when leaving Mass, to allow for easy cleaning.*
- *Collections are still not being taken up, please place offerings in the boxes mounted on the wall or giving can be done by direct debit, please contact the office for details.*
- *Holy water fonts sill not being used.*
- *Please do not touch any statues or icons*
- *The sign of peace is still not by hand shaking*
- *Holy Communion will only be given into the hand*
- *Reconciliation is via appointment with Fr Peter (his phone: 0406001540) or on Saturdays between 5pm – 5.30pm*
- *Baptisms by appointment only either on Saturday or Sunday*
- *You are encouraged to install the COVID-19 App onto you mobile phone.*

**Diocese of Wollongong church buildings are NOT OPEN for private prayer
Churches can be opened only for:
Masses, Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms and Reconciliation**

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