



## St Anthony's Parish Picton

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**Fr Peter Tien**  
Parish Priest



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME —YEAR A

*Parish Bulletin*

Sunday 19 July 2020

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

### FIRST READING: Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19

A reading from the book of Wisdom

*In the place of sin, you give repentance.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

### SECOND READING: Romans 8:26-27

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

*The spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;  
You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.  
Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: Matthew 13:24-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

*Let them grow together until the harvest.*

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

#### **St Anthony's Church - Tahmoor**

Saturday Vigil - 5.00 pm

Sunday - 7.30 am & 9.30 am

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday - 5.00 pm Adoration

5.30 pm - Tahmoor

Wednesday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

St Mary Magdalene

Thursday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

Friday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

### Reconciliation (Confession)

By appointment only

**Adoration:** Tuesday: 5pm

### OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday & Thursday**

9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.

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**Website:**

[www.stanthonyspicton.org.au](http://www.stanthonyspicton.org.au)



## Have you thought? Leaven

The parable of the woman placing leaven in three measures of flour is an intriguing one. In some translations, the text reads, "The kingdom of heaven is like leaven which a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, till it was all leavened." Whilst you might initially hide yeast in some dough, it doesn't take very long for the yeast to become apparent as it makes the dough rise. Such a large quantity of flour suggests the bread is being prepared for a festival – perhaps Passover when only unleavened bread was used? That would put a different spin on the woman's action!

**NEXT WEEK:** 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A  
1 Kg 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52

**DIRECT DEPOSITS:** - can you please ensure that you use your name of Planned Giving envelope number as a reference, so monies given can be recorded against your name.  
Some have COVID19 as a reference, which does not allow proper recording of monies given.

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

**PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:**

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Kristinu Borg

**PRAY FOR THE SICK** Christine Jupe, Janelle Clifton, Peter Wood, Graeme Menser, Ross Spirou, Lesley Thompson, Mauro Mariano, Mary McMahon, John Debono, Melony Cox, Joanne McMahon, Daniel Clarke, Margaret Brown, Lesley Gardiner, James McNeil, Ian Macnamara, Stephanie Macnamara, Jim Matthews, Elizabeth Linsell

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**READERS: THIS WEEK**

Vigil: Beth Nolan  
7.30am: Anne Coringley  
9.30am: Trudy Hancock

**NEXT WEEK**

Trish Lindner  
Don Turvey  
Maree Galea

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:**

Vigil: Sandra Ryan  
7.30am: Don Turvey  
9.30am: Paul Wyatt

Frances Micallef  
Anne Cordingley  
Monica McMahon

**CLEANERS:** Pauline Buttigieg & Maryanne Buttigieg

Giuliana Giubin

**SACRISTY:** Mary Gilbert

Gillian Dobson

**REFRESHER: SUPPORTING & COORDINATING MINISTRIES**

Multiple daytime and evening sessions in July via Zoom. To Register visit [www.dow.org.au/news-and-events](http://www.dow.org.au/news-and-events) How are you going in coordinating or supporting an area of ministry in your parish? Would you like to gain some further skills and tips to undertake this role more successfully? This introductory session will help you explore how you are going and consider ways in which we can all improve in inspiring, equipping and empowering people within our areas of ministry and parish life. For more info contact Darren McDowell on [darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au](mailto:darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au) or 4222 2463

**DATES LOCKED IN FOR PLENARY COUNCIL ASSEMBLIES**

The two assemblies for the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia will be held in Adelaide from October 3-10, 2021, and in Sydney from July 4-9, 2022. The new dates mean that the celebration of the Plenary Council has effectively moved 12 months from the original plan of a first assembly in October 2020 and a second assembly in June/July 2021.

The Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast – **'THE JOURNEY'** – 19 July 2020 – Wheat & Weeds, Good & Evil This week on the Journey Fr Mark De Battista reflects on the parable of the wheat and weeds and Jesus recognizing good's co-existence with evil. Plus, Spirit & Life with Pat Keady and the disciple nicknamed Barnabas, a nickname meaning 'son of encouragement' – Pat says – It's time for us to be a Barnie! Mother Hilda with two tips for easy prayer and Trish McCarthy on God Speaking in metaphors! The Journey available every Friday for free download – go to [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au)

**SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT :** The Churches social teaching is the fruit of careful Magisterial reflection and an expression of the Church's constant commitment in fidelity to the grace of salvation wrought in Christ and in loving concern for humanity's destiny. – Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church - Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace



**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES** are now available for collection from the back of the church. If you would like to join the planned giving with envelopes, please leave your name with the parish office.

There is a link on the front page of the parish website that goes to Diocese of Wollongong showing what Masses are on live.  
[www.stanthonyspicton.org.au](http://www.stanthonyspicton.org.au)

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## LATEST DIRECTIVES FROM BISHOP BRIAN

1 July 2020

- 1) *The total number of people allowed to attend Mass is now replaced by the rules of social distancing—4 square metres of space for each person.  
Tahmoor church has capacity for just over 100 people.*
- 2) *First time Mass goers must have their names and contact phone number recorded with the parish, prior to attending.  
After that please have your named checked off when entering the church, on each occasion, that you attend.*

*You are not required to pre register for weekday Mass.*

*Those who cannot attend Mass, can continue to nurture their faith through watching Mass on line or other prayerful means.*

*+ If you are 65years+ and have underlying health concerns or 70+ years please consider staying at home for your safety*

*+ Mass attendants must prove well and must use sanitizer when entering the Church.*

*+ When leaving please leave your kneeler down, so those areas can be cleaned.*

*+ Offering (Sunday Mass only) is to be placed in boxes provided (mounted on wall) at the entrances, as you enter the Church or after Mass, or ideally given through direct debit.*

*Collection plates will no longer be passed around to avoid spread of germs/viruses.*

*+ No longer holy water in the bowl at the entrance door.*

*+ Please do not touch any statues/paintings/icons*

*+ Not to shake hand at any event.*

*+ Holy Communion given into the hand only and in one line.*

- 3) *Reconciliation/Confession: by appointment with Fr. Peter (his phone: 0406001540.)*
- 4) *Baptism: by appointment either on Saturday or Sunday*
- 5) *You are encouraged to install the COVID-19 App onto your mobile phone.*

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### ELECTRONIC PARISH PLANNED GIVING

Given that some parishioners are unable to attend Mass in our church, many who support our parish planned giving envelope program have asked how they can continue to financially support the parish. So, we respectfully encourage all parishioners to join our electronic parish planned giving program to help

us ensure that we limit the financial pressure this current situation will impose on our parish.

Importantly, we are mindful that some of our parishioners will sadly be experiencing a change in their financial circumstances. Please contact the Parish Office (4683 2230 or [picton@dow.org.au](mailto:picton@dow.org.au)) if you need to decrease/discontinue your planned giving contribution, but mainly to let us know how we can support you.

If you would like to commence giving by direct debit or via credit card, new forms are available for you to complete, they are available in the racks in the foyer of the church, or they can be emailed to you.

### ALTERNATIVE:

2nd collection—(all parish expenses)

Picton Parish

BSB 066-711

Account number: 001783

1st collection— (Priests & their living expenses)

Picton Presbytery

BSB: 066711

Account number: 002196

*If you are giving electronically, please use your name or envelope number as a reference, so the contributions can be allocated to you.*

### PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2020:

We will be starting this year's Reconciliation very soon, at the end of July . We will be doing the program through the Catholic School so people with children in St Anthony's will receive the details from the school but parents with children in State schools should ring Paul on 46818944 to get the details. If you know someone whose children are in a State school please make sure they know about this

**MONITORS:** These are to help people enter the church safely and to ensure social distancing and not to congregate before or after Mass, and other similar things

Each Mass will require 2 monitors—if you would like to assist in this important role—please contact the parish office.

**CLEANERS:** The church, where people have sat, and frequently touched surfaces, need to be cleaner after every Mass, to help ensure the safety of our parishioners—all materials supplied. If you are willing to help in this important role—please contact the parish office.

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