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**Fr Peter Tien**  
Parish Priest



### Parish Bulletin

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A

Sunday 22 January 2023

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

#### FIRST READING: Isaiah 8:23-9.3

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*In the Galilean country, the people have seen a great light.*

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

#### SECOND READING: Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

*I appeal to you, my brothers and sisters, make up the differences between you.*

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom,  
and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

#### GOSPEL: Matthew 4:12-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

*He went to Capernaum, the prophecy of Isaiah be fulfilled.*

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

#### Next week's readings: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zeph 2:3; 3:12-13; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12

#### ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH—TAHMOOR

Saturday Vigil—6.00 pm

Sunday—8.30am

#### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday - 5.00 pm – ADORATION

5.30 pm— Tahmoor

St Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor

Wednesday - 8.30 am — Tahmoor

The Conversion of St Paul, apostle

Thursday - 8.30 am— Tahmoor

Australia Day

Friday—

**NO MASS**

#### Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 5.00 pm—5.30 pm

#### Baptism and Marriage

Please contact the parish office.

**Adoration:** Tuesday 5.00 pm

#### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday 9am—3pm

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### REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Discipleship is not something that we take upon ourselves. We are called to it. Some people are very conscious of this call. They are aware of it in their aspirations and dreams; they recognise it in the events of their lives. They hear the call as clearly as Simon, Andrew, James and John heard the voice of Jesus. For others, the call to discipleship is not so clear. They may experience an undefined restlessness, a dissatisfaction with their lives. People can respond to the call in one of two ways. They can consider the mere suggestion of discipleship an intrusion into their plans, or they can drop what they are doing, leave their former concerns behind and follow Jesus.

There is a misunderstanding about being called and leaving everything behind. Although the gospel says that the four men left their occupation of fishing in order to follow Jesus, this kind of 'leaving behind' was not, and still is not, required of all, for it is in the ordinary events of life that our salvation unfolds. For most people, this is precisely where they are to function as disciples. Still, disciples of Jesus are called to leave behind certain ways of living as they follow him. They are called away from lives of pettiness and division. They are called away from the kind of factionalism that seems to have threatened the unity of the Corinthian community. They are called away from narrow-mindedness and mean-spirited competition. It is much easier to leave nets than to leave the web of one's prejudices.

### PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

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

**ANNIVERSARY:** Ray Lincoln

### RECENTLY DECEASED :

**PRAY FOR THE SICK** Debbie James, Jean Le Roux, Pat McCauley, Marie Darlington, Christine Jupe, Graeme Menser, Ross Spirou, Mauro Mariano, Melony Cox, Joanne McMahon, Daniel Clarke, Margaret Brown, James McNeil, Ian Macnamara, Stephanie Macnamara, Elizabeth Linsell

| <b><u>READERS:</u></b> | <b><u>THIS WEEK</u></b> | <b><u>NEXT WEEK</u></b> |
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| <b><u>VIGIL:</u></b>   | BETH NOLAN              | SANDRA RYAN             |

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| 8.30AM: | TRUDY HANCOCK | PAUL WYATT |
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| <b><u>CLEANERS:</u></b> | THERESE NEILSON<br>CHRIS NEILSON | COLIN DUNN |
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| <b><u>FLOWERS:</u></b> | MONIQUE SMITH &<br>VANESSA BOYD | SUE SPITERI |
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**SACRISTY:** M A R Y G I L B E R T

### MORNING TEA:

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| MARY GILBERT | NICOLE NEWTON &<br>PAULA |
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**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS** The boxes at the back of the church will no longer be used for placing of offerings for 1st and 2nd collections.

The resumption of the two collections will recommence during Mass, as it was prior to COVID.

### THE ROSARY

- Wednesday 5.00 pm

You are invited to join in praying the Rosary in the park in Thirlmere, opposite the shops and beside the tennis courts.

To pray for an end to pandemic and peace in the world.

**ROSARY RECITED:** The Rosary is being said prior to weekday morning Mass at 8am, including Sundays. Everyone is invited to come and prayer for world peace.



**CLEANING ROSTER:** More cleaners are always needed. If you can spare a few hours, once every 4-5 weeks, please contact the parish office

**MORNING TEA ROSTER:** The roster for morning tea, following 8.30am Mass on Sundays requires more people. Please contact Diana Ingrey—4684 1057, or the parish office.

### HAVE YOU CONSIDERED BECOMING A CATECHIST?

Currently the parish has 7 schools, which fall within the parish boundaries, which require 19 catechists— but there are only 11 catechists! Are you able to assist? Have you thought about it? Would you like more information?

Please speak to Fr Peter or contact the parish office, if you would like to share your faith with students in the local state primary schools.

### PLEASE BE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY

### **WORKING BEE TO MAINTAIN ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH AND GROUNDS.**

***ANY AND ALL WELCOME!***

**Saturday 04/02/2023, 8am start**

Morning tea is provided, friendly, casual conversation included free.

#### Work List:

- \* Completion of bollard installation
- \* Window cleaning
- \* Edge trimming
- \* Weeding
- \* Leveling of ruts in grassed areas
- \* Collection of tree litter
- \* Pressure cleaning of brickwork
- \* Mowing
- \* Painting
- \* Shrub pruning

*Other tasks available if time and numbers permit.*

### VISITING NURSING HOMES AND THE HOUSEBOUND

Do you have time to spare, to share with those who are residing in local nursing homes or are housebound.

The parish seeks interest from those who are available to take Holy Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass.

If you are interested, please speak to Fr Peter or contact the parish office.

**DIARY DATE:** First Friday Lunch, 3 February 2023.

**LEVEL 1** Training Course for SRE Catechists in February. Week 1 at each location will cover Child Protection and Classroom Management training, and this half-day part of the course should be completed by Catechists every three years. The Course starts at Micah House Campbelltown on 6 February from 9.30-1.30 pm over five consecutive weeks with morning tea provided. Come and join this great ministry. To register please email [support@ccdwoollongong.com](mailto:support@ccdwoollongong.com)

*This weekend we wish Fr Peter a safe, relaxing holiday, as he travels to Vietnam.*

*Next weekend we welcome Fr George Condookala, he will be looking after the parish, while Fr Peter is away.*

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