



## St Anthony's Parish Picton

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Fr Peter Tien

Parish Priest



SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME —YEAR A

Parish Bulletin

Sunday 23 February 2020

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

### FIRST READING: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

*You must love your neighbour as yourself.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord is kind and merciful.

### SECOND READING: Corinthians 3:16-23

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians  
*All things are yours, but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Whoever keeps the word of Christ,  
grows perfect in the love of God.

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: Matthew 5:38-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew  
*Love your enemies.*

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

Next Weeks Readings:

### First Sunday of Lent —Year A

Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

#### St Anthony's Church - Tahmoor

Saturday Vigil - 6.00 pm

Sunday - 7.30 am & 9.30 am

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday - 5.00 pm—Adoration

5.30 pm—Mass—Tahmoor

Wednesday - 10.00 am—St Anthony's School Hall

7.00 pm—Tahmoor

Thursday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

Friday - 9.30 am—Picton

### Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 5.00 pm—5.40 pm

**Adoration:** Tuesday: 5.00 pm

### St Patricks Church—Menangle

6.00 pm Mass on the First Sunday of the month

### Douglas Park

Sunday 9.00 am Mass

### OFFICE HOURS

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9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.

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## HISTORICAL CONTEXT

### Let him have your cloak as well

This one is a little stranger to our modern cultural norms. In Jesus' time, it was not shameful or embarrassing for a person to be naked but it was shameful for the person who caused them to be naked. By law, if you were unable to repay a debt, the person to whom you owed money could literally take your clothes as payment of the debt. What Jesus says is, if someone demands your tunic as payment of a debt, give them everything you're wearing to shame them for making you naked to collect their debt.

### PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

Pat Channell, Mary Glenn, Tony Portelli, Jacob Garvie,  
*Lord grant them eternal peace & joy and to their families and friends strength and comfort*

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

**GREETERS:** THIS WEEK  
**Vigil:** Sandra Ryan  
**7.30 am** Sandy Porter  
**9.30 am** Ingrey Family

NEXT WEEK  
Sr Julie  
Anne Cordingley  
Allan Cox

**READERS:** THIS WEEK  
**Vigil:** Gail Hanger  
Trish Lindner  
**7.30 am** John Maher  
**9.30 am** Paul Wyatt  
Olga Upton

NEXT WEEK  
Sandra Ryan  
Beth Nolan  
John Butler  
Katrina Boustani  
Ben McCabe

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER

THIS WEEK  
**Vigil:** Michael Chaumont  
Sr Julie  
Sandra Ryan  
**7.30 am** John McGarry  
Don Turvey  
**9.30 am** Adrian Vannan  
Monica McMahon  
Paul Wyatt

NEXT WEEK  
John Ryan  
Beth Nolan  
Gaynor Mason  
Stan Cichocki  
Anne Cordingley  
Adrian Vannan  
Sup Spiteri  
Monica McMahon

### CLEANERS

WEEK COMMENCE: 23.2.20  
COLIN DUNN

WEEK COMMENCE: 1.3.20  
HELEN WILLIS &  
JEAN LE ROUX

### FLOWERS

THIS WEEK 22.2.20  
SUE SPITERI

NEXT WEEK 29.2.20  
NO FLOWERS DURING LENT

### SACRISTY

WEEK COMMENCE: 23.2.20  
Gillian Dobson

WEEK COMMENCE 1.3.20  
Mary Gilbert

**MORNING TEA:** 7.30 am next week: Anne Connell  
9.30 am next week: Sue & Paul Spiteri & Lisa Vidler

**“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth” (Mt 5:5). Meekness can win over hearts, save friendships, and much more, because people get angry then they calm down. They rethink the issue before retracing their steps, and relationships can be rebuilt.” Pope Frances**



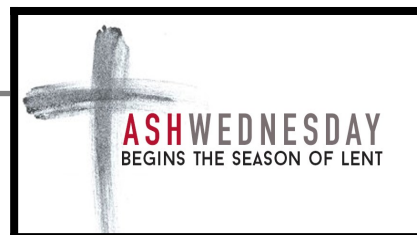
- Wednesday 26 February, **ASH WEDNESDAY**
- Monday 2 March, **St Vincent de Paul Meeting**, 4.30pm in the admin building
- Wednesday 4 March, **Liturgy Meeting**, 4.30pm in the admin building
- Friday 6 March, **Parishioners & Friends Lunch**, 12 noon in the admin building
- Thursdays, **Bingo**, at Tahmoor Inn from 11am

**GRACE LENTEN PROGRAM 2020**—Books and CDs are now available to be paid for and collected, for those that ordered, from the Piety Shop

# ASH WEDNESDAY

26 February 2020

10.00 am Mass at St Anthony's School,  
Hall, Picton  
&  
7.00 pm Mass at Tahmoor



**ARABIC MASS:** Will be held every second Friday, at 6pm, from Friday 6 March, at Tahmoor

### 2021 HIGH SCHOOL

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## LENTEN NOTES

As a symbol of showing solidarity, Bishop Brian collected ashes from regions ravaged by fire, within the Diocese. These ashes will be added to the ashes in our parish. Not only as a powerful symbol of the start of our Lenten journey, but particularly this year, a powerful symbol of our journeying with others in our Diocese, especially those amongst us in the recovery phase.

### **FASTING & ABSTINENCE**

- ◇ All who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are bound to **fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.**
- ◇ All who have completed their 14th year are bound to **abstain from meat** on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- ◇ Pastors, teachers, parents are to ensure that even those who, by reason of their age, are not bound by the law of fasting and abstinence from meat, are taught the true meaning of penance.

**PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2020:** The Parish Sacramental Program has now been finalised. Details are being made available through St Anthony's School, the scripture groups and are also available in the racks in the foyer of the church.

**SENIORS ART WORKSHOP:** "Thank you to Father Peter and the St Anthony's community for opening your doors for CatholicCare to facilitate an Art Workshop in recognition of Seniors Week 2020. It was a lovely morning of creating, painting, and most importantly making new connections. All who attended produced an amazing seascape canvas and commented about how much they enjoyed the experience'

### **MACARTHUR PARISHES LUNCHEON:**

Thankyou to the 70 parishioners who attended this luncheon on Friday 14 February. We had representative from every parish in the Macarthur area. It was great to see new friendships being formed and old friendships being rekindled.

The general question of the day was "when is the next one"? It will be in April. As you are

aware, lots of photos were taken on the day, if you think you were snapped, I have emailed these to the parish secretaries. I look forward to seeing you again and meeting new people in April.

**RELICS PILGRIMAGE** As part of the National Pilgrimage, Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, Rosemeadow, will be hosting the relics of the much loved *St. Therese of Lisieux, the "Little Flower"*, together with the relics of her recently canonised parents, *Ss. Louis and Zelig Martin* in our parish church on **Thursday 19 March from 4.30pm to 9.30pm**. People from all parishes in our region, and indeed anyone, are welcome to come and venerate these holy and unique relics of the only family to be canonised.

The schedule will be as follows:

4.30pm: Solemn Liturgical Reception & Enthronement of Holy Relics in Sanctuary  
Reflection: *A Family Bringing Blessings*  
Silent Veneration  
5.45pm: Reflection: *The Relics of Ss. Louis, Zelig, & Therese Martin* Silent Veneration  
6.30pm: Reflection: *St. Therese of Lisieux*  
Silent Veneration  
7.30pm: Solemn Mass  
8.30pm: Silent Veneration  
9.00pm: Holy Rosary  
9.30pm: Final Prayers & Departure of Holy Relics

## THANK YOU

Thank you: Bishop Brian  
Parish Liturgy Committee  
St Anthony's School  
Parishioners  
Those providing hospitality  
Frank—photographer

For assisting in making the installation of Fr Peter a very memorable and enjoyable occasion. It was great to see everyone come together, Fr Peter appreciated and enjoyed his special event.

**PHOTOS:** Photos of Fr Peter's installation during Mass and afterwards are now available to be seen on the parish web page:  
[www.stanthonypicton.org.au](http://www.stanthonypicton.org.au) (click on gallery and on 2020)

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