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Fr Peter Tien
Parish Priest



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—YEAR B

Parish Bulletin

Sunday 25 April 2021

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

FIRST READING: Acts 4:8-12

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

This is the only name by which we can be saved.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone

SECOND READING: John 3:1-2

A reading from the first letter of St John

We shall see God as he is.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

Next week Readings: **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—Year B**

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 Peter Chanel, priest, martyr

Thursday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor

Friday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

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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The Voice

In the regions where Jesus was an itinerant preacher, three or four flocks could be kept in a communal sheepfold for safety. In the morning, the shepherds would come and, as each called out, the sheep attuned to the sound of his voice would follow to life-giving pasture.

We are surrounded by hundreds of voices clamouring for our attention. We are bombarded by messages, social media incessantly chattering. Jesus invites us to get attuned to *his* voice, listening for the distinctive sound of it so that, even if it is faintly heard in a cacophony, we immediately turn toward it so that we can follow it in a life-giving direction.

How do we get attuned to that voice? By reading the gospels. A Chinese student once told me that the Chinese character for gospel is 'happy sounds'. I like the plural. Jesus' gospel voice is not a monotone but a polyphony sounding in different ways in different situations.

As disciples, we have to get onto the same wavelength as that voice so that we can echo it in our own lives. We become reverberations of Christ's voice in many different situations, helping him to lead others to life-giving pastures.

We could take a moment to pray for better listening so that we might recognise the gospel voice of Jesus Christ, especially at the moment of death. Then we may hear the one voice we need and long for: 'Today you will be with me in paradise.'



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

<u>READERS:</u>	<u>THIS WEEK</u>	<u>NEXT WEEK</u>
VIGIL:	SANDRA RYAN	KATRINA COLLIMORE
7.30AM:	ANNE CORDINGLEY	JOHN BUTLER
9.30AM:	MARGARET FOLDES	JENNIFER FOLDES-HIELMAN

<u>CLEANERS:</u>	JOANNE McELGUNN JUNE PAGET FRANK GRIMA
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FLOWERS: JOANNE McELGUNN MURIELLE AZZI

SACRISTY: MARY GILBERT GILLIAN DOBSON

SPECIAL MINISTERS will not be rostered on during the pandemic

ACOLYTES are most welcome to serve on the altar

VINNIES FLOOD APPEAL - Vinnies conference members thank everyone very much for their generosity at the Easter Masses. This Parish raised \$1,105 for those NSW families and businesses that are still clearing up after the floods five weeks ago.

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.

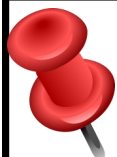


BINGO IS BACK!

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

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

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



FIRST FRIDAY LUNCH

7 MAY 2021, MIDDAY.

If you enjoy a lunch with friends with lots to talk about, please come along with your own lunch from midday, perhaps bring a friend with you on the day.

YOUNG ADULTS EVENING Come join with Young Adults in a night about prayer and knowing our creator with a talk from Chris and a focus on Scriptural Prayer. Tuesday 27 April at 7:30pm in the Joachim Hall (the old church), Demetrius Road, Rosemeadow. Please note entry is limited to the young adults, 18 - 35 years, only. Coffee/tea and biscuits will be provided. All are warmly invited to attend 6:30 pm Mass before the talk. QR code registration will be required for Mass and the Hall. Any questions please contact Ryan Suares on 0412939705.

THE JOURNEY' – 18 April 2021 – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast On the Journey this week: Fr Slawek Plonka OMI says we are the hands & feet of Jesus, it is our life of love & joy that is the resurrection. Mother Hilda says a presence friendly life is like a magnet, attracting people around us. And in our Faith Testimony, Robyn Bailey tells how a faith encounter six years ago changed her life. The Journey podcast: jcr.org.au

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT Jesus Christ is the Son of God made man in whom and thanks to whom the world and man attain their authentic and full truth. The more that human realities are seen in the light of God's plan and lived in communion with God, the more they are empowered and liberated in their distinctive identity and in the freedom that is proper to them. – Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church - Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace

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 Patron 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 still 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.*

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