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Fr Peter Tien
Parish Priest



FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT — YEAR C

Parish Bulletin

Sunday 27 March 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

FIRST READING: Joshua 5:9-12

A reading from the book of Joshua

The people of God went to the promised land and there kept the Passover.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord

SECOND READING: Corinthians 5:17-21

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

God reconciled us to himself through Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

I will rise and go to my father and tell him:

Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Your brother here was dead and has come to life.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.

Next week's readings: Fifth Sunday of Lent — Year C

Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11

St Anthony's Church—Tahmoor

Saturday Vigil—6.00 pm

Sunday—8.30am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday - NO ADORATION

NO MASS

Wednesday - NO MASS

5.00 pm—Stations of the Cross

Outside at Tahmoor

Thursday - NO MASS

Friday— NO MASS

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 5.00 pm—5.30 pm

Adoration: NOT ON THIS WEEK

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday

9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.

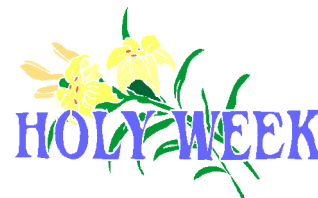
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HOLY WEEK / EASTE TIMES:



Parish 2nd Rite of Reconciliation: Thursday 7 April at 5.00pm

Palm Sunday: 9/10 April—Vigil at 6.00pm and Sunday at 8.30am

Holy Thursday: 14 April—Mass of the Lord's Supper at 6.00pm

Good Friday: 15 April—Outdoor Stations of the Cross at 10.00 am
- The Lord's Passion at 3.00pm

Holy Saturday: 16 April—Easter Vigil at 6.00pm

Easter Sunday: 17 April—Mass at 8.30am

******Please note, Mass time for the Vigil will not change to 5.00pm, until Saturday 23 April to avoid confusion over Holy Week/Easter ******

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

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

ANNIVERSARY: Paul Wise, Sandra Wise

RECENTLY DECEASED :

PRAY FOR THE SICK 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

<u>READERS:</u>	<u>THIS WEEK</u>	<u>NEXT WEEK</u>
<u>VIGIL:</u>	SANDRA RYAN	SOPHIA DE ZILVA
<u>8.30AM:</u>	TRUDY HANCOCK	PAUL WYATT
<u>CLEANERS:</u>	COLIN DUNN	HELEN WILLIS & JEAN LE ROUX
<u>FLOWERS:</u>	NO FLOWERS DURING LENT	
<u>SACRISTY:</u>	MARY GILBERT	GILLIAN DOBSON

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

*****The parish website has been updated with the new Mass times, for easy reference. *****

FR PETER'S SURGERY— will take place on Thursday 24 March, please keep Fr Peter in your prayers for a speedy recovery. In his absence Fr John Ho will be saying Masses on 26/27 March and 2/3 April. Please make Fr John feel welcomed.

THE ROSARY

- Wednesday 6.00 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.

MASS ON T.V.

All Masses in the area have been resumed. If you are unwell, Sunday Mass can be watched on Channel 10 at 6am

FIRST FRIDAY LUNCH IS BACK YET AGAIN, and we are starting on **Friday 1st April in the Parish Centre at Midday.**

We know it is a Friday in Lent, so we are suggesting we each bring our own lunch with us, but please come and enjoy the good company of your fellow parishioners – there must be lots to talk about after 2 years of COVID and then the rain as well as all the good things.

LIVE LOCAL MACARTHUR CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY WOLLONGONG (CYMW) is excited to announce that LIVE Local is returning to Macarthur! Starting on the 20th of March LIVE Local will run now every Sunday night in the school term from 6:15pm - 8:15pm, at St John the Evangelist Parish Campbelltown. This youth group is open to young people aged 13 -17 who want to make new friends and grow in their faith. Come along for snacks, games, formation, prayer and music. For more information, please contact our Deanery Youth Group Coordinator Luke Vail at luke.vail@dow.org.au For more details on youth groups, visit <https://www.dow.org.au/cymw/>

BISHOP BRIAN'S FLOOD RELIEF APPEAL

My prayers and thoughts are with you all as this flood disaster continues. During this week, we have had towns in our diocese cut off; a number of our schools closed, non-operational or on alert; church buildings and agency offices affected by flooding and heavy rain; and clergy, staff, families, students and friends from our extended community experiencing another trauma. *In a heartfelt [video](#) message to his flock, Greg Homeming OCD, Bishop of Lismore, said it had been "a very tragic few days". To those who had "lost everything" in these floods, Bishop Greg said that everyone across the diocese was suffering with them. "This has all happened at a time when we were hoping that 2022 would be a year of hope, a good year," he said.* As a diocese, I would like to provide practical support for the people of Lismore. I also want to provide pastoral and practical support for the people in our own diocese who have been and will continue to be impacted by these floods. I am inviting you to donate to my **Flood Relief Appeal** <https://www.dow.org.au/giving/> an appeal I hope, with your support, will help me generously meet this goal. +BM

BINGO IS BACK

Held weekly, on Thursdays
11 am, Tahmoor Inn
Everyone is welcome

AMORIS LAETITIA (THE JOY OF LOVE) Pope Francis' post-synodal apostolic exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia* ("The Joy of Love") on love in the family was published after the conclusion of a two-year synod process discussing both the beauty and challenges of family life today. The 2015 Synod's theme was the vocation and mission of the family in the Church and the modern world. Fr Bernard Gordon and James Arblaster will be presenting a nine-week course on *Amoris Laetitia* commencing Wednesday 27 April 2022, 7pm at St Francis Xavier Cathedral in the Monsignor Rigney Meeting Room. To follow the talk, please purchase a copy of *Amoris Laetitia* from St Pauls Publications or from the parish office. To register please contact Lumen Christi Parish Office on 4211 0500 or go to: www.lumenchristi.org.au/AmorisLaetitia

COMMUNITY VISITORS NEEDED: Catholic Care is seeking new volunteers to provide friendly visits to isolated older people living in Thirlmere, Picton and Tahmoor. If you are able to give 1 hour a fortnight to provide a friendly visit to someone experiencing loneliness, please contact our CVS Coordinator – Rebecca Miller m.0448 930 287 email: rebeccam@catholiccare.dow.org.au

YEAR OF AMORIS LAETITIA FAMILY, 19 March 2021 – 26 June 2022 Pope Francis is encouraging the Church to enrich your understanding of the vocation marriage and the core role of family in the mission of the Church at www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia.html On 25 July the first celebration of World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be held near the liturgical memory of Saints Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus.

LIGHT TO THE NATIONS (LTTN) EASTER YOUTH PILGRIMAGE LTTN is a bi-annual Easter Youth Pilgrimage for young people (16+) and the young at heart. From Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday young people camp under the open skies and join in celebrating the Easter liturgies, led by the Missionaries of God's love. Young people encounter Jesus vibrantly, through prayer, worship, drama, music, and personal sharing. LTTN 2022 will be held at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre in Varroville. In the year of *Amoris Laetitia*, families are especially encouraged to consider joining with hundreds of others for this amazing experience. DoW Youth Ministry team members will eagerly be looking to connect with young people from around the Diocese. For more information, and registration details, or simply for a day booking head to <https://ltn.dojcommunity.com/>

ST ANTHONY'S KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2023 are now open. If you have a child or know a family with a child starting school in 2023 please collect an enrolment form, from the school office. Enrolments close on Friday 1 April.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT Unique and unrepeatable in individuality, every person is a being who is open to relationships with others in society. – Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church - Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace

HARVEST JOURNEYS: South Coast & Country: A Journey with Bishop Peter Ingham—12 day Catholic Roadtrip departing 23 April 2022. Brochures available in the foyer

LATEST COVID DIRECTIVES **From the Diocese 24/2/22**

- *Social Distancing is no longer required.*
 - *Checking in is no longer required.*
 - *Masks are no longer mandatory*
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- *If unable to attend Mass, it can be viewed on TV or online, or by 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 on Saturdays between 5pm – 5.30pm*
 - *Baptisms by appointment only, either on Saturday or Sunday*
 - *You are encouraged to have the COVID Vaccination and booster*



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