



St Anthony's Parish Picton

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Fr Peter Tien
Parish Priest



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT —YEAR B

Parish Bulletin

Sunday 28 February 2021

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

FIRST READING: Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

A reading from the book of Genesis

The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living

SECOND READING: Romans 8:31-34

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

God did not spare his own Son.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard:

this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL: Mark 9:2-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

This is my Son, the beloved; listen to him.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

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—Tahmoor

Wednesday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

Thursday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

Friday - 8.30 am—Tahmoor

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 5.00—5.30pm

Please wear a face mask

Adoration: Tuesday: 5pm

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday

9.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.

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REFLECTION

Have you ever experienced a place or situation that was breathtaking, incredible, glorious and awesome? something that filled you with joy and life and zeal? What was it like? Where was it? What made it so special? Were you alone or with others? Were you able to explain it to someone who was not there? Why or why not?

Why do you think Jesus wanted Peter, James and John to experience him as a glistening, dazzling, transfigured vision? How do you think that affected their faith? How would it have affected your faith? How does it affect your faith just reading about it?

Peter did not want to leave that mountaintop experience. He wanted to build some booths and just 'camp out' there for a while. Why was it better for Jesus and Peter and the others to come down from the mountain? Why is it important for us to enjoy and remember our 'peak' experiences, but leave them behind and come back to our everyday life?

NEXT WEEK: Third Sunday of Lent —Year B
Ex 20:1-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25



YEAR of SAINT JOSEPH

"Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life"

DECEMBER 8, 2020 - DECEMBER 8, 2021

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

PRAY FOR THE SICK Marie Darlington, Christine Jupe, Janelle Clifton, 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

READERS: THIS WEEK

VIGIL: BETH NOLAN
7.30AM: ANNE CORDINGLEY
9.30AM: JEFF BROWN

NEXT WEEK

GAIL HANGER
DON TURVEY
TRUDY HANCOCK

CLEANERS: JO MCELGUNN
JUNE PAGET
FRANK GRIMA

PAULINE BUTTIGIEG
MARYANNE BUTTIGIEG

FLOWERS: NO FLOWERS DURING LENT

SACRISTY: MARY GILBERT GILLIAN DOBSON

SPECIAL MINISTERS will not be rostered on during the pandemic

ACOLYTES are most welcome to serve on the altar



PROJECT COMPASSION: Virtual Immersion

Each week during this Lenten season, Caritas Australia is holding Virtual Immersion opportunities for parishes via Zoom video conferencing. These digital engagements will allow participants to focus on prayer and reflection, Catholic Social Teaching and an interview and Q&A with Caritas International Program staff.

Sessions will run Tuesdays and Thursdays for one hour across Australia. You can register here for the [Virtual Immersion Schedule](#)

Project Compassion boxes and envelopes are available from the back of the church.

DIocese of WOLLONGONG MASS ONLINE For all of the online Mass options- please visit the DOW website <https://dow.sh/dailymass>

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Will be held in the church at 6pm, weekly, from Wednesday 3 March until Wednesday 24 March



STATIONS of the CROSS



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:

FRIDAY 5 MARCH

AT 11AM

ST STEPHEN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, THIRLMERE

BYO sandwich tea and coffee provided

FIRST FRIDAY LUNCH—will be held on 12 March at 12 noon.

The change is for March only due to World Day of Prayer coinciding with the first Friday



ST ANTHONY'S SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2022

Kindergarten enrolments for 2022 are now open. If you have a child or know a family with a child starting school in 2022 please collect an enrolment form from the school office. Enrolments close on Friday 26 March.

MAGDALENE CATHOLIC COLLEGE Open Afternoon. Monday 1 March 2021 College Tours 3.45-4.45pm, 5.15-6.15pm, 6.45-7.45pm.

Pre-registration on website is essential

ST BENEDICTS CATHOLIC COLLEGE:

Enrolment Showcase Evening Wednesday 3 March, 5.00-7.00 Pre-registration on website is essential

DIOCESE OF WOLLONGONG SET TO PRODUCE NETWORK TEN'S MASS FOR YOU AT HOME The Diocese of Wollongong is set to become the new producer of *Mass for You at Home*, beaming Mass into people's living rooms across the country each week from Easter Sunday, 2021.

Mass has been broadcast on free-to-air television for decades, providing spiritual nourishment for people who are not able to attend Mass in person for a range of reasons. With COVID-19 restrictions dramatically increasing the number of people in this situation, the need for virtually accessible worship services has never been greater.

Bishop of Wollongong, Most Rev Brian Mascord DD said the diocese was very excited to be entrusted with producing Mass for people who are homebound, without internet, or in prison, aged care facilities and hospitals, as well as those flicking through the channels on a Sunday morning.

CALLING ALL BUSINESS PEOPLE Catholic Business Connections (CBC) is an opportunity for business women and men in our diocese (active and retired) who share common values, to network and engage with each other and leaders representing the diocese. CBC gathers four times a year for lunch and to listen to guest speakers chosen to inspire with their unique story and share how they relate their work and spiritual life experience to the context of living in a modern world. The first luncheon for 2021 will be held on Thursday 25 March at Rydges Hotel, Campbelltown (11.45am-2pm). Guest Speaker Rosemary Kariuki Australian of the Year 2021 - Local Hero Rosemary's warmth, courage and kindness inspire all who meet her. Her work was the subject of the documentary 'Rosemary's Way'. Rosemary resides in the Macarthur region and is a parishioner of St Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish at Oran Park. For more information on Rosemary and CBC visit www.cbc.dow.org.au or contact Debbie Gates, Diocesan Director of Development and Community Engagement (02) 4222 2446. RSVP for March luncheon is Thursday 18 March.

'THE JOURNEY' – 28 February 2021 – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast – get it at jcr.org.au The Journey This Week – We dive into the Lenten Season with some great inputs and short reflections. There is brilliant Lenten music to soak up too all aiming to help you focus on making the Lenten season a grace filled time of transformation. The Journey available as a podcast at jcr.org.au

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

ELECTRONIC PARISH PLANNED GIVING

Given that some parishioners are unable to attend Mass in our church, 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.

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

LATEST DIRECTIVES FROM BISHOP BRIAN

- 1) *The total number of people allowed to attend Mass is now replaced by the rules of social distancing—2 square metres of space for each person. Maximum allowed is 200*
- 2) *First time Mass goers must have their names and contact phone number recorded with the parish, prior to attending, or register on arrival 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

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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