

## Today's Readings

Isaiah 55:6-9  
Psalm 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18  
Philippians 1:20-24, 27  
Matthew 20:1-16

## Response:

The Lord is near to all who call him.

## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Open our hearts, O Lord,  
to listen to the words of your Son.  
Alleluia!

## Next Sunday's Readings

### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:6-9  
Psalm 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18  
Philippians 1:20-24, 27  
Matthew 20:1-16

## This week's feasts

Tue 26 Sep – Ss Cosmas and Damian  
Wed 27 Sep – St Vincent de Paul  
Thu 28 Sep – St Wenceslaus  
Thu 28 Sep – St Lawrence Ruiz and companions  
Fri 29 Sep – Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael  
Sat 30 Sep – St Jerome

## Prayer for Creation

The Season of Creation, 1 Sept to 4 Oct, was launched by the Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople in 1989 and has been joined by other Christian churches.

Pope Francis calls us all to celebrate this to "reaffirm our personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation, as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."

You are invited to an ecumenical prayer gathering during the Season of Creation. 4 pm, Friday 29 Sep, Josephite Mission and History Centre, 67 Clare St, New Town.

For further information or to register please contact Vivienne on 0408 273 994 or vluke@tassie.net.au.

RSVP 25 September. All welcome.

**"To Know the Shepherd"** – Directed Retreat and Individual Days of Reflection, Maryknoll Retreat Centre. Our annual directed retreat will be held from 28 Oct to 4 Nov. You are welcome to come and stay for the entire time or for individual days, as each day will stand alone with its content.

For more information please contact Sr Margaret Henderson RSM on 0418 366 923 or mm.henderson@bigpond.com

**The Jewish and Christian Liturgical Calendar** for the years 2017-18 | 5778-79 is available in both A4 and US format. The annual calendar is free of charge for your personal and non-commercial use. Download from this address:  
<http://www.etz-hayim.com/calendars/index.php>



# The Parish Newsletter

Catholic Parish of Sandy Bay and Tarooma

Sunday 24 September 2017

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

## From Fr Brian Nichols

As was announced at all Masses last week, we now have an assistant priest in the parish, Fr Anthony Onyirioha, originally from Enugu in south-east Nigeria. Fr Anthony was ordained for the Archdiocese of Hobart in St Mary's Cathedral on December 4<sup>th</sup> 2015. Prior to his appointment to Sandy Bay/Tarooma parish Fr Anthony was stationed at the Church of the Apostles in Launceston. I know that the people of our parish will make Fr Anthony most welcome as many did last weekend.

It was also announced last week that Fr Michael Tate has been appointed parish priest of South Hobart as Fr Samuel Fancsali is returning to his home country of Romania. In addition to being the assistant priest at Sandy Bay/Tarooma, Fr Anthony will take on some of the duties associated with the South Hobart

parish including the chaplaincy of Calvary St John's hospital. A financial arrangement is currently being worked out between the Archdiocese and the parishes of South Hobart and Sandy Bay / Tarooma. I will inform the parish once those arrangements are finalised.

Plans for the new Baptismal font are well under way and we soon hope to have the architect Harry Stephens present the design to the parish community. Harry has also been looking at the problem of the carpet at the entrance to the church and in the main aisle and proposes that the carpet be replaced with tiles. Obviously it will make sense to carry out any such improvements at the same time as the font is installed which will hopefully be before Christmas.

Holy Spirit Church  
275 Sandy Bay Rd, Sandy Bay  
St Pius X Church  
100 Channel Hwy, Tarooma  
St Canice Church  
St Canice Ave, Sandy Bay  
Website: [sbtccathparish.org.au](http://sbtccathparish.org.au)

Parish Priest: Fr Brian Nichols  
Presbytery: 275 Sandy Bay Road, phone 6224 3797  
Parish Office: Parish Centre, 271 Sandy Bay Rd  
Secretary: Claire Manthorpe  
Office Hours: Mon-Fri 9.00 am to 1.00 pm  
Phone 6224 1423. Email [cposb@bigpond.net.au](mailto:cposb@bigpond.net.au)  
Postal Address: PO Box 37, Sandy Bay, 7006  
Director of Music: Clair Stanelos, 0412 212 468

## Anniversaries



Please pray for the repose of the souls of Grace Brennan, Eve Smith, Fedora Golombioski, Jane Theresa King, Anthony Try, Kevin Michael Thomson, Ugo Carnevale, Andrew Stanger, Mary Cleaves, Maria Hunter, Sheila Geraldine Creedon, Phillip James Maul, Jeanne Conesa, Hector Wright, Ernest Trinder, Joyce Tagg, Elizabeth Jean Murrell, John Jago, Marguerite Marie Walker and John Joseph Downey

### Weekday Masses

This week there will be a 9 am Mass at Holy Spirit on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. 10.30 am

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10.30 am on Monday for Steve Smyth. Steve and his wife Eris have been long-term parishioners here and we extend our prayerful sympathy to Eris and the family.

### Social Justice Sunday, 24 September

This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: "Everyone's Business: Developing an Inclusive and Sustainable Economy". The Statement calls for an economy that is founded on justice and offers dignity and inclusion to every person.

There are copies of the Statement in the foyer for you to take, as well as leaflets which summarise some practical steps we can all take, and some prayer cards. For further details, visit the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or call (02) 8306 3499

### New Planned Giving Envelopes

The current packs of envelopes run out at the end of September, so the new ones are available for you to start using in October. If you can't find your pack, or would like to commence using this method of giving, please contact the parish office. We will be happy to supply you with a set of envelopes, or help you set up a direct debit arrangement if you prefer that method.

### Thank You

The Knights of the Southern Cross are pleased to advise that \$12,000 was raised at the recent Seminarians' Support Dinner. They extend their thanks to parishioners who attended or who made donations. A number of very generous, anonymous donations were also gratefully received.

### Old Virgilians

The next OVA luncheon will be held at the Austins Ferry campus commencing at 12.30pm on Tue, 26 Sep. A two course meal with drinks provided (\$30). Please notify attendance to SVC office 6249 6555 or email: [adminsvc@stvirgils.tas.edu.au](mailto:adminsvc@stvirgils.tas.edu.au)

### Looking to rent

Couple looking to rent house/unit/apartment, 1 or 2 bedroom, Sandy Bay/Hobart/Battery Point area. Budget max \$300 per week. Can start early November. Phone Ronald on 0470 771 207.

### Parish Planned Giving

Every three years in September the Parish of Sandy Bay/Taroona reminds parishioners of the church's planned giving arrangements. Parishioners already part of the planned giving program are asked to renew their commitment through weekly envelopes or by way of direct debit. Parishioners who are not part of the parish planned giving are asked to consider being part of the program.

Without planned giving, the parish would not be able to meet necessary day to day running costs. The costs of the parish, like most households, increase year by year. In recent years, a number of people have signed up for the program and we are very grateful for their contributions. However, their numbers are exceeded by the parishioners who have died or moved away and who had been making very generous offerings.

**The Verbum Domini Biblical & Catechetical Institute's** next module of the Sacraments course will be the biblical foundations of Penance (Reconciliation) and Anointing of the Sick. Tues 10 and 17 Oct (Parts I and II), 6.30-9pm. Murphy Room, Diocesan Centre, 35 Tower Rd, New Town. No cost. Register: [christine.wood@aohtas.org.au](mailto:christine.wood@aohtas.org.au) or 6208 6236. Come even if you missed the previous modules. TCEO teachers received professional learning credits for attendance. All welcome and bring your bibles.

### Solemnity of St Teresa of Jesus

A Sung Mass will be celebrated in honour of St Teresa of Jesus (Avila), the foundress of the Discalced Carmelite Order, at the Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge St, Launceston on Sun 15 Oct at 9.30am. Archbishop Julian will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Morning tea will follow. All welcome. A Novena of Masses and Prayers will also be offered in preparation for the feast from 6-14 October. Intentions may be sent to Mother Teresa-Benedicta at the Monastery.

### Mass Times

**Holy Spirit, Sandy Bay**  
Saturday: Vigil 6.00 pm  
Sunday: 10.00 am & 5.15 pm

**St Pius X, Taroona**  
Sunday: 8.30 am

**St Canice**  
Monday to Saturday: 8.00 am

**Mary's Grange**  
Friday 11.00 am

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**  
Friday: 5.00 to 6.00 pm  
Rosary and Prayers:  
Monday: 10.30 to 11.00 am

**Sacrament of Forgiveness**  
Saturday 5.30 pm  
or by arrangement  
(Ph 6224 3797)

or is available at:  
**St Joseph's (city)**  
Weekdays 12.30 to 1.00 pm  
Friday 5.00 to 5.30 pm  
Saturday 4.00 to 4.30 and  
6.00 to 6.30 pm

**Baptisms**  
By arrangement and with preparation.

**Marriages**  
Six months' notice and with preparation

**Low gluten hosts**  
We have some hosts with a gluten content of less than five parts per million. If you are gluten-intolerant please speak to the priest before Mass so he can consecrate these together with the usual hosts.



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Vacancies exist in Year 7, 2018