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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 3RD AUGUST 2025

Finding True Treasure

What really makes a life worth living?

The book of **Ecclesiastes** is a good place to start. The author talks about how pointless it can feel to spend your whole life working hard to get rich, only to leave it all behind for someone else to enjoy, how empty a life focused only on things can be. All the stuff we work for, all our plans—they can seem meaningless when we get to the end of our life.

This ancient wisdom is perfectly illustrated in the story Jesus tells about the **rich fool** from the Gospel of Luke. A man asks Jesus to help with a family inheritance problem, but Jesus uses it as a chance to talk about something much more important. He tells a story about a man who has such a great harvest that he doesn't have room for it all. His first thought isn't to be grateful or to share; it's to build bigger barns. He says to himself, "I'll have so many good things stored up for years, I can just rest, eat, drink, and be merry!" The tragedy of the rich fool isn't that he was wealthy, but that he put his entire worth and identity in his possessions. He planned for a long future, but his life was taken from him that very night. He was rich in worldly goods but had nothing that mattered to God. Jesus ends with this powerful truth: "This is how it will be for anyone who stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

So, what does it mean to be rich in what matters to God? The Apostle **Paul**, in his letter to the Colossians, gives us the answer. He tells us to look for "things that are above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God." This doesn't mean we should ignore our daily duties. Instead, it's about changing our perspective. It means letting go of our old selves —the parts of us that are driven by greed and anger— and becoming a new person in Christ, created in God's image. Our possessions are not our goal in life but become tools to live out our faith and help others.

A perfect example of this is **St. Francis of Assisi**. Born to a wealthy merchant, he enjoyed a life of luxury and sought fame and glory. However, after a period of illness and a deep conversion, he heard a message from Christ to "rebuild my church." Taking this literally, he sold his father's goods to restore a dilapidated chapel. This act led to a dramatic break with his father, during which Francis publicly renounced his inheritance and all his worldly possessions. He embraced a life of total poverty and service. His example shows us what it means to be truly rich in what matters to God, using all of his energy and passion not for earthly gain, but for serving Christ and His people.



MASS TIMES

St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart

7.30am: Tuesday - Friday
5.00pm: Saturday
10.30am: Sunday
6.00pm: Sunday

Sacred Heart Church New Town

9.15am: Tuesday - Thursday
8.00am: Saturday
8.30am: Sunday

Lawrenny Court

(131 Hill St West Hobart)
10.30am: Friday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart
4.00pm - 4.30pm: Saturday

NOVENA TO OUR LADY AND ROSARY

Sacred Heart Church, New Town
After 9.15am Mass: Wednesday
7.30am: Saturday

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St Mary's Cathedral Crypt, Hobart
6.00pm - Midnight: Friday

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN
BECOMING CATHOLIC (RCIA)**
Please contact the Parish office

SACRAMENTS & DEVOTIONS

ENQUIRIES FOR BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGE
PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE



Pope Francis has declared 2025 a Jubilee Year for our Church, themed "**Pilgrims of Hope**", a year of hope for a world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the climate crisis. As Pope Francis states "the forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire; that is why I have chosen as the motto of the Jubilee, Pilgrims of Hope."

WHAT'S NEW?

IN THE PARISH

Notice for the Installation Archbishop Anthony Ireland

Please note that on the 12th August for the Installation of the Archbishop, the St Mary's Cathedral Carpark will be unavailable on that day for parking. People will be able to drop off and pick up, but will not be able to park in the car park space. As there is a chance there may not be enough room in the Cathedral for everyone who attends the Installation, St Peter's hall will be used as an overflow space, there will be a big screen setup for Mass to be viewed and communion will be brought over during the Mass.

Working Bee

On August 10th, we will wish Archbishop Porteous a blessing of thanks, with a morning tea and sausage sizzle after Mass. From 1:30pm onwards we will be hosting a working bee to help give the Cathedral a clean before the Installation. If you are able to help please let Fr Steven or Deacon Michael know. Many hands make light work, as such if there are enough of us, we should not take too long. Any help is very much appreciated.

THIS WEEK

Thu August 7 Piety Shop 10am-2pm, Cathedral Foyer.

Fri August 8 Adoration 6pm– 12 am, Cathedral Crypt .

Sat August 9 Evangelium Conference 10am –4pm, St Aloysius Senior Campus Huntingfield.

Sat August 9 –18 The Man of the Shroud 4pm-6:30pm, Guildford Young College, Hobart College Chapel.

Sun August 10 Thanksgiving Mass & Morning Tea Invitation for the Archbishop after 10:30 am Mass at Parish Centre- please bring something to share

Sat August 9 & Sun August 10 Piety shop is open after every weekend Mass .

COMING UP

August 11 Evening Prayer Service 5:30pm, Cathedral.

August 12 Installation of the Twelfth Bishop of Hobart / Eleventh Archbishop of Hobart 11 am St Mary's Cathedral Followed by a reception at 1.00pm at the Best Western Hotel.

August 19 Chatter that Matters 7 pm, 1st Floor Parish Centre. We invite you to hear "Fr Graeme Howard" talk starting at 7pm and finishing by 8:30pm. Drinks and bites to eat available.

August 21 The Man of the Shroud 4pm-6:30pm, St Aloysius Middle Campus, Huntingfield College Chapel Kingston.

Golden Jubilee

All are invited to join Fr Mike Delaney as he celebrates his 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination with Masses on :August 20, 2025 - Wednesday ,Mass will be celebrated at 7pm, Christ the Priest Church, Kingston followed by supper-August 22, 2025 - Friday A concelebrated Mass for Fr Mike Delaney and Fr John Murphy SDB at 11am, Christ the Priest, Kingston.

The Angelus Prayer



V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, The Lord is with Thee; Blessed art thou among women, And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us sinners, Now and at the hour of our death. Amen

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done to me according to your word. **Hail Mary. . .**

V. And the Word was made flesh.

R. And dwelt among us. **Hail Mary. . .**

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord

Amen.

Adieu –Archbishop Julian

Dear Parishioners,

Let us join for a morning tea in honour of the Archbishop at St Mary's Cathedral, following the 10:30 AM Mass on the 10th of August at the Parish Centre.

Kindly bring a plate to share.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Cathedral Parish Sacramental Program 2025



The Cathedral Parish Sacramental Program has commenced formation for candidates from the Cathedral parish and public schools. The candidates will receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 31st August at St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart. As the catechist, parents and the sacramental team journey with candidates, may you please keep them in your prayers.

"Chatter That Matters"

Coming Tuesday, 19th August

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

First Floor, Cathedral Centre

Fr Graeme Howard

A remarkable priest from Tasmania's West Coast, Fr Graeme has lived a rich and full life in service to the Church. His stories and insights promise to be both moving and memorable.

This is a talk you won't want to miss!

See you there!

From Our Anniversary Book: Alexander Imlach, Angela Whittaker, Matija Franor, Celia O'Connor, Minnie Connolly, Vel Griffith, Achille and Terese Genovesi, Antonio Luigi and Franco Sorgi, Alice Conlan, Thomas Goodsell, Anastasia Nolan, Bruce Pauly, Maria Dabrowski, Giovanni Mangione, Maryanne Butterworth, Horrie Miller, Jean Shelverton, Patrick Scanlon, Marianna Palermo, Mary Wilkinson, Laura Thomas, Madge Butterworth, Harold Frankcombe, Hillary O'Neill, Neil Campbell, Auriel Felcia Mahony, Giovina Fantini, Janice Dooley, Glen Broadribb and Sr Canice Fleming(PBVM)

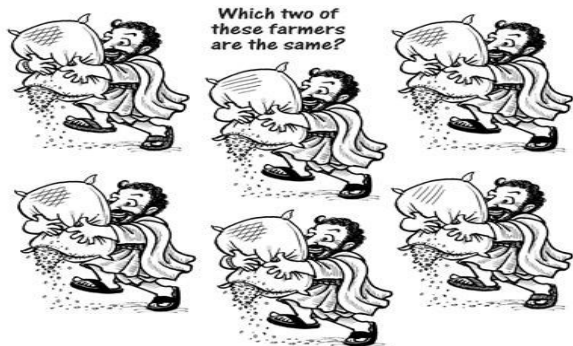
May they rest in peace!



WHAT'S
NEW?

IN THE DIOCESE

Children's Corner:



Instead of wealth and riches, what are the important things in our lives that are worth storing up?



Installation of Twelfth Bishop of Hobart /

Eleventh Archbishop of Hobart

The Most Reverend Julian Porteous DD
Apostolic Administrator
Archdiocese of Hobart
Is delighted to invite you to the
Installation of

The Most Reverend Anthony John Ireland DD BTheol STL
MA STD as Twelfth Bishop of Hobart /Eleventh Archbishop
of Hobart

To be held at St Mary's Cathedral
180 Harrington St, Hobart at 11.00am on Tuesday 12 August
2025- Followed by a reception at 1.00pm at the Best Western
Hotel, 156 Bathurst St, Hobart.

Please register your attendance by
email: archbishopinstallation@aohtas.org.au



Mary MacKillop Josephite Centre Event

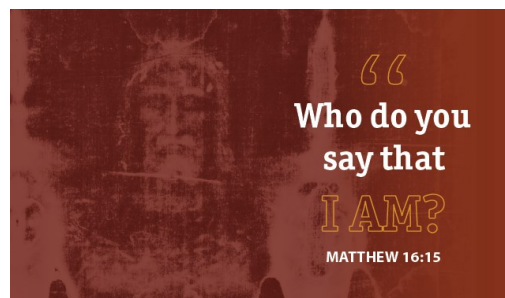
1: Lectio Divina with Dr Drasko Dizdar, **Saturday, 9th August 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM** Cost: \$20 (includes morning tea) *Mary MacKillop Spirituality Centre*

Join Dr Drasko Dizdar as he continues his enriching sessions on **Lectio Divina**, a reflective and prayerful reading of Scripture.
book online: <https://mmsm.org.au> Call: (03) 6228 1628
Email: admin.JMHC@sosjspirit.org.au

2: Lucan Parables with Fr Chris Hope **Four Mondays in October – 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM** Cost: \$20 per session (includes morning tea) *Mary MacKillop Spirituality Centre*
Explore the **Lucan Parables** and their message for the Church both past and present with Fr Chris Hope in this insightful four-part series.
book online: <https://mmsm.org.au> Call: (03) 6228 1628
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The Man of The Shroud

Shroud of Turin, copies of first century artefacts and the latest scientific evidence on this world-renowned linen cloth. Could this be the burial cloth of Jesus Christ and the evidence of the Resurrection? Free entry.



5 – 6 August	St Patrick's College, Prospect	College Chapel	4pm – 6.30pm
9 – 18 August	Guildford Young College, Hobart	College Chapel	4pm – 6.30pm
21 August	St Aloysius Middle Campus, Huntingfield	College Chapel	4pm – 6.30pm

Evangelium Conference



Evangelium Conference
Saturday, 9 August 2025 | 10 am - 4 pm
St Aloysius Senior Campus
50 Huntingfield Avenue, Huntingfield

Keynote speaker - Jonathan Doyle
International Catholic Speaker

Music by Stephen Kirk

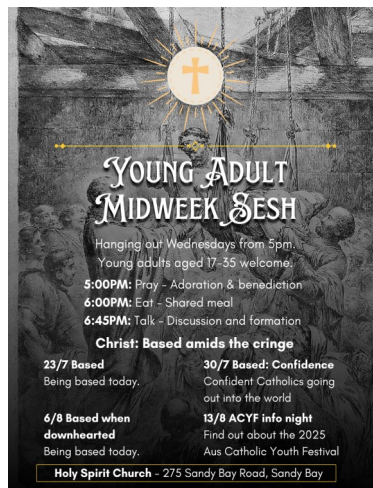
To purchase tickets, scan the QR Code or visit:
<https://events.humanitix.com/evangelium-conference-2025>
\$35 early bird registration fee including lunch
Early bird prices end 26 July




BIG PUB NIGHT
Join us for the monthly Big Pub Night, an evening of pub fellowship hosted by Catholic Young Adults including a talk, panel discussion, and Q & A on matters faith and culture. All welcome.
6:00PM: Order, meet and eat
7:00PM: Talk and discussion
8:00PM: Conclusion

First Thursday of each month
7/8: Fr. Stephen Smith
Evangelising the Culture - the seeds of the gospel in pop culture.
4/9: Daniel de la Motte
The Deep Dive - coming home to the Church as a protestant.
2/10: Shroud Exhibitionist
Faith and Science - Journeying with the Shroud of Turin through Tasmania.

The Upper Room, Crescent Hotel,
100 Burnett St, North Hobart



YOUNG ADULT MIDWEEK SESH
Hanging out Wednesdays from 5pm.
Young adults aged 17-35 welcome.
5:00PM: Pray - Adoration & benediction
6:00PM: Eat - Shared meal
6:45PM: Talk - Discussion and formation
Christ: Based amidst the cringe

23/7 Based
Being based today.
30/7 Based: Confidence
Confident Catholics going out into the world
6/8 Based when downhearted
Being based today.
13/8 ACYF info night
Find out about the 2025 Aus Catholic Youth Festival

Holy Spirit Church - 275 Sandy Bay Road, Sandy Bay

READINGS OF THE DAY EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR–C

First Reading

[Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23](#)

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity! For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1](#)

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

1. You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. (R.)
2. You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. (R.)
3. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. (R.)
4. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

Second Reading

[Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11](#)

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

[Matthew 5:3](#)

Gospel

[Luke 12:13-21](#)

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.' Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'



GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 4th August	-	Matthew 14:13-21
Tuesday 5th August	-	Matthew 14:22-36
Wednesday 6th August	-	Matthew 17:5
Thursday 7th August	-	Matthew 16:13-23
Friday 8th August	-	Matthew 6:25-34
Saturday 9th August	-	Matthew 17:14-20

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

[Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C](#)

First Reading	-	Wisdom 18:6-9
Responsorial Psalm	-	Ps 32:1. 12. 18-20. 22. R. v.12
Second Reading	-	Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19
Gospel	-	Luke 12:32-48

Pray and Reflect on the Word of God

Please take your copy of the AVE home to reflect and to share with family and friends.