

# St Mary's Cathedral Parish



## Weekly Mass Times

### St Mary's Cathedral

Tue-Fri : 7.30am Mass

Sat : 6pm Mass

Sun : 10.30am & 6.00pm Masses

### Sacred Heart Church

Tue/Wed/Thu : 9am Mass

Sat : 8.00am Mass

Sun : 8.30am Mass

Lawrenny Court Cnr Arthur and Hill  
St, West Hobart Fri 10.30am Mass

## Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation)

Sacred Heart Church : Sat following  
8.00am Mass

St Mary's Cathedral: Sat 5-5.30pm

## Weekly Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

St Mary's Cathedral: Friday 4:30-  
5:30pm

## Weekly Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

St Mary's Cathedral Centre:  
Saturday 11am

23rd February 2020 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

**St Mary's Cathedral—Cnr Harrington & Patrick Streets, Hobart;  
Sacred Heart Church—Cross St, New Town;**

**Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is kind and merciful.**

**Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, Alleluia! Whoever keeps the word of the  
Christ, grows perfect in the love of God. Alleluia!**

**This Week's Readings: Lev 19:1-2,17-18; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48**

**Next Week's Readings: Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11**

## THE GLORY RETURNS TO THE TEMPLE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In our Gospel today, Jesus is continuing His very challenging teaching in the Sermon on the Mount. In particular He tells us that we must even love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us. Well that is just not what naturally comes to us, is it? Sure we love those who love us, but how can we love those who hate us? We can only do it with a lot of help. We need grace from God to do something like that. But let us be under no illusions, Jesus says that by loving our enemies, we will be children of our Father in Heaven. If we don't love our enemies, we will not be His children.

When Saint Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa) accepted the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo in 1979, part of her acceptance speech went like this:

"It is not enough for us to say: 'I love God, but I do not love my neighbour.' Saint John says that you are a liar if you say you love God and you don't love your neighbour (1 John 4:20). How can you love God whom you do not see, if you do not love your neighbour whom you see, whom you touch, with whom you live? And so this is very important for us to realise that love, to be true, has to hurt."

How can we love like this? It is a grace to forgive, and when the hurt is great we may need to pray a great deal for the grace to forgive. Saint Teresa wrote:

"To be able to love one another, we must pray much, for prayer gives a clean heart, and a clean heart can see God in our neighbour. If now we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten how to see God in one another."

In one of the videos of the Alpha Course, we hear Corrie Ten Boom, a Dutch Christian woman who had been savagely maltreated by Nazis in the Ravensbrück concentration camp, where her sister died. She survived the war and her strong Christian faith enabled her to forgive those who had done such harm to her and her family. After the war, she was giving talks to Christian groups, and after one such talk in Germany, a man approached her and said that he had been one of the guards at Ravensbrück, but that he asked God to forgive him and he was now a Christian. He asked Corrie to shake his hand. She remembered him well, and into her mind flashed all the despicable things this man had done. He was asking her to forgive him. She said to herself: "I cannot forgive". Then she realised that God could forgive even if she could not, and she found strength to take this man's hand. In that moment, she found she could forgive him, and both of them came a little closer to healing of their spirits.

God forgives and will enable us to forgive if we ask for His grace

**Deacon Nick MacFarlane**



## Ash Wednesday 26th February 2020

7:30am Mass— Cathedral (public)

9am Mass — Sacred Heart Church  
(public)

9:00am Liturgy—Cathedral SMC &  
(Public)

9:30am Liturgy—SSJ Hall

10:30am—IHMS Chapel

10:30am Mass — Cathedral SVC &  
(Public)

12:00pm Mass — Calvary Hospital  
(Public)

12:30pm Liturgy —Cathedral GYC &  
(Public)

7:00pm Mass — Cathedral (public)



## PARISH LENTEN PROGRAM: Presence – The Mystery of the Eucharist

Our Lenten Program this year will be Presence – The Mystery of the Eucharist, a video based series that has been carefully designed to help participants discover the powerful way that God is present to us in the Eucharist, inviting us into an intimate union with Himself. We will examine the effects of the Sacrament and its setting in the Mass, explore the scriptural foundation of the Sacrament, and discover the beauty of Holy Communion and the transformative power of the grace God offers us in this Sacrament.

The program will be run for four weeks with sessions on Thursdays in the Cathedral Centre for four weeks starting on the 27th of February, the day after Ash

Wednesday. The session for each week will be run in the morning from 10:00 till 12:00 and in the evening from 7:00 till 9:00. All welcome. This program is being run from the formed.org website, so if you can't get to all the sessions, you can watch the program at home.

If you have not yet joined our parish subscription to formed, just go to formed.org and click 'Sign Up'. On the next page, select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization".

Find our parish by name, "St Mary Cathedral 164 Harrington St Hobart TAS". Enter your email address and you will be sent an e-mail – click the tab on the e-mail and you're in.



## Sacramental Program 2020

The Cathedral Parish Sacramental Program 2020 for children whose parents wish them to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist will begin with an information evening on Tuesday 25th February from 6:00 to 7:30pm in the Cathedral Centre. The program is strictly for children aged 7 and above. Interested parents are invited to attend this session. Teaching Sessions will take place on Sundays 4:30-5:30pm. For further information, contact macfarlane3jo@gmail.com or 0407 876 913.



## New Bible Study - Gospel of St Mark has Started in Hobart from 19th February 2020!

Four Session Bible Study of the Gospel of Mark: Read through the Gospel from the beginning and discover how it is all connected.

**When:** 26th February, 18th March, and 1st April.

**Time:** 10.30am-12.30pm.

**Where:** Barry Room, Diocesan Centre, 35 Tower Rd, New Town. All are welcome! Bring: Bible, notepad, pen. Cost: Free. Register: call Dr. Christine Wood, 62086236.

## The San Carlo Association will be celebrating 35th Anniversary in honour of San Carlo Borromeo on Sunday, the 1st March 2020.

**The programme includes:**  
10:30am—Mass at St Mary's Cathedral Hobart followed by the procession.

The Annual Lunch and celebration in honour of San Carlo will be at 12:30pm for 1:00pm start at the Australian Italian Club — 77 Fedral Street, North Hobart.

The San Carlo Association invites all the parishioners, families, friends and Schools to join the procession and the Lunch. For all enquiries Contact Mr Liberatore Allocca: 0409 975 410 or 6234 8004, Mr Stefano Lufi: 0418 335 547



SAN CARLO BORROMEO

St Mary's Youth Group invites all young people between the age 16 to 35 to join every Sunday after 10:30am Mass at the Cathedral Centre for fellowship and lots of fun! Call us on 0408 643 479 or email: yg.stmarys@gmail.com. Follow us on Instagram! @saint.marysyouthgroup



**Come and Meet the Cathedral Youth Group at the Car Wash and BBQ. When: This Sunday 23 February from 12 noon. Where: Car park behind Presbytery. The entrance is off Patrick Street. The cost is a gold coin donation. Let the youth of the parish be of service to you.**





### **"Inspiring Faith" - Catechesis**

Classes in "Inspiring Faith" – Catechesis for children aged 8–15 years has recommenced on Sundays in Term I from 16 February until 5 April at the Cathedral Parish Centre (Level 1) 9:45 – 10:15am. Separate classes for 8-9, 10-11 and 12-15 year-olds. Children will learn about the mysteries of our Catholic faith in an enjoyable way. During the sessions, they will also discover how following the example of Christ develops in them a moral conscience and a sense of community in God's family. This is a great opportunity for your child to go deeper into the Catholic faith. The sessions are FUN and FREE. For further information, contact Jo 0407 876 913 or [macfarlane3jo@gmail.com](mailto:macfarlane3jo@gmail.com).



### **LET'S GO FURTHER, TOGETHER**

Project Compassion is Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal. Millions of Australians come together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold human dignity. Donate Today!

**WEEK 1**

**SHIRLEY**

**PHILIPPINES**

**"I became the voice of my tribe to have their needs heard."**



**PILGRIMAGE TO  
ST PATRICK'S  
COLEBROOK  
14-15 March 2020**

### **St Patrick's Pilgrimage**

The annual "St Patrick's Pilgrimage" from Richmond to Colebrook is back and will be held on the weekend of 14-15 March 2020! The pilgrimage is open for all young people from 14-35yo and celebrates the feast of our Archdiocese's patron saint (St Patrick). It is a great opportunity for personal growth where you will likely be challenged both physically and spiritually. Join Archbishop Julian and many other young people for two days of journeying through the natural beauty of Tassie with times for prayer, Mass, song, fellowship, reflection, camping and plenty more. For more information and to register, head to [eventbrite.com.au](http://eventbrite.com.au) and search for "St Patrick's Pilgrimage."

### **FORMED HAS BEEN UPDATED! (please use Chrome browser)**

Because of its phenomenal growth, [formed.org](http://formed.org) has moved to a new technology platform. Now over 4,000 titles of award-winning Catholic content, children's programming, audio talks, e-books and more, are available on almost any internet-connected device (PC's, tablets, smart phones and smart TV's etc.) The new platform was produced after consultation and feedback from the users (now over 900,000) across 5,000 parish communities. The new platform has improved performance and an enhanced search tool. It allows offline playback and you no longer have to remember a password because access is now simply through your e-mail address.

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For parishioners wanting to join our FORMED group account the process has become even easier than it was.

Go to [formed.org](http://formed.org) and click 'Sign Up' on the next page select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"

Find our parish by name, "St Mary Cathedral 164 Harrington St Hobart TAS" Enter your email address and you will be sent an e-mail - and you're in! Diving into the beauty of the Faith has never been easier: at home, on the go, or from any internet connected device. Discover thousands of books, audio talks, movies, documentaries, and studies... there is something for every member of the family to help them grow closer to Christ and His Church.

## Contact Us

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(remember to 'like/follow us' to stay up to date!)



## St Mary's Cathedral Bookshop

Our bookstall in the Cathedral Centre is open Monday-Friday 9am-3pm as well as after Sunday 10.30am Mass. We are happy to supply sought after items such as Baptism cards, Confirmation and First Communion cards as well as Sympathy and Ordination cards.



## Let's have a cuppa and chat!

You are invited for morning tea at St Mary's cathedral Centre after 10:30am Mass and Sacred Heart Parish Hall after 8:30am Mass!

Our vision statement in the parish promotes hospitality, welcome and fellowship among the members of the parish. It is good to catch up and to have a friendly chat with your fellow parishioners and the new ones who have joined the community recently.

Thank you! **Fr Shammi Perera**



## From Our Anniversary Book

John Mitson, Peter Graham, Giuseppe Attuoni, Agnes Owen, Ada Mohr, Rachel Waters, John Howe, Katherine Peters, Dorris Innes, Jasmine Bentley, Donato De Cesare, John Hudson, Emma Landers, Edward Collis, Cecilia Lynch, Michele Paternoster, Giuseppina Di Re, Sabatino Monaco, Gesiotto, Toigo and Siravo Families, Angelina Di Domenico, Elsie Thornhill, Anne Daly, Olga Sowby, Donato Vacca, Rev. Fr. Vincent Allen, Marjorie Hayward, Ada Williams, Emilio Marchesich



*May they rest in peace!*

## Support the Cathedral Restoration Fund

Help us preserve our Cathedral for generations to follow by making a pledge or remembering us in your will. To enquire or donate, please contact the Parish Office on 6234 4463 or email: cathedral@aohtas.org.au  
 Thank you !



## Would you like to volunteer?

Dear Parishioners, help is always needed to keep our Church and Cathedral Centre looking clean and welcoming. If you would like to become a volunteer and help us please contact the parish office on 6234 4463 or email : cathedral@aohtas.org.au

God's Work,  
Our Hands



St Mary's Cathedral Parish embraces and wholeheartedly supports the Archdiocese of Hobart Safe Communities Policy and Framework.

08/09	SHC : 8.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
<b>Greeter</b>	John Fox	Meg Pinelli	Maria Respondek	TBA
<b>Lector</b>	Andrea Romero, Elizabeth Longo, Peter Tierney	Sr Monica Shelverton	Noelle Harradine, Juliana Smith	Andrew Hutchinson
<b>EMOC</b>	Tony Longo Margaret Fox	Sr Monica Shelverton, Colleen Stanford	Anna Reussien, Maria Saracino, David Shelverton	TBA