

# St Mary's Cathedral Parish



16th February 2020 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

## 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

**St Mary's Cathedral—Cnr Harrington & Patrick Streets, Hobart;**

**Sacred Heart Church—Cross St, New Town;**

**Responsorial Psalm:** Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

**Gospel Acclamation :** Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the Kingdom. Alleluia!

**This Week's Readings:** Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37

**Next Week's Readings:** Lev19:1-2,17-18; 1Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

## "HAPPY ARE THEY WHO FOLLOW THE LAW THE OF LORD

The Sunday Missal introduction for today's liturgy is as follows: The vast wisdom of God is revealed in the law God has given us, a law designed to lead us to the fullness of life and happiness. In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that law is not only about external behaviour. Our inner attitudes are also important. It is from within, from the attitudes of our hearts, that good or evil actions flow. Live the attitudes of the Beatitudes, love the Lord your God with all your mind and with all your heart, with all your soul and your neighbour as yourself! Jesus said to his disciples, " Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the law of the prophets, I have come not to abolish them but to complete them. I tell you solemnly till heaven and earth disappear not one dot, one little stroke shall disappear from the law until its purpose is achieved" (Matthew 5: 17-37 ). I invite you to read this account in your Bible. The law of love of God and of neighbour cannot be complete until the Kingdom of God is complete. Jesus leaves with us his example of thought, words and action which were entirely directed towards the will of God the Father by establishing the Kingdom of God. Jesus did this through his authority and teaching and examples of love, care, compassion and mercy going sometimes beyond the 'letter of the law' giving more importance to the spirit of the law. (Read Luke 14:16.) Jesus lived the perfection of the law being fearless when speaking the truth and warning his listeners, "For I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the Kingdom of Heaven." The ultimate perfection of the law was Jesus' complete emptying of himself by his suffering and death on the Cross which was followed by his Resurrection and Ascension into glory. When our love is made perfect we too will enter into the glory of the Kingdom of God. (Paul 1 Cor 2: 9) "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him." These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depth of everything, even the depths of God. You have learnt how it was said! But I say to you;-----? **Sr Monica Shelverton (PVBm)**



## Ash Wednesday 26th February 2020

7:30am Mass— Cathedral

9am Mass — Sacred Heart Church

9am Liturgy — Cathedral

9:30am Liturgy — SSJ Hall

10:30am Liturgy — IHMS Chapel

10:30am Mass — Cathedral

12:00pm Mass — Calvary Hospital

12:30pm Liturgy — Cathedral

7:00pm Mass — Cathedral



## "Inspiring Faith" – Catechesis

Classes in "Inspiring Faith" – Catechesis for children aged 8–15 years will be conducted 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.

## 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](http://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](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 – click the tab on the e-mail and you're in.



Dear Parishioners, we would like to thank you for your generous contributions made to the St Vincent de Paul Bushfire Relief Appeal on 26th Jan 2020. I wish to announce the final amount raised is \$3069.40. Let us continue to pray for our brothers and sisters affected by Bush Fire! Fr Shammi Perera.

## 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.



## 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](mailto:macfarlane3jo@gmail.com) or 0407 876 913.



**St Mary's Youth Group** invites all young people who want to share and grow in their faith through community, fellowship and lots of fun! Call us on 0408 643 479 or email: [yg.stmarys@gmail.com](mailto:yg.stmarys@gmail.com). Follow us on Instagram! @saint.marysyounggroup



**Come and Meet the Cathedral Youth Group at the Car Wash and BBQ. When: Sunday 16th 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.**



## New Bible Study - Gospel of St Mark starts in Hobart next week!

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

When: Wednesdays 19th and 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.







### Our Seminarians 2020

From left to right Dcn Steven , Dcn Chatura,  
Archbishop Julian, Vinco, Jessie, Kanishka

**Let us pray for them!**

### Missionary Discipleship

It was Pope Francis who first introduced this term in *The Joy of the Gospel*. By virtue of our baptism, all the members of the People of God are missionary disciples (Mt 28:19). All the baptized are agents of evangelisation, and it would be insufficient to envisage a plan of evangelisation to be carried out by professionals while the rest of the faithful simply remain as passive recipients. The new evangelisation calls for personal involvement on the part of each of the baptized. Every Christian is challenged, here and now, to be actively engaged in evangelisation; indeed, anyone who has truly experienced God's saving love does not need much time or lengthy training to go out and proclaim that love.

Every Christian is a missionary to the extent that he or she has encountered the love of God in Christ Jesus: we no longer say that we are "disciples" and "missionaries," but rather that we are always "missionary disciples." Look at those first disciples, who, immediately after encountering the gaze of Jesus, went forth to proclaim Him joyfully: "We have found the Messiah!" (John 1:41). The Samaritan woman became a missionary immediately after speaking with Jesus and many Samaritans came to believe in Him "because of the woman's testimony" (John 4:39). So too, Saint Paul, after his encounter with Jesus Christ, "immediately proclaimed Jesus" (Acts 9:20). Let us go and do likewise. **(adapted from the Archdiocese of Baltimore)**

### 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.

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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!)



## From Our Anniversary Book

Elizabeth Deegan, Monika Sirgunas, Maxwell Walker, Barry Kendall, William Absalom, Karlie Bollen, Margaret Allen, Pasquale Pace, Eleanor Blackburn-Berry, Anita and Ottavio Toffoli, Ernest Blazeley, Gertrude Dowd, Arthur Lacey, John Nolan, Walter Smallbone, Helena Donnelly, Amelia O'Brien, Edward Robinson, Kristine Reeve, Patricia Andrews, Josef Majcher, John Duggan, Wallace Fulton, Thomas O'Connor, Christina Davis, James Waters, Leonard Hill, Maxwell Rain, William Kregor, Dorothy Wilson



*May they rest in peace!*

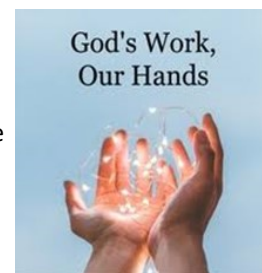
## Support the Cathedral Restoration Fund

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



## Let's have a cuppa and chat!

You are invited for morning tea at St Mary's cathedral Centre and Sacred Heart Parish Hall! 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



## Accommodation Wanted

A small granny flat/self-contained studio to live in. Walking distance to the Cathedral preferred. Happy to help around the house as needed. Please contact Alexander on 0432 790 040.



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

Dear Parishioners, Just a reminder that **new rosters for Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion commenced last week**. Please contact the Cathedral Office if you require a copy. Thank you for participating in this ministry.

| 08/09          | SHC : 8.30am Sun                               | SMC : 6pm Sat                        | SMC : 10.30am Sun                               | SMC : 6pm Sun        |
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| <b>Greeter</b> | John Fox                                       | Meg Pinelli                          | Romilda Amorosa                                 | TBA                  |
| <b>Lector</b>  | Fred Tojino,<br>Debbie Brown,<br>Michael Brown | Lorraine Dooley                      | Brigid McKenna, Arthur Ritar                    | Gabrielle Hutchinson |
| <b>EMOC</b>    | Carol Brown,<br>Colin Brown                    | Lorraine Dooley,<br>Colleen Stanford | Michael Midson, Maria Saracino,<br>Angela Ritar | TBA                  |