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#### PENTECOST SUNDAY YEAR C - 8TH JUNE 2025

Have you ever wondered why Christianity has survived, and continues to survive, thousands of years after the earthly Christ has died and ascended back into Heaven. Many traditions and cults have risen and fallen in that time, so why are we still coming to our church each and every Sunday to worship and praise our Lord, and partake as a community in the Eucharist.

The answer in all its mystery is really quite simple, we are all full of the Spirit. This week we celebrate Pentecost, which will bring us to the end of our Easter celebrations. We have spent the last seven weeks celebrating the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ from the time of his Crucifixion, Through His Death and burial in the tomb, His Resurrection from the dead, His appearance to His apostles and many others. Then last Sunday His Ascension into Heaven to be seated at the right hand of the Father.

Many would say that is the end, it was wonderful while it lasted but now we all have to get on with life on our own but that is not the case. On the occasion of Pentecost, we Christians celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Gift that Jesus told us His Father would send to be with us FOREVER.

"If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and He will give you an Advocate to be with you for ever" (John 14:15-16)

We all know the story of the Disciples meeting in one room and suddenly hearing a noise that sounded like a powerful wind coming from heaven. Then tongues of fire came to rest on their heads and they all started to speak and all those around them heard the words in their own language as the disciples praised the marvels of God.

Indeed, it must have been amazing and it would have been truly a sight to behold, but for us today who only read the story of this event there is within the words a very important message. Jesus may have left us in His bodily form but He has come back again to live within us for ever. St Paul in his letter to the Romans explicitly states that "unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to Him"

This is the importance of Pentecost, this is the gift from God when His spirit comes to live within us, when we are reminded that Christ has never actually left us and truly lives within each of us today. This is the message of Pentecost, that God resides within all of us and because of this we are now, and always will be, Children of God and brothers and sisters of Christ. This is truly something worth celebrating.

"Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth" [ Ps 103 (104)}



# 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 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

#### **EUCHARISTIC 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

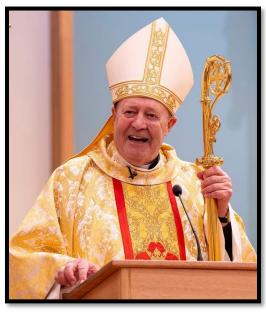


Pope Francis has declared 2025 a Jubilee Year for our Church, themed "Pilgrims of Hope", a year of hope for a world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the climate crisis. As Pope Francis states "the forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a 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."



### IN THE PARISH

#### Happy Birthday to our Bishop!!



On 5th June, the Most Rev. Julian Porteous DD celebrated his 76th birthday. On behalf of the Parish community, we wish His Grace a very Happy Birthday!

#### St Mary's Cathedral Piety Shop

A great start to our new Piety Shop hours over the last two weekends. You never know what you are going to find in amongst all our treasures for sale. OPEN after all weekend Masses and between 10am and 2pm on Thursdays. "Spread The Word"

#### St Mary's Cathedral Parish RCIA

If you feel called to the Catholic faith this is a great opportunity to come along and learn and experience, not only the Catholic faith, also where God is in your life and calling you. The invitation is open to not only individuals who desire to become members of the Catholic Church, but for Catholics who might like to learn more about their own

Date: 2nd June at 6:30pm and run each fortnight

Venue: St Mary's Cathedral Parish Centre level 1

#### Annual Walk with Christ Eucharistic Procession



Annual Procession of the Blessed Sacrament for the Feast of The Body & Blood of Christ

# **SUNDAY 22 JUNE 2025**

St Joseph's Church, Hobart, 12.45pm

Celebrate the Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ by walking with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament through the City of Hobart.



Participants who are unable to walk in the Procession are invited to come to the dral at 1.30pm to take part in the Adoration and concluding Re Long-term parking near the Cathedral is available at the Hobart Central Carpark in Melville Street. The Carpark closes at 4.30pm.

In the event of bad weather, call Vincent on 0487 132 429 for details



# Congratulations!

We offer our warmest congratulations to everyone celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend.

This is a truly special moment, marking a deepening of your faith and a renewed commitment to your spiritual path. We pray that you feel God's presence strongly as you embark on this next chapter and know that our prayers go with you as you begin preparation to receive Jesus in the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time later this year.

Well done to you all!

From Our Anniversary Book: Clyde Coulson, Zygmunt Rybak, Phillip Vincent, Leslie Asley, Charles Witcombe, Joseph Brown, Bepi Giacon, Chiara Napolitano, Sr. Philippa Chapman, Robert Sinclair, Anne Loiuse McGinity, Kevin Ranalli, Elisabetta Pulsoni, Phyllis Dwyer, Pat Smith, Anna-Rita Longo, Mary Dwyer, Fr. Rex Donohoe, Barbara Cooper, Dallas Kathleen McVilly, Charles Cook, Bertie Carr, Doris Dwyer, Gregory MA, Douglas Bratt, Rosalie & Frank Parkes, Kelvin Edman, Joan County, Francis Morgan, Pierre Kennedy, Donald McShane, Luigi Amorosa, Doreen Lennard, Rosa Di Virgillio, Margaret Witcombe, Ellen Scoles, Elsie Clay, Bernarda Glowacki, William Horne, Grace Coghlan, John & Caterina Folino-Gallo, Victor Shaw, Franco Mainella and Sr Dominic Mills (PBVM)

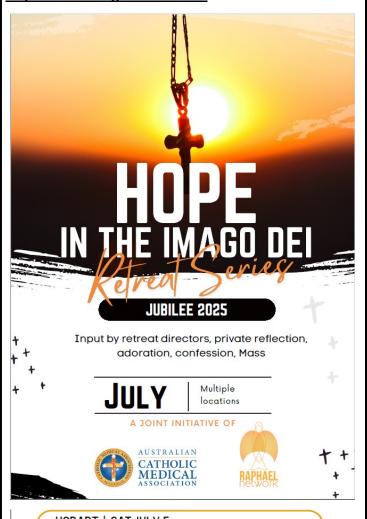
May they rest in peace!





## IN THE DIOCESE

#### Hope in the Imago Dei Retreat



#### HOBART | SAT JULY 5

St. Mary of the Cross, Agnes Street, Ranelagh 9:30am - 3pm Retreat (Includes Mass & Confession) Info: Rachel Bradley | rachbradley/3@gmail.com | 0417 312 156

#### **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

Retreat \$50 pp (members & guests | free for Perth)
Includes lunch, refreshments, materials
Dinner cost varies (details at booking page)





#### **Peter's Pence Annual Collection**



# Peter's Pence Annual Collection

Peter's Pence Collection provides the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease.

Your support goes directly to supporting
Pope Leo XIV and his charitable works.

SATURDAY 28 & SUNDAY 29 JUNE 2025

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catholicdevfund





### Children's Corner:

The Spirit Brings	I can show love by because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.
The Spirit Brings	I can be a peacemaker by because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.
The Spirit Brings	I can show joy by

# CHATTER THAT MATTERS

Next talk 24th June by cathedral priest Fr Steven Smith Come along, listen and ask questions of our own Tasmanian priest. Fr Steven has been a priest for 5 years now

so still remembers vividly his journey (mission) on the way to the priesthood. Don't miss this opportunity to hear from a priest still in the beginning of his vocation.

#### The Regina Coeli

Queen of Heaven, rejoice.

R. Alleluia.

For He, whom you did merit to bear.

R. Alleluia.

Has risen as He said. **R.** Alleluia. Pray for us to God. **R.** Alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary.

Alleluia

**R**. For the Lord is truly risen, Alleluia.



#### Let us pray

O God, Who gave joy to the world through the Resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



St Mary's Cathedral Parish embraces and wholeheartedly supports the Archdiocese of Hobart Safe Communities Policy and Framework, which can be found at the Parish office. Any enquiries regarding Safe Communities contact the Parish Office (03) 6234 4463.

#### READINGS OF THE DAY – PENTECOST SUNDAY YEAR C

#### First Reading

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

**Responsorial Psalm** 

Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

#### (R.) Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

- 1. Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. (R.)
- 2. You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)
- 3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. (R.)

#### Second Reading

#### Romans 8:8-17

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11 live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live. Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit; fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

#### Gospel

John 14:15-16. 23-26

Jesus said to his disciples 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever.

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own; it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,

whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you.' but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name,

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#### **GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

Monday 9th June -John 19:25-34 Tuesday 10th June - Matthew 5:13-16 Wednesday 11th June - Matthew 10:7-13 Thursday 12th June -Matthew 5:20-26 Friday 13th June Matthew 5:27-32 Saturday 14th June -Matthew 5:33-37

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

#### **YEAR C**

First Reading - Proverbs 8:22-31 Responsorial Psalm - Ps 8:4-9. R. v.2 Second Reading - Romans 5:1-5 Gospel - John 16:12-15

### Pray and Reflect on the Word of God