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THIRTIETH SUNDAY INORDINARY TIME–YEAR A

LORD, HELP US TO LOVE AS YOU LOVE. BE OUR GUIDING LIGHT

In all society people observe the actions of others. When many people ignore a particular law others conclude that it is alright for them to do the same. Children often imitate the behaviour of their parents. When we practice the law of love in our lives, we benefit not only those who need our help but also those who observe our actions. (From an introduction to today's Liturgy.)
God created man in the image of himself, in the image of God he created him, male and female he created them. (Genesis 1.v 27). What is that image of God? Where can we feel and know that image in ourselves and others? Our heart is the image of life and love.!!
This is food for thought and reflection.
Sometime during the coming week open your New Testament at the first letter of St. John and prayerfully read the following (Ch. 4: 1-21). It is within these verses we can realize the true essence of God's love for us. In today's Gospel reading from St. Matthew there does not exist any if's or but's in Jesus' reply to the Pharisees' questions. "Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?" Jesus said," you MUST love the Lord your God with all your HEART and with all your SOUL and all your MIND. And the second one is, you MUST LOVE your neighbour as yourself. The heart is the centre of our being; without it we can't exist and it is known to be the symbol of love. We are made in the image of God who dwells in our heart, soul and mind. If we remain open and active to the indwelling of God the Holy Spirit then our faith and trust in God deepens, our hope and assurance of salvation gives us peace and love of God and neighbour rewards us with the joy of knowing the fullness of life and love in our Creator.
A dad was praying with his little boy just before he was put to bed for the night. The dad asked his son, 'How much do you love God? The little boy stretched out his arms horizontally as far as he possible could and replied, "THIS MUCH." The image of Jesus'arms stretched out on the Cross came to the father's mind and he hugged his son, made the sign of the cross on his son forehead as he laid him down to sleep.

LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU. AMEN.



St. Mary's Cathedral Hobart

Mass times

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation
4.00 pm - Saturday

Eucharistic Adoration
6.00 pm - Midnight - Friday

Sacred Heart Church - Newtown

Mass Times

9.15 am - Tuesday - Thursday
8.30 am - Sunday

Novena to Our Lady
9.45 am - Wednesday

Rosary
7.30 am - Saturday

Lawrenny Court

10.30 am - Friday

Sacraments and Devotions

Enquiries for baptisms and marriages please contact the Parish Office

THE CC'S - (Companions of the Cathedral) Every Wednesday on Floor 1. Starting at 12.30 pm

Piety Shop - Thursdays 10 am - 3 pm Saturday & Sunday opened after every Weekend Mass.

safe communities Archdiocese of Hobart

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.

All Saints and All Souls Day Mass Times

November is a month devoted to the loved ones who have departed from us.
Sunday 1st November is All Saints Day and
Monday 2nd November is All Souls Day.

Mass Times are:

All Saints Day
Usual Saturday vigil and Sunday Masses.

All Souls Day

9.15 am - Sacred Heart Church, New Town

12.00 pm - Wellington Chapel (Millingtons) Cornelian Bay

7 .00 pm - St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart (Requiem Mass)



November Mass Envelopes

The Church dedicates the month of November to pray for our deceased loved ones. November envelopes are available for those who wish to offer Masses.
Pick up your envelope at the foyer of the Cathedral, Sacred Heart Church and the Parish Office.
Return envelopes to Parish Office or place in collection plate during Mass.
Names will be added in the Remembrance book and Masses offered for them.

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. ThroughthesameChristourLord. **Amen.**

Sacristans

The **Sacristan** is one of the Church's most unsung ministries. Much of their important work happens behind the scenes, preparing for Mass and caring for the sacred space afterwards.

Their quiet service helps our liturgies run smoothly and supports our worshipping community.

Interested in learning more? We'd love to hear from you.

Please contact Deacon Mick or the Parish Office.

Conversations in the Spirit – Synod Resource Documents

Two resource documents on Conversations in the Spirit are available to all parishioners. These documents provide an understanding of the methodology, practice and formation guiding this process within the Archdiocese of Hobart.
As the Archdiocese prepares for the upcoming Regional Listening Sessions, parishioners are invited to read these resources and keep the process in their prayers.
Please pray for guidance, wisdom, understanding, love and compassion as we come together as one to listen to the Holy Spirit and discern the direction in which He is guiding our Archdiocese.

Sacramental Program - 2027

Dear parishioners, as the candidates of our Sacramental Program 2026-2027 start their faith journey this weekend with formation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. May As a parish community, may you keep the candidates, their families and the catechist in your prayers.
Forgiveness is a gift from the Holy Spirit which fills us with mercy grace and peace. God loves you. He wants you to love your neighbour as yourself.



From Our Anniverssary Book - Leo Doyle, Graeme Norris, Mary Chisholm, Brian Sertori, Sr. Katheleen Howe, RSJ, Maureen Mary Davoren, William McErvale, Marion Le May, Ruby Joyce, Tibor Tari, Donato Brighella, Donald Westell, Olga Andolfatto, Nicola Venettacci, Nicola Basso, Maria Allocca, Fr. Seraphim McIvor, CP, Margaret Ward, Jonas Sirgunas, John Pratt, Sally Elizabeth Bonner, Maria & Raffale Bocchino, Jack Stuart, Mary Flynn, Keith Wright, Mary Brown, Peter Harrington Nicholls, Sr Margaret Ann Chandler, Ronnie Farhart, Grace Lowe, Kathleen Fox, William Mackey, Maria Gala, Derek Stone, Marino D'Alfonso, Alesandro Caccavo, Sr. Margaret Littlejohn, Hilde Filipek, Joan Nobes, Case & Cooper Families, John Stubbs, Lee Pollard - ***May they rest in peace !***



Livestreaming at St Mary's Cathedral—Please note that the Sunday 10:30am Mass at St Mary's Cathedral is livestreamed on the Archdi- ocese of Hobart YouTube c hannel. Most special events and ceremonies celebrated at the Cathedral are also livestreamed. If you have any concerns or questions regarding the livestream, please contact the Parish Office on (03) 6208 6094 for more information.



Remembering Fr John Wallis

The Missionary Sisters of Service warmly invite the Cathedral Parish community to join them in remembering and celebrating the life and legacy of Fr John Corcoran Wallis, founder of the Missionary Sisters of Service, on the 25th anniversary of his death.

Tuesday, 27 October 2026
10.00 am Mass – St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart

Celebrant: Archbishop Tony Ireland

Light refreshments will follow.

for more info:
businessmanager@missionarysisters.org.au

Singers of Southern Tasmania presents

Haydn: Te Deum and Nelson Mass
at St David's Cathedral, Friday 30 October, 7.30 pm
Featuring soloists Sharon Prero, Carolyn Seelen, Han Zhang and Michael Stanelos, with organ, strings, trumpet and tympani
Tickets at www.trybooking.com.au/DPFNJ

Catholic Formation for Children Aged 3-9.

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a faith formation program based on Montessori educational principles for children between the ages of 3 and 12 years. It aims to help nurture and strengthen the relationship between God and the child, while growing in their understanding of scripture, liturgy and the church. To learn more, follow the QR Code.

Bellerive/Lindisfarne Parish will begin hosting the program **starting Saturday 7th November 2026** for children aged 3 – 9 years at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre located next to the Church of the Incarnation, Bay Road Lindisfarne.

Children 3 – 6 yrs:	**Saturdays 9:00 – 10.00am**
Children 6 – 9 yrs:	**Saturdays 10:30 – 11.45am**



To find out more about having your child attend either session, or to volunteer to support this rewarding ministry, please email: Catherine Sandric csandric@mackillop.tas.edu.au or call 0407552239 for more details.

READINGS OF THE DAY THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

First Reading
Exodus 22:20-26

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.
"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.
"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity.'"

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R. v.2

(R.) I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. (R.)

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. (R.)

Second Reading
1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

Gospel Acclamation
John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel
Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'



GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday	26th	October	- Luke 13:10-17
Tuesday	27th	October	- Luke 13:18-21
Wednesday	28th	October	- Luke 6:12-19
Thursday	29th	October	- Luke 13:31-35
Friday	30th	October	- Luke 14:1-6
Saturday	31st	October	- Luke 14:1.7-11

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 1st November 2026

First Reading	- Revelation 7:2-4. 9-14
Responsorial Psalm	- Ps 23:1-6
Second Reading	-1 John 3:1-3
Gospel	- Matthew 5:1-12

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.