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5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR C - 9th FEBRUARY 2025

In the Church we use the word Vocation, from the Latin *Vocare* meaning 'to call'. And we speak of different vocations in the Church, a call to priesthood and to the diaconate, a call to religious life, married life or dedicated single life.

We as Christian's are all called to holiness as our primary vocation, but in our lives we may feel God calling us to a specific vocation. Sometimes though we may feel God is wrong in what he is calling us to, "God must be wrong, I can't be a priest, look at my flaws" or "I don't believe married life is for me, I need my own space." To this I would remind others that God doesn't call the qualified, but instead he qualifies the called, and our readings today provide a great example of this.

In the gospel today Simon Peter falls to his knees before Jesus saying "Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man.", In our first reading Isiah professes "What a wretched state I am in! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips". And finally in our second reading Paul declares himself the least of the apostles, stating that since he persecuted the Church of God, he hardly deserved the name of apostle. And yet Simon, Paul and Isiah share something important in common, they were chosen by God.

Isiah states he is lost and unclean but God purges his iniquity preparing him and Isiah responds to God's call "Here I am, send me." Isiah would prepare the people for the coming of the Lord by foretelling the Messiah, the suffering servant and bringing hope to God's people. Paul tells how Jesus, the Risen Lord appeared to him, though he was not worthy by the Grace of God, he was able to answer the call. Paul by the grace of God would share the Gospel with the gentiles, one of those very gentiles being Saint Luke whose Gospel we read today at Mass. In our reading today from the Gospel of Luke we find Peter who states he is a sinful man, Jesus does not send him away but instead calls him to a great responsibility, to be a fisher of men. And it will be on that flawed fisherman, that rock, on which Jesus will build his Church.

In each of our readings today we find those who are imperfect, being called, no longer are their lives about themselves but they are called to service of others, to love of others. Are you hearing Jesus call you? If so don't be so quick to dismiss the call because you believe you are not up to the task or it would not fit in with your plans.

I would implore you to instead to take it to prayer, to discern, and not to be afraid to follow the example of Isiah, and answer our Lord "Here I am, send me".



MASS TIMES

St Mary's Cathedral Crypt, Hobart
7.30am Tuesday - Friday
Commencing Tuesday 11th February

St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart
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

SACRAMENTS & DEVOTIONS

*ENQUIRIES FOR BAPTISMS
AND MARRIAGE*

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE

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
Commencing Friday 21st February 2025

***ARE YOU INTERESTED IN
BECOMING CATHOLIC (RCIA)
Please contact 62086236***



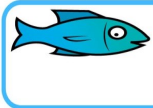
Pope Francis has declared 2025 a Jubilee Year for our Church, themed "*Pilgrims of Hope*", a year of hope for a world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the climate crisis. As Pope Francis states "the forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring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

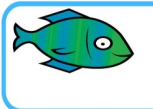
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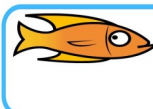
IN THE PARISH


Children's Corner:

Write down the names of four people you know who belong Jesus. For each person give a reason why they belong.









St Mary's Cathedral Parish Weekday Mass Celebrations

Due to the construction work on site at St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart, the 7.30am weekday Masses (Tuesday – Friday) will be celebrated in the Cathedral Crypt - Cathedral Centre

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.



From Our Anniversary Book: William Johnston, Terence Lynch, Catherine McInnes, Teodino Ottavi, Luisa Longo, Kevin Gerard, Crowe, Mary Harnett, Phillip Albanus, Br. Norman Lipman, David McHubo, John Johnston, Emily Haley, Robert Langdale, Olinta Pachioli, Archpriest Phillip Hennebry, Anne Shelverton, Percy Smith, Elizabeth Tehan, Senka Dzelalija, Francesco Ranalli, Mary Scott, Frank Burke, Patrick Waters, Eileen Miller, Joan Shirley, Antonio Scavone, Rosa Palermo, Felicatonio Di Saia, John Conlan, Mildred Coulson, Ina Compton, Cordelia Solomon, Paolo Scavone, Ursula Polson, Mima Davie, Rev.Fr. Vincent Shelverton, Sybil Saunders, Donald Ferrall, Giulia and Pasquale Longo, Gladys Tehan, Vera Mason, Jack Carroll, John Martin, Yvette Flynn, Maria Bertolotti, Emily Davis, Charles McCarthy, David Halton, James Brickhill, Peter Allen, George Carr, Vincent Jeffrey, Eric Smith, Gina Guerzoni, Francis McDonald, Umberto Pulsoni, Pauline Ball, William Fletcher Shaw, Brian Case, Nadeen Longdale, Elizabeth Souter, Margaret Brennan, Maureen James, Mary Kerr, Harry Warren, Dino Bighin, Elsie Thornhill, Christian Berger, Anna Zanini, Audrey Harrington, **Agueda** Tojino, Sheelah Boon, Joshua Kirk, William Baldwin, Patricia Margaret Wilson, Sergio Moreira, Florence Denne, Ludovico Genovesi, Ronald Peters, Ella Shelverton, Diane Bretnall

.May they rest in peace!



Dear Parishioners,
We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers to assist with various parish activities and events. Your time and talents would greatly contribute to strengthening our faith filled community and serving our mission.



If you are interested in lending a hand, please contact the PARISH OFFICE.

Every small effort makes a big difference

Urgently Needed volunteers

- Sacristan to Sacred Heart Church
- Flower Ministry Sacred Heart Church
- Garden work at the Cathedral front compound
- Care taker for the Cathedral Bookshop
- Few volunteers for evening events

Registrations are now available for the 2025 St Mary's Cathedral Sacramental Program



For all children in Year 3 and upwards (Sacrament of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist).

Register at the Parish Office by:

Phone: 03 62344463 or

Email: cathedral@aohtas.org.au

Information and Enrolment Night is 6pm **Tuesday 11th**

February 2025 at St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart

POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY 2025

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.



SCHOOL ESSENTIALS APPEAL

Let's make sure every Tasmanian child has the opportunity to do well at school.

This year, due to cost-of-living pressures, many parents and carers will struggle to buy the things their children need for school, such as uniforms and school books.

Please make an urgent gift to help ease a family's stress and make 'back to school' a time that feels full of hope for a bright future.

Thank you.

Please scan the QR code or visit www.donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-tas/school-essentials-appeal-tas



WHAT'S NEW?

IN THE DIOCESE

The Human Life Protection Society Conference

The Human Life Protection Society will be holding an annual conference in Hobart on **25th October 2025** (venue to be confirmed), with some notable guest speakers to be in attendance (to be disclosed in due time and course).

The conference is a full-day event, going from 9am to 5pm, and there will be a tea and coffee station available all day. Morning tea and lunch will be provided as well.

Any further questions/follow-up enquiries can be directed to our President, Anne Sherston, via email at info@hlpstas.com.au or via mobile phone number: 0407704539.

SOLEMN PROFESSION OF VOWS

All are warmly invited to join the Carmelite nuns for a Sung Mass during which Sr Mary Joseph of the Sacred Heart will make her solemn profession of vows on **Tuesday 11th February** at 9.30am at the Carmelite Monastery, 7 Cambridge Street, Launceston.

Archbishop Julian will be principal celebrant and homilist. Mass will be followed by morning tea.

Cathedral Restoration Works (6 January – 4 April 2025)

During the period 6 January – 4 April 2025 significant structural refurbishment of the Cathedral's organ/choir loft will be undertaken as part of the Cathedral's ongoing restoration program. The works schedule will present some unavoidable inconvenience to ensure completion by the commencement of Holy Week. Saturday evening and Sunday Masses will take place at the Cathedral as normal for the duration of the works. However, there will be no weekday Masses in the Cathedral between 6 January and 11 February 2025. Notably also, the Cathedral's weekly livestream will not be available during this period. We appreciate your patience as we work to enhance the dignity of our extraordinary building and improve the facilities from where our choir works tirelessly each week to bring such beautiful sacred music to our liturgies.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Enrolments Open for Lindisfarne Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium for children 3-6 years old begins in February. A Montessori approach to catechesis, rich in Scripture, liturgy and prayer, helps young children foster a relationship with God. Sessions follow the school terms.

Time: Families choose either Tuesdays 4-5.30pm or Wednesdays 10.30am-12pm.

Register: Christine Wood ph. 6208-6236 or christine.wood@AOHTAS.ORG.AU

Where: 3 Bay Rd, Lindisfarne.

Inaugural Utas Chaplaincy Quiz Night Fundraiser:

An invitation for everyone within the Parish, to get a table together of family and friends and come and have fun testing your trivia knowledge. All proceeds support the UTAS Campus Ministry. **When:** Saturday 22 March 2025 6pm –8pm. **Where:** St Frances Xavier Parish Hall, 61 Adelaide Street, Sth Hobart. **Cost:** \$10 Students, \$15 Per Person over 18 years, \$80 Table of 6, \$120 Table of 10.

Email: UTASCHAPLAINCY@AOHTAS.ORG.AU



Ordination to the Priesthood

REV. ASHAN JOSEPH PEIRIS

Friday 14th February 2025 at 7pm
St Mary's Cathedral, 180 Harrington Street,
Hobart, Tasmania, Australia



You can create lasting, meaningful and sustainable change

As a Champion for Change, your support creates lasting, positive change through access to clean water, food security, and education. With your commitment, we can address these critical challenges together.

Water

Over 2.2 billion people lack access to safe

and clean water, compromising their health and wellbeing. Your regular gift helps us bring clean, accessible water to communities, transforming daily lives and ensuring a healthier future.

Education

Nearly 690 million individuals face the harsh reality of hunger, with many experiencing extreme conditions that threaten their health, education, and livelihoods. Through your support, we can

provide sustainable food solutions, ensuring families have the nourishment they need to thrive.

Food Security

Education is a fundamental right, yet 250 million children are currently out of school. Your contributions support educational initiatives, opening doors to opportunity and employment for those who would otherwise be left behind.

Donate at <https://www.caritas.org.au/>



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 Jane McKeown (03) 6234 4463.

READINGS OF THE DAY – 5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

First Reading Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings. And they cried out to one another in this way, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. His glory fills the whole earth.' The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out, and the Temple was filled with smoke. I said: 'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of hosts.' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said: 'See now, this has touched your lips, your sin is taken away, your iniquity is purged.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying: 'Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?' I answered, 'Here I am, send me.'

Responsorial Psalm Psalms 137:1-5. 7-8. R. v.1

(R.) In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. (R.)
2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. (R.)
3. All earth's kings shall thank you
when they hear the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the Lord's ways;
'How great is the glory of the Lord!' (R.)
4. You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you – believing anything else will not lead to anything. Well then, in the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it.

I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 4:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of my people.

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 5:1-11

Jesus was standing one day by the lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats – it was Simon's – and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point. When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 10th February	- Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday 11th February	- Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday 12th February	- Mk 7:14-23
Thursday 13th February	- Mk 7:24-30
Friday 14th February	- Mk 7:31-37
Saturday 15th February	- Mk 8:1-10

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading	- Jeremiah 17:5-8
Responsorial Psalm	- Psalm 1:1-4
Second Reading	- 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20
Gospel	- Luke 6:17,20-26

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.