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## **SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C-20TH JULY 2025**

### **“Welcoming God with Open Hearts”**

This Sunday’s readings present us with two of the most beautiful moments of hospitality in Scripture—Abraham welcoming three mysterious visitors under the oak of Mamre, and Jesus being received in the home of Martha and Mary.

In the first reading, Abraham, the father of faith, rushes to welcome strangers with deep reverence and generosity. Though he does not fully understand who they are, he offers his best—a feast, rest, and honour. In doing so, he unknowingly entertains the divine. It is through this humble act of hospitality that the long-awaited promise is fulfilled: his wife Sarah will bear a son.

The Gospel takes us into the home of Martha and Mary. Martha is busy, overwhelmed by service and preparation—an understandable and honourable task, especially in Jewish culture where hospitality is sacred. Yet Mary does something unexpected. She sits at Jesus’ feet and listens to Him. And Jesus gently reminds Martha—and us all—that while service is good, there is one thing that is most necessary: to be still, to listen, to receive.

Both readings remind us of this truth: when we welcome others, especially the stranger or the needy, we are welcoming God. And when we pause from our busyness and distractions to truly listen, we create space for grace to enter.

Hospitality is not just about opening our homes; it’s about opening our hearts—to the poor, the lonely, the unexpected guest, and even to God’s quiet voice within.

In a world that moves quickly and demands much, today’s Gospel invites us to slow down. Like Mary, we must learn to choose the “better part”—to be present, to sit at the feet of Christ, and to listen. When we do, we not only find peace—we discover that we have welcomed the Lord Himself.

This week, may we open our hearts with Abraham’s generosity and listen with Mary’s stillness. In doing so, we may just find ourselves entertaining angels... or even God Himself.



### **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  
**8.30am:** 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

#### **EUCCHARISTIC 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.”

WHAT'S  
NEW?

## IN THE PARISH

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

A special thank you to all those who have volunteered their time and skills thereby enhancing the capability of our Parish. There are always many ways to be involved if you are willing. A special call out Readers at all our Masses. (It is not as hard as you would think). Our Piety Shop is now up and running and looking for people to help out after all weekend Masses. If you would like to help see Christine at the shop in the Cathedral Centre Foyer. Please leave your number and name at the Parish Office or talk to Deacon Mick in person or by text on 0403 741 913.

**"We would love to hear from YOU !!"**

### THIS WEEK

**Tue July 22 Chatter that Matters** 7 pm, 1st Floor Parish Centre. We invite you to hear "Fr John Joseph" talk on the 22nd July, at the Cathedral Parish Centre, starting at 7pm and finishing by 8:30pm. Drinks and bites to eat available.

**Thu July 24 Piety Shop** 10am-2pm Cathedral Foyer

**Thu July 24 Dr Calvin Bowman Organ Recital** 7:30pm at the Cathedral, tickets can be purchase at the door or through our website.

**Thu July 24 UTAS Youth Group** 6-8pm Level 2 parish centre

**Fri July 25 Adoration** 6pm– 12 am , Cathedral Crypt .

**Sun 27 July St Mary's Cathedral Concert Series Allegri Ensemble - Songs of Remembrance** 3pm at the Cathedral, tickets can be purchase at the door or through our website.

**Sat July 26 & Sun 27 July** The piety shop is open after every weekend Mass .

### COMING UP

**July 28 St Mary's Cathedral Parish RCIA** 6:30 pm, 1st Floor Parish Centre.

**August 9 Evangelium Conference** 10am –4pm , St Aloysius Senior Campus Huntingfield.

**August 10 Morning Tea Invitation for the Archbishop** after 10:30 am mass. 1st Floor Parish Centre, please bring something to share.

**August 12 Installation of the Twelfth Bishop of Hobart / Eleventh Archbishop of Hobart** 11 am St Mary's Cathedral Followed by a reception at 1.00pm at the Best Western

### Golden Jubilee

All are invited to join Fr Mike Delaney as he celebrates his 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination with Masses on :  
August 20, 2025 - Wednesday ,Mass will be celebrated at 7pm, Christ the Priest Church, Kingston followed by supper.  
August 22, 2025 - Friday A concelebrated Mass for Fr Mike Delaney and Fr John Murphy SDB at 11am, Christ the Priest, Kingston.

**From Our Anniversary Book:** Linda Newman, Nellie Fitzpatrick, Agnes Dolan, Lillian Westbrook, Roy Oates, Joseph Imlach, Giuseppe Colavecchio, Michael O'Kane, Brendan Finucane, John Andrews, Margaret Nolan, Thomas Landers, Therese Ivory, Gordon Henry, George Ward, Annunziato Amorosa, John Burke, John Lynch, Terrence McKillop, Violet Hawkes, Lucille Kuchnicka, William Maurice, Alicia Tokarski, John Harold Stafford, Cesira Paoli, Rita Boon, Fr. William Hall, John Crowe, Samuel Lynch, John Nedwell, Herbert Jones, Leslie Direen, Anne Conway, Martha Buckley, Phyllis Jaeger, Anastasia Drew, John Evan Asley, Dianne Burley, Cecily Yvonne Anne Kirkham, Gemma Vigolo, Celestina Di Felice, Kathleen Whittaker, Kathleen Mary Craigie, Sr Ursula Grachan (PBVM) and Sr Cecily Kirkham (PBVM)  
**May they rest in peace!**

### 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.**

### Reminders

A gentle reminder for parents to accompany their children to the restroom at all times.

A kind request for parents to help ensure children remain seated and calm during Mass, to maintain a peaceful environment for everyone.

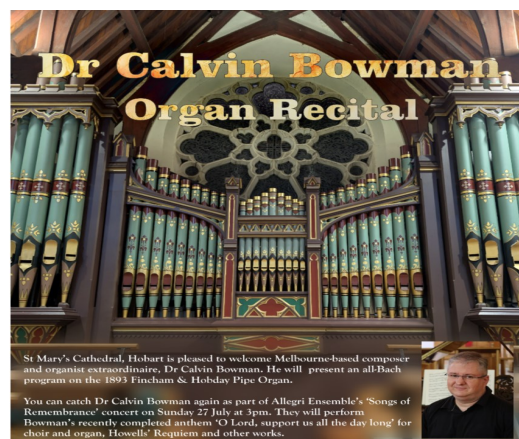
### Adieu –Archbishop Julian

Dear Parishioners,

Let us join for a morning tea in honour of the Archbishop at St Mary's Cathedral, following the 10:30 AM Mass on the 10th of August at the Parish Centre.

Kindly bring a plate to share.

### St Mary's Cathedral Concert Series

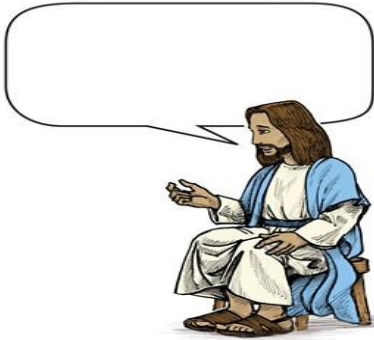


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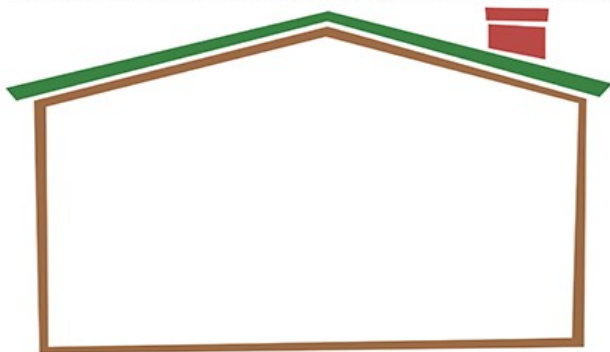
## IN THE DIOCESE

### Children's Corner:

Jesus wants us to listen to what he says. Draw yourself listening to Jesus. What is Jesus saying to you?



Draw a picture of yourself doing something to make a guest feel welcome in your home.



### Installation of Twelfth Bishop of Hobart /

#### Eleventh Archbishop of Hobart

The Most Reverend Julian Porteous DD  
Apostolic Administrator  
Archdiocese of Hobart  
Is delighted to invite you to the  
Installation of

The Most Reverend Anthony John Ireland DD BTheol STL  
MA STD as Twelfth Bishop of Hobart /Eleventh Archbishop  
of Hobart



To be held at St Mary's Cathedral  
180 Harrington St, Hobart at 11.00am on Tuesday 12 August  
2025- Followed by a reception at 1.00pm at the Best Western  
Hotel, 156 Bathurst St, Hobart.  
Please register your attendance by  
email: [archbishopinstallation@aohtas.org.au](mailto:archbishopinstallation@aohtas.org.au)

### Endow Women's Discussion Groups

Endow Women's Discussion Groups: "The Christian Meaning of  
Human Suffering" fortnightly on Wednesdays, starting 30 July.  
"The Dignity & Vocation of Women" fortnightly on Mondays,  
starting 11 August. Where: Lindisfarne Pastoral Centre, 3 Bay Rd,  
Lindisfarne. Time: 1.30-3.00pm. Cost: \$30 for 8 sessions, includes  
study guide. Register: [christine.wood@aohtas.org.au](mailto:christine.wood@aohtas.org.au) or 6208-  
6236.

### The Man of The Shroud

Shroud of Turin, copies of first century artefacts and the latest scientific evidence on this world-renowned linen cloth. Could this be the burial cloth of Jesus Christ and the evidence of the Resurrection? Free entry.

21 – 26 July	Church of the Apostles, Launceston	Nuns Chapel	2pm – 6.30pm
28 – 29 July	Marist Regional College, Burnie	Marian Centre	4pm – 6.30pm
31 July – 2 August	St Brendan Shaw College, Devonport	College Chapel	4pm – 6.30pm
5 – 6 August	St Patrick's College, Prospect	College Chapel	4pm – 6.30pm
9 – 18 August	Guildford Young College, Hobart	College Chapel	4pm – 6.30pm
21 August	St Aloysius Middle Campus, Huntingfield	College Chapel	4pm – 6.30pm

### The Catholic Standard

The July edition of the Catholic Standard has arrived. Please collect your own copy at the back of the Cathedral/Church to take home and share with family and friends.



Here are the highlights from this edition:

- Tasmania's new Shepherd: 'I come to lead in faith, and serve with love'
- Processions around Tasmania for Corpus Christi
- 60 years of priesthood a precious gift and tremendous privilege (Fr Denis Allen)
- Fr Kevin Dance reflects on 60 years of helping people 'carry the load of life'
- Shine a light on Homelessness in Tasmania
- Pilgrimage 'a time of grace, forgiveness and spiritual renewal' (West Tamar Parish)

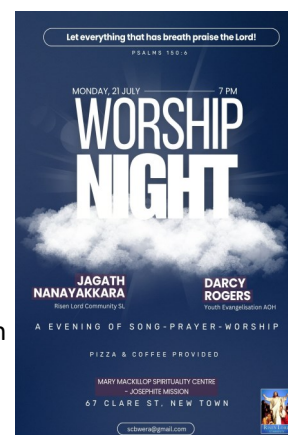
### Mass to honour grandparents

Archbishop Julian will celebrate a special Mass to honour grandparents at Our Lady of Victories Shrine, Lutana, on the feast day of the grandparents of Our Lord Sts. Joachim and Anne on Saturday 26 July at 12 pm. All are welcome to attend.

### Worship Night

An invitation to Young Adults & Youth to join us on Monday 21st July at 7.00pm for a Special Night of Worship and Reflection, led by Darcy Rogers (Youth Evangelisation) and Jagath Nanayakkara (Risen Lord Community)

At Mary Mackillop Spirituality Centre—  
Josephite Mission. 67, Clare St, New Town  
(Next to Sacred Heart Church)  
Refreshments provided.





## READINGS OF THE DAY SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR—C

### First Reading

[Genesis 18:1-10](#)

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.' Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree. 'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

### Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1](#)

**(R.) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.**

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?  
He who walks without fault;  
he who acts with justice  
and speaks the truth from his heart;  
he who does not slander with his tongue. (R.)
2. He who does no wrong to his brother,  
who casts no slur on his neighbour,  
who holds the godless in disdain,  
but honours those who fear the Lord. (R.)
3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may;  
who takes no interest on a loan  
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.  
Such a man will stand firm for ever. (R.)

### Second Reading

[Colossians 1:24-28](#)

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was

God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

### Gospel Acclamation

[Luke 8:15](#)

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance

**Alleluia!**

### Gospel

[Luke 10:38-42](#)

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'



### GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 21st July	-	Matthew 12:38-42
Tuesday 22nd July	-	John 20:1-2. 11-18
Wednesday 23rd July	-	Matthew 13:1-9
Thursday 24th July	-	Matthew 13:10-17
Friday 25th July	-	Matthew 20:20-28
Saturday 26th July	-	Matthew 13:24-30

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

#### [Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C](#)

First Reading	-	Genesis 18:20-32
Responsorial Psalm	-	Ps 137:1-3. 6-8. R. v.3
Second Reading	-	Colossians 2:12-14
Gospel	-	Luke 11:1-13

**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.**