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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST YEAR A

COME LORD JESUS COME

Food, glorious food! Our supermarkets are jammed with massive collections of boxes, bags, cans, bottles, jars etc. which contain a wide variety of delectables for our consumption and other needs. Most of the contents satisfy the needs of our bodies. They are beneficial for an active mind, a happy healthy body and a peaceful spirit as we continue our journey through this life.

There are many people whose needs are not fulfilled. We are uniquely designed and lovingly gifted by God who has entrusted us to use these gifts wisely and selflessly for the good of our family, friends and neighbours near and far away. In this war-time God's world is becoming more unified because of modern discoveries with regard to technology, industry, education, movement of peoples, nations around the world and the spirit of Ecumenism etc.

In John 17:22 Jesus prayed to his Father as follows: "May they be one as we are one." We pray for tolerance, understanding and peace between all nations.

The first section of the Old Testament is the Pentateuch. It contains five books, the last being the Book of Deuteronomy. There are 34 chapters made up of 3 discourses ending with the last days of Moses. He was 120 when God called him to his heavenly home. This is worthwhile reading. Moses was the greatest and last prophet of the Old Testament. Today's first reading (Deut 8:2-3, 14-16) presents the humility of Moses. He reminds the Hebrews that it was "The Lord your God who had lead for forty years in the wilderness. It was God, you fed you with Mannar and gave you water from the rock." Do not forget the lord your God.

"Anyone who does eat my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life in you." We are well aware of our physical needs, but what about our spiritual needs, the nourishment of our souls? By God's grace we have been called, gifted and sent to become the best image of God we can be; that is to know, love and serve our neighbour.

Our presence at Holy Mass, is vital to the ongoing relationship with God because it is here that we are truly united with our crucified Christ Jesus, our brother. We are made one with and in him.

"This is my body... which is given up for you."
"This is my blood... which is poured out for you."

Come Lord Jesus, come. Stay with us Lord unless we forget you (St Padre Pio). We adore you, Jesus Christ, and we thank you because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world. You are truly present at all times. For this we pray. Amen !



MASS TIMES

St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart



7.30am: Tuesday - Friday
5.00pm: Saturday (Vigil Mass)
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

SACRAMENTS & DEVOTIONS

*ENQUIRIES FOR BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGE
PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE*

PIETY SHOP— Thursday, 10 am - 3pm. Saturday & Sunday the shop is open after every weekend Mass



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.

Discover the Catholic Faith: RCIA is Underway!

The journey has officially begun, but it is not too late to find your place at the table. Whether you are unbaptised, baptised in another Christian tradition, or a Catholic looking to complete your Sacraments of Initiation, you are entirely welcome.

No pressure, no expectations—just a community exploring the beauty, history, and depth of the Catholic Church together.

Join Us on the 16th and every fortnight following.

- **When:** Tuesday, 16th June 2026
- **Time:** 6:00 PM
- **Where:** Cathedral Centre

This is your invitation to take that next step. Come and see what the ancient faith has to say to our modern world.

An Open Invitation: Explore "The Search"

What is the meaning of life? Why do we exist? Where are we going?

To launch our RCIA year, St. Mary's Cathedral Parish is extending an open invitation to **everyone**—parishioners, seekers, and the curious alike—to join us for the first three weeks as we host *The Search*.

Produced by the Augustine Institute and hosted by renowned Catholic speaker Chris Stefanick, this visually stunning video series tackles life's biggest questions. Featuring insights from scientists, psychologists, artists, and theologians, *The Search* examines the place where modern science, philosophy, and the ancient Catholic faith meet.

Whether you want to anchor your own faith or are simply looking for answers to the big questions, come and share the evening with us.

- **When:** Every Second Tuesday nights (Commencing 16th June for three fortnights)
- **Time:** 6:00 PM
- **Where:** Cathedral Centre

No registration required for these open sessions. Bring a friend, bring an open mind, and join the conversation.

Companions of the Cathedral

The first gathering of the *Companions of the Cathedral* was held last Wednesday and was a wonderful success. It was heartening to see parishioners come together in friendship and service. Going forward, the Companions will meet every **Wednesday at 12:30 pm** in the Parish Centre. Everyone is warmly welcome to join us for fellowship, a cuppa, and opportunities to assist with various parish activities.

We look forward to welcoming new members each week!

From Our Anniversary Book

Betty Spencer, Sr. Marietta Hollis LCM, Leslie Woods, Ellen Quigley, Corrie Laskey, Caterina Mainella, Eva Warren, Maxwell Williamson, Rosetta Candon, Imelda Francesca Eugster, Nicolina Amorosa, Maurice Quigley, Henry O'Brien, Ivy Duggan, Giuseppina Di Martino, Roffaele "Ralph" Caccavo, Francis Woolford, Joseph Jeffrey, Thomas Johnston, Frederick Burton, Alice Power, Grace Byrne, Gertrude Von Stieglitz, William Neasy, Margaret Van Der Burg, Lily Paice, Peter Alfred Toogood, Thomas Burke, Agnes Shaw, Geoffrey Fisher, Lal Green, Leonard Blackberry, Wallace Brue, John Oakford, Zacary D'Amico, Ellis Bugg, Leonard Arnold, John Spencer, Edmund Lansdell, Eric Szabo, Brian Miller, Katharine Ann Connor, Paul Davis, John Bratt, Athol Killworth, Sr. Catherine Gleeson, LCM, Betty Wilson, Albertus "Barry" Zeitzen. **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.



THE MOST Holy BODY & BLOOD of CHRIST

Bread of Life, broken for me,
You nourish my soul,
you set me free.
In your Body I find my peace,
in your love, all worries cease.

Cup of Salvation,
poured out for all,
Your Precious Blood
answers every call.
You shed it for mercy,
you shed it for love,
a gift from heaven,
sent down from above.

In this holy sacrifice,
You give Yourself to me.
I am not alone,
for You will always be.
Your Body, Your Blood,
my hope and my strength,
with You, I can face
each day and its length.

Jesus, in this sacred feast,
make my heart Your throne.
May I live in You,
and You in me alone.
Until that day eternal,
when I see Your face,
I'll trust in this mystery
of Your boundless grace.





A Pastoral Letter to the People of the Archdiocese of Hobart
 Most Rev. Anthony J. Ireland DD, STD
 Pilgrims of the Eucharist: Towards the International Eucharistic Congress Sydney 2028
 7 June 2026, Feast of Corpus Christi

ARCHBISHOP TONY'S PASTORAL LETTER

Archbishop Tony Ireland will be releasing his first Pastoral Letter to the faithful of Tasmania on the Feast of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Sunday 7 June. The letter is titled, 'Pilgrims of the Eucharist: Towards the International Eucharistic Congress Sydney 2028'. We invite you to take a copy of the letter home with you. Copies can be found in the foyer.



VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

Many Tasmanians are experiencing hardship during these difficult times. They face the threat of homelessness, food insecurity or work uncertainty.

There has been strong demand for the services of the St Vincent de Paul Society this year. The cathedral Vinnies group has been active providing emergency relief. One of the Society's most important fund-raising activities, the 2026 Tasmanian Winter Appeal, is underway across parishes and the community.

This year's appeal focuses on the crisis of homelessness and the fact that many people are only one unexpected setback away from losing the security of their home.

Donations to the appeal are gratefully accepted and can be made through envelopes that will be available in the cathedral soon, or via the Vinnies website.

<https://www.vinnies.org.au/>



WORLD YOUTH DAY FUNDRAISER

BUSH DANCE

Join us for a fun, all-ages community Bush Dance! No experience needed!

SATURDAY, 20 JUNE 2026

5 - 7:30PM

ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH HALL

61 Adelaide St, South Hobart (underneath the Church)

LIVE CALLING - DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY!

Lucky door prizes & prizes for best dressed 'country' theme



To purchase tickets, scan the QR Code or visit: <https://events.humanitix.com/bush-dance-wyd-fundraiser>
 Dinner included in ticket cost. Dessert and beverages for purchase, with money going towards the Tasmanian Pilgrimage to WYD27, Seoul.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF FR. MICHAEL TATE AO



It is with deep sadness and a profound sense of loss we mourns the passing of Father Michael Tate.

A man of immense intellect, deep faith, and enduring service, Fr Michael served both God and his country with rare distinction—as a scholar, a federal statesman, an ambassador, and ultimately, as a devoted parish priest here in Tasmania. We give thanks for his long life of dedicated ministry, his sharp wit, and his pastoral care. He is loved and will be greatly missed. May he rest in the eternal peace of Christ.



WALK WITH CHRIST

The Walk with Christ Eucharistic Procession is on again this year on the Feast of Corpus Christi.

SUNDAY 7 JUNE
 ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH
 TO ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL
 1pm-3pm



In case of bad weather, please check the Catholic Archdiocese of Hobart Facebook page for notification of wet weather contingency plans.



Parking

Long-term parking is available in the Hobart Central Car Park in Melville Street.

On the day please assemble no later than 1pm at St Joseph's Church, Hobart.



Participants who are **unable to walk** in the Procession are invited to come to the Cathedral at 1.30pm to take part in the Adoration and concluding Benediction.



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First Reading
Deuteronomy 8:2-3. 14-16

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart - whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 147:12-15. 19-20. R. v.12

(R.) Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.
or
(R.) Alleluia!

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!
Zion, praise your God!
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed the children within you. (R.)
2. He has established peace on your borders,
he feeds you with finest wheat.
He sends out his word to the earth
and swiftly runs his command. (R.)
3. He makes his word known to Jacob,
to Israel his laws and decrees.
He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his decrees. (R.)

Second Reading
1 Corinthians 10:16-17

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

Gospel Acclamation
John 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
Alleluia!

Gospel
John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'



GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

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| Monday 8th June | - Matthew 5:1-12 |
| Tuesday 9th June | - Matthew 5:13-16 |
| Wednesday 10th June | - Matthew 5:17-19 |
| Thursday 11th June | - Matthew 5:20-26 |
| Friday 12th June | - Matthew 11:25-30 |
| Saturday 13th June | - Matthew 5:33-37 |

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 14th June 2026

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| First Reading | - Exodus 19:2-6 |
| Responsorial Psalm | - Ps 99:2-3. 5. R. v.3 |
| Second Reading | - Romans 5:6-11 |
| Gospel | - Matthew 9:36 - 10:8 |
- Pray and Reflect on the Word of God !**