

	MASS TIMES FOR THIS WEEK	
	<p>St Mary's Cathedral Crypt Hobart 7.30am: Tuesday - Friday</p> <p>Guilford Young College Chapel 6.00pm: Saturday Vigil Mass 10.30am: Sunday 6.00pm: Sunday</p> <p>Sacred Heart Church New Town 9.00am: Tuesday - Thursday 12.Noon: Friday 8.00am: Saturday 8.30am: Sunday</p>	<p>Lawrenny Court (131 Hill St West Hobart) 10.30am: Friday</p> <p>ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Sacred Heart Church New Town 11.00am: Friday St Mary's Cathedral Crypt Hobart 6pm - 12am: Friday</p> <p>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Sacred Heart Church New Town 11am - 11.40am: Friday Guilford Young College 5.00pm - 5.30pm: Saturday</p>

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A - 27TH NOVEMBER 2022

My dear parishioners,

As we begin this new liturgical year this Sunday - **1st Sunday of Advent**, I would like to bring to your attention a few activities that will take place during this month of December.

- With the blessing of the Altar on the **8th of December**, I'm glad to announce that the Cathedral will be open for services from the weekend of the **10th and 11th of December** onwards for Sunday and weekday Masses.
- Three days of **Advent Talks** will be held at St Mary's Cathedral from the **14th to 16th December, from 5.30pm to 6.30pm**. All are welcome to join as we prepare for the Celebration of Christmas.
- On **Sunday 18th December**, the 4th Sunday of Advent, during the 10.30am Mass the annual blessing of the Nativity will take place by the Archbishop. You are welcome to bring your own nativity sets to be blessed.
- **The Christmas BBQ**, will be held after the 10.30am Mass on **Sunday 18th December** with a Bake sale, plant sale and other fundraisers for the Cathedral Maintenance. Please be present to help out or donate for the fundraiser.
- The Parish Christmas Carol service will be held at 11.15pm on Christmas Eve, before the Midnight Mass.
- The Christmas and New Year Mass times will be published next Sunday in the Parish Bulletin.
- Advent Pastoral Letter by Archbishop Julian on **Renewing our Participation in the Sacred Liturgy** is available for everyone to take. As we enter the season of Advent and the new liturgical year in the church, please make use of this resource to prepare yourself for this sacred season.

In Christ, Fr Leonard.

WE APPRECIATE - ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH COMMUNITY SACRISTANS - 6PM SUNDAY MASS

Peter has been an altar server since 1956 and remembers wearing soutane, surplice and red cloth slippers. Luke started serving in 1999 and Marilyn in 2007. Each has been doing odd jobs and gardening for the parish for decades. Peter and Marilyn were married in the Cathedral in 1972. Luke was confirmed and made his Holy Communion in the Cathedral in 1997.

They served every week until a couple of years ago when moved to a two week roster. May also be seen helping at funerals and other occasions. Their gift of self is a true blessing to the parish.

With Gratitude, St Mary's Cathedral Parish Thank-you for your ministry.



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THE ADVENT WREATH helps us to spiritually contemplate the great drama of salvation history that surrounds the birth of God Incarnate, who comes to redeem the human race and make all things new (Rev. 21:5).

SHAPE, NUMBER, AND COLOUR SHAPE:

The circular shape of the wreath, without beginning or end, symbolizes God's complete and unending love for us—a love that sent his Son into the world to redeem us from the curse of sin. It also represents eternal life which becomes ours through faith in Jesus Christ.

NUMBER: The Advent Wreath traditionally holds four candles which are lit, one at a time, on each of the four Sundays of the Advent season. Each candle represents 1,000 years. Added together, the four candles symbolize the 4,000 years that humanity waited for the world's Saviour—from Adam and Eve to Jesus, whose birth was foretold in the Old Testament. Advent wreath traditions also include a fifth white "Christ" candle, symbolizing purity, that is lit on Christmas Eve or Christmas day. Many circular wreaths can incorporate a white candle by adding a pillar candle to the wreath centre.

COLOUR: Violet is a liturgical colour that is used to signify a time of prayer, penance, and sacrifice and is used during Advent and Lent. Advent, also called "little Lent," is the season where we spiritually wait in our "darkness" with hopeful expectation for our promised redemption, just as the whole world did before Christ's birth, and just as the whole world does now as we eagerly await his promised return.

THE FOUR WEEKS OF ADVENT

During the first two weeks of Advent we light the first two purple candles. The Third Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday. On this day we celebrate that our waiting for the birth of Jesus on Christmas day is almost over. Rose is a liturgical colour that is used to signify joy, so we light the single pink candle on the third Sunday of Advent.

Then on the fourth Sunday of Advent, the final purple candle is lit to mark the final week of prayer and penance as we wait expectantly for the soon-coming birth of the King of Kings.

Traditionally, each of the four Advent candles have a deeper meaning which is depicted in the lovely Four Weeks of Advent Pewter Wreath:

The 1st Sunday of Advent symbolizes Hope with the "Prophet's Candle" reminding us that Jesus is coming.

The 2nd Sunday of Advent symbolizes Faith with the "Bethlehem Candle" reminding us of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

The 3rd Sunday of Advent symbolizes Joy with the "Shepherd's Candle" reminding us of the Joy the world experienced at the coming birth of Jesus.

The 4th Sunday of Advent symbolizes Peace with the "Angel's Candle" reminding us of the message of the angels: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

REFLECTION - 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

AWAKE - ALERT- ALIVE- ACTIVE

God had a plan when he entered into this world in human form precisely to begin his journey towards our salvation. This is the GOOD NEWS!. Jesus said; " Know that I am with you always. Yes, to the end of time" (Matt. 28 v 20). Knowing that the end time is near for all of us, what do we most value about our lives?. The world around us is becoming one. This is our temporal home and all things are passing. What is the great promise of our inheritance? God's home is our home. Have we the eyes, ears, and heart of Jesus to be a light of truth and justice as we reach out to the needy knowing that the more important gift is the gift of ourselves following the example of Jesus. 'For he assumed at his first coming the lowliness of human flesh, and so fulfilled the design you formed long ago, and opened for us the way to eternal salvation, that when he comes again in glory and majesty, we who watch for that day may inherit the great promise in which we now dare to hope. (Preface 1. Advent).
Come, Lord Jesus come. Amen.



*God of Light and Life,
give us Hope as we await your coming.*

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

Annita Ciafardini, Terence Lynch, Cyril Davis, Ellen Imlach, John Finn, Marie Hand, Stella Williams, Michael Furjanic, Lugiano Buracchi, Jack Lynch, Reginald Duggan, Krzystos "Ristof" Zyczynski, Patrick Kennedy, Cecil Cosgrove, Zanella and Donato Vacca, Stefania Stanczyk, Mary Pauline Vincent, Domenico and Antonietta Mastrisciano, Giovanni Gallo, Anthony Batich, Isabel Harwood, Lucia Crespan, Mervyn Miller, Adolf Kuchnicki, Sr Evangelist Langtry PBVM, Sr Patricia Fallon PBVM

May they rest in peace !





TO YOU, I LIFT UP MY SOUL, O MY GOD. (Ps.24)

Last Wednesday evening parishioners gathered at Sacred Heart Church to join with many other Christian groups to pray for: **'Aid to the Church in need for persecuted Christians around the world.'**

Eternal joy grant to them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Jesus assured his disciples as follows, "If two of you on earth agree to ask for anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in Heaven. For where two or three meet in my name I shall be there with them. (Matt. 18: v 9-20)

Please collect your prayer cards for persecuted Christians from the back of the church.

PARISH CHRISTMAS BBQ - 18th DECEMBER



Everyone is welcome to come and join the fun filled day with items to purchase from the **Bake, Plant and Bric a Brac Sale**. Please bring a salad or dessert to share at the BBQ. Meat, bread and drinks will be supplied.

CAROLS ON THE HILL 2022

Carols on the Hill is a free, traditional outdoor carols event designed for families to share the joyful spirit of Christmas. Staged at Guilford Young College oval (Hobart Campus), this



cosy venue is perfect for a family picnic. There will be food vans on-site and activities for children. A single general admission ticket must be reserved for each & every attendee (adults & children).

Tickets can be reserved at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/carols-on-the-hill-2022-tickets-461564751597>

WHAT'S NEW?

OPEN INVITATION FOR ALL PARISHIONERS TO ATTEND



**His Grace
the Most Rev. Julian Porteous
Archbishop of Hobart**

Cordially invites you to attend the
**Eucharistic Celebration and Ritual to
Bless and Dedicate the Cathedral's new altar**
in the presence of His Excellency
the Most Rev. Charles Daniel Balvo,
Apostolic Nuncio to Australia

Thursday, 8 December 2022 at 7.00pm
The Feast of the Immaculate Conception

St Mary's Cathedral
180 Harrington Street, Hobart

RSVP: cathedraldedication@aohas.org.au
or 03 6208 6223
By 30th November 2022

Children's Corner



During Advent we can prepare for the arrival of Jesus by helping others.

Draw a picture of yourself helping another person.

Advent Wreath Blessing Prayer

Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples, he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, he is the Saviour of every nation. Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath.

May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



READINGS OF THE DAY - 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come the mountain of the Temple of the Lord shall tower above the mountains and be lifted higher than the hills. All the nations will stream to it, peoples without number will come to it; and they will say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the Temple of the God of Jacob that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.'

He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples; these will hammer their swords into ploughshares, their spears into sickles. Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war. O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 121:1-2. 4-5. 6-9. R. see v.1.

(R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
2. It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord.
For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgement
of the house of David.
3. For the peace of Jerusalem pray:
'Peace be to your homes!
May peace reign in your walls,
in your palaces, peace!'
4. For love of my brethren and friends
I say: 'Peace upon you!'
For love of the house of the Lord
I will ask for your good.

Second Reading Romans 13:11-14

You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon – let us give up all the things we prefer to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live

decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 24:37- 44

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes.

Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'



GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 28th November	Matthew 8: 5-11
Tuesday 29th November	Luke 10: 21-24
Wednesday 30th November	- St Andrew, apostle Matthew 4: 18-22
Thursday 1st December	Matthew 7: 21, 24-27
Friday 2nd December	- Matthew 9: 27-31
Saturday 3rd December	- St Francis Xavier, priest Matthew 9: 35-10:1, 6-8

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS 2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11: 1-10	Psalm 71: 1-2,7-8,12-13,17
Romans 15: 4-9	Matthew 3: 1-12

Pray and Reflect on the Word of God

Please take you copy of the AVE home to reflect and to share with family and friends.