

St Mary's Cathedral Parish



Weekly Mass Times

St Mary's Cathedral

Tue-Fri : 7.30am Mass (Kindly note that there will be no 7:30am Mass on Tuesday, 31st March)

Sat : 6pm Mass

Sun : 10.30am & 6.00pm Masses

Sacred Heart Church

Tue/Wed/Thu : 9am Mass

(Kindly note that there will be no 9am Mass on Wednesday, 18th March)

Sat : 8.00am Mass

Sun : 8.30am Mass

Lawrenny Court Cnr Arthur and Hill St, West Hobart Fri 10.30am Mass

Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation)

Sacred Heart Church : Sat following 8.00am Mass

St Mary's Cathedral: Sat 5-5.30pm

Weekly Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

St Mary's Cathedral: Friday 4:30-5:30pm

Weekly Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

St Mary's Cathedral Centre: Saturday 11am

15th March 2020 Third Sunday of Lent
Year A/2

St Mary's Cathedral—Cnr Harrington & Patrick Streets, Hobart
Sacred Heart Church—Cross St, New Town

Responsorial Psalm: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Gospel Acclamation : Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world;
give me living water, that I may never thirst again. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

This Week's Readings: Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

Next Week's Readings: 1 Sam 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

Thirsty for Truth....

Fr. John Wallis was giving an eight day retreat many years ago and I was one of the retreatants. I vividly remember discussing with him the Gospel Passage for today's liturgy, 'The Samaritan woman at the Well,' (Jn.4:5-48). There was an air of excitement around Fr John's approach to the reading. This account of the ministry of Jesus towards the woman may have been one of his favourite gospel stories. As we read, reflected, discussed and prayed together, I felt a joyful energy in that experience as Fr John drew me into the Gospel scene. Some aspects of this encounter are burnt into my memory. During one session I suddenly blurted out; "but I feel empty!" to which Fr. John gently replied; "Oh that's good. This means that God is there and you are not! It's all God's work." That wasn't the response I was expecting. My well was empty and how was I to fill it? I needed to be open to the spirit and be surprised. Occasionally I recall this and ponder the words from (Jn.3:30) "He must increase and I must decrease" and again from (Lk.17:5) with the Apostles, 'Lord, increase my faith.'



Jesus asked the woman to give him a drink. When the throat is dry and burning, water is the best thing to lubricate it and ease the discomfort. Water is a vital need for it gives and sustains life. Isn't this what Jesus wanted to offer the woman. To heal her past, renew her spirit and fill her with peace and love that will give her new life and sustain her forever. Salvation is for all who seek it. Water is such a precious gift from God as it sustains and gives life in the spirit. Once Jesus spoke to the woman her life began to change for the better. Jesus wants to free us from our burdens and to know that as much as we want to be loved by God, so too does he want us to love him in return.

"Love one another as I have loved you."

Sr Monica Shelverton PBVM

Invitation

"Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose hearts are the highways to Zion." Psalm 84:5

St Mary's Cathedral Hobart and Sacred Heart Church New Town Parish communities invite you to attend the Diamond Jubilee Holy Eucharist of the Religious Profession of Sr Monica Shelverton PBVM On Wednesday 18th March, 2020 at 7:30am at St Mary's Cathedral followed by breakfast in the Cathedral Centre.

Please RSVP by Friday, 16th March 2020.

Shilpi Samida: cathedral@aohtas.org.au

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Or

David Shelverton on 6234 3048



Precautions concerning Corona Virus

Dear Parishioners,

As you are no doubt aware, the first reported case of Corona Virus has been reported in Tasmania. While health authorities consider Tasmanians to be at low risk, it would be prudent to put a number of precautions in place in our parishes.

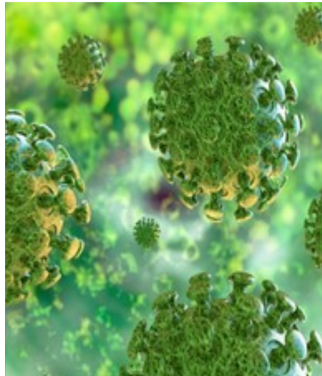
Thus, I propose the following:

1. That Communion from the Chalice be suspended at this time.
2. That the Sign of Peace at Mass not include a handshake. A gesture of recognition or other sign could be used.
3. It is recommended that in greeting people after the Mass, the priest refrain from shaking hands.
4. That ministers of the altar use hand sanitizer before and after Mass. This would include those assisting with the distribution of Holy Communion.
5. That the sacred vessels be thoroughly washed after every Mass.
6. Consideration could be given to providing a hand sanitizer coming to and leaving the celebration of Mass.

These precautions will remain in place until we receive advice from health authorities that they can be lifted.

Yours in Christ,

Archbishop Julian Porteous



Stations of the Cross Liturgy

"The only answer in these modern times, as in all other times, is the blood of Christ. When our conscience rises up and condemns us, where will we turn? We turn to Christ. We turn to the suffering and death of Christ. This is the only cleansing agent in the universe that can give the conscience relief in life and peace in death."

John Piper, 'The Passion of Jesus Christ.'

From 7-8pm every Friday in Lent;

20th March: Cathedral
27th March: Sacred Heart Church



Inaugural Archdiocesan Mass for Life – Saturday, March 28 at 11am

The Inaugural Archdiocesan Mass for Life will be held at 11am on Saturday March 28, at Sacred Heart Church, New Town. Archbishop Julian Porteous will be the main celebrant. The Mass will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the publication of Pope St John Paul II's encyclical *Evangelium Vitae* that promoted the building of a culture of life. For more information please contact Ben Smith at the Archdiocesan Office for Life, Marriage & Family on 6208 6036 or ben.smith@aohtas.org.au.

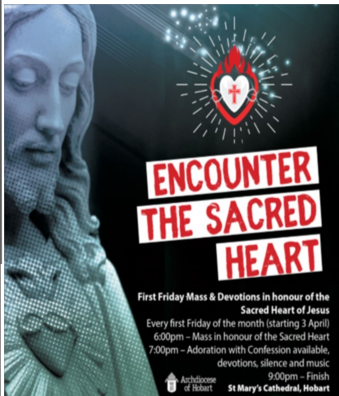


St Mary's Cathedral Parish embraces and wholeheartedly supports the Archdiocese of Hobart Safe Communities Policy and Framework.

Encounter the Sacred Heart

Office of Youth Evangelization together with the Youth group of St Mary's Cathedral are incredibly excited to announce a new initiative which will be starting at St Mary's Cathedral Parish every First Friday of the month. Holy Mass in honour of the Sacred Heart will be celebrated followed by a time of Adoration, Confession, devotions, music and silence. All are welcome to attend this initiative and find out more about this beautiful devotion and the promises that come to people who participate in it. The Mass and devotions will run from 6-9pm (beginning with Mass at 6pm) and will start on Friday 3 April 2020.

Office of Youth Evangelization initiative with St Mary's Youth Group



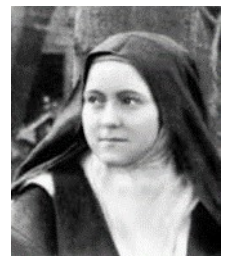
Preparation for St. Therese Relics Visit

33 Days to Merciful Love: Group Retreat - in preparation for the arrival of the Relics of St Therese of Lisieux and Sts Louis & Zelie Martin in April.

CWL and friends invite you to join us on Wednesday mornings, commencing 8:50 am in the Barry Room, Diocesan Centre, 35 Tower Road, New Town.

Starts Wednesday, 18th March for 5 sessions.
Sessions will be 1 hour.
Cost - \$5.00.

Ben Smith, Director –
Office of Life, Marriage &
Family will lead the sessions.



PARISH LENTEN PROGRAM: Presence – The Mystery of the Eucharist

Our **Lenten** Program this year will be **Presence – The Mystery of the Eucharist**, a video based series that has been carefully designed to help participants discover the powerful way that God is present to us in the Eucharist, inviting us into an intimate union with Himself. We will examine the effects of the Sacrament and its setting in the Mass, explore the scriptural foundation of the Sacrament, and discover the beauty of Holy Communion and the transformative power of the grace God offers us in this Sacrament.

The programme will run for four weeks on Thursdays, and began on the 27th February. Time: 10:00am to 12 noon and 7:00pm to 9:00pm. It will conclude on 19th March. All are welcome to join!

This program is being run from the formed.org website, so if you can't get to all the sessions at the Cathedral Centre, you can watch the program at home.

If you have not yet joined our parish subscription to Formed, just go to formed.org and click 'Sign Up'. On the next page, select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization".

Find our parish by name, "St Mary Cathedral 164 Harrington St., Hobart, TAS". Enter your email address and you will be sent an email – click the tab on the email and you're in.



Derwent Symphony Orchestra conducted by Alexander Rodrigues

2:30pm Sunday, 29th March at the Stanley Burbury Theatre, UTAS.

Titled Poets and Peasants, the concert will include Suppé's Poet and Peasant overture, a selection from Edvard Grieg's Peer Gynt Suites, Johannes Brahms' Academic Festival Overture and will feature clarinet and flute soloists Angus Deeth and Ange Grist respectfully.



Tickets at the door or online at www.trybooking.com/BILMZ

St Mary's Cathedral 2020 Concert Series Concert 2 – It is a Thing Most Wonderful!

2pm Saturday, 4th April at St Mary's Cathedral

Following on from the success of the first concert which brought in more than \$1000 to the Cathedral, this concert will feature the St Mary's Cathedral Choir performing works written for the Lenten period such as Palestrina's O Crux Ave, Viadana's Adoramus te, Christe, John Stainer's God so Loved the World, Vittoria's O Vos Omnes, and Philip Moore's It is a Thing Most Wonderful. The music is highly reflective, meditating and preparing for the celebration of Easter. We would like to welcome All Saints' Compline Choir, directed by Nick Caddick, who will be joining us at this concert to sing works by Orlando Lassus that they performed at their recent Compline service.

Tickets at the door or online at www.trybooking.com/BJDOU



LET'S GO FURTHER, TOGETHER

Project Compassion is Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal. Millions of Australians come together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold human dignity. Donate Today!

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"I feel happy and my social life and network has improved."



**PROJECT
COMPASSION
GO FURTHER TOGETHER**

Support the Cathedral Restoration Fund

Help us preserve our Cathedral for generations to follow by making a pledge or remembering us in your will. To enquire or donate, please contact the Parish Office on 6234 4463 or email: cathedral@aohtas.org.au. **Thank you !**



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(remember to 'like/follow us' to stay up to date!)



Let's have a cuppa and chat!

You are invited for morning tea at St Mary's Cathedral Centre after 10:30am Mass and Sacred Heart Parish Hall after 8:30am Mass!

Our vision statement in the parish promotes hospitality, welcome and fellowship among the members of the parish. It is good to catch up and to have a friendly chat with your fellow parishioners and the new ones who have joined the community recently.

Thank you! Fr Shammi Perera



From Our Anniversary Book

Susan Di Giovanni, Francesco Demarte, Maxwell Webberley, Archibald Hawkes, Florence Proto, Giovanni Ferraro, Archbishop Guilford Young, Nancy Foale, Anthony Pauly, Rosemary Cooper, Peter Roach, William Warren, Eileen Burke, John Kelly, Walter Pauly, Guido Toffoli, Michele Giura, Rosa Rello, Ernest McDonald, Maria Sofia di Noia, Mary News, Julian Donnelly, John Farrington, Clarke Henry, Mona Jones, Bernard Gillon, Margaret Connell, Mary Duggan, Bernard Shelverton, Giovanni Marino

May they rest in peace!



Dear parishioners, please note the times for events in Holy Week

St Mary's Cathedral Hobart

Palm Sunday Vigil Mass:	6:00pm	Sat April 4
Palm Sunday Mass :	10:15 am	Sun April 5
(earlier start to allow for blessing of palms)		
Holy week Masses		
Chrism Mass:	7:00pm	Tues April 7
Morning Mass:	7:30am	Wed April 8
Sacred Paschal Triduum		
Mass of the Lord's Supper:	7:00pm	Thurs April 9
Passion of the Lord:	3:00pm	Fri April 10
Easter Vigil:	7:00pm	Sat April 11
Mass of the Resurrection:	10:30am	Sun April 12

Sacred Heart Church, New Town

Palm Sunday Mass:	8:30am	Sun April 5
Holy Week Mass		
Morning Mass:	9:00am	Wed April 5
Sacred Paschal Triduum		
Stations of the Cross:	10:00am	Fri April 10
Mass of the Resurrection:	8:30am	Sun April 12
Please note there is NO EVENING MASS on Easter Sunday April 12.		
There are no Masses on Good Friday (including no Lawrenny Court Mass)		
Please remember to return your Project Compassion boxes and Lenten Donation Envelopes from Holy Thursday onwards.		
Thank you!		
Please note the Cathedral office will be closed from Friday April 10 to Tuesday April 14 inclusive.		

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15/3	SHC : 8.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
Greeter	John Fox	Meg Pinelli	Romilda Amorosa	TBA
Lector	Fred Tojino, Debbie Brown, Michael Brown	Lorraine Dooley	Marcus Laycock, Brigid McKenna	Margot Suber
EMOC	Kindly note that the roster will be on hold until further notice. Thank you!			