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17th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME YEAR A - 30th JULY 2023

My dear parishioners.



MASS & PRAYERS HONOURING THE FATHERHOOD OF GOD

Sunday 6 August at St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart

A special Mass and devotional prayers will be held in honour of the Fatherhood of God, with the intention of asking God's blessing on

2pm Holy Hour of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Prayers of Consecration and Benediction. Photos of family members (especially those in need of healing) may be placed on the sanctuary where they will remain throughout the Holy Hour and Mass.

3pm Mass will be celebrated by Fr Leonard Caldera.

Further enquiries: Zofia 0438 366 447.

HEALING SERVICE



Friday 4th August 2023 at St Mary's Cathedral

This is a joint collaboration with St Mary's Cathedral and the Risen Lord prayer group.

The evening program is:

5.40pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

6pm

Hymns & Reflections with Eucharistic 7pm Adoration followed by prayer ministry.

ROME PILGRIMAGE

Are you thinking about your next holiday and wondering where to go



for a spiritual experience. Look no further, head to Rome with Fr Mike Delaney on the 14th – 24th January 2024. Flyers can be collected at the back of the church.

Final date for booking is Friday 29th September 2023. Cost – from \$3050 per person, twin share.

Further details: Rome Pilgrimages - 1800753959 or email - pilgrimage@sydneycatholic.org

MEN'S PUBLIC ROSARY

1st Saturday of every month @ 1pm St David's Park, Hobart. The next gathering is Saturday 5th August 2023. Men of all ages are welcome. Further details: rosarycrusadetas@proton.me

In Christ.

Fr Leonard



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

9.00am: 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

ROSARY and NOVENA TO OUR LADY

Sacred Heart Church, New Town After 9am Mass: Wednesday 7.30am: Saturday

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Mary's Cathedral Crypt (Cathedral Centre)

6pm - 12am: Friday

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

Sacred Heart Church, New Town Heritage Treasures Music Liturgy and Pipe Organ



James McAuley was born at Lakemba, NSW, in 1917. He had a distinguished academic career which culminated in his appointment as Professor of English at the University of Tasmania.

In 1952 he converted to Roman Catholicism, following an intense spiritual experience at a

Catholic mission in New Guinea

James is best known for his poetry which was rich in religious imagery. James was introduced to an Australian musician Richard Connolly and the two subsequently collaborated to produce between them the most significant collection of Australian Catholic hymnody to date.

Professor James McAuley is perhaps best known to Catholics as a writer of some sixteen hymns, many of which, like 'Seek, O seek the Lord' and 'Sing a New Song, Sings a New Song', are still treasured and sung today.

James was a parishioner of Sacred Heart Church, New Town and died in Hobart in 1976.



The Pipe Organ at Sacred Heart Church which is located in the Nave bay at the south west corner of the church was manufactured by George Fincham & Sons, Melbourne in 1971.

Over the years, the Sacred Heart Church organists has accompanied the choir to sing many of James McAuley's hymns and his hymns are still continually being sung today at Sacred Heart Church Mass celebrations.

Information and Images sourced from Brian Andrews AOH Heritage officer and https://catholicismpure.wordpress.com/category/james-mcauley/

REFLECTION - 17TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Immense Wealth – But It Will Cost You Everything You Have

In this Sunday's Gospel Jesus puts before us the parable of the treasure hidden in a field. He wants us to understand something about the mystery of the kingdom of heaven. He says it is like a treasure which a man found hidden in a field, and he hid it again and went off delighted to sell everything he owned and bought the field. In several ways it is a strange story. Where did the man find enough money to buy the field? Why didn't he just take the treasure? Although this parable is very familiar to us, we would do well to think about it a little while.

Well, first off, Jesus is clearly telling us that the Kingdom of heaven is a vast treasure – unimaginable wealth. The kingdom of heaven is where God reigns. It includes all the people who want God to rule in their lives. It is a situation of immense joy because it is what we have been created for – to know, love and serve God here on earth and to rejoice with Him forever in heaven. The kingdom, which Jesus is telling us is very near to us, is no less than a share in His divine life, where we are children of Our Father in heaven, and brothers and sisters of Jesus the Son of God Himself. It is truly an unimaginable blessing. It is something we could never attain by our own effort, but it is offered to us freely by God, through the Death and Resurrection of His Beloved Son, Jesus Christ.

However, note well; it is something which can't be got through theft. It has to be paid for. Also, unlikely as it seems, we have the resources to obtain it, but it will cost us everything we have. For us to enter into the kingdom of heaven, we need to allow God to reign in every aspect of our lives. We have to give Him control over everything we are and everything we have: our time, our finances, our relationships, our eating, our recreation, our work, our waking, our sleeping – everything!

And as we learn to submit every aspect of our lives to God, we will come to know the supreme joy that comes from living out what God created us to be – His beloved children.

We will learn to pray with the Psalmist "Let Your love [Lord] come and I shall live, for Your law is my delight. That is why I love Your commands more than the finest gold. ... Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore I obey it. The unfolding of Your Word gives light and teaches the simple." Thank You Jesus.

Deacon Nick MacFarlane

From Our Anniversary Book: Maryanne Butterworth, Horrie Miller, Jean Shelverton, Patrick Scanlon, Marianna Palermo, Mary Wilkinson, Laura Thomas, Madge Butterworth, Harold Frankcombe, Hillary O'Neill, Neil Campbell, Auriel Felcia Mahony, Giovina Fantini, Janice Dooley, Glen Broadribb, Father Philip Conolly, George Kelly, Mildred Haigh, Father John Wallis, Elizabeth Palermo, Charles Thornhill, Lily Davis, Thomas McGlone, Hedley Taylor, Gail Zantuck, Mario Ghedini, John Kelly, Gladys Fitzgerald, Christine Sproule, Damien Chatterton, Sr. Barbara Duggan SSJ, Antonio Marino, Rezkallah Korkmaz, Ina Nichols, Sr. Canice Fleming PBVM, Sr. Genevieve Wood PBVM and Sr. Paul Beechinor PBVM

May they rest in peace!

Passion, Intimacy and Christ

Theology of the Body Retreat 24th-27th August with Simon Carrington from Fire Up Ministries at The Murphy Room, 35 Tower Rd, Archdiocese of Hobart

The deepest desire of the human heart is for God, how do our bodies and sexuality reveal truth about God and our relationship with Him?

Explore how you can be free from struggles and learn to love every person you meet with purity of heart.

Grow closer to God and understand how to live out your sexuality in freedom, peace and joy.

For those married or single, all ages over 18

Thursday and Friday evenings, talks and light supper. All day Saturday with lunch and dinner ending in a Mercy Night with Eucharistic Adoration and the chance for Sacrament of Confession and then finishing Sunday

\$40 for early bird registrations before 14th August or \$55 afterwards.



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POPE FRANCIS PRAYER FOR AUGUST

For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their

Honouring the Fatherhood of God

Sunday 6th August 2023

This is a special opportunity to pray for our family members - asking God the Father "the Father from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named" (EPH 3:14-15) to bless and protect them and all families.

Photos of family members (especially those in need of healing) may be placed on the sanctuary where they will remain throughout the Holy Hour and Mass.



"Oh how My Love as Father has been forgotten

Life for the Glory of God the Father, page 85.

"Call Me by the name Father with confidence and love and you will receive everything from this Father with Love and Mercy."

Life for the Glory of God the Father, page 90.

"I desire only this: That one day may be consecrated to honouring Me in a particular way under the title of Father of all mankind.... Life for the Glory of God the Father, page 97.

Pope Francis said: "For a Christian, to pray is simply to say 'Abba', to say 'Papa', to say 'Dad', to say 'Father' but with the trust of a child."

Pope Francis - Weekly general audience, in St Peter's Square, at the Vatican, Wednesday 16 January 2019.

Left: The Return of the Prodigal Son by Rembrandt.

VENUE:

St Mary's Cathedral

180 Harrington St,

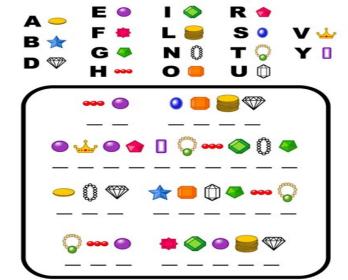
Date: Sunday 6 August 2023 2-3pm:

Holy Hour of Exposition, Prayers of Consecration and Benediction

3pm: Holy Mass honouring the Fatherhood of God. Celebrant: Father Leonard Enquiries: Zofia - 0438 366 447

Children's Corner

What did the man do after he found the treasure hidden in the field? Use the key below to decipher the code.



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.



Safe 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.

READINGS OF THE DAY - 17TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

First Reading 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, Alleluia, alleluia! 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement

for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give

you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130. R.v.97

(R.) Lord, I love your commands.

has had and none will have after you.'

- 1. My part, I have resolved, O Lord, is to obey your word. The law from your mouth means more to me than silver and gold. (R.)
- 2. Let your love be ready to console me by your promise to your servant. Let your love come to me and I shall live for your law is my delight. (R.)
- 3. That is why I love your commands more than finest gold. That is why I rule my life by your precepts: I hate false ways. (R.)
- 4. Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore I obev it. The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple. (R.)

Second Reading Romans 8:28-30

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this: those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

Gospel Acclamation

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth:

vou have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!



Matthew 13:44-52 Gospel

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 31st July - St Ignatius of Loyola, priest

Matthew 13:31-35

Tuesday 1st August - St Alphonsus Liguori, bishop, doctor Matthew 13:36-43

Wednesday 2nd August - St Eusebius of Vercelli, bishop St Peter Julian Eymard, priest

Matthew 13:44-46

Thursday 3rd August - St Dominic, priest

Matthew 13:47-53

Friday 4th August - St John Vianney, priest

Matthew 13:54-58

Saturday 5th August - **Dedication of the Basilica of St** Mary Major - Saturday Mass of Virgin Mary

Matthew 14:1-12

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - The Transfiguration

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 Psalm 96:1-2, 5-6, 9 2 Peter 1:16-19 Matthew 17:1-9

Pray and Reflect on the Word of God