

27th September

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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-YEAR A

THE TWO SONS - WHAT IS YOUR OPINION?

(MK. 4: 33 – 34). JESUS using many parables like this one, he spoke the word to them so far as they could understand it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone. Jesus Christ is the greatest teacher of all time. 'We praise you, we bless you, we glorify you, we give you thanks.'

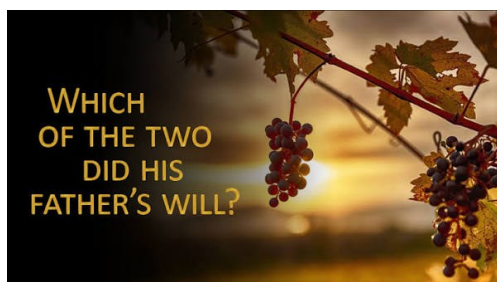
From St. Matthew's Gospel. (21: 28-32) Jesus is teaching us through this parable of the Two Sons. Jesus is the greatest teacher for all time, God in human flesh. Jesus has taken his place in the Temple and was surrounded by suspicious and doubting Chief Priests and Elders of the people who were waiting for the opportunity to catch Jesus out breaking the law by word or deed. Jesus was about renewing and reforming the people and fulfilling his Father's will that is the establishment of the Kingdom of God here on earth.

Jesus, asks our opinion on which son has done his Father's will, and we are all in agreement here. Jesus, the Chief Priests and the Elders, ourselves, we all understand which son has pleased the father – the one who was changed by what the father wanted. Even though we know this we can stay stuck in our ways, busy with our responsibilities and to-do lists. Or perhaps stuck in ways that were taught to us. Wanting to please people without taking time to consider what is a priority, what are we committed to or what is being asked of us. Can we be open to hearing God's voice willing to be changed if we have got it wrong. Willing to say sorry if we have got it wrong. It makes sense to ask, to discuss and to seek guidance. He will refresh us and make us ready to begin again.

From today's psalm 24: 8-9.

'The Lord is good to the upright. He shows the path to those who stray. He guides the humble in the right path.'

What do you think? May the peace of God reign in your hearts.



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
9.45am: Wednesday—Novena
8.00am: Saturday
8.30am: Sunday

7.30am: Saturday—Rosary

Lawrenny Court

(131 Hill St West Hobart)

10.30am: Friday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart

4.00pm - 4.30pm: 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*

THE CC'S - (Companions of the Cathedral)
Every Wednesday on floor 1
starting at 12:30 pm

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

HOBERT CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

IMPRESSIONS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

BENJAMIN BRITTEN Serenade for Tenor, Horn and Strings
CAMERON PATRICK Impressions of Erin
GERALD FINZI Romance

Conductor GARY WAIN
Tenor MICHAEL PETRUCCELLI
French Horn GREG STEPHENS



TICKETS 30 | 25 | 15 | 5

2:30pm Sunday
September 27
St Mary's Cathedral

[HTTPS://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/DOYKN](https://www.trybooking.com/DOYKN)

Education of Future Priests Appeal Sat 26 & Sun 27 September 2026

The Education of Future Priests appeal supports the training and education of seminarians preparing for the priesthood. Your generosity helps cover tuition, accommodation, health insurance, study allowances, travel, and pastoral work experience.

Help support our seminarian students who are in preparation for entering the priesthood.

Donate online
<https://hobart.catholic.org.au/>

WORLD MISSION MONTH October 2026

Copies of **Archbishop Tony's message for World Mission Month** are available in the foyer.

Please take a copy and have a read as we prepare to celebrate **World Mission Sunday** and join Catholics around the world in being **One in Christ, United in Mission**.

Thank you for your support of **Catholic Mission**.

From Our Anniversary Book

D'Arcy Kerr, Thomas Corby, Frederick Aiken, Maria Caccavo, Delia Crane, Emilia Minnucci, Donald Smith, Charles Dowd, Zofia Smietanski, Iris Bleasby, Graeme Kendall, Agatha (Athie) Willemsen, Gilbert Smith, Doris Ryan, Isabel Walker, David Maxfield, Ida Saracino, Maria Scavone, Mervyn Williams, Edith Garnsey, Nicola Gentile, Archbishop William Hayden, Sr. Veronica Higgins, Carmine Napoletano, Thomas McMahon, Louisa Sweeney, Douglas Hays, Stanley Hutt, Rocco Scavone, Elizabeth Tari, Joyce Lawrence, Thalia Baker, Johan Fraiss, Donien Picot **May they rest in peace !**

Livestreaming at St Mary's Cathedral—Please note that the **Sunday 10:30am Mass** at St Mary's Cathedral is livestreamed on the **Archdiocese of Hobart YouTube channel**. Most special events and ceremonies celebrated at the Cathedral are also livestreamed. If you have any concerns or questions regarding the livestream, please contact the Parish Office on **(03) 6208 6094** for more information.

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.

*"Heal me, Lord, and I will be healed; save me and I will be saved,
for you are the one I praise." Jeremiah 17:14*

Healing Mass

With Archbishop Emeritus Julian Porteous

02 OCTOBER 2026

AT 7:00 PM

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL CENTRE,
LEVEL TWO (UPPER FLOOR)

180 HARRINGTON STREET,
HOBERT



ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH IN COLLABORATION WITH
THE RISEN LORD COMMUNITY TASMANIA





Synod Regional Listening Sessions

A time of **prayer, listening, and discernment** as we seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit for our future.

HOW YOU CAN BE INVOLVED?



REGIONAL LISTENING SESSIONS
10AM - 4PM

31 October, Devonport

7 November, Launceston

21 November, Hobart

14 - 16 May 2027

Diocesan Synod Gathering

SYNOD theme

'May they be one, as we are one.' (John 17)

WHY A SYNOD?

Listen to the hopes and concerns of our people



Strengthen unity across our diverse communities

Set priorities for faith, formation, and mission



Every voice is valid, clergy, religious, and lay faithful.

No expertise needed, just an open heart.



To register, scan the QR code or visit:

<https://collections.humanitix.com/regional-listening-sessions-synod-2027>
Registrations close 11 October.

For more information contact synod@aohtas.org.au

"Abide in me as I abide in you." John 15:4

The afternoon will include praise and worship, Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, inspiring sessions and testimonies, and fellowship, with separate streams so there's something for everyone: Teens and Young Adults will explore what it means to give your life fully to Christ, and Couples and Families will look at living out faith at home.

Participants are invited to encounter Christ, rekindle their faith and rediscover the beauty of the Sacraments.

We're especially blessed to have youth travelling in from across Australia, including WA, Victoria, NSW and Queensland, for this gathering. It's a beautiful opportunity for the young people of Tasmania to connect with a wider community of faith.

Saturday, 3 October 2026

2:30-7:30 pm

**School Hall, St Therese's Catholic School
24 Hopkins Street, Moonah, TAS 7009**

Registration for the event can be done via the QR code provided on the poster or using the following link: <https://forms.gle/jStBHujpGGUz9Dk16>

Pray with Pope Leo XIV: One Million Children Praying the Rosary

From 1-7 October, Aid to the Church in Need invites you to join with Pope Leo XIV and Catholics worldwide for the One Million Children Praying the Rosary prayer campaign, for peace and unity in the world.

Families, parishioners, prayer groups, and schools are all encouraged to register to take part!

For free Rosary resources and to register, please scan the QR code or visit: www.acninternational.org/millionchildrenpraying

"When one million children pray the Rosary, the world will change." - Saint Padre Pio



ST CARLO ACUTIS MAJOR PILGRIM RELIC TASMANIAN VISIT

Saturday 3 & Sunday 4 October 2026

Church of the Apostles, Launceston

As part of a nationwide mission in Australia, a Major Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis will visit Tasmania on 3 and 4 October. On both days there will be Veneration of the Relic, the opportunity to view St Carlo's 'Eucharistic Miracles of the World' exhibition, Mass, Adoration, Rosary, and a talk about St Carlo. There will be a screening of the film 'St Carlo Acutis: Roadmap to Reality' at the Emmanuel Centre where accommodation is also available. **Enquiries: 0458 003 642 Info: stcarloaustralia.com**

FULL PROGRAM:

3 & 4 October

Church of the Apostles, 44 Margaret St, Launceston

10.30am: Mass (Confessions from 9.30am on Saturday)

11.30am: Talk on St Carlo & his Relic, Veneration of Relic & Blessings

12.30pm: Break (Light refreshments provided)

1.15pm: Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary

2.30pm: Benediction

Saturday 3 October - Movie Night

The Emmanuel Centre, 123 Abbott St, Newstead.



The Sacred Heart College Old Scholars Association are holding their annual reunion luncheon

On Sunday 25th October at the Riverfront Motel Rosetta.

Bookings to Kathryn Darvell on 62283975 by 17th October.

READINGS OF THE DAY TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

First Reading

Ezekiel 18:25-28

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24:4-9. R. v.6

(R.) Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour. (R.)

Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord. (R.)

The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
he guides the humble in the right path;
he teaches his way to the poor. (R.)

Second Reading

Philippians 2:1-11

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

His state was divine,
yet he did not cling
to his equality with God
but emptied himself
to assume the condition of a slave,
and became as men are;
and being as all men are,

he was humbler yet,
even to accepting death,
death on a cross.
But God raised him high
and gave him the name
which is above all other names
so that all beings
in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,
should bend the knee at the name of Jesus
and that every tongue should acclaim
Jesus Christ as Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation

John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 21:28-32

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go," but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir," but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'



GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 28th September	- Luke 9:46-50
Tuesday 29th September	- John 1:47-51
(Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael)	
Wednesday 30th September	- Luke 9:57-62
Thursday 1st October	- Luke 10:1-12
Friday 2nd October	- Matthew 18:1-5. 10
Saturday 3rd October	- Luke 10:17-24

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 4th October 2026

First Reading	- Isaiah 5:1-7
Responsorial Psalm	- Ps 79:9. 12-16. 19-20
Second Reading	- Philippians 4:6-9
Gospel	- Matthew 21:33-43

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.