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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

MY YOKE IS EASY AND MY BURDEN IS LIGHT

Pope Leo recently suggested that we need to arrive for Mass ten minutes earlier before 10.30 am so that we have time to recollect our thoughts, pray and sing together as one family welcoming our priest whose presence draws us to Jesus Christ and the altar of sacrifice. "This is my body which will be given up for you; this is my blood which is poured out for you. Do this in memory of me."

SACRIFICE—Have you got a blessed crucifix hanging in a prominent place in your home.? Have you personally stood in front of the large image of Christ crucified which hangs on the back wall of the Cathedral? As you have the chance to study the image what would Jesus say to you? 'My yoke is easy and my burden is light, I love you, trust me.'

A cross as you know it is made of two lengths of wood; the vertical longer piece connects earth to heaven whilst the shorter horizontal piece becomes the yoke. Jesus hung in cruel agony with outstretched arms; this sacred body of Jesus bearing all our burdens. Our sinfulness distorts our union with God and each other. It is in the sacrament of Reconciliation that our sins are forgiven and we know true peace. Jesus said, "My peace I give to you, not as the world gives but as I give." We cannot be Christian without the cross in our lives and if we love as Jesus does then we proclaim the truth of the Gospel which will give us the peace of Christ we long for in our lives. "We adore you Oh Christ and we thank you because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world."

LORD

make me an instrument of Your peace

Where there is hatred/let me sow love

where there is injury/pardon

where there is doubt/faith

where there is despair/hope

where there is darkness/light

*and where there is sadness/joy **

*O Divine Master /grant that I may not
so much seek to be consoled as to console
to be understood as to understand
to be loved as to love **

*For it is in giving that we receive
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned
and it is in dying that we are born
to eternal life **

St. Francis of Assisi

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.

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.*

The annual Sea Sunday Appeal

Next week is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be an Appeal for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. Funds collected will be used to provide practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. To support this ministry, please send your donation via: <https://stellamarisaustralia.org/sea-sunday-appeal/>

Alternatively, envelopes will be available in the parish next weekend



Livestreaming at St Mary's Cathedral

Please note that the Sunday 10.30am Mass at St Mary's Cathedral is always livestreamed on the Archdiocese of Hobart YouTube channel.

Most special events and ceremonies at the Cathedral are also livestreamed.



If you have any concerns or questions about this please contact: 03 6208 6094 or scan the QR code



From Our Anniversary Book Gina Basso, Italo Delpero, Mary Fryett, John News, Annie Bottriell, Alexandra Salter, Patricia Placentini, Kathleen Appleton, Sr. Virgilius McShane LCM, Sheila Darby, Gaetano and Giovanna Palmese, Krsto Kolega, Jose de Jesus Gutierrez Tajonar, Mallaburn Family, Gerald McShane, Ellen Lych, Frances Walker, Francis Shelverton, Mary Merrett, Giuseppina Gentile, Jean Foulkes, Bert Devereaux, Ricky Aiken, Vera Howell, Luigia Passarelli, Ida Paradisa Callegari, Johanna Kinsella, Virgil Morgan, Stan Wiczorek, Nicolina Amorosa, Daniel Pearton, Sr. Marie Therese Pardoe, Pamela Smith, Attilio Minnucci, Maria D'Amato, Kathleen Mallaburn, Michael Carroll, Angela Pardoe, Theresa Kader, Bernadette Rush, Bridget Smith, John Mahony, Sally Kozuh, Addolorata Martelli, Meg Clark, Lloyd & Mallabury Families, George Watt, Alice Tyler, Moira Hart, Margaret Kregor, Gwendoline Dooley, Arthur Shelverton, Samuel Sheehan, John McErvale, Cecil Shirley, Sr. Frederick Carlon, LCM, Peter Parkes, Joan Toohey, Eleanor Okey, Brian Stokely, Barbara Dinon, Cyril Lowenstein, Franco Leon, Bishop Robert William Willson, Denis Lawler, Vincent Burke, Frances Moore, Michael Stone, Ivan Pauly, Olga Filip **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.**



PARISH KEY AUDIT

St Mary's Cathedral Parish is currently conducting an audit of all keys issued for access to parish premises, including the Cathedral, Sacred Heart Church, Parish Centres, and other parish facilities.

An email regarding this key audit has been sent to parishioners and volunteers who may hold parish keys. If you have received the email, please complete the online Key Audit Form by 24 July 2026.

If you have not received the email but currently hold any parish keys, please kindly scan the QR code or use the link provided to complete the form.

If you no longer require any parish keys, please return them to the Parish Office by 31 July 2026.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated as we work to maintain accurate records and ensure the security of our parish facilities.



<https://forms.office.com/r/gq9bFtviTH?origin=lprLink>

THE CC'S - (Companions of the Cathedral)

Every Wednesday on floor 1 starting at 12:30 pm and Finishing whenever you are ready. For any more info contact Deacon Mick or see Christine at the Piety Shop.

'Be Thou My Vision' - Reflection Day

You are invited to a reflection day based on the traditional and popular hymn Be Thou My Vision. Saturday 8th August, 10am - 3pm at the Launceston Catholic Pastoral Centre. Cost \$50 including morning tea. BYO lunch.

Bookings and enquiries to Belinda Chapman (facilitator) ph: 0418 141 171 or email belindachapman.sd@gmail.com or visit website: belindachapman.square.site.

Venezuela Earthquake Appeal

Please keep the people of Venezuela in your prayers following the devastating earthquakes that have claimed many lives and left thousands injured, displaced, or missing. Caritas is providing emergency assistance, including food, clean water, shelter, medical care, and ongoing support to affected communities.

If you would like to support the **Caritas Australia Venezuela Earthquake Appeal**, please visit www.caritas.org.au/venezuela or call **1800 024 413**.

Thank you for your generosity and prayers.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

This weekend, we celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday with the theme "Walking Together in Christ: 40 Years On!" As we gather in faith, we give thanks for the rich cultures, spirituality, and enduring contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to the life of the Church in Australia.

This year marks 40 years since St Pope John Paul II's historic address to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples in Alice Springs and 50 years of NAIDOC Week. These milestones invite us to reflect on our shared journey of faith, hope, and reconciliation, recognising God's presence in every step as we continue to walk together in Christ with humility, respect, and love.

Let us pray that this celebration may renew our hearts, deepen our unity, and strengthen our commitment to walk together in faith as one people of God.

For more information and resources, please visit: <https://share.google/fpHp1BZcz9rTdG0sz>



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/>

Archdiocese of Hobart Synod 2027 - Synod Prayer

Copies of the **Archdiocese of Hobart Synod 2027 Prayer** are now available in the Cathedral foyer.

All parishioners are warmly encouraged to take a copy and join in prayer as we journey together towards the Archdiocese of Hobart Synod 2027.



Help Keep Our Parish Safe

The safety and wellbeing of everyone in our parish is important. Parishioners are encouraged to be alert to any hazards, unsafe conditions, incidents, or near misses they may notice while attending Mass, parish activities, or using parish facilities. Examples may include trip hazards, damaged equipment, blocked walkways, electrical concerns, or any situation that could cause injury or harm. If you see something that does not seem right, please report it promptly to the Parish Office (cathedral@aohtas.org.au) or a member of the parish leadership team. By identifying and reporting issues early, we can work together to maintain a safe, welcoming, and healthy environment for all.

60th Ordination Anniversary of Fr. Peter O'Loughlin

Fr Peter O'Loughlin will celebrate his 60th priestly ordination anniversary with a Concelebrated Mass at Corpus Christi Church, Bellerive at 10am, Monay 20th July 2026.

During his 60 years he has served the Church in Tasmania in 5 parishes - Church of Apostles (Launceston), New Norfolk, Bridgewater/Brighton, Kingston and Bellerive / Lindisfarne.

He has been actively involved in Catholic Education, Marriage Encounter and many other Diocesan and parish ministries.

All are invited to celebrate and give thanks for Fr Peter's 60 years of Priestly life and ministry,

READINGS OF THE DAY FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-10

The Lord says this:

'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion!
Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!
See now, your king comes to you;
he is victorious, he is triumphant,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will banish chariots from Ephraim
and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war will be
banished. He will proclaim peace for the nations.
His empire shall stretch from sea to sea,
from the River to the ends of the earth.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14 R. v.1

**(R.) I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God.**

I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever. (R.)

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. (R.)

The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down. (R.)

Second Reading

Romans 8:9.11-13

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you. So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual

lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Gospel Acclamation

See Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.**

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'



GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 6th July	- Matthew 9:18-26
Tuesday 7th July	- Matthew 9:32-38
Wednesday 8th July	- Matthew 10:1-7
Thursday 9th July	- Matthew 10:7-15
Friday 10th July	- Matthew 10:16-23
Saturday 11th July	- Matthew 10:24-33

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 12th July 2026

First Reading	- Isaiah 55:10-11
Responsorial Psalm	- Psalm 64:10-14
Second Reading	- Romans 8:18-23
Gospel	- Matthew 13:1-23

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.