



# St Mary's Cathedral Parish

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## **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C - 11th MAY 2025**

***"We are His people, the sheep of His flock"***

The response to our Psalm this week tells us the answer to that longing question found deep in all of us. Who are we?

In our first reading we hear of the battle Paul and his friends confronted while trying to spread the word of the Lord amongst their own people. Paul and Barnabas state clearly that they had to proclaim the word of God to their own family first before moving out to proclaim to the wider world. Do we not see this pattern in our own families and friends today, those that we love and cherish, but not all listen and believe in our Lord like we do. Even today there are always those among us who would influence others to reject the word of God and listen to the words of men instead.

These people refute what our God is gifting to the ***"Sheep of His flock"***. John in our second reading is revealing to us his vision of the huge number of people standing before God. People from every nation, every race, every tribe and every language upon the face of this earth. Because they have been faithful to the Lord and remained the "sheep of His flock" through all the trials and tribulations of life and now are being led by Jesus to the springs of living water. The living water that will remove forever their thirst, their hunger, their need for shelter from burning sun or scorching wind. God will wipe away all their tears as they reap their reward of eternal life with the Lord.

Sometimes what we read and see can make us wonder if we will indeed receive this gift from God, for doubt is a common infliction amongst all of us Human Beings. We do not always accept what others tell us as we seem to need some form of proof rather than Faith to sustain us. Yet we read of the words of Jesus all the time and today in what is one of the shortest Gospel readings we are told by Jesus Himself why it is Faith that sustains us.

***"The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life; they will never be lost".***

Who are these sheep that listen to the voice of the Lord ?

Who are these people that follow the Lord and will never be lost ?

The simple answer is that these people, these sheep, are those of us who hear the words of the Lord and come to believe. We accept through faith that He the Lord is God, He made us and we belong to Him:

***"We are His people, the sheep of His flock"***



## **MASS TIMES**

### **St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart**

**7.30am:** Tuesday - Friday  
**5.00pm:** Saturday  
**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

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

### **SACRAMENTS & DEVOTIONS**

**ENQUIRIES FOR BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGE**  
**PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE**



Pope Francis has declared 2025 a Jubilee Year for our Church, themed ***"Pilgrims of Hope"***, a year of hope for a world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the climate crisis. As Pope Francis states "the forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire; that is why I have chosen as the motto of the Jubilee, Pilgrims of Hope."

WHAT'S  
NEW?

## IN THE PARISH

### Volunteers Needed for St Mary's Cathedral

#### Flowers

Are you a gardener, do you love working with flowers, would you like to be a part of a group looking after flowers and flower arranging for the Cathedral ?

#### Welcomers

Would you like to be the welcoming face that greets people as they come into our beautiful Cathedral for Mass ? We are looking to put a group of parishioners just to do that.

#### Sacristans

We are looking for people to fulfil the role of Sacristans at our Saturday Vigil Mass, Sunday 10.30am and 6pm Mass. This role can be done as a single person, multiple person or as couples. Training will be provided working alongside other sacristans until you are comfortable to do it alone.

Please contact the Parish Office on **03 6234 4463** or Parish Sacristan on **michael.smith@AOHTAS.ORG.AU/0403 741 913**

WE NEED  
VOLUNTEERS

#### The Regina Coeli

Queen of Heaven, rejoice.

**R.** Alleluia.

For He, whom you did merit to bear.

**R.** Alleluia.

Has risen as He said. **R.** Alleluia.

Pray for us to God. **R.** Alleluia.

**V.** Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary. Alleluia.

**R.** For the Lord is truly risen, Alleluia.

#### Let us pray

O God, Who gave joy to the world through the Resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**



**From Our Anniversary Book:** John O'Loughlin, Sydney Scott, Jessie Anderson, Incoronata Meale, Elaine Milic, Harold Green, Mary Hurburgh, Ralph Tate, Melva Ringrose, Nita Williams, Mark Brown, Tullia Beresnicki, Annie Fahey, Mary Wood, Agnes Smallbone, Rosa Di Virgilio, Augusto Degasperi, Myrtyl Slade, Domenic Colavecchio, Anthony Peters, Aline Foley, Stella Maria Respondek, Vera Fahey Fr. Francis Kent, Odilia Mackey, Maree Shea, Filomena Raglione, Edward Shelverton, Kurt Ott, Thomas Littlejohn, Diana Bannerman, William Davie, Francesca Capasso, Gladys Vince, Frances Littlejohn, Molly Dowd, Agostino Leon, Elizabeth Green, Kevin Shelverton, Irene Robertson, Alicia Tamaio, Alfred Waters, Antonio Palmese, Doreen Williams (PBVM), Stanislaus O'Brien (PBVM) and Bernadette Maguire (PBVM).

## MAY, THE MONTH OF MARY

The month of May is "a month which the piety of the faithful has long dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God.

Our heart rejoices at the thought of the moving tribute of faith and love which will soon be paid to the Queen of Heaven in every corner of the earth.

For this is the month during which Christians, in their churches and their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne." - Pope Paul VI



JOIN US TO PRAY THE ROSARY  
DURING THE MONTH OF  
MAY  
12 NOON EVERY DAY

### St Mary's Catholic Cathedral Parish Pilgrimage of Hope

In joyful celebration of the Jubilee Year 2025, which the Catholic Church marks under the theme "Pilgrims of Hope", the faithful of St.

Mary's Cathedral Parish is invited to undertake a pilgrimage to **Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Ross on July 19th, 2025.**

This pilgrimage is not only a physical journey but a profound spiritual experience, aligning with the universal call of the Church in the Jubilee Year: to walk in hope, to encounter Christ, and to bear witness to His love in our communities.

**More information to come, but please save the date.**



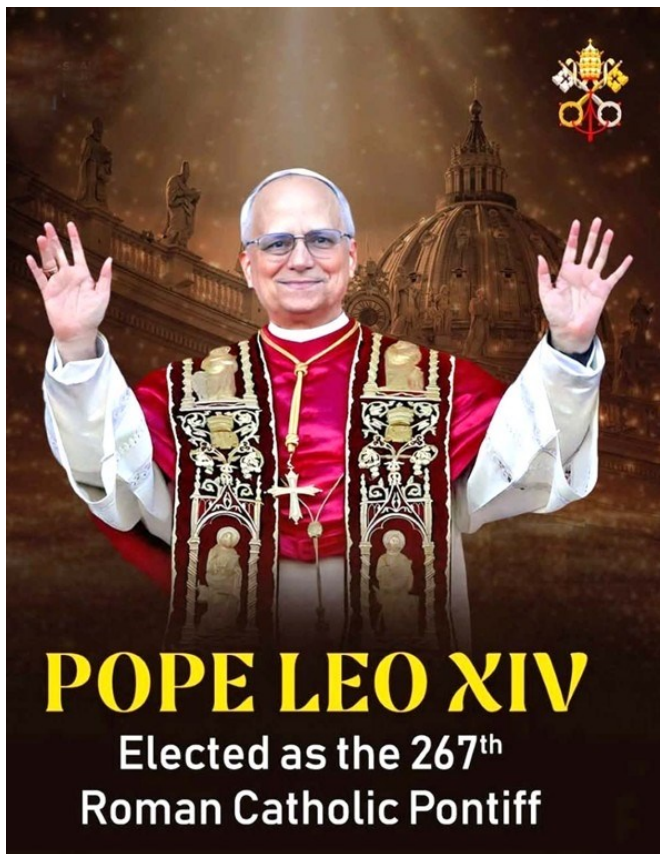
**May they rest in peace!**



WHAT'S  
NEW?

## IN THE DIOCESE

### Habemus Papam (We have a new Pope) !!



# POPE LEO XIV

Elected as the 267<sup>th</sup>  
Roman Catholic Pontiff

### Chatter that Matters

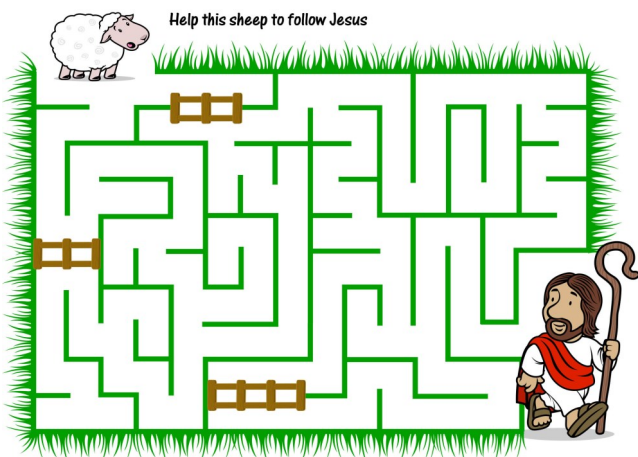
A series of talks every 3rd Tuesday of month starting on 20th May. Join us to engage in conversation with each other, spread our faith and ask questions.

2025 is a year of Jubilee with a theme of pilgrimage and mission. Join us to listen to one of our clergy here in Tasmania when they talk about their concept of mission and its effect on their lives, all done in a relaxing atmosphere with coffee/tea and snacks.

**Time** : 7pm—8.30pm

**Venue** : St Mary's Cathedral Centre—1st Floor

### Children's Corner:



### St. Thérèse of Lisieux 100th Canonisation Anniversary Celebration Parish of Moonah-Lutana



With hearts full of joy and gratitude to God, Rev. Fr. Bartha, together with the parishioners and school of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, Moonah-Lutana, warmly invite you to join in celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Canonisation of our beloved patron saint, St. Thérèse of Lisieux.

**Date:** Sunday, 18th May 2025

**Time:** 10:00 AM

**Venue:** St. Thérèse of Lisieux Parish, Moonah

**Principal Celebrant:** Most Rev. Archbishop Julian Porteous

This historic occasion will be marked by a Multicultural Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, followed by a time of fellowship, cultural sharing, and joyful community spirit. Your presence and the Priestly blessings would be a great honour and spiritual gift to our parish family as we come together to commemorate this special centenary with love, unity, and deep devotion.

### Cathedral Concert Series 1



24 May

2.00pm

St Mary's  
Cathedral



Tickets \$25/20/5  
at the door or online



# KEEP CALM AND CLARI ON

Join clarinetist Angus Deeth and pianist Gabrielle Cayoun for a playful afternoon of 20th-century British music for clarinet and piano, featuring works by Finzi, Bax, Horowitz and Arnold.

*a place of Prayer, a place of Worship, a place of Music...*



## READINGS OF THE DAY – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C

### **First Reading**      **Acts of the Apostles 13:14, 43-52**

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

### **Responsorial Psalm**      **Ps 99:1-3. 5. R. v.3**

**(R.) We are his people, the sheep of his flock.**

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him, singing for joy. (R.)
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. (R.)
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.  
He is faithful from age to age. (R.)

### **Second Reading**      **Revelation 7:9, 14-17**

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day

and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**John 10:14**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

**Alleluia!**

### **Gospel**

**John 10:27-30**

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;  
I know them and they follow me.  
I give them eternal life;  
they will never be lost  
and no one will ever steal them from me.  
The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,  
and no one can steal from the Father.  
The Father and I are one.'



### **GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

Monday 12th May	-	John 10:1-10
Tuesday 13th May	-	John 10:22-30
Wednesday 14th May	-	John 15:9-17
Thursday 15th May	-	John 13:16-20
Friday 16th May	-	John 14:1-6
Saturday 17th May	-	John 14:7-14

### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: Fifth Sunday of Easter Year C**

First Reading	-	Acts 14:21-27
Responsorial Psalm	-	Ps 144:8-13. R. cf. v.1
Second Reading	-	Revelation 21:1-5
Gospel	-	John 13:31-35

**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.**