

St Mary's Cathedral Parish

October 20, 2019 YR C/1
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Weekly Mass Times

St Mary's Cathedral

Tue-Fri : 7.30am

Sat : 6pm Mass

Sun : 10.30am & 6.00pm Masses

Sacred Heart Church

Tue-Thu : 9am

Sat : 8.00am Mass

Sun : 8.30am Mass

Lawrenny Court Cnr Arthur and Hill
Sts, West Hobart

Fri : 10.30am

Reconciliation

Sacred Heart Church : Sat following
8.00am Mass

St Mary's Cathedral: Sat 5-5.30pm

Rosary

Sacred Heart Church : Sat 7.30am

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

Responsorial Psalm: Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart. Alleluia!

Readings: Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tim 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8

Next Week's Readings : Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

St John Paul II Family Festival – this Sunday, October 20 The Life, Marriage & Family Office - Archdiocese of Hobart, would like to invite people to attend the St John Paul II Family Festival that is being held from 12-4pm at St Therese of Lisieux Church, 24 Hopkins Street, Moonah. The event will celebrate the Feast of St John Paul II and will involve food, a mini-concert, a film, talks for parents, children's activities and prayer. Register at www.eventbrite.com.au & search 'St John Paul II Family Festival' or Ben Smith on 6208 6036



SAFE COMMUNITIES - ARCHDIOCESE OF HOBART

Information Evening for Cathedral/ Sacred Heart Parish Wed 23rd Oct 6-7pm 2nd Floor Cathedral Centre, Harrington St. All parishioners are most welcome to attend this evening and listen to Tassie Strafkos Manager, Governance, Risk & Compliance (GRC) Corporate Services, Archdiocese of Hobart outline the Safe Communities program initiated by the Archdiocese of Hobart to protect and safeguard children and vulnerable adults from abuse and neglect. This program follows on from the recommendations made by the recent Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse that recommended all parish and church communities be able to show its compliance with regard to safeguarding. Tassie will address the 10 elements that underpin the Safe Communities program and answer any questions regarding the Archdiocese requirement for all volunteers to have Police and Working with Vulnerable People checks. Enquiries to parish office : 6234 4463

HEART SPEAKS TO HEART

The scripture reading for today speaks of justice, perseverance, faith and the invitation to pray constantly. Life in general is full of wonder and the mysterious abundance of the providence of God. We see this in the world around us and the variation of human life and all that surrounds us. All is gift. 'God is always the same but ever new.'

God chose Moses to be his spokesman, servant and prophet and entrusted him with leadership of his chosen race, the Israelites. The relationship between God and Moses was direct, strong, challenging and real. As the battle between the Amalekites and Israelites raged Moses was viewing it from the mountain top. Aaron and Hur supported the weakening raised arms of Moses until the battle was over. Joshua became a follower of Moses who after Moses' death at the age of 120 years became the leader of God's chosen people. Moses' perseverance in his relationship with God won for him the glory of Heaven.

God calls us continually into the mysterious encounter of love with him in every aspect of our human existence. In the Gospel reading the unjust, proud judge seemed not to care about the widow and her need for justice in her life. The widow was persistent with her request pestering the judge for her just rights; all the judge wanted was peace for himself so he gave into her request.. Prayer is a gift which is initiated by God's presence. We can pray anywhere and at any time. God longs to converse with us and is always present to love and guide us in every aspect of our lives. It is through our knowledge of the Scriptures and the practise of our sacramental life among the community of believers that our faith matures and deepens. We are wonderfully called into life by God's providence and it is in prayerful union with him that we humbly present ourselves to God not knowing sometimes what to say. The best prayer is to say nothing for it is then that God prays in you. Heart speaks to heart. In union with Jesus Christ our relationship with God deepens and we want to share it with others not only through prayer but also through active service. When we invite God into our lives we can discover and know him to be our friend. St. Paul wrote; "The Spirit too comes to help us in our weakness, for when we cannot choose words in our effort to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that can never be put into words and God knows everything in our hearts." May the peace of God reign in your hearts. Amen.

Sr. Monica Shelverton. PBVM.



Please note Masses for All Souls' Day on Saturday November 2nd.

Sacred Heart Church : 8am; Millingtons Cornelian Bay : 3pm; St Matthew's Pontville 4.30pm Blessing of the Graves and 5pm Mass. St Mary's Cathedral : 6pm

**On Wednesday
20th November 2019 at
7 pm at St Mary's Cathe-**



dral will take place a Red Wednesday Prayer Service. Red Wednesday Prayer Service is an annual event organised by the Catholic Church throughout the world to pray for the persecuted Christians and for religious freedom around the world. During the prayer service we will hear from two Catholic Christians who will share their own experiences of persecution. Archbishop Julian Porteous will attend the prayer service and following the prayer service, there will be refreshments at the Cathedral Centre. Let us join in to pray for our persecuted Christian brothers and sisters around the world.

This year to assist the office, please ensure you submit your loved ones' names for inclusion in the Book of the Dead in large, clear printing. It is often very difficult and time consuming to decipher long hand. **Please write the names of the deceased on the front of the envelope.** With thanks.



Immaculata Mission School 2020 is a 10day live-in formation school for young people, with talks on the faith from awesome speakers, daily Mass & prayer, Eucharistic Adoration, praise & worship, fun & fellowship & lots more! It runs 1-10 Jan, The Glennie School, Toowoomba QLD for 15-35 years. Guest speaker: Dr Ralph Martin (USA), Professor of Sacred Theology, international speaker on evangelisation and the spiritual life. Dr Martin is a consultant to the Pontifical Council for the New Evangelisation. Other guest speakers: Archbishop Julian Porteous, Vince Fitzwilliams, James Parker, Jess Leach, Paul Elarde, Sisters of the Immaculata & more. \$390 (cost includes all accomm, food, speakers and activities) before 18 Nov, \$450 after 18 Nov www.sistersoftheimmaculata.org.au/ims or 406 372 608

Notes from the Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - 10th October 2019

- Welcome pack for new parish members The meeting considered a number of documents and information which might be included in the welcome pack. Final decision needs to be taken by the CPPC at a later date. Suggestion was made that it is important to keep information simple and accessible, possibly presented as a trifold brochure. Whatever the format and the content, the welcome pack/document has to be continually updated.
- Parish Secretary. Fr Shammi gave an update on the selection of process of the new secretary for the parish. Liz's farewell will be an informal private one, according to her wishes.
- Guest contribution – Safe Communities/Professional Standards Tassie Strafkos visited the meeting to discuss Safe Communities issues. A large packet of material was given to each member, which will be discussed in a workshop setting at a later date. Guidelines will be out by the end of the year. At the meeting, the discussion focussed on the non-negotiable nature of all the safe community requirements for the parish as a whole, and for all parishioners who have any interactions with others, especially if these are children or vulnerable adults. To have police checks and working with vulnerable people cards should become a matter of course for everyone. To keep our community safe is everybody's responsibility. "Children have to be kept in plain sight of the parents at all times" is one of the rules that we need to adhere to.

Next Meeting will be at 5:30 on Thursday 21st November 2019.

"Holy Queen, The Mother of God in the Word of God": this exciting bible study introduces you to the Old Testament background to the role of Mary in Jesus' work of salvation. Discover how Mary is depicted as the new Eve, the new Ark of the Covenant, and the new Queen Mother of the Kingdom of God. The biblical base for the central Catholic doctrines of Mary will also be discussed. Thursdays 31st Oct., 14th and 28th Nov., 6.30-8.30pm. Murphy Room, Diocesan Centre, New Town. Cost: \$20 for study guide. Register: Dr Christine Wood on 6208-6236 or christine.wood@aohtas.org.au

The Way to St James Pilgrimage is on again in 2020, and registrations are now open. (Early bird pricing finishes 15 Nov). Inspired by the famous Spanish El Camino of St James, this two day pilgrim walk will take you through the scenic and peaceful Huon Valley to a celebration at the Spanish mission styled Church of St James, nestled in the heart of Cygnet. Through fellowship, reflection, rejoicing and ritual you will find an opportunity to reconnect with the spiritual dimensions of your life. The pilgrimage commences of Sat 11 Jan 2020 10.30am at the Mountain River Community Hall, and finishes on Sun 12 January 2020 at approx. 5pm at St James church, Cygnet in the midst of the wonderful Cygnet Folk Festival. For further info/ registering: www.waytostjames.com.au Or <https://www.facebook.com/waytostjamescygnet/>



We welcome you to St Mary's Cathedral Parish!

To help you become involved in our parish life and any of the various ministries of the parish, please return this slip to the Cathedral Office or place it on the collection plate at any Mass.

We will then be in touch.....with thanks.

Name

Email

Phone

Address

Ministries you may be interested in: (please circle)

greeters, lectors, choir members, musicians, childrens' liturgy, youth ministry, cleaners, setting up for morning teas, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, book stall attendant after Mass, office help, handyman work, gardening, organising special events/fundraising.



The Mystical Body by Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI (excerpt)

"I am done with great things and big plans, great institutions and big success. I am for those tiny, invisible loving human forces that work from individual to individual, creeping through the crannies of the world like so many rootlets, or like the capillary oozing of water, which, if given time, will rend the hardest monument of pride."

This is wisdom from William James: *The deep, important things that most affect us are usually not big and showy, but tiny, perhaps even imperceptible.*

We see the truth of this just by looking at the human body. How little of it we see from the outside. Inside a human body are countless hidden, silent processes, all going on at once. Cells are growing and dividing, enzymes are fighting viruses, nerves are carrying messages to and fro, cancerous cells are being attacked by the immune system, even while the hair is greying, the body is digesting food, and is imperceptibly aging. Whether we are healthy or sick at a given moment depends largely on countless, silent, hidden processes.

Moreover, inside all this, there is an even more-complex web of hidden connections between these various processes. Everything is interconnected, no part does anything that doesn't affect everything else. This is true too of any social body. Every community or society has a certain visible life that can be seen and whose overt interconnections, to an extent, can be grasped, charted, and written up into textbooks. But, just as with the human body, most of the deep things in a community are under the surface, invisible, silent, available only through another kind of instrument, the intuitive gaze of the mystic, novelist, poet, or artist.

And all of this is even more true of the body of Christ, the community of the baptized, the sincere. Most of the important processes there are also invisible.

Like any other body, partly this body is visible – physical, historical, something that can be observed from the outside. Historical Christianity, the churches, in their concrete history, are the visible body of Christ – people, institutions, buildings, virtue and sin enfleshed in history. But the body of Christ is more than meets the physical eye, a billion times more. What's deepest inside of life is not visible to the naked eye.

Inside the body of Christ, we are present to each other and carry each other across the miles. Everything we do, good or bad, affects all the others. For this reason the church teaches that there is no such thing as a private act – of sin, virtue, or anything else. Nothing is private inside a body, everything affects everything. Moreover our union with each other links us, even beyond death. Inside the "communion of saints", we believe that our loved ones who have died are alive, still with us, and able to communicate with us and we with them.

To believe this is to be both consoled and challenged. Consoled, in knowing that we carry each other in love and union, across all distance, even through death. But challenged too in knowing that everything we do, be it ever so private, is either a bad virus or an healthy enzyme affecting the overall health of the body of Christ and the family of humanity.



"Actually, I don't get out much. I spend most of my time alone, writing lyrical novels celebrating nature and the interconnectedness of all living things!"

Additional Special Screenings of

"Unplanned". This movie was screened in the USA earlier this year and had great success in unmasking the abortion industry's strategies, and most importantly, in changing people's hearts about abortion.



"Unplanned" depicts the inspiring true story of one woman's journey of transformation. Abby Johnson wanted to help women as a Planned Parenthood clinic director. She was involved in more than 22,000 abortions, counselled countless women about their reproductive choices, and fought to enact pro-abortion legislation. Until the day she saw something that changed everything. Tickets online from:

Fri 15th Nov - Village Cinemas, Eastlands @ 7pm

<https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands-3/>

Fri 22nd Nov - Village Cinemas, Eastlands @ 7pm

<https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands-5/>

Fri 29th Nov - Village Cinemas, Eastlands @ 7pm

<https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands-4/> Tickets are \$22 People can contact me on 0476 030 535n or email tasmul-ler@gmail.com

Term 3 Sunday morning classes in "Inspiring Faith"

Catechesis for children aged 8–11 years have now ended.

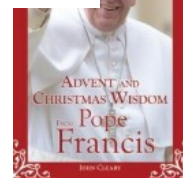
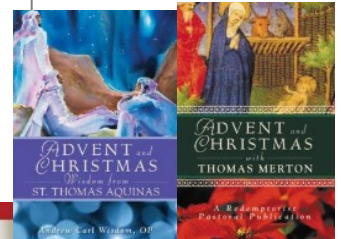
There will be a **new intake in term 4** from 20 Oct to 8 Dec at the Cathedral Parish Centre (Level 1) 9:45–10:15am. Children learn about the mysteries of our Catholic faith in an enjoyable way. During the sessions, they will also discover how following the example of Christ develops in them a moral conscience and a sense of community in God's family. Classes are conducted by parents, some of whom are also teachers. This is a great opportunity for your child to go deeper into the Catholic faith! The sessions are **FUN and FREE**. Register new children with Jo MacFarlane 0407 876 913 or macfarlane3jo@gmail.com

Parish children are invited to participate in the following way:

Children 0 – 4 stay with parents

Children 5 – 7 Children's Liturgy during Mass

Children 8 – 11 Catechesis before Mass (as above)



Coming soon to the bookstall—Advent & Christmas reflections. Contact the office to reserve your copy.

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From Our Anniversary Book Maria Bocchino, Christopher Richardson, Harry Walker, Albert Ward, Fr. Charlie Gardiner, Gloria Corcovan, Norma McAuley, Owen Davis, Frank Ortolan, Catherine Donohue, Dorothy McGuire, Charles Ward, Sheila Brearley, Vera McArdle, Antonio Abate, Julia Brown, Kevin Ward, Victor Haley, Trevor Viney, Margaret Rosenhain, Jack Dowd, Piotr (Peter) Kozak, Kevin Tope, Michael Chaplain, Paul Yard, Blanche Darcey, Ebenezer Russell, Mona Ward, Patricia Roach, Stephen Hniat, Filomena Meale, James Quigley, James Nolan, John Gillon, Margaret Jeffrey, Jozef Szeles, Winifred Holmes, Graham Webberley, Michael Clarke, Mary O'Donnell, Bertram Kilmartin, Florence Kelly, Mary Ford, John Kelly, Leo Doyle, Graeme Norris, Mary Chisholm, Brian Sertori, Sr. Katheleen Howe, RSJ
May they rest in peace.



Attention Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Fr Shammi requests that all EMOCs should follow these guidelines as a refresher in carrying out this ministry effectively.



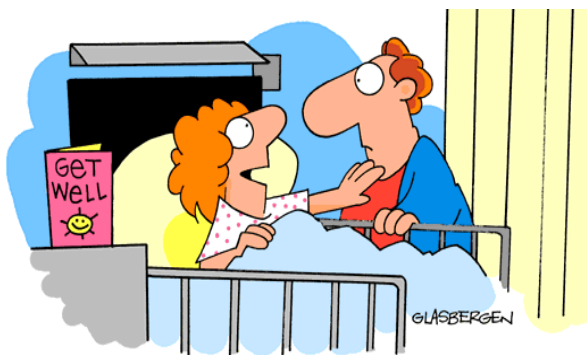
At the end of distribution, the special minister should reverently consume what consecrated wine remains in the chalice. Taking the purifier, this should be made into a pad, and the particles of the consecrated hosts remaining on the paten should be carefully brushed into the chalice. A small amount of water is then poured into the chalice, making sure that all particles are dissolved. The particles are then consumed. The chalice is then wiped out firmly inside the bowl, and around the rim. The purifier may then be placed in the chalice or folded lengthwise, and draped over the chalice.



Saints of Italy Pilgrimage

Fr Brian Nichols will be leading a 13 day pilgrimage to Italy, departing 18 May 2020. Organised and run by Harvest Journeys, the tour will follow the paths of many of our saints and will take in Rome, Montecassino, Pietrelcina, San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant' Angelo, Lancia, Loreto, Assisi, Siena and Florence. Contact the Sandy Bay parish office for more information. Email sandybay@aohtas.org.au or phone 6224 1423.

Donations of tea, plunger coffee, biscuits etc are always welcome at the Cathedral for weekend morning teas. Please consider popping an extra packet in your trolley! **With thanks.**



"There was a tunnel and a bright white light and a souvenir shop. I brought back T-shirts for the kids!"

Now that spring has well and truly sprung (!) any flowers from your gardens are welcome for our Cathedral altar display. Please simply drop them in to the office or put them in the bucket of water left in the foyer at the back of the Cathedral. If we could have them on a Thursday it would be wonderful.

With thanks!



Reminder : Regular Weekly Events

Fri 4.30-5.30pm : Cathedral—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction; **Sat 11am** : 2nd Floor Cathedral Centre—Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help; **Sun 9.45-10.15am** : Children's Catechesis (8-11yrs in school terms)



UTAS Catholic Student Society (UTAS CSS)

Any university students or young adults who would like to become a member of the University of Tasmania Catholic Student Society (South Campus) or would like to send any suggestions are welcome to contact or message the newly elected executive members of CSS: Lukas Paska (0402319578), Dennis (0415737408), Tom Bearman (0439833801), and Suwani Samaratunga (0450364669).

19/20 SHC : 8.30am Sun SMC : 6.00pm Sat

Greeter

Lector Eva Dunn Andrew Pinelli, Sr Monica Elizabeth Longo Shelverton Peter Tierney

EMOC Sue & Paul Killworth TBA

SMC : 10.30am Sun

Maria Respondek

Peter Chedid, Marcus Laycock

Michael Midson, Angela Ritar, Maria Saracino

SMC : 6pm Sun

TBA

Margot Suber, Sr Monica Shelverton