

Weekly Mass Times

St Mary's Cathedral

Tue-Fri : 7.30am

Sat : 6pm Mass

Sun : 10.30am & 6.00pm Masses

Sacred Heart Church

Tue/Wed/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



Dear parishioners.....as announced recently, Fr Emmanuel sadly leaves us very shortly to return to his home country Nigeria, as he has concluded his 4 year contract in Australia.

Please join with us this Sunday, 10th March as our parish hosts a farewell for Fr Emmanuel following the 10.30am Mass.

With thanks.



Stations of the Cross will be held at 6.30pm each Friday in Lent, alternating between Sacred Heart Church and the Cathedral as follows:

Cathedral : March 8, 22, April 5
(Passion Play—more details soon)

Sacred Heart Church : March 15, 29, April 12

Please welcome Fr Norberto Ochoa who has joined the Cathedral Parish as Priest in Residence and will be ministering among us. Fr Norberto recently spent 5 years in

Broken Bay Diocese, after his arrival from his home Diocese of Daet in the Philippines.



St Mary's Cathedral—Cnr Harrington & Patrick Streets, Hobart;

Sacred Heart Church—Cross St, New Town;

Responsorial Psalm: Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble. **Gospel Acclamation:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! **Readings:** Deut 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

Next Week's Readings: Gen 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17—4:1; Lk 9:28-36

Three Victories for Jesus, Three Victories for Us

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In today's Gospel, at the end of His 40 days of fasting in the desert, the devil tempts Jesus three times. In each case, Jesus defeats the devil because Jesus is secure in His self-knowledge. The three temptations of Jesus represent the three types of temptation we are all subject to. St John summarises them as:

"The lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life" (1 John 2:16). The 'lust of the flesh' involves disordered desire for food, sex, drugs, comfort etc. The 'lust of the eyes' is greed or avarice – the disordered desire to possess things of beauty and value. The 'pride of life' is simply pride.

Sin came into the world through Adam and Eve who succumbed to all three weaknesses. Genesis 3:6 tells how Eve looked at the apple and saw it was "good for food" (lust of the flesh), "pleasing to the eye" (lust of the eyes) and "desirable to make one wise" like God (pride – to be equal to God) Through His victory over these three temptations in the wilderness, Jesus undoes Eve's threefold disobedience.

First the devil tempts Jesus in the area of lust of the flesh. "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf." Notice that the devil also tries to throw doubt on Jesus' relationship with His Father. Then Jesus is tempted to lust of the eyes as the devil shows Him the power and the glory of all the kingdoms

of the world and offers them to Him if He will only submit to evil. Lastly, the devil tempts Jesus to pride by inviting him to perform a miraculous 'stunt' by jumping off the parapet of the Temple, the most public place in all of Israel, to make Himself famous and to secure the adulation of the masses.

In each case Jesus defeats the tempter by holding on to His true identity – his knowledge of who He is. He does what Eve failed to do. He remembers He is the beloved Son of the Father, who provides for Him, who deserves His adoration and love, and who has sent Him on His mission to save mankind from the evil of sin.

In Lent we are called to three practices of piety to combat these three temptations: Fasting, to overcome the lust of the flesh, so we can learn to control our physical appetites; Almsgiving, so we can overcome the lust of the eyes and learn detachment from wealth and possessions and to overcome greed and practise generosity; Prayer, to combat pride through the humble acknowledgement of our need of God's help. We can't do it on our own.

As the psalmist says, the Lord promises to help us. "When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.' I will save him in distress and give him glory" (Ps 90/91:15). ***After all, we too are beloved children of our Heavenly Father who cares for us always.***

Deacon Nick MacFarlane

The Cathedral Parish Lenten Retreat will be held each day at 6.30-8pm from Monday March 25 concluding on Thursday March 28 with Mass . Fr Chris Eaton, from the Missionaries of God's Love, will direct the retreat with the format being music of

praise and worship, a reflection based on scripture and concluding with Adoration and Benediction. The final evening Fr Chris will celebrate Mass. We invite all parishioners to join with us in this special retreat.

FR CHRIS EATON is a priest in the Missionaries of God's Love (MGL) and is well - known as the 'rapping priest'. Originally from Christ Church, New Zealand, he now lives in Melbourne in the MGL formation house, where he helps to train young men in their initial stage of formation as MGL's priests and brothers. Fr Chris is passionate about bringing the message of God's love to young people in new and creative ways.



Dear parishioners, please note the earlier times for some events in Holy Week

Palm Sunday Vigil :	6.00pm	Sat April 13	St Mary's Cathedral
Palm Sunday Mass :	8.30am	Sun April 14	Sacred Heart Church
Palm Sunday:	10:15am	Sun April 14	St. Mary's Cathedral
Chrism Mass:	7:00pm	Tues April 16	St. Mary's Cathedral

Sacred Paschal Triduum

Mass of the Lord's Supper:	7:00pm	Thurs April 18	St. Mary's Cathedral
Stations of the Cross:	10:00 am	Fri April 19	Sacred Heart Church
Passion of the Lord:	3:00pm	Fri April 19	St. Mary's Cathedral
Easter Vigil:	7:00pm	Sat April 20	St. Mary's Cathedral
Mass of the Resurrection:	8:30 am	Sun April 21	Sacred Heart Church
Mass of the Resurrection:	10:30am	Sun April 21	St Mary's Cathedral

Please note there are NO 7.30am Masses at the Cathedral or 9am Masses at Sacred Heart Church in Holy Week. There is no Lawrenny Court Mass on Good Friday - it resumes Friday 26th April.

Dear Lectors please note! We have had to repair our lectern microphone numerous times as it is being pulled on very hard. You should not need to adjust it as it's very sensitive but you may, if really necessary, simply tilt the very end of it up or down. Please do not pull on it. Please let your children know also. Thank you!



Dear friends,

I wish to invite all the families from Arabic and Australian backgrounds, especially the families that have children aged five and above for our new Arabic language school. There will be an information session for all the parents who are keen to enrol their children on Saturday March 23rd at 10-11 am at St Mary's Cathedral centre on the 1st floor. Enrolments of your children can be done at this session and you will receive all the information on the day. Please pass the message to everyone in the community. Kindly contact Basma on basmanami2@yahoo.com or Naderah on 0470 359 234 for more information.



On **Ash Wednesday**, distribution of Ashes was across 4 Masses and 6 liturgies with around 2500 school children welcomed. Around 1400 of those were through our Cathedral doors. A busy day!

Dear parishioners, the cleaning ministry is a very important and often overlooked and under-appreciated (by many) part of the life of our parish. We are urgently seeking a couple of kind people who would be able to **donate approx. 2 hours of their time on a Monday morning on a monthly basis** to assist in cleaning the Cathedral Centre. Everything is supplied and you'd be joining a couple of lovely people who have been doing this for years. Please consider helping out and volunteering your time. Please contact Liz in the office.

With thanks.

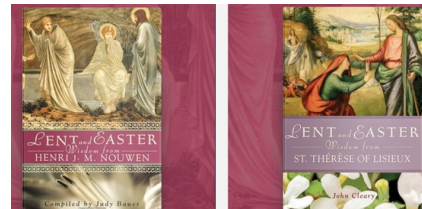


Cathedral Parish Lenten Study Program now running. Robert Barron's *Untold Blessing* paints a beautiful and mysterious image of what it takes to be a follower of Jesus Christ.

He lays out 3 intriguing paths to holiness: Finding the centre; Knowing you're a sinner; Realising life is not about you. *Untold Blessing* continues Mondays 11/3-8/4 at 7-9pm or Wednesdays 13/3-10/4 10am-noon in the Cathedral Centre. **Info from Deacon Nick on 0418242010**

Dear parishioners, please continue to patronise our bookstall for books, gifts, cards and items of religious devotion. The small margin we make on the bookstall contributes to the upkeep and cleaning of the Parish Centre. **With thanks.**

Lenten reflections by Henri Nouwen
St Therese of Lisieux



The Hobart Branch of the National Association of Catholic Families welcomes all families to their inaugural Family Picnic on Monday, March 11 at Cornelian Bay Reserve. It will run from 12:00 pm – 3:30 pm. There will be things for all the family to enjoy: Play equipment, sporting fields and places to explore. Fr Guy Riolo PP, Glenorchy Parish, will speak to the adults on the importance of family prayer. For more information or to RSVP contact Ben Smith on 6208 6036 or ben.smith@aohtas.org.au.

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



The annual St Patrick's Pilgrimage walk from Richmond to Colebrook will be held on 16-17 March 2019. This overnight pilgrimage will offer a chance to journey, reflect, pray, sing, chat and spend some quality time with other pilgrims and with God. You are sure to enjoy both the serenity of the walk and the fellowship of the pilgrims journeying with you. The pilgrimage is open to young people between the ages of 16-35 and costs \$55 which covers lunch, breakfast and dinner meals. For more information or to register, visit eventbrite.com.au and search "St Patrick's Pilgrimage".

In Times Past ...

In early 1929 the renovations to St John's Church in Richmond were blessed with much fanfare, marking a new chapter in the story of Australia's oldest still-standing Catholic Church. Statues were sprinkled, clerics processed, and inscriptions were unveiled. It was all typical stuff.

Fr J. T. O'Donnell gave a notable address at the proceedings, which provides something more interesting to revisit. He started with a brief and relatively orthodox account of the history of the Church from Apostolic times to the then Pope. He then turned to the relaxation of the anti-Catholic laws of Britain in 1829, arguing with more than a bit of hyperbole that as a result "in no part of the world had the Catholic Church greater freedom than in the British Empire." In fact, he developed this as his main theme. "The ceremony of completing the work of restoration of St John's Church was a fitting way of commemorating the centenary of Catholic emancipation", he said. "It was the first big work undertaken in Australia after the liberation of Catholics."

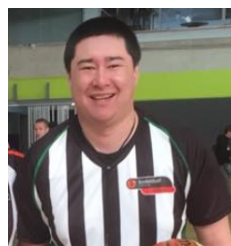
But Fr O'Donnell then got a bit waylaid, complaining about secular society as it was in 1929: "The world to-day was no less antagonistic to the Church that it was in days that have gone. ... Thousands in Australia to-day knew not God ... To a large portion of the population Sunday was no longer the day of the Lord, but merely a pagan holiday. ... Socialism, Bolshevism, Materialism, and Rationalism were rampant. Pantheism, Pragmatism, Spiritualism, Theosophy, and [all] kinds of spiritual deformities have their votaries. ... And for all these the great enemy was, as before, the Catholic Church."

For Fr O'Donnell, the renovations of Richmond Church were a sign, a physical expression of the health of the faith. In our own times, I take more solace in his little rant. It is a nice reminder that the Church of the past had its troubles too, internal and external. It also underlines the way that notions about religion's decline are features of most ages of history, and generally premature.

Dr Nick Brodie



Faces of the Parish ~ Ronnel Riggs



Which suburb do you live? Hobart
Which is your main Mass you attend? 10.30am
How long have you lived in Hobart? 15 years
Names of your immediate family members: Mum— Elly and Dad — Ross (both deceased)

Your family background, place of origin, occupation:

Mum was from the Philippines and I was born in Burnie and grew up in Queenstown. I currently work in disability and as a relief Teacher Assistant.

Your hobbies: Collecting sports gear from early 2000s and 1990s and looking up TV shows from the 80s and 90s.

Any ministries/charities you serve or are involved in:

I was a former senior altar server at the Cathedral for many years and I have been lucky enough to travel to a few countries when I was involved with World Youth Day back in 2016.

Any funny 'life stories' you would like to share:

Yes! Giving Fr. Shammi the nickname the 'Shamster' as he would try to dominate on the basketball court against Isaac, Mitchell (altar servers 10.30am Mass) and myself!

Any other information you are happy to share about yourself:

I do mascot work for Hobart Hurricanes and also basketball is a huge part of my life. I am a senior boys' team coach for Phoenix, a senior referee for Basketball Tas and was previously the Hobart Chargers' media interviewer/production person. I was very lucky to be awarded the 2018 Basketball Tasmania Personality Award as well as Volunteer of the Year previously. I'm thankful for the opportunities I have been given and will continue to strive to do better.



Are you new to our parish?

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

Would you like to meet our clergy and staff?

Just let us know and we'll arrange a visit!



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 Priest in Residence Fr Norberto Ochoa
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From Our Anniversary Book William Zeeman, Thomas Davis, Luciano Longo, Vecchione Family, Matrondola Family, Dorothea Connor, Mary Pugh, Helene Matterson, Kitt Martin, Ian Lowe, Mary Atkins, Desmond Orpwood, William Byrne, Gladys Imlach, Noel Logan, Brian Kilmartin, Paul Gill, Ivy Woolford, Kaye Tapp, Helen Fox, Clare Costello, Catherine O'Driscoll, Susan Di Giovanni, Francesco Demarte, Maxwell Webberley, Archibald Hawkes, Florence Proto, Giovanni Ferraro, Archbishop Guilford Young (8th Archbishop of Hobart), Nancy Foale, Anthony Pauly, Rosemary Cooper, Peter Roach
May they rest in peace.



PROJECT COMPASSION

Today, the first Saturday/Sunday of Lent, is Week 1 of Project Compassion, Caritas Australia's six-week Lenten fundraising appeal.

This year we celebrate Hope, as our Project Compassion theme. Our readings today take us on a significant wilderness experience. Like the people of Israel, we sometimes find that we are wandering in a world that turns away from the most marginalised and vulnerable to injustice.

The gospel story helps us to see that we share our humanity with Jesus, all human beings, from time to time find themselves struggling to cling on to hope. Jesus is no exception. This story is familiar to all of us - it is read on the first Sunday of Lent each year. What never changes is the sense of Jesus' rising above the struggle and speaking truth to power.

Our story this week of Thandolwayo (pron. "Tan-dol-way-o") in Zimbabwe, depicts a community which has been challenged a number of times and was in danger of losing hope. Twelve-year-old Thandolwayo would walk seven kilometres each day, threatened by crocodiles, to collect contaminated water for her family. It looked like she would never realise her hope of finishing her education and becoming a nurse, until a Caritas Australia-supported project created access to clean water, helping Thandolwayo to stay at school and achieve a future full of hope.

There is also a new feeling of hope and positive change in the village. The plentiful water supply has triggered a series of new ventures. Water is being used to mould bricks for building houses and to pound maize to sell. Plans are underway to establish a community garden and a fish pond, to generate an income to assist with school fees. Her story reminds us of the words of Pope Francis who said, "The future does have a name...and its name is hope". Thandolwayo says, "Hope is important because it makes me work harder so that I achieve what I want to be when I grow up. I want to live a good life in the future."

Last year, with your help, Project Compassion raised around \$11 million. This amount is testament to your enormous generosity and compassion. You can make your donation in the collection box or use the donation envelopes on your seat. For more information go to www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion.

Last Sunday a surprise presentation was made to Maureen Chisholm at Sacred Heart Church. Maureen has been sacristan for well over 25 years and has served under many priests, the first of whom was Fr Terry Yard who celebrated on her special day along with Fr Shammi, Fr Emmanuel and recently arrived priest in residence, Fr Norberto. Maureen was presented with a beautiful portrait of her taken from a photo of her in the church. Parishioners and her family joined after Mass in a celebratory morning tea. Congratulations Maureen!



Dear parishioners,

It is wonderful to see so many people staying for fellowship following 10.30am Mass at the Cathedral. To assist us in providing for this, please remember to simply pop an extra packet of biscuits, long life milk or other morning tea supplies into your shopping basket to bring along. Or any coin donations are welcome on the day also. **With thanks.**

CHARISMATIC MASS 13TH MARCH 7.30pm St. Joseph's Church (side chapel) Cnr. Macquarie/Harrington Sts. Evening commences with Songs of Praise and Worship and concludes 9pm followed by supper. There will be an anointing during the Mass and opportunity for personal prayer afterwards. Enquiries: Di van Tienen 0447350379/Judi Richardson 0409780827

9/10	SHC : 8.30am Sun	SMC : 6.00pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
Greeter		TBA	Maria Respondek	TBA
Lector	Seena Sejan Elizabeth Longo Peter Tierney	Colleen Stanford, Lorraine Dooley	Isaac Harradine, David Harradine	Gabrielle Hutchinson, Andrew Hutchinson
EMOC	TBA	Andrew Pinelli, TBA	David Shelverton, Maria Saracino, Anna Reussien	TBA