

# ACE Cathedral Parish

August 18, 2019 YR C/1  
20th 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

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

**Hobart; Sacred Heart Church—Cross St, New Town;**

**Responsorial Psalm:** Lord, come to my aid! **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia! **Readings:** Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

**Next Week's Readings :** Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

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## The Cost of Discipleship

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In His time on earth, Jesus said some really shocking things! His words were meant to shake up His followers and to prepare them for the struggle which He knew was coming to Him and for them. Today's Gospel (Luke 12:49-53) is no exception. On the day of His presentation in the Temple as a small baby, Simeon, guided by the Holy Spirit, told Mary that Jesus would be destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and would be a sign that would be opposed (see Luke 2:34). And so it proved to be. Thirty years later, Jesus is telling His disciples that He is to undergo a 'baptism' of fire and is in great distress over it. He is warning them that He and His life-giving message of nearness of the Kingdom of God will be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and that He would be killed and then rise again.

Jesus' message is divisive. It separates those who believe in Him from those who do not. It divided His own extended family because many of them refused to believe what He said about Himself (see Jn 7:4). How much argument and rancour there must have been between these relatives of Jesus and His mother Mary, who never wavered in her belief in Him. Well, what was true of the Master is also true for the disciple. If we commit ourselves to Jesus as the way, the truth and the

life for our lives, then we can expect resistance from those who do not. And often that will cause strife in families. How many of us suffer the pain of those near and dear to us rejecting and refusing to share our belief in Jesus. And Jesus has warned us that this will happen. God gives everyone free will. There is no way we can make others believe that the Gospel is good news, even if we know that it is the only way to true peace in the long run. Sometimes the only thing we can do is to pray for them. And that may be what they need most – our prayers.

And although we are bound to love those whom God puts us near, it would be a mistake to water down our own belief in Jesus or our commitment to follow Him for the sake of a false peace in our families. Jesus didn't do it, and He specifically warned us not to do so either. He said "He who loves father and mother more than Me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of Me" (Matt 10:37). In fact, the most essentially loving thing we can do is to continue to live out our commitment to Jesus in the hope that our witness will, in time, help our loved ones to come to Jesus or to come back to Jesus.

**Deacon Nick MacFarlane**



## This year the ACYF will be held in Perth from December 8-10.

Recently, the Office of Youth Evangelisation received a significant donation from the Knights of the Southern Cross to assist some young Tasmanians - who may be finding it difficult to raise funds - to attend the event. This in turn has inspired others to donate anonymously for the same cause. Thanks to this generosity, we are now able to help support a number of young people to attend the event. I would, therefore, ask anyone who may be finding the cost of the Pilgrimage to be a barrier, to please contact me and I will gladly look to see how we can help. If you are interested in attending the event, make sure to register below as seats are limited and are now starting to fill up! <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/acyf-hobart-to-perth-pilgrimage-registration-62123542187>  
Contact : Tomasz Juszczak 0400045368



**Evangelium Conference: the Archdiocese of Hobart is holding its Evangelium Conference at Claremont Parish on Friday night and all day Saturday, August 30-31.** Aiming at forming missionary disciples, the speakers will present practical ideas we can implement in our parishes, families, and schools, to help lead people to encounter Jesus Christ and his Church. Everyone is welcome! Cost: \$65 per person. Information & Registration: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/evangelium-conference-tas-tickets-61614281976> or call Diana Bachelor at the TCEO on 6210 8805.

**Prayer for Politicians** Wednesday, 21st August, 1.30-1.50pm in the Long Room, Parliament House.  
All welcome. Enquiries : Fr Gerald Quinn CP. Ph : 6234 4866



**Thank you to all who are currently contributing to the ministry of reading the Sacred Scripture at Masses in the parish.**

We have a vision for this ministry to be a truly excellent proclamation of the Word of God. To this end, four training opportunities will be offered:

**Sunday 8th Sept at 11:45am** at the Cathedral (after 10:30am Mass);

**Sunday 8th Sept at 7:10pm** at the Cathedral (after 6pm Mass);

**Wednesday 11th Sept at 9:30am** at Sacred Heart Church (after 9am Mass);

**Saturday 14th Sept at 7:10pm** at the Cathedral (after 6pm Mass).

For those coming to one of the Cathedral training sessions, please gather in the left-hand transept after Mass. At Sacred Heart, please gather at the front on the lectern side.

Each session will be identical and will run for 45 minutes. You may choose to attend any session that suits you. N.B. The training is compulsory, even for expert readers who have the capacity to demonstrate the various aspects of good proclamation. **If you wish to continue in this ministry, you will need to attend one of these sessions and we hope it further assists you to enjoy this special opportunity to share the Lord's Word.**



**You are invited to come and hear Robert Falzon, co-founder of menALIVE, discuss "Into The Breach"**

Join us at Holy Rosary School, 29 Wyndham Rd, Claremont (next to St Bernard's Parish Church) at 7:30 am on Saturday 31st August. (Yes, the venue and timing is changed from our normal Breakfasts, so as to work in with the Evangelium Conference)

Come and enjoy some singing, inspiration, fellowship, and breakfast.

Perhaps stay on for Mass at 9:00 am. (Maybe even stay on for the Evangelium Conference at the same venue for the rest of the day.)

Please bring a friend.

To assist catering, please RSVP: Duncan MacFarlane 0400 095 807 or Martin Stone 6223 8132.

*(Robert Falzon is a Brisbane-based Catholic layman with a passion for bringing the Good News to people in the parish pews and in the street. He is a husband, father of four adult children, and a successful and award-winning businessman. In 2003, recognising the need for a Catholic ministry to men, he co-founded menALIVE. He is a gifted speaker and preacher, and has authored books on men's ministry and the importance of fatherhood.)*



**A Vocations Retreat is being planned for Saturday 5 October from 10 am until 3pm at the presbytery at Campbell Town.** If you know of any young men who may be considering a vocation to the priesthood, could you please invite them to come along? The day will consist of input on vocation in the Church, a time for personal reflection and then time for communal prayer. **Fr Brian**

**We're excited to offer "Inspiring Faith" a Children's Catechesis on Sunday mornings for children aged 8-11 years at the Cathedral Parish Centre (Level 1).** Children will explore the mysteries of the Trinity and Jesus Christ, and will come to understand the dignity and powers God bestows on each Christian. Children will discover how following the example of Christ develops a moral conscience and a sense of community in God's family, the Church, with Mary and the saints. Time: 9.45-10.15am during school terms. A great opportunity for your child to go deeper in his or her Catholic faith! **Register** with Jo MacFarlane 0407 876 913 or macfarlane3jo@gmail.com Cost: \$25 for children's workbook

**Parish children are invited to participate in the following:**

Children 0 – 4 stay with parents;  
Children 5 – 7 Children's Liturgy during Mass;  
Children 8 – 11 Catechesis before Mass (as per above)



**International Pro-Life Filmmaker to speak on the cultural impact of Euthanasia: August 28** Kevin Dunn – International Pro-Life Filmmaker, will present Living, Dying and the Power of Presence, using clips from his documentaries about how euthanasia laws are affecting the culture of The Netherlands, Belgium, USA and Canada and what we can do to stem the tide. 7-9pm Wed Aug 28 St Mary's Cathedral Centre, cnr of Harrington and Patrick Sts, Hobart. Info : Ben Smith on 6208 6036 or ben.smith@aohtas.org.au or Kevin see: [www.kevindunn.info](http://www.kevindunn.info)

**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.



## **Doing the Right Thing Because it is the Right Thing** **by Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI**

"Have you ever done something simply on principle, because it was the right thing to do, knowing that you couldn't explain it to anyone, without there even being a good feeling attached to your act?"

Karl Rahner wrote that and then added: "If you have done this, you have experienced God, perhaps without knowing it."

Jesus would agree, so much so that he makes this both the central tenet of religion and the overriding criterion for salvation.

We see this explicitly in the famous text in the gospels where Jesus tells us that whatsoever you do to the poor here on earth you do to him. For Jesus, to give something to a poor person is to give something to God, and to neglect a poor person is to neglect God.

There's an important background to this teaching. They had been asking Jesus: "What will be the test? What will be the ultimate criterion for judgment as to whether or not someone enters into the kingdom of heaven or not? His answer surprised them. They had expected that the final judgment would revolve around issues of religious belonging, religious practice, correct observance, and moral codes. Instead they got this answer: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left."



And what, according to Jesus, will be the basis for the separation? Only this: Did you feed the hungry? Give drink to the thirsty? Invite in the stranger? Clothe the naked? Visit the sick and imprisoned? Because when you do these

things to the hungry, to the thirsty, to strangers, to the sick, and to the imprisoned, you do them to God, and vice versa. And immediately there was confusion among those who heard these words. Both those who did what was asked and those who didn't were equally befuddled and lodged the same protest: When? When did we see you hungry? When did we see you thirsty? When did we see you naked, or a stranger, or sick,

or in prison and serve you or not serve you? When did we see you, God, and do this to you?"

Both are caught off guard and both ask seemingly the same question, but their protests are in fact very different: The first group, those who had measured up, are pleasantly surprised. What they say to Jesus is essentially this: "We didn't know it was you! We were just doing what was right!" And Jesus answers: "It doesn't matter! In serving them, you were meeting me!"

The second group, those who hadn't measured up, is rudely shocked. Their protest, in effect, is this: "If we had only known! If we had known that it was you inside the poor we would have responded. We just didn't know!" And Jesus answers: "It doesn't matter! In not serving them, you were avoiding me!"

What's the lesson? The more obvious one of course is the challenge that is already contained in the famous mantra of the prophets who had stated unequivocally that the quality of our faith will be judged by the quality of justice in the land and that the quality of justice will be judged by how the most vulnerable groups in society (widows, orphans, and strangers) fare while we are alive. The Jewish prophets had already taught us that serving the poor is a non-negotiable, integral part of religion, that nobody gets to heaven without a letter of reference from the poor. But Jesus adds something: God doesn't just have a preferential option for the poor, God is inside the poor.

But there's another lesson too, subtle but important: In this gospel story, neither those who served God in the poor nor those who didn't serve God in poor knew what they were doing.

The first group, who did respond, did so simply because it was the right thing to do. They didn't know that God was hidden inside the poor. The second group, who didn't respond, didn't reach out because they didn't realize that God was inside the poor. Neither knew that God was there and that is the lesson: A mature disciple doesn't calculate or make distinctions as to whether God is inside of a certain situation or not, whether a person seems worth it or not, whether a person is a Christian or not, or whether a person appears to be a good person or not, before reaching out in service. A mature disciple serves whoever is in need, independent of those considerations.

## **The Cagliero Project is an initiative of the Australia-Pacific Province of the Salesians of Don Bosco, providing overseas volunteer experiences for Australians who wish to work with disadvantaged young people.**

We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers for January 2020 departure. Our volunteers placements run for 6-12 months and are centered around working with young people in educational settings. We have multiple volunteers opportunities throughout Cambodia, Samoa, Timor Leste and the Solomon Islands.

We aim to utilise the skills and talents of our volunteers in order to provide the best possible contribution to the host community. Our aim is not to 'help' but to walk in solidarity with young people and for volunteer and host to have a mutual learning experience. We are also present in host communities to be role models - people that young people can aspire to be.

Cagliero volunteers commit themselves to working in the 'Salesian way'. This means that young people are the central focus in all work. The Salesian way also means approaching life in a joyful way with a loving heart. The experience as a Cagliero volunteer is not about the volunteer, but is focused on the people we go to serve. However, serving as a Cagliero volunteer will probably be the most rewarding thing you ever do!

For more information, or to send us an inquiry, follow this link: <http://cagliero.org.au/>

Applications close October 15, 2019

Contact: Lauren Hichaaba, Director of the Cagliero Project  
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**From Our Anniversary Book** Adrian Brennan, Massoud Abraham, Cyril Green, Peter Nichols, Sr. Kathleen Twomey, Pasquale D'Amato, Marianne Sidebottom, Mariannina Mangione, Palma Di Tommaso, Adamo Franov, Fred Radford, Joan Braithwaite, Joan Verrell, Denis Conlan, Barbara Mundy, John Ashwood, Bette Usher, Garry Willis, Kathleen Andrews, Kathleen Terry, Ethel Hanlon, Lauretta Di Domenico, Norah Youl, Sr. Mary Gabrielle Dillon, Mary Foster, Catherine Cape, Giovanna Taglieri, Rex Mundy, Albert Groves, Mary Holding, Irene Wardle, Shelagh Scott, Maureen Dainer **May they rest in peace.**



**The next Alpha in the Cathedral Centre starts Mon 9 Sept 7-9pm.** Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith, run over eleven weeks. Each talk looks at a different aspect of Christian faith and is designed to create conversation. Everyone's welcome. Come and bring a friend for good food, a great talk and a chance to ask questions and share points of view in an open, friendly environment.



**The Community of the Sons & Daughters of God is holding its annual Retreat & Spiritual exercises from Tuesday August 27th until Thursday August 29th 2019 at Christ the Priest Parish Centre in Kingston.** For anyone interested to attend or for more information please contact Anna Reussien following Sunday 10.30am Mass or phone 6228 2231/0458 763 096.

### DOMINICAN ANNIVERSARY

60 years ago the Dominican Sisters arrived in Hobart, to bring Catholic Education for girls to the Northern Suburbs. They founded St John's Primary and Holy Name Schools in Glenorchy, and Holy Rosary School in Claremont. Years later they co-founded Dominic College and then Guilford Young College. Throughout these years they became and continue to be an integral presence in St John's Catholic Parish in Glenorchy. This anniversary will be celebrated with a special Mass on Sunday, September 15th at 10 am at St John's Glenorchy. Morning tea will follow. All friends, old scholars and associates of the Dominicans are warmly invited to attend.

**The L'Arche Hobart community (Beni-Abbes) is delighted to invite you to a session with Eileen Glass AM on the topic: "The Why of L'Arche".** Eileen has deep knowledge and experience of L'Arche. She was one of the founders, over 40 years ago, of the first Australian L'Arche community in Canberra. Eileen was also instrumental in establishing L'Arche as a National organisation, and for five years was Deputy Leader of L'Arche International. Venue: Josephite Mission and History Centre, 67 Clare St, New Town. When: 11 am to 2 pm, Saturday 24 August. \$10 per head. Tea/coffee/juice and cheese/fruit platters provided. For catering purposes an RSVP would be appreciated. Phone 6228 3920 or email hobart.leader@larche.org.au



### 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, Lanciano, Loreto, Assisi, Siena and Florence. Contact the Sandy Bay parish office on 6224 1423 or email sandybay@aohtas.org.au for more information.

### 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)



**Date claimer: The John Wallis Memorial Lecture 2019 will be presented by an experienced educational leader, Deborah Kent.** Deborah, the CEO and Principal of Jesuit College of Spirituality, Melbourne, will speak on "CONTINUING THE JOURNEY – charitable engagement with new frontiers" at Guilford Young College (Hobart) on Thursday 12 September, at 7pm. All interested people are invited to attend. further information: Eva Dunn 0417 734 503 or eva.dunn@gmail.com

### Why are atoms Catholic?

Because they have mass.

### Why didn't they play cards on the Ark?

Because Noah was always standing on the deck

### Why didn't Noah ever go fishing?

He only had two worms.



17/18	SHC : 8.30am Sun	SMC : 6.00pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
<b>Greeter</b>		TBA	Romilda Amorosa	TBA
<b>Lector</b>	Fred Tojino, Amchana Charkas, Merin Charkas	Sr Monica Shelverton, Andrew Pinelli	Sr Monica Shelverton, Marcus Laycock	Johnnie Lennard, Jude Peiris
<b>EMOC</b>	Marjorie & Justin Cook	TBA	Michael Midson, Angela Ritar, Maria Saracino	TBA