

St Mary's Cathedral Parish

Mar 24, 2019 YR C/1
3rd Sunday in Lent



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

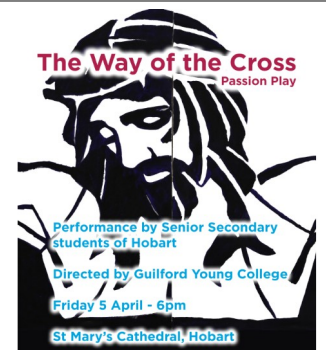
St Mary's Cathedral: Sat 5-5.30pm

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

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is kind and merciful. **Gospel Acclamation:** Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! **Readings:** Ex 3:1-8, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9; **Next Week's Readings:** Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32;

Dear parishioners,

You are all warmly invited to the 2019 parish Passion Play at 6pm on Friday April 5 in the Cathedral. This time the Passion Play will be generously presented by drama students of Guilford Young College with support from St Mary's College and other parish schools. It will be a beautiful and blessed event to participate in during this Lenten season and we hope you can join us.



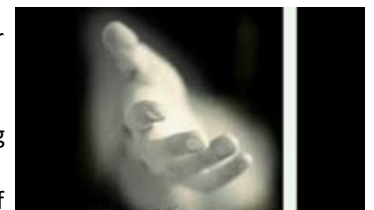
Stations of the Cross will be held at
Sacred Heart Church: 6.30pm March
29, April 12

Both South Africa after the Apartheid years under Nelson Mandela and Sri Lanka after 26 years of civil war, in 2010 produced two reports. In the former it was known as Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report and in the latter it was Lessons Learnt and Reconciliation Commission Report. Both these reports were based on restorative justice not on retributive justice. Retributive justice demands proportionate punishment carried out on the perpetrator. This type of justice requires that the offender forfeit something in return and some people consider this as the best answer to any crime. On the contrary, restorative justice recognises and acknowledges the crimes committed by the perpetrator and condemns them. This system of justice does not stop there but invites the victim of the crime and the offender of the crime to enter into forgiveness, reconciliation, healing and rehabilitation.

Dear friends, why do I talk about these two types of justice? It is exactly what we see in the Gospel today. Most of the people who listened to Jesus thought that Yahweh is a God who works on cause and effect laws. Any crime deserves its proportionate punishment, God imposes retributive justice on his people. This is very much found in the Mosaic Law: "eye for an eye; tooth for tooth." Jesus shows them, the God of Yahweh is not such a God of punitive justice. So he tells them of two incidents. First a political story: Pilate has murdered a number of Galilean people, could have been rebels. Still worse, Pilate has mixed their blood with that of sacrificed animals. The second one is an accident: the tower at Siloam falling on eighteen people, an accident at a building construction site. The immediate listeners thought, these people who are killed in both these incidents have sinned and have done something terribly wrong for them to be punished by God in such a horrible way.

So the understanding is punishment comes from Yahweh, and it is based on retributive justice that is proportionate punishment to the crime as the best solution. Jesus completely denies this image of God and tells them: the God of Israel is a God of tenderness and mercy who patiently waits for the sinner to abandon his ways and to return to him and then to bear fruit like a fig tree. Jesus never says the Father is going to punish you for your offenses, rather he says: "unless you repent, you will all perish." Sin has its own curse and its own effects upon us. When we perish it is not something that God brings upon us, but we ourselves bring it upon us. Often times it is easy for us to put the blame on God. The Prophet Micah paints a beautiful picture about a God of restorative justice. "He is treading down our faults; throwing our sins to the bottom of the sea; and delighting in showing mercy" (Micah 7: 18-20). God's justice wants to restore us to a deep communion with him He does that with his mercy and patience. He waits for us patiently like a loving father and a mother until we return home, waits to embrace us with an everlasting love. Let me wind up this reflection with the words of Pope Francis in the week after his election: "Have you thought about God's patience, the patience he has with each one of us? That is his mercy; yes his patience is his mercy. He waits for us and he does not tire of forgiving us if we are able to return to him with a contrite heart."

Fr. Shammi Perera



The Cathedral Parish Lenten Retreat will be held each day at 6.30-8pm from this 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 Christchurch, New Zealand, he now lives in Melbourne in the MGL formation house. Fr Chris is passionate about bringing the message of God's love to young people in new and creative ways.



Dear parishioners, 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.

The parish wishes to congratulate our Weekday Sacristan Rossalyn Giudici for her recent induction to the Tasmanian Honour Role of Women—at the Launceston Country Club last Friday March 15. Rossalyn was nominated by Dr Pru Francis, Archivist, Archdiocese of Hobart and her nomination read as follows: Service to community -

“Extraordinary input hidden from view”

By quietly working behind the scenes, Rossalyn Giudici has made a significant contribution to the preservation of the history of the Catholic Church in Tasmania.

From 1988 – 2000, Rossalyn provided secretarial support to the Archbishop of Hobart Dr Eric D'Arcy. These well-developed administration skills would prove valuable.

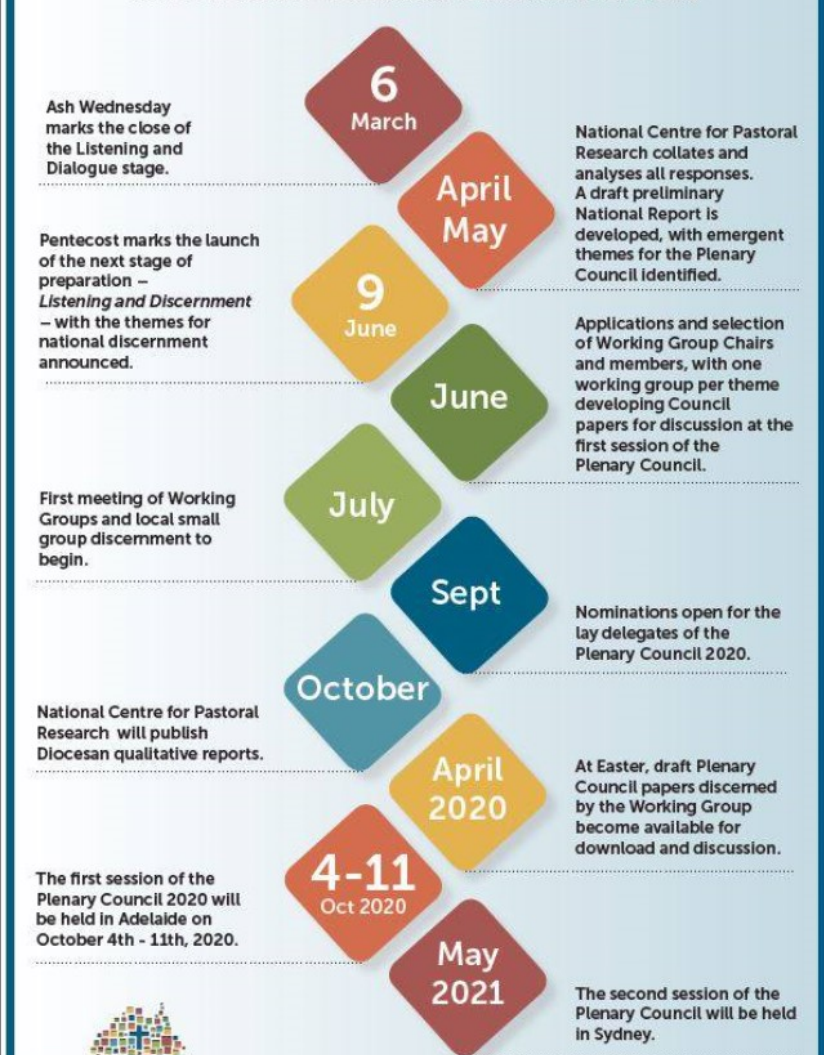
In August 2000, Rossalyn started volunteering with the Archdiocese of Hobart Archives and Heritage Collection, where she designed a database to record entries from sacramental registers. Transcribing these records has meant all information from historic Baptism, Marriage and Death registers could be entered onto the database, thus facilitating daily requests from individuals in Tasmania, other States and overseas for family history research, without the need to handle historic and fragile registers.

The registers contain data that does not exist elsewhere, particularly information about Catholic convicts. Early entries were often in Latin and Rossalyn worked assiduously, not only with translation, but difficult handwriting patterns that would stump the average reader.

Over the last 18 years, Rossalyn has entered 190,000 records onto the database and has also recorded the names and details of all the Catholic clergy who have worked in Tasmania since 1821 (a total of 946 to date); she has developed a catalogue of Parishes and churches and other sites used for Catholic worship (past and present). Rossalyn has always been ready to assist others. Married to a migrant from Italy, a “New Australian”, Rossalyn is sensitive to the needs of the newly arrived in the community, and others struggling in any way, and provides practical and material support, for example, making soup for Loui's Van. Rossalyn is now a widow, and is blessed with grand-children and great grand-children.



THE PLENARY COUNCIL JOURNEY IN 2019



Prayer for Politicians

Wednesday, 27th March, 1.30-1.50pm in the Long Room, Parliament House. All welcome. Enquiries : Fr Gerald Quinn CP.

Ph : 6234 4866

In times Past

No Tasmanian will be old enough to remember their original Father Brown. A Redemptorist Priest, Father Terence Brown visited Tasmania in 1908 to conduct a series of missions around the state. Big crowds at the Cathedral were held up as 'a striking testimony to the desire of the parishioners to co-operate in the mission', especially because they came despite wretched weather. Clearly Father Brown and his accomplice Father Murphy were doing something right. Down the road at St Joseph's their mission reportedly 'taxed every inch of space of even the sanctuary and the sacristies of the church'. So much for the strict observance of the railings before Vatican Two.

In the decades that followed this long-forgotten mission, Tasmanians will have more likely known that Father Brown who was the fictional detective priest in G. K. Chesterton's stories. And, with each technological advance, they knew him again. First in literature, then on radio, and finally in film, Father Brown entertained and edified Tasmanians as he did much of the English-speaking world – always through modern media.

But this also gave locals pause for thought. After seeing a Father Brown film, one Tasmanian wrote to a local paper in 1935 of the way that clergy were presented in film. Father Brown, this correspondent noted, 'is kind, fearless, and in every way a good man, and the effect of the film must be to instil a high opinion of the church into those who see it.' It got him thinking about other clergy he had seen in films and its propagandistic potential. Priests were usually 'witty, jolly, and of high intelligence ... always ready to help those in need', he recalled. As this correspondent's commentary suggests, the characteristics of Father Brown went deeper than his distinctive outfit. A priest's character, revealed by their charitable and humane actions, ultimately made the biggest impact on audiences.

Dr Nick Brodie



Faces of the Parish

My name is Rossalyn Giudici but I answer to Ros, Ross, Nanna, Mum. My involvement with the Church in Tasmania spans many years, beginning with my birth near Longreach in Western



Queensland, the home town of Archbishop Guilford Young – my first connection! In 1964 I married Sergio, a post WWII "New Australian" from Italy and have lived in West Hobart ever since. Eventually I progressed to the role of Cathedral weekday sacristan, and I now attend the 8.30 am Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart.

Sergio and I were involved in the RCIA program, the Christian Family Movement, as a "parent couple" in the Antioch youth group, and I worked in the Papal Visit Office for the visit of Pope John Paul II in 1986. At this time I was helping in the Cathedral office, and later was asked to help in the preparations for Archbishop Young's funeral in 1988. When Archbishop Eric D'Arcy was appointed I eventually became his personal secretary. For the past 18 years I have spent one day a week in the Diocesan Archives, transcribing sacramental records onto a computer, and I keep a record of parishes and churches, and priests who have worked in Tassie since the early 1800s. I have had the privilege of working with some amazing people.



Oh yes, and in the meantime, Sergio and I were blessed with seven children who in turn have blessed us with 21 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. I have been a widow for the past 17 years, but I have

plenty of young people to look after me as I pass the 80-year-old mark. *Embarrassing moments?* Too many mistakes that I would rather forget. Like stepping up to read at a weekday Mass when no one else was available, and beginning by reading the Gospel! *Oh dear!*

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!



Presbytery 99 Barrack St, Hobart 7000
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From Our Anniversary Book Margaret Oakford, Edward Dabrowski, Giuseppe Attuoni, Jill Coggan, Minnucci Family, Falconia Family, Kath Pase, Bridged Fahey, Patrick O'Donnell, Leonard Northey, Mary Viney, Maurice Chaplain, Tony Zeitzen, Giuseppe Mione, Mary Fletcher, Helen Kirkwood, Eric Challenor, James O'Kane, Vincent Shaw, Sr. Josephine Howe, SSJ, Alfonso Cavaretta, Lual Majak, John Willemsen, Matt Wheyman, Reginald Gillam, William Cox, Sadie Freeman

May they rest in peace.



HEALTH AND SAFETY

GUIDANCE FOR CHURCHES: THINGS YOU NEED TO DO

Reminder : Regular Weekly Events

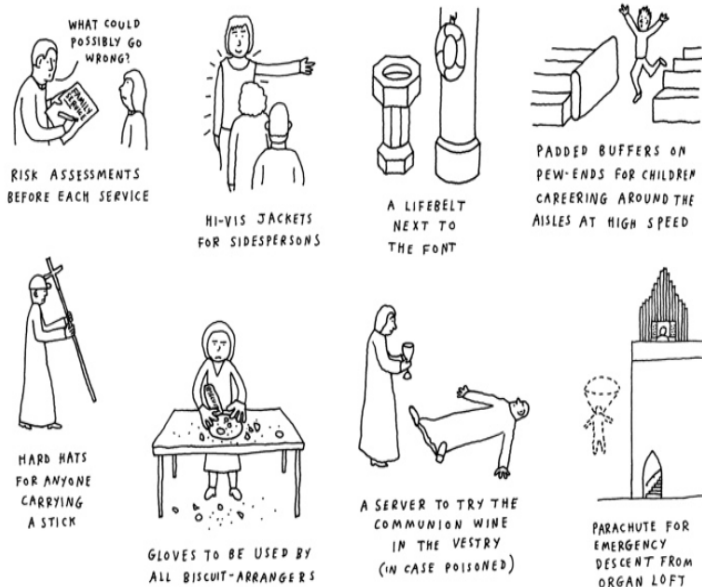
Fri 4.30-5.30pm : Cathedral—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction

Sat 11am : 2nd Floor Cathedral Centre—Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help



The weekly "Hobart Haven" event continues each Wednesday in 2019!

Hobart Haven is a regular Holy Hour which consists of silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, music, prayers and reflection. It is a beautiful opportunity to simply get away from the busyness of everyday life and take some time out with Jesus. It will be held every Wednesday night from 6-7pm at St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart. All young adults are welcome to attend the event.



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PROJECT COMPASSION

This year we celebrate Hope, as our Project Compassion theme.

Those of us who live on the land, in the food-producing areas of our country, know only too well the importance of reliable water sources. It is clear that our climate is changing, and the effects of this change are being felt across the globe. Pope Francis reminds us that "We need to see that what is at stake is our own dignity. Leaving an uninhabitable planet to future generations is, first and foremost, up to us. (Laudato Si' #160)" We are all part of the solution to this problem.

The readings today invite us to ponder the sublime mystery that God is present with us in all the events of life as we reshape into God's own image the gift of creation freely bestowed on us.

Two weeks ago, we heard the story of Thandolwayo from a dry, dusty community in Zimbabwe and the struggle to access a reliable source of clean water. Today we focus on Peter from the Solomon Islands where, surrounded by water, it is proving increasingly difficult to obtain clean drinking water for the local community. Groundwater sources at Peter's boarding school have dried up and rainfall is too unpredictable to rely on. Water in surrounding wells and boreholes often made students sick and time spent walking to collect water has a ripple effect of decreased school attendance. The long daily walks in search of water each day have been particularly challenging for Peter, who has a disability and walks with the aid of a stick. However, Peter's school community, along with Caritas and its partners, have worked together to build a reliable water system. Everyone gave 100%. Staff and students at the school dug trenches, carried equipment and helped to develop a water management plan, while Caritas and its partners provided a water tank, pump, technical advice and staff for the project. Peter now looks with hope towards a future where he can easily access clean water when he needs it and he can focus on his education and achieve his dreams. Pope Francis writes "Our world has a grave social debt towards the poor who lack access to drinking water, because they are denied the right to a life consistent with their inalienable dignity. (Laudato Si' #30)"

23/24	SHC : 8.30am Sun	SMC : 6.00pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
Greeter		TBA	Maria Respondek	TBA
Lector	Vic Ferri Geoff Burrill Elizabeth Longo	Lorraine Dooley, Colleen Stanford	Mary Hodgson, Patrick Yeung	Marla Giacon, Tony Giacon
EMOC	TBA	Andrew Pinelli, Sr Monica Shelverton	David Shelverton, Maria Saracino,	TBA