

AEC Cathedral Parish

Aug 19, 2018 YR B/2 2018
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/Wed/Thu : 9am

Sat : 8.00am Mass

Sun : 8.30am Mass

Lawrenny Court Cnr Arthur and Hill Sts,
West Hobart - Fri 10.30am

Sacrament of Penance (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: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! All who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me and I in them, says the Lord. Alleluia! **Readings:** Prov 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58 **Next Week's Readings:** Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18; Eph 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69

Bread is perhaps our primary symbol for food, health, nourishment, and community: Give us this day our daily bread! Let us break bread together! Bread is a symbol for life and coming together. Few things speak as wonderfully about life as does the smell of fresh bread. The fragrance of fresh bread is the smell of life itself!

Yet there is another story to bread. Out of what is bread made? Kernels of wheat that had to be crushed in their individuality to become something communal, flour, which then had to endure fire to be baked into the substance that gives off the smell of life. As St. Augustine once said in a homily: "For surely this loaf was not made from one grain of wheat? The grains were separate before they came together to become one loaf. They were joined together by water, after first having been ground (contritionem—the Latin verb he uses here). For if the many kernels are not ground and are not moistened by water, they could not come to this form, that we call a loaf. ... And then without fire, there is still not a loaf of bread. Bread must be baked too in a fierce heat. Bread then speaks of both joy and pain."

Wine too speaks in this double way: On the one hand, it is a festive drink, perhaps our foremost symbol for celebration. Wine has nothing to do with basic nourishment or necessity. It is not a protein needed for health, but an extra that speaks of what lies beyond the hard business of making and sustaining a living. Wine speaks of friendship, community, celebration, joy, recreation, victory. We celebrate life with wine. But, like bread, wine has another side: Of what is wine made? Crushed grapes. Individual grapes are crushed and their very blood becomes the substance out of which ferments this warm, festive drink. No wonder Jesus chose it to represent his blood. It is important to keep in mind the varied nature of bread and wine which is raised into the realm of the Transcendence during the Eucharist. On the one hand they represent everything in life and in the world that is healthy, young, beautiful, bursting with energy, and full of colour. They represent the goodness of this earth, the joy of human achievements, celebration, festivity, and all that is contained in that original blessing when, after the first creation, God looked at the earth and pronounced it good. Similarly, the Eucharist also holds up, in sacrifice, all that is being crushed, broken, and baked by a tough process. The wine, fittingly, is also blood. At the Eucharist, we hold up both, the world's health and its achievements along with its depressions and failures, and ask God to be with us in both.

Fr Shammi Perera



Celebration of Families



**August 26
2:30 to 4pm,
St Mary's
Cathedral Centre**

Dear parishioners,
The Archdiocese of Hobart invites you to a celebration of the 9th World Meeting of Families on Sunday, August 26 from 2:30 to 4pm at the St Mary's Cathedral Centre.

The celebration will involve the blessing of a unique icon of the Holy Family by Archbishop Porteous, a brief presentation on the World Meeting of Families, a Family Rosary and afternoon tea.

For more information please contact Ben Smith at the Office of Life, Marriage and Family on 6208 6036 or ben.smith@aohtas.org.au.



The Cathedral Parish Pastoral council held its monthly meeting on Thursday 9th August 2018. Arrangements are progressing well for the Parish Dinner at the Italian Club North Hobart, so please put 19th October in your diaries! It is looking like it will be a very entertaining and enjoyable evening and more details will follow soon. Also discussed was the recent Parish Mission Evening which was very well attended,

as was the soup supper afterwards. Thanks to all the people who contributed to the success of the evening. The CPPC members are currently participating in an Alpha course together which all are enjoying and it is proving to be a great opportunity to grow in faith together. A list of the current members of the CPPC with their photos will soon be posted on notice boards in both Churches. Please feel free to approach any member of the Council with any suggestions or concerns you may have. Recently two long serving CPPC members have retired—Nick Brodie (past Chairperson) and Ingrid Howe. Fr Shammi and the Council extend to them their heartfelt thanks for their steadfast contribution to the Council over several years. The current members of the CPPC are: Xavier Kumar (Chairperson), Fr Shammi, Fr Emmanuel, Sr Monica, Deacon Nick, Alexander Rodrigues, Duraid Alskal, Peter Chedid, Tad Matuszek, Jane McKeown, Eva Dunn and new members Heather Excell and Debbie and Michael Brown who were recently invited by Fr Shammi to serve our Parish in this way. The next CPPC meeting will be on Thursday 13th September.

Cathedral bookstall....



A reminder to visitors and parishioners that we have Sacramental gifts as well as bibles, Missals, contemporary and classic writing, religious cards, rosaries and gifts in our bookstall. Please help contribute to the upkeep of our Parish Centre by your purchase from our bookstall. **With thanks.**

Dear 10.30am parishioners... it is wonderful to see so many people staying behind for a cup of tea after Mass! Please remember to pop an extra packet of biscuits or long life milk or plunger coffee into your shopping trolley to bring along. *All donations are gratefully accepted! Or a simple gold coin donation would also be wonderful to assist us in providing these refreshments!* **With thanks.**



JOHN WALLIS MEMORIAL LECTURE 2018 DATE

CLAIMER for parents, grandparents, educators and friends of the John Wallis Foundation. This year's Lecturer is Michael McGirr, family man, author, theologian and teacher; an interesting, wise and entertaining man. His title: "God, family and other home truths" Michael will focus on the personal and spiritual development of young people in the internet age. Wed 19th Sept, 7pm GYC Hobart Campus, Chapel. Contact: Eva Dunn, 0417734503, eva.dunn@gmail.com



At 11 am each Saturday the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help will take place on the 2nd floor of the Cathedral Centre. Come and pray for our Cathedral parish, for the world and our own individual

needs. Bring a friend and may Mary intercede for us as we answer her call to prayer. Phone Sr Monica on 0467028839 or



All young adults are invited to a weekly event held in St Mary's Cathedral called Hobart Haven.

This event is a chance for young people to get away from the noise and rush of daily life and simply spend some time with Jesus. Hobart Haven will run every Wednesday from 6-7pm at St Mary's Cathedral and includes: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, silent prayer, hymns, scripture reflection, chance for Confession and Benediction.

LISTENING TO THE VOICE OF GOD IN OUR LIFE: is the Theme of this year's CCR state gathering from Fri. 7th-Sun. 9th Sept at the Emmanuel Retreat Centre Newstead. Day or live-in registrations available. All welcome! For further info/flier contact Christine Smith 0422832712; Lyn Driessen 0408385360; or Di van Tienen 62271789/0447350379

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

Reminder : deadline approaching! Tasmania is going to Panama! Millions of young people, eighteen days, two countries one faith.



The Archdiocese has just finished developing Tasmania's pilgrimage to Panama and applications for the pilgrimage are officially open! We invite all young adults between the ages of 18-35 to consider what will surely be a once in a lifetime opportunity.

The pilgrimage will include time in both Costa Rica and Panama City and will give you the opportunity to grow in your relationship with God and others.

All the details of the pilgrimage including: cost, itinerary, registration, dates, highlights etc. can be found at hobart.catholic.org.au (click on WYD link) or if you have any questions, please email Tomasz at youth@aohtas.org.au

The Plenary Council provides an opportunity for all people everywhere to be involved in helping to ensure our Church is the best it can be, for God's mission.



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

We are called to continue doing what we can to build the Kingdom of God that Jesus spoke about. This mission needs the best that is in each one of us when we give permission for God to work through us.

God is calling us, like Ezekiel, to be prophetic, to hear the voice of the Spirit and to respond with humility, patience, hope, faith and love. **It is a response from the heart that is being sought to the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"** We may submit our responses on-line through the Plenary Council website, or keep in touch with the latest Plenary Council 2020 updates via <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

Annual Directed Retreat 26 Oct - 4 Nov Maryknoll Fr Peter Addicoat & Sr Margaret Henderson RMS

Each day has guided scriptural reflection & meditation, quiet time, personal spiritual guidance and the Eucharist. For 2018, the scriptural reflection each day will be based on a different verse of the Beatitudes. Each day stands alone, so you may come for one day or as many days as you wish. For a copy of the brochure please see the Diocesan website or contact Margaret RSM on 0418 366 923 or mm.henderson@bigpond.com

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!



Nick Brodie

130 years ago this month the Pope changed Tasmania. On Friday 24 August 1888 a telegraphic message reached Launceston from Rome. The news it carried quickly spread: the Pope had turned the diocese of Hobart into an Archdiocese, thereby making Daniel Murphy an Archbishop. The new honour recognised that Tasmania held a place of ecclesiastical significance in the history of the local Church. The See of Hobart had been the second diocese created in Australia.

Besides being the first Archbishop, Murphy is significant for the Church in several ways, perhaps most notably his scientific bent. An avid and accomplished astronomer, he challenged simplistic notions of science and religion being in conflict. In 1892, for instance, he gave a presentation to the Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science in Hobart where he spoke in detail about sunspots, new techniques for assessing the composition of the sun, and the effects of the volcanic eruption of Krakatoa on the appearance of sunsets. Underlining the compatibility of science and faith, he concluded his talk with a prayer of praise: 'Benedictus es Dominie, in fermamento coeli et laudabilis, et gloriosus, et superecaltatus, in saecula'.



A few years later Murphy was in Brisbane, again talking about the sun to the scientific community, and subtly giving them a lesson in humility in the process. On that occasion he was discussing one of the great scientific problems of the day, the question of solar conservation. If the sun was continually expelling energy, which it certainly appeared to be doing, then why did it not burn out? He surveyed the various theories, but admitted they were essentially unsatisfactory. Without further evidence, he thought, it was best just to admit 'we know not'. Theory could only take the argument so far.

Murphy himself was no mere theoretician, and his personal telescope was famous. Many a Catholic student got to observe the planets through it, often enough taking instruction from the Archbishop himself. He even turned it on the sun, lending it to Tasmania's official meteorologist and a photographer in 1894 so they could capture images of an eclipse. Apparently a nearby building had rendered their own telescope useless at that time of day. It was a spectacular display of effective Church-state relations: an Archbishop-scientist coming to the rescue of secular authorities literally stuck in the shadows by urban growth, and helping them to look to the heavens.

Dr Nick Brodie

Faces of the Parish

(Deacon) Nick MacFarlane lives with his wife Giovanna in Sandy Bay and supports the Archbishop and our priests at 10.30am Mass. They have five children, Ewan, Martin, Guilia, Lucia and Duncan and Nick loves to read history, who-done-its, scripture/theology and enjoys playing 'old-timey' on his banjo, and cooking.



In Nick's words.... "I grew up in New Norfolk and Moonah and was schooled at St Brigid's, St Therese's, Savio College, New Town High and Hobart Matric College. I joined the Hydro, and with an engineering degree, worked at the Electrolytic Zinc Coy's mines at Rosebery, and then for 21 years with Telstra as an electrical power engineer. I left Telstra when offered a redundancy and worked as an engineering consultant for a few years, during which time I studied theology, and after obtaining a degree in theology, I was ordained a deacon. Thereafter, I have worked in the Archdiocesan Office, at Risdon Prison, as a pastoral carer in the Mary's Grange nursing home and in parishes.

I met my wife, Giovanna, through the Catholic Charismatic Renewal movement and this experience of active, communal Catholic life has been instrumental in the development of our faith and our vocations. It has also been a vital element in the growth of faith in our children. Although at times it has been a struggle, we are profoundly grateful that Jesus has drawn us in this way, deeply into His Church."

"Our first house, after we were married, was in Zeehan. We managed to rent a tumble-down house on the road to the tip. It had an outside dunny, and I had to threaten the Council that if they didn't collect the dunny can soon, I would take it round and leave it on their front steps. They then started to collect it. The house was infested with mice but had one mouse-proof room which had been built on later. We used that as our bedroom. We had no TV, so in the evenings we would sit outside the back door and watch the sunsets and get eaten alive by mossies. Our memories of our first house have always made us grateful for the blessings of the modern housing we have had since. When things got tough, we used to say to each other – we got through that time, we can get through this. "

"I am profoundly grateful that the Lord Jesus met me and drew me into a trusting relationship with Him in my 20's, and that He has been with me and my darling Giovanna in our adventure of following Him ever since. It has not always been easy, but He continues to fill us with His joy and His peace."

You are invited to a MEN'S BREAKFAST: Come and hear Dcn Michael Smith "Whose journey are we actually on?" St Francis Xavier Hall, cnr Anglesea and Adelaide Sts, Sth Hobart (underneath St Francis Xavier). 8am Sat 25th Aug. Come and enjoy some singing, inspiration, fellowship, and breakfast. It is a weekend, and the main activities will be over by 9:30am. A small donation will help to defray costs. Please bring a friend. To assist catering, RSVP: Duncan MacFarlane 0400 095 807 M or Martin Stone 6223 8132 H

Friday's Eucharistic Holy Hour—Spending time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is always time well spent. Each Friday, there is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 4.30-5.30pm in the Cathedral. Join us for some singing, some time for silent prayer, some communal prayer (from the Prayer of the Church) and Benediction. All welcome. Queries, call Deacon Nick MacFarlane 0418 242 010



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From Our Anniversary Book 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, Robert Cosgrove, Leo Mazengarb, Julius Kudor **May they rest in peace.**



The Community of the sons and Daughters of God retreat will be held at Maryknoll Retreat and Spirituality Centre from Aug 22-24. Contact Christine Smith 0422 832 712 for more information.



Rachel's Vineyard has helped many men and women to move on with hope. You are not alone, there is hope after an abortion experience. We can help, our next Rachel's Vineyard retreat for healing after abortion will be held in Hobart, on Aug 31st to Sept 2nd. To speak to someone please call Anne Sherston on the confidential phone line 0478599241.

The next Old Virgilians Association Luncheon will be held at the SVC Austins Ferry campus commencing at 12 noon on Tuesday, 28th August, 2018. A two course meal with drinks provided (\$30). All Old Virgilians and friends are invited. For catering purposes please notify attendance to the SVC office: 6249 6555 or adminsvc@stvirgils.tas.edu.au



National Boys Choir of Australia
 In Concert at
St Mary's Cathedral
 164 Harrington Street

7.30pm, Thursday 27 September 2018

The National Boys Choir of Australia, perhaps recognised from the iconic Qantas I Still Call Australia Home commercials, will perform works by Lorenzo Perosi, César Franck and C.V. Stanford, *Old American Songs* - two suites by Aaron Copland and Choral Selections from *Oliver*. The Choir will also sing 'that' song and a selection of Australian folk songs. Students from St Virgil's College will perform as our guests.

Tickets available at the door* or online www.trybooking.com
Adult \$20 Conc. \$15 Child \$10

*Cash only door sales



Part of the proceeds will be donated to the Cathedral Restoration Commission
 Supported by St Virgil's College



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.** Thank you!



18/19	SHC : 8.30am Sun	SMC : 6.00pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
Greeter		TBA	Maria Respondek	TBA
Lector	Athie Willemsen Geoff Burrill Marilou Saunders	Lorraine Dooley, Colleen Stanford	Noelle Harradine, Julianna Smith	Ron Ward, Ida Saracino
EMOC		Andrew Pinelli, Sue Bailey	Anna Reussien, Maria Saracino, David Shelverton	TBA