

# AEC Cathedral Parish

Mar 3, 2019 YR C/1  
8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ash Wednesday

## 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:** Lord, it is good to give thanks to you. **Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia **Readings:** Sirach 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45 **Next Week's Readings:** Deut 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

## What Is That in My Own Eye?

Dear Brothers and Sisters,  
Back in the late 90's when I was working for Telstra, that company implemented a process called "Vision 2000" aimed at making Telstra the very best telco. They formed workgroup forums where employees could discuss how to make their part of the organisation work better. Well it was not a great success. Instead of focusing on their own problems, most workgroups spent their energy on criticising others. The organisers should have known that was always going to happen. It is part of our human condition to be much more willing to criticise others than to face up to our own failings.

In today's Gospel (Luke 6:39-45), Jesus addresses exactly this problem: "Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother '... let me take out the splinter in your eye' when you can't see the plank in your own?" We are never as aware of our own shortcomings as we are of others around us. And, moreover, if I do want to change someone for the better, the one I can have most influence on should be me!



If I am prepared to look honestly at my own shortcomings, then with God's help I can change something and so take the plank out of my own eye first. The great advantage of going this way is that I don't have to persuade someone else to change. The challenge, as Jesus points out to us, is that first I have to recognise that I actually have a problem. Still, that is easier if I listen to Jesus who assures me that if I do face up to my own sinfulness and ask for His help, He has the cure. Whenever I can repent, God's grace will be there to forgive me, free me and heal me. That is what Jesus does.

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday – the start of Lent. That is a great opportunity to look at our own lives, face up to our failings and ask Jesus to help us change.

**Deacon Nick MacFarlane**

## Ash Wednesday Liturgy and Mass Times—Wednesday 6th March

**7.30am**—Mass at Cathedral

**9.00am**—Mass at Sacred Heart Church

**9.00am**—Liturgy at Cathedral for St Mary's College (public welcome)

**10.45am**—Mass at Cathedral for St Virgils College (public welcome)

**12.30pm**—Liturgy at Cathedral for GYC (public welcome)

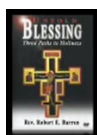
**7.00pm**—Mass at Cathedral



## Cathedral Parish Lenten Study Program continues.

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 4/3-8/4 at 7-9pm or Wednesdays 6/3-10/4 10am-noon in the Cathedral Centre. **Info from Deacon Nick on 0418242010**



*Thank you*

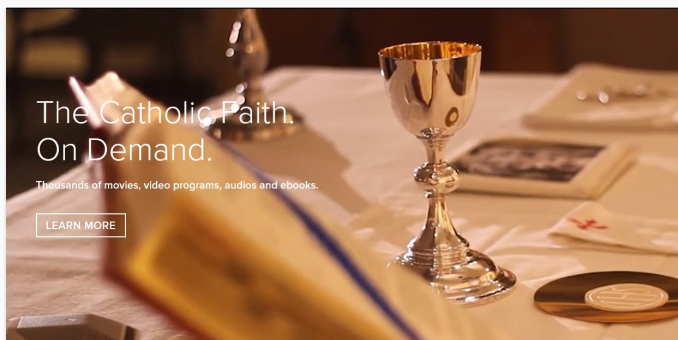
Dear parishioners, thank you for returning your hymn book to the stand and your handouts to the back of the Church. Please take your newsletter home with you.

**Plenary Council 2020 Update** The Listening and Dialogue phase ends Ash Wednesday, March 6. Please share your voice for the future of the Catholic Church in Australia. Details overleaf.

Dear parishioners, we will issue some formal **parking safety guidelines** in due course but for the moment for safety sake and to protect our carpark tiles, do not park along the driveway as you enter the grounds or park anywhere near the Cathedral entrance/doors on Harrington St side. The area beyond the plaque outside the Cathedral door/steps from Harrington St is for foot traffic only. Additionally it would be appreciated if younger folk were able to park in the street and leave the Cathedral carpark for older parishioners. **With thanks.**



**Dear parishioners.....as announced recently, Fr Emmanuel sadly leaves us soon to return to his home country Nigeria, as he has concluded his 4 year contract in Australia.** Our parish youth group will therefore be hosting a farewell for Fr Emmanuel following the 10.30am Mass on Sunday March 10. Please bring along a plate to share on the day and join us in thanking him for his time with us in our parish. In due time Fr Shammi will announce the new Assistant Parish Priest when he is informed by Archbishop Porteous. *There is a collection box at the back of both Churches for the coming weeks if you'd like to contribute to a parting gift of thanks from the parish.*  
**With thanks**

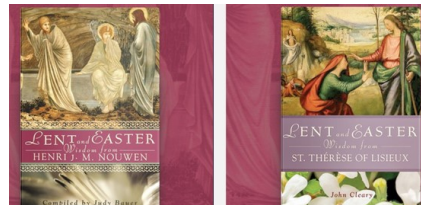


Dear parishioners,  
In the interests of furthering our evangelisation efforts to children, youth and other groups in our parish, we have identified a wonderful Netflix-like Video On Demand and digital content service that features audio, video, ebooks and feature-length films from some of the world's most credible Catholic sources, such as the Augustine Institute and Ignatius Press. We would very much like to introduce this service from [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) to our parish community and are hoping some kind and generous donors may be able to assist us in raising \$1000 for an annual subscription. If you can help us please contact either Fr Shammi or the Cathedral Office. **With thanks.**

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.**

**Coming soon:**

**Lenten reflections by Henri Nouwen and St Therese of Lisieux**



### Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council Update from meeting 14.2.19

- A system to be developed for welcoming new parishioners; something to introduce them, make them feel welcome and help them find their life and place in the parish family.
- Specific zones of the parking lot will be blocked off for safety reasons and other sections will be rezoned to allow for disabled parking.
- Plans discussed for tackling the homeless issue the city is facing utilising parish assets.
- Nativity scene placement for 2019 and other Cathedral decorations.
- Schedule development for important upcoming announcements.



**Dear Friends in Christ,**  
**Thank you all for spreading the word about the Sacramental Program 2019.** We also give thanks for all the families who have taken part in the Information Evening and enrolled their children. It promises to be a wonderful year with abundant graces for candidates, their families and the whole parish.

We have thirty seven candidates enrolled. The program will start with preparation for the Sacrament of Penance on Sunday, 3rd March, 4.30 – 5.30 in the Cathedral Centre. We shall welcome our candidates and their families at the 6.00 pm Mass. This date is also the cut off point for any further enrolments. Let us pray for our candidates, that they might grow closer to Christ through the program, and for ourselves, that we might be worthy examples of what a Christian community should be like. *Eva Dunn—for the Sacramental Team*



**Caritas Today is Project Compassion Sunday, marking the beginning of Caritas Australia's annual Lenten appeal.** The readings today prepare us for the coming Lenten season, a time for prayer, fasting and almsgiving. It is also a time for stepping away from the instinct to judge one another, be that close to home, or beyond into the human family of nations. This year through Project Compassion, we celebrate Hope. As members of our one human family— we are called to offer hope and give Lent 100%. Each year, schools, communities and parishes across Australia join together to raise awareness and funds during Project Compassion as we work towards ending poverty. Lives change when we all give 100%. It's a reminder that together we can achieve a future full of hope. Compassion boxes are at the back of both Churches as you leave.

**More than 68,000 people have engaged with the Plenary Council during the Listening and Dialogue stage.** As this comes to a close, there are still a few days (until Ash Wednesday) for you to contribute your story, your experience of faith, Church and God in your life to help to shape the Plenary Council agenda. During Lent, the Plenary Council joins the Catholic Community in prayerful preparation for Easter, and at Pentecost (June 9th) they will launch the Listening and Discernment stage and announce the national themes for discernment which have emerged from the Listening and Dialogue responses. There are still cards at the back of both churches which must be placed in the box by this Sunday evening to allow time for them to arrive at the Council. You are also welcome to respond online via [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)



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](http://eventbrite.com.au) and search "St Patrick's Pilgrimage".

## Great Evangelists Do Difficult Things - Marcel LeJeune (Pt 2)

What about you and me? How can we root out the ease and comfort and do something difficult so that we can grow? Here are some tips:

### **Be Honest With Your Failures and Limitations**

God knows who you are and what your sins, wounds, weaknesses, and limitations are. So, be honest with yourself. Where are you weak? Where do you need to grow? Have you spent time in prayer asking God to show you the path to growth? Growth should never just be about willing yourself into being better. It should involve discernment of how God wants you to grow and then an abandonment of our will to God's will. You do this through daily personal prayer and the frequent reception of the Sacraments. It is also done by moving forward once we know what God wants of us. Tell him, "yes, God, I will do what you ask of me." Then do it.

Here are some questions to get you thinking:

Do you find that your heart is more concerned with how you feel rather than the things you know are true and good?

Do you allow your emotions, desires, or passion to rule your decisions instead of discerning what God wants for your life and then following his will, wherever it leads?

Do you spend so much time on social media, Netflix, and/or games that you then don't have time to pray?

Do you seek out ways to be liked and loved or do you seek to love others, without concern as to what you get back from them?

Do you find that pride keeps you from seeking out help from others or do you allow yourself to sit at the feet of another (or others) to learn and grow from them?

Do you shy away from accountability from peers, because you are scared that it might mean you need to change or do you make time to pray and grow in community / accountability with others?

Do you spend mental energy on learning about interests, hobbies, sports, music, etc & then have little interest in learning the Word of God and the teachings of the Church?

Do you concern yourself with building up a reputation and being accepted by others & then avoid sharing your faith, so as to avoid possible divisions? Do you love the praise of the world & then the praise of God is not enough?

Do you regularly seek opportunities to sin & few to repent?

Do you find your comfort is more important than the salvation of others? Do you spend enough time in prayer?

Do you need to exercise more?

Do you need to eat healthier?



## Faces of the Parish

Liz Horne has been employed as our Cathedral Office Manager for nearly 7 years. Her career began working with the first computers in Australia for Deloitte and then within the booming advertising industry in 1980 in Brisbane. Following a scholarship and study in New York and London, she became the Media Director of a large advertising agency in Brisbane. Liz (an only child) and her husband Wayne moved to Hobart 16 years ago to escape the heat and establish and manage Nielsen TV Research in Tasmania, teaching the TV Networks to analyse statistical ratings data. 10 years later Liz left Nielsen to run her own social media/online businesses and now works on those in her 'spare time' while mentoring her 15 year old altar server twins Isaac and Mitch on their own fledgling online business. Liz has developed the Cathedral Parish website and Facebook pages and maintains them along with assisting the Administrator (Fr Shammi) and the Sacramental Team in pastoral matters, providing a high level of admin and practical support to the parish, liaising with the many parish committee members and groups and co-ordinating the many events in the Cathedral, Cathedral Centre and Sacred Heart Church. She also assists in the co-ordination of the 5 parish school Masses and events, liaises with hirers of the premises and coordinates baptisms, weddings and funerals. Liz writes/edits and prepares the weekly AVE newsletter for approval by Fr Shammi, as well as liaises with the parish sacristans regarding Mass requirements for events each weekend. Liz began attending 10.30am Mass when the twins were old enough and she was 'game enough' to bring them to Mass in 2008. Coming from a different city without friends or family was very challenging with baby twins, however Wayne's parents moved from the UK to assist along the way and they are sadly missed now. In her limited spare time Liz enjoys studying the medical/holistic field in relation to the mind/body connection regarding health, mentoring her boys on their Amazon entrepreneurial journey, and going to the gym with Isaac and Mitch.

*"The only appropriate funny story to tell is that I long ago gave up correcting visitors when they come to the office and frequently answer and respond to Sister Elizabeth!"*



### **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!





## Contact Us

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 Deacon Nick MacFarlane  
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 (remember to 'like/follow us' to stay up to date!)



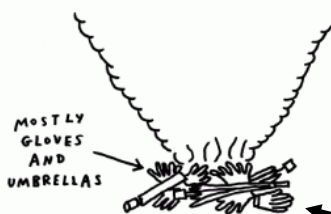
**From Our Anniversary Book** Angelina Di Domenico, Terrence Keogh, Guiseppe Paternoster, Caterina, Giuseppe and Nicola Gentile, Paolo Scavone, Roy Foulkes, Rex Rushton, Benjamin Rootes, Edward Terry, Rosita De Montes, Laszlo Hegedus, John Cairns, Antonin Divis, Ettore Di Martino, Patrick Harnett, Frederick Banks, Annie Lawler, Br. Dominikus Tischmacher, Geoffrey Whittaker, Barbara Pitt, Josephine Grey, Eugenio Labbrozzi, Albert Wood, Alice Stubbs, Daisy Ryan, Louis Gillon, Raymond Doran, Angela Di Tommaso, Kath Case, Eileen Bowden, Hugh McConalogue, Laurence Simpson, George Flaskas Alma Horne, Myra Tillack, Pauline Frances Watts, Dennis Connolly, Leonard Nash, Leonard Carr, Mona Donovan, Noreen Deayton **May they rest in peace.**



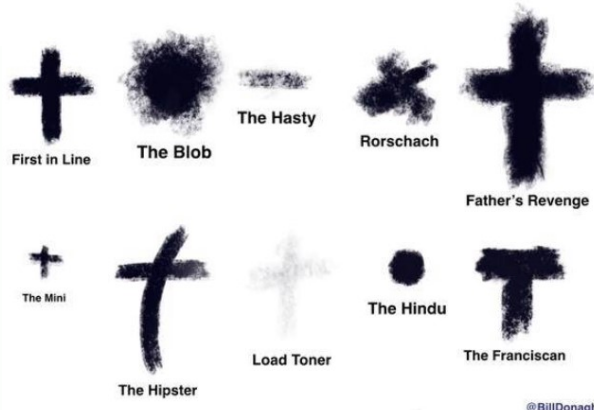
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 A SECRET RECIPE THAT HAS  
 BEEN HANDED DOWN BY MANY  
 GENERATIONS OF CLERGY



IF THERE ARE NOT MANY  
 PALM CROSSES LEFT OVER THEN  
 OTHER ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN  
 LEFT IN CHURCH CAN BE BURNT



## A Catholic Guide to Ashes



**Lectio Divina** When: 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month February - November 10.00 a.m. – 11.15 a.m.  
 Where: Sacred Heart Chapel, Josephite Mission & History Centre, 67 Clare Street, New Town 7008. Lectio Divina, a Latin term, means "divine or sacred reading" and describes a way of reading the Scriptures whereby we gradually let go of our own agenda and open ourselves to what God wants to say to us. The practice of Lectio Divina as a way of praying the Scriptures has been a fruitful source of growing in relationship with Christ for many centuries and in our own day is being rediscovered by many people. The Word of God is alive and active and will transform each of us if we open ourselves to receive what God wants to give us.  
**Enquiries: Josephite Mission and History Centre Email: josephite.mission@sosj.org.au Phone: 6228 1628**



Speaking of lost umbrellas (!)...over time we accumulate sunglasses, toys and various other items of lost property. Please ensure you contact the office to collect your items or after 2 months they need to be donated or disposed of. **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



## Vinnies Tasmania 2019 Bushfire Appeal

Vinnies Tasmania 2019 Bushfire Appeal was launched early in February. At this stage, we are encouraging monetary donations towards this appeal. Monetary donations give us greater flexibility in meeting the direct needs of the people and businesses that have been directly affected by the recent devastating bushfires. We appreciate the support of the community and the desire to assist at this difficult time. At this stage we have sufficient donated goods to satisfy the current needs. Donations can be made by using the envelopes provided at the back of both churches or visiting the Vinnies website [www.vinnies.org.au/donate](http://www.vinnies.org.au/donate), phoning 13 18 12 or calling in to any Vinnies shop or Regional Office. For further information, please contact the St Vincent de Paul Society State Office on 63 330812.

2/3	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 Charko Merin Charko	Sr Monica Shelverton, TBA	Patrick Yeung, Marcus Laycock	Johnnie Lennard, Cathy Sullivan
<b>EMOC</b>	TBA	TBA	Michael Midson, Maria Saracino	TBA