

AEC Cathedral Parish

July 15, 2018 YR B/2 2018
15th 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: Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your Salvation. **Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia! **Readings:** Amos 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13
Next Week's Readings: Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34



What Could He Be Thinking!

At the recent Divine Renovation Conference in Halifax Canada, one of the speakers was Bill Skollard, who, for the last year or so, has been the Director of Pastoral Ministries at St Benedict's Parish. He returned to the Church only 5 years ago, after being away for many years. He is very involved in facilitating Alpha Courses in the parish. He opened his short talk by saying that there was 'really good news' and 'not so good news'. The really good news is that God has a perfect plan for all our parishes. The not so good news is that He is inviting imperfect people like me and you to execute the plan. What could He be thinking? In the readings for this Sunday (15th Sunday Year B), we see examples of God choosing imperfect and un-trained people to bring the really Good News to His people. Amos was a shepherd and looked after sycamore trees. He had no special learning. He was a layman, not a priest or professional religious leader, but God chose him to take His urgent call for repentance to the Kingdom of Israel. Likewise, Jesus chose His first missionaries, the twelve Apostles, from the laity. None of them were professional theologians. None of them had been groomed for careers in religion. The first four chosen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) were fishermen. One (Mathew) was a tax collector. Nevertheless, they responded to the call of God and they were remarkably effective in preaching repent

ance in Israel with the same authority and power that was evident in the ministry of Jesus Himself (Mark 6:13). We are not called to become missionary bishops, as the Apostles eventually were, but we all have an apostolate. We are all being sent out into our world with the Good News of Jesus our Healer and Saviour.

People in the workplaces and in our neighborhoods and families need to hear the good news.

People need to be freed from demons and need healing both physical and spiritual. Don't underestimate the good that prayer, fasting and friendship can do. We may not be formally trained, but then neither were Amos or the Apostles. There is work to be done, and there is a lot of good that we can do, not because we're so great and we chose God, but because He chose us and gave us His Holy Spirit through the sacraments.

Working together, we can be fruitful in our parish to bring people to Jesus and to share with them His really Good News. He says to us today "Come, there is much to do. I need you. I have made you for this moment. Go out and make disciples. I will be with you always" (see Matthew 28:19-20). **Deacon Nick MacFarlane**

The Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council extends a warm welcome to parish-ioners and friends to join us for the

Parish Mission to be held on 31 July in St Mary's Cathedral.

The mission, themed Christ, Our Hope and Joy, celebrated by Archbishop Julian Porteous, will start at 6.30pm and will run for approximately a 2 hour duration. The Mission will be supported by an MC and musicians who have travelled throughout the Archdiocese for other parish missions. The evening will be filled with songs of praise, testimonies, homily and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. There will also be an opportunity for individual prayer and confession. There will be light supper provided in the Cathedral Centre afterwards. We encourage everyone to come along with family and friends for what will be a very worthwhile and blessed evening. If you are in need of transportation for this event, please sign the clipboard at the back of both Churches or let Liz Horne in the parish office know, or please tell Fr Shammi/ Fr Emmanuel by 24 July so that the Council will be able to assist you.

Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council



The 2018 Archdiocese/Parishes Seminarian Support Dinner is being coordinated by the Knights of the Southern Cross together with the valued support of Guilford Young College. The dinner represents a wonderful opportunity to gather as a single community of faith to enjoy each other's company while also allowing us as a Catholic community to contribute much needed funds to support our Seminarians. Your attendance in support of the 2018 Archdiocese/Parishes Seminarian Support

Dinner would be most welcome. The event is being held on Thursday 16th August 2018 commencing 6.30pm, Guilford Young College – Hobart Campus. The cost for the dinner is \$60.00 per person and will include a complimentary drink upon arrival followed by canapés and a four-course meal. To book your place at the parish table please add your name to the list at the back of both Churches and call Liz in the office to arrange payment. RSVP deadline is Tuesday 7th August. **With thanks.**



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 parishioners,

This is an SOS from the small dedicated team who have provided a clean Cathedral parish centre on a weekly basis for the community over a very long period of time. We would really appreciate additional volunteers to share in this ministry as due to work commitments it is becoming difficult for 2 of the participants to clean on a fortnightly basis. All that is required is a commitment (on a rostered basis) of 1-2 hours, preferably on a Monday to work with 1 or 2 fellow parishioners as the parish centre is an important space for our parish community. If you are able to assist please contact Chris Appleton on 0438021691 or let Liz in the office know. We would welcome any 'sadies', male or female to join us in this very important task. If you aren't able to assist on a Monday but are available other days please also let us know and we'll try to work something out. There are many groups now using the centre, so please consider lending a hand. **With thanks.....Chris Appleton.**



Dear parishioners—just a reminder that the under-pew heating rails can be extremely hot. Please ensure your bags, jackets etc are kept clear and that your children are aware of the danger. **With thanks.**

Catholic Family Day – July 28 at New Town

The Archdiocesan Office of Life, Marriage and Family will be holding an event for families on Saturday, July 28 from 2pm-5pm at the Diocesan Centre, 35 Tower Road, New Town. The event will feature children's activities as well as a seminar for parents entitled 'Equipping Catholic Parents for a Hypersexualised Culture'. The seminar will be run by Katrina Zeno, the Coordinator of the John Paul II Resource Centre in Arizona, USA. She will look at emerging cultural trends and how parents can pass on a positive vision for human happiness, marriage and the family to their children. Send an email to ben.smith@aohtas.org.au to RSVP.



At 11 am on July 21st 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 62431460.



St Mary's Cathedral Planned Giving and Loose collections for July 8 were \$784 and \$1184 respectively. **With thanks.**



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



**Tasmania World
Youth Day Pilgrimage
to Panama**

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 ho-bart.catholic.org.au (click on WYD link) or if you have any questions, please email Tomasz at youth@aohtas.org.au

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



Dear parishioners,

Please remember to pick up a copy of the new **reader and Minister of Communion roster** from the back of both Churches. I have also emailed it to most of you. With thanks for your continued commitment to this ministry.

Eucharistic Ministers



The Broken Model of Behave -> Believe -> Belong

(from the Leadership Team blog :

www.catholicmissionarydisciples.com)

Simply put, being a disciple of Jesus isn't about behaviour modification. If that were the case, we are pretty hopeless, because I don't know anyone who is sinless. Yet, how often does our Catholic culture push behaviour modification as the primary goal of our faith? Too often, at least in the way we structure our parishes. In fact, think about the culture of Catholicism at the local level.

When a visitor comes into your local parish, will they not only be told "hello" or "welcome", but will they meet someone who will introduce themselves and talk to them, invite them to coffee, and make them feel valued? Do we have an expectation that someone knows to be quiet (and pray) before Mass or turn and greet your neighbour? What about how small children are to behave at your parish (e.g., take them to the back if crying)? There are so many unwritten "rules" of our parishes, we rarely think about or even more-so, challenge.

I recently heard a story from a great Catholic family who moved to a new city. When they registered at their new parish, they received no phone call (or email, letter, etc) to welcome them. All they got were instructions on how to make donations. What a shame. The unwritten expectation is that the family is supposed to "behave" in a certain manner, from the start.

Still, this is how we operate in most places in our Church. My position is that the model of Behave, then you can Believe, then you can Belong, is a failure.

BEHAVE -> BELIEVE -> BELONG just doesn't work!

The better model is to think of how Jesus did things.

BELONG -> BELIEVE -> BEHAVE is how Jesus operated.

He entered into relationships with others, regardless of where they were, spiritually (or morally, socially, etc). He befriended tax collectors, prostitutes, and others. Once they felt a sense that they could "belong", Jesus then invited them to follow Him, to "believe". After they chose to believe, he would ask them to "behave" a certain manner, so they could live an abundant and fruitful life.

This is like any relationship. When I dated my wife, we built a sense of friendship first (belong). We decided that we wanted to be more, so we made a conscious decision to solidify that relationship (believe). Only after we fell in love, did we want to start to be better people for one another (behave).

A similar dynamic happened during my initial conversion in college. I had a group of friends, who loved me enough to be my friend, despite all my sins and problems (belong). They



eventually invited me to a retreat where I had a conversion and decided to follow Jesus (believe). After that I started to change my life, because I fell in love with Jesus (behave). Think of the parable of the sower and the seed. The seed on the path, where the devil comes and takes it away - these are the ones who hear the word, but don't believe. These people never believe, behave, or belong. The seed on the rocks, where it shoots up and then dies, because it has no root - this is the one who just wants the good feelings of Christianity, without the rules. These people may behave (for a short or long time), but never really believe in it or belong fully to it. Think of a cultural Catholic. The seed that falls in the thorns, where it is choked by worldly concerns and desires - this is the one who wants it both ways, but in the end chooses the world, not Jesus. These people may belong (in some way), but they don't believe or behave. They never mature. Then there is the good soil - which produces an abundant harvest. They belong, believe, and behave!

Start with allowing others to belong. They are our sisters and brothers we must love. But, there is so much more to Christianity, we aren't just a social club.

Then move to believe. This requires conversion, so we must be evangelists! We can't stop with mere belonging, because true love desires salvation and holiness for others. Still our faith isn't something we keep to ourselves or let stay stagnant, without changing us. So, we must have more.

Finally, we can challenge others to behave. We have to model it, move to intentional discipleship relationships, and real Christian community.

BELONG -> BELIEVE -> BEHAVE = the model of Jesus.

When we get this process reversed, it leads to problems like we are dealing with today. Get it right and we can "make disciples of all nations".

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



Rachel's Vineyard – Do not continue to live in shame, fear or numbness. Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion through our supportive, confidential and non-judgemental weekend retreats. Next retreat Aug 31st – Sept 2nd 2018. For more information please contact Anne Sherston on the confidential phone line 0478599241 or email rachelvineyardtas@aapt.net.au

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All young adults are invited to a new 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 will include: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, time for silent prayer, hymns, scripture reflection, chance for Confession and Benediction.

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.**



From Our Anniversary Book

Cyril Shirley, Michael O'Kane, Brendan Finucane, John Andrews, Margaret Nolan, Thomas Landers, Therese Ivory, Gordon Henry, George Ward, Annunziato Amorosa, John Burke, John Lynch, Terrence McKillop, Violet Hawkes, Lucille Kuchnicka, William Maurice, Alicia Tokarski, Cesira Paoli, Rita Boon, Fr. William Hall, John Crowe, Samuel Lynch, John Nedwell, Herbert Jones, Leslie Direen, Anne Conway, Martha Buckley, Phyllis Jaeger, Anastasia Drew, John Evan Asley, Dianne Burley, Gemma Vigolo, Celestina Di Felice, Kathleen Whittaker, Gina Colla, Stella Stafford, John & Mary Hanrahan, Mary Sheehan, Catherine Carroll, Bruno Giudici, Gina Vivarelli, John Davis, Michael Carroll, Ella Cox, Gertrude Cosgrove, Francis Shelverton, Christina McGuire, Trevor Williams, Maria Fantini, Klaus Assman
May they rest in peace.



"Come to the Feast" Moonah Parish invites you to dinner at St Therese's Hall, Hopkins Street, Moonah on Fri 10 Aug, 6 for 6.30 pm. The dinner is a fundraiser for L'Arche Beni-Abbes, a community which provides home and friendship for people who have an intellectual disability. As well as a hearty meal, there will be entertainment and fundraising activities. Limited tickets are available, so be quick! Tickets cover a two course meal/drink. A bar will be available for further drinks, alcoholic and otherwise. Adults \$30, children under 10 \$15, children under 4 free. Contact Beni-Abbes on 6228 3920 or Moonah parish office on 9412 8471 to secure your tickets.

Dear parishioners.....the Cathedral choir is inviting any members of the congregation who love to sing, to come and join with us in preparing music for liturgy each week. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm in the top level of the Cathedral Centre. Hope to see you there. Contact the deputy director of music, Jo-Anne Kemp on 0410 004 148 or email jokemp71@gmail.com for any further details or questions.



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!



14/15	SHC : 8.30am Sun	SMC : 6.00pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
Greeter		TBA	Romilda Amorosa	TBA
Lector	Athie Willemsen Geoff Burrill Marilou Saunders	Colleen Stanford, Sr Monica Shelverton	Genevieve Atkins, Teresa/Elizabeth Smith	Ron Ward, Johnnie Lennard
EMOC		Norm Andrews, Sue Bailey	Michael Midson, David Shelverton, Angela Ritar	TBA