

AE Cathedral Parish

November 24, 2019 YR C/1

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



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

Rosary

Sacred Heart Church : Sat 7.30am

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

Responsorial Psalm: Let us go rejoicing to the house
of the Lord. **Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the
kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia! **Readings:** 2 Sam 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

Next Week's Readings: Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

34th Sunday – The Solemnity of Christ the King of the Universe

In 1925 Pope Pius XI decided it was time to throw down the gauntlet to the hostile powers of the world. He established the feast of Christ the King to let the world know where the ultimate authority lay. Nearly a century later the religious and secular politics of the world have changed radically, yet we still dare to claim that love conquers all, and none have loved and ever will love like Jesus Christ. This Sunday we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King. Next week we start a new Church liturgical year with the start of Advent. At the heart of today's feast is Jesus, who reconciled everything to his Father by his death on the cross. Now he reigns in glory as our eternal king. It is striking that today's gospel pictures Jesus as king: "This is the king of the Jews," but it does so with Jesus hanging on the cross. One of the criminals hanging with him is the only one who recognizes who Jesus is. His acknowledgement of Jesus and his sinfulness wins the criminal a place with Jesus in heaven. Jesus Christ is the king of all peoples and king of the universe, king of heaven and earth. He, who created all things and then redeemed them by his blood, is deserving of all praise. Jesus is the way into the kingdom of God. Through his humility and death to his human will, he nailed the stubborn will of humanity to the cross. We now have the capability of obediently offering ourselves to God again. "They will look at him whom they had pierced" (Jn 19:37). The mere sight of Jesus our merciful king, should melt our stubborn hearts and move us to change.

Jesus asks us to share in his divine kingship by allowing him to reign in our hearts. If we yield to his presence in the deepest part of our being, we will be formed in his way of humility and service. If, like the thief, we humbly approach him seeking his mercy, Christ promises to restore us to the predestined state of glory. He dispels the darkness of our sin condition and leads us into the light of his life.

The kingdom of Christ is already in our midst (Lk 17:21). Let us commit ourselves in total service to Christ our King as we prayerfully subject everything to God and continue to offer him the praise and worship due him.

Fr. Norberto Z Ochoa

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Ben Hine



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Kanishka Perera

Tickets to the Archdiocese of Hobart's Carols on the Hill event in Hobart are now available to order online.

Supported by the City of Hobart, Carols on the Hill is a free, traditional outdoor carols event specifically designed for families to share in the joyful spirit of Christmas. The event will be staged at the Hobart campus of Guilford Young College on Saturday, December 21 from 7pm to 9pm, with gates opening at 5.30pm. The oval is secure and can comfortably hold around 1200 people, making it an ideal venue for families with children. Entry to Carols on the Hill is free; however, attendees must order tickets through an official website. A valid email address is required to order up to a maximum of six (6) tickets.

A single general admission ticket must be reserved for each & every attendee (adults & children)

There are no costs involved when ordering tickets.

You can choose to receive tickets by email that requires printing, or electronic tickets delivered to your smart phone or tablet. Tickets are available once you accept the event Terms & Conditions on the ticketing website. **To reserve your tickets, go to www.eventbrite.com.au and search for 'Carols on the Hill'.**

The Carols on the Hill Community Choir are seeking voices to join them. All are welcome.

Rehearsal dates are: Thursday 5, 12, 19 December. These will be held at the St Mary's Cathedral Centre from 6-6:40pm. Please contact Ella Tobin on ella.tobin@aohtas.org.au or 0468 601 517 to register your interest. RSVP by Friday 29 November.





Shining a red light on persecution of the faithful

St Mary's Cathedral in Hobart turned red on November 20 as part of a movement to highlight the plight of persecuted Christians around the world. It is a cause close to the heart of the Cathedral parish administrator, Fr Shammi Perera, a Sri Lankan priest who has been in Tasmania for nine years. Fr Shammi spoke at the Red Wednesday prayer service about the Sri Lankan Easter Sunday bombings, in which 259 people were killed and more than 500 injured, while Elia Moussally, representing the Syrian and Iraqi Christian community in Tasmania, also shared his reflections on persecution. In Sri Lanka, more than 100 died at one church alone, the Catholic Church of St Sebastian in Negombo. Fr Shammi spoke of his harrowing visit home in August, where he met victims of the atrocity.

"It was a very traumatic trip back," Fr Shammi said before the Red Wednesday event. "To hear stories was a gut-wrenching experience for me. I was part of that parish. I used to stay in that parish and go to Sunday Mass. My best buddy is the parish priest there now, appointed last June. "I listened to their stories and I was drained emotionally afterwards. One story is that a grandma and granddad went to see their grandson play in the church band. They usually go to a different church. That day they went to this church. It was the end of the Mass, soon after Communion, and they were sitting next to each other. There was a thanksgiving speech that went on too long so the granddad put his head down on the pew to have a rest. The blast trajectory did not touch him, but his wife, next to him, was killed instantly. The grandson in the band was outside. He witnessed this trauma as well." Fr Shammi said it was the first time that the Hobart cathedral had taken part in Red Wednesday and was an opportunity for Tasmanians to stand up for faith and freedom. Archbishop Julian Porteous attended the service, during which congregation members lit candles, and prayed for both the victims of atrocities and their perpetrators. "We do not ask for vengeance, as Christ said love your enemies, so we embrace the perpetrators and we pray for them so that they will see the truth and allow Christians around the globe the universal right of every person to practise their faith, as enshrined in the 1948 United Nations Declaration of Human Rights," Fr Shammi said.

"The persecution of Christians is forgotten and needs to attract attention. Awareness is the first step in the struggle for freedom, and especially for freedom of religion."

St Mary's was one of eight cathedrals around Australia to take part in Red Wednesday, an initiative of the Catholic charity Aid to the Church in Need. Seven of the eight Cathedrals lit their facades in red to represent the blood of the martyrs.



Photos courtesy Ben Hine

Story courtesy of Catholic Standard

The Way to St James Pilgrimage is on again in 2020, and registrations are now open. Inspired by the famous Spanish El Camino of St James, this two day pilgrim walk will take you through the scenic and peaceful Huon Valley to a celebration at the Spanish mission styled Church of St James, nestled in the heart of Cygnet. Through fellowship, reflection, rejoicing and ritual you will find an opportunity to reconnect with the spiritual dimensions of your life. The pilgrimage commences on Sat 11 Jan 2020 10.30am at the Mountain River Community Hall, and finishes on Sun 12 January 2020 at approx. 5pm at St James church, Cygnet in the midst of the wonderful Cygnet Folk Festival. For further info/registering: www.waytostjames.com.au Or <https://www.facebook.com/waytostjamescygnet/>



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, childrens' liturgy, youth ministry, cleaners, setting up for morning teas, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, book stall attendant after Mass, office help, handyman work, gardening, organising special events/fundraising.



In Times Past ...

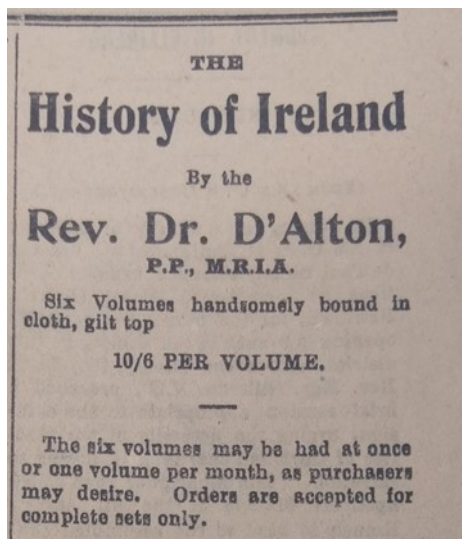
In November 1912 Tasmania's Monitor editorialised about history in Catholic Schools. Recognising that "we are in an age of transition", the editor admitted that "the children nowadays know more than their grandfathers did when they left school." Not all change is bad, after all.

Then, digressing for a bit on the nature of a Catholic education – with its focus on spiritual and moral foundation as well as the intellectual – the editor got to the question of the "new" discipline of "scientific" history. "Every child before leaving school should have a knowledge of his own country," the editor opined, "of his country's history, and of his duty as a citizen in the light of that knowledge." He then advocated for the teaching of Tasmanian and Australian history.

But he also admitted that Australian students needed to know about England, with the caveat that "they should be taught truth, not history of the Jingo type". Pointedly, he then went on to address at length the benefits that would further accrue from a better understanding of Irish history. He pointed out the lack of resources, the limits of time, and suggested that the only solution was the ready application of will.

Coincidentally, the papers also advertised a six-volume History of Ireland, just in case readers wanted to apply some money to the problem too.

Dr Nick Brodie



Made for Each Other Summer School January 20-24 in Hobart

The Made for Each Other Summer School will be held from January 20-24, 2020 at St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart. It will be a unique event for young Catholics aged 18-35. The Summer School will offer a series of lectures from a well-qualified faculty, group discussions, field trips, prayer time and social occasions to create a unique experience of the beauty, goodness and truth of the Church's teaching on relationships, sexuality, marriage and the family. For more information please contact Ben Smith on 6208 6036 or ben.smith@aohtas.org.au. A web page with detailed information on the event can be viewed at: bit.ly/2oCtnOU.



We have recently launched a website for our Carmel, which I share with you here in the hope it may be of interest not only to you but also to the people to whom you minister in various ways. <https://launcestoncarmel.com> Please share the link with as many people as may be appropriate in your circumstances. Parishioners may be particularly interested in information regarding requesting prayers, membership of Our Lady's Perpetual Lamp or Auxiliary, the Brown Scapular, work for sale such as vestments, linens and so on. And as you may expect, a particular focus of the site is information concerning vocations to our Carmel, so I hope this may also be a resource you may be able to forward to young women if they are considering a contemplative vocation.

As many of you often ask me how you can support or help our Carmel, I thought I might be bold enough here to humbly ask your prayers for good vocations for us and perhaps, if it were possible, to offer one Mass for this intention, please. We are deeply grateful for your prayers for us as all the Sisters join me in assuring you of ours each and every day.

**God bless you all,
Mother Teresa Benedicta, OCD**

'FORMED' has been updated! (Note : you may find that Chrome is a better browser in which to view

Formed) **The new FORMED platform has improved performance and an enhanced search tool.** It allows

offline playback and you no longer have to remember a password because access is now simply through

your e-mail address. **For existing subscribers, just visit formed.org then click 'Sign In' and enter your email**

address. You will be sent an e-mail, and when you click on the link in the email you're in. No more pass-

words. You can stay signed in even when you close your browser or your device is off. When you go back to formed.org just

click on 'sign in' and you can start watching again. If you sign out, then to get back in, just go to formed.org again and click

'sign in' and an e-mail will be sent to you, then click – you're back in. **For parishioners wanting to join our FORMED group ac-**

count, the process has become even easier than it was. Go to formed.org and click 'Sign Up'. On the next page select "I Be-

long to a Parish or Organization." Find our parish by name, "St Mary Cathedral 164 Harrington St Hobart TAS" Enter your

email address and you will be sent an e-mail - and you're in!



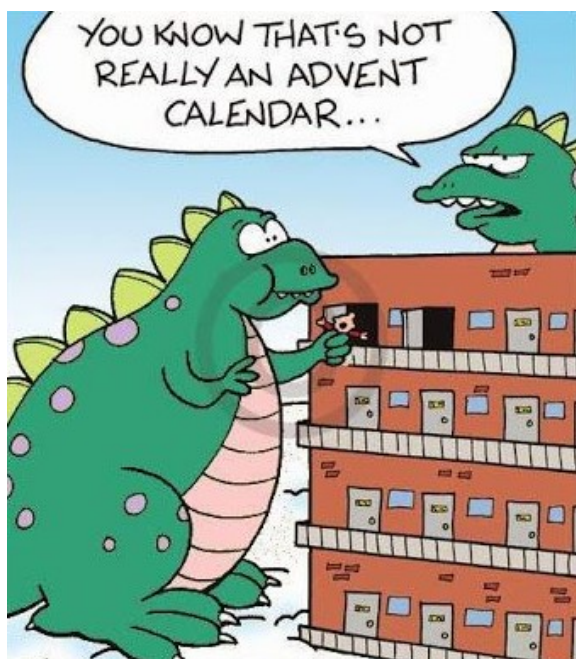
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From Our Anniversary Book Cliff Barwick, William Andrews, Lisa Giusti, Geoffrey Goodey, Augustine Celny, Judith Archer, Pasa Family, Silvio Andalfatto, Joseph D'Arcy, Walter Alomes, Mary McConalogue, Vivian Turnbull, Eileen D'Arcy, Brendan Bevan, Hilary Landers, Francis Westbrook, Annita Ciafardini, Terence Lynch, Cyril Davis, Ellen Imlach, John Finn, Marie Hand, Stella Williams, Lugiano Buracchi, Jack Lynch, Reginald Duggan, Krzystos "Ristof" Zyczynski, Patrick Kennedy, Cecil Cosgro



May they rest in peace.



Classes in "Inspiring Faith" Catechesis for children aged 8–11 years will continue on Sundays to 8 December at the Cathedral Parish Centre (Level 1) 9:45 – 10:15am. For more information contact Jo 0407 876 913 or macfarlane3jo@gmail.com On Sunday mornings, 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 above)

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)



Come and hear Fr Fidelis Udousoro discuss "Knowing the Heart of God" Join us at St Francis Xavier Hall, corner Anglesea and Adelaide Sts, South Hobart (underneath St Francis Xavier's Church, parking off Anglesea St) at 8am on Sat 30th Nov. Come and enjoy some singing, inspiration, fellowship, and breakfast. It is a weekend, and the main activities will be over by 9:30 am. A small donation will help to defray costs. Please bring a friend. To assist catering, please RSVP:
 Duncan MacFarlane 0400 095 807 or Martin Stone 6223 8132

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: a Christian formation process for children aged 3-12 years to experience and form an authentic, faithful relationship with God will be established in the Archdiocese in 2020. Grounded in scriptural and liturgical study framed by Maria Montessori's principles of education, children hear the Gospel through the use of sensorial rich materials. A special space, or 'atrium', allows the children to be with and enjoy God, listen to the Word, and pray. Information sessions to be held in early December.
Where: 50 Huntingfield Dr, Kingston (old Vodofone bldg.). **When:** Mon. 2nd Dec., 10am-12pm; Tues. 3rd Dec., 3-5pm; Thurs. 5th Dec., 10am-12pm; Fri. 6th Dec., 4-5pm; or by appointment.

Contact: Catherine Sandric 0458904428 or Christine Wood 62086236. Training of catechists to follow in the New Year.



Dear Readers and Eucharistic Ministers,

The Feb-July 2020 rosters are at the back of both Churches in hard-copy, and have also been emailed to anyone who has supplied me with an email address. All readers should however be aware that on the extremely rare occasion that it is apparent there is no other reader standing up that day, to please also do the other reading.
With thanks.

23/24	SHC : 8.30am Sun	SMC : 6.00pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
Greeter			Romilda Amorosa	TBA
Lector	Vic Ferri Michael Brown Debbie Brown	Lorraine Dooley, Colleen Stanford	Anna Reussien, Tad Matuszek	Gabrielle Hutchinson, Andrew Hutchinson
EMOC		TBA	Angela Ritar, Michael Midson, Anna Reussien	TBA