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18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 4th August 2024

In the first reading from Exodus, we see the Israelites grumbling about their hunger in the desert. God responds with compassion, providing manna from heaven to sustain them physically. This miracle demonstrates God's ongoing care and provision for His people, even when they doubt and complain.

Paul's letter to the Ephesians calls for a transformation of life, urging believers to put away their old selves and to be renewed in the spirit of their minds, created in the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. This renewal parallels the nourishment Jesus offers – a call to live a life aligned with God's will, sustained by the spiritual food that is Christ Himself.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus addresses the crowd who followed Him after the miracle of the loaves and fishes. He urges them to seek not just the perishable food, but the food that endures to eternal life, which He, the Son of Man, will give. Jesus declares, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

This powerful statement shifts the focus from the physical to the spiritual. Just as the manna sustained the Israelites in the desert. Jesus offers Himself as the true bread from heaven that nourishes our souls and leads us to eternal life. He invites us to deepen our faith and trust in Him, emphasizing that our spiritual hunger can only be satisfied through a relationship with Him.

Dear Friends, In our daily lives, this reflection invites us to examine what we are seeking to fill our spiritual hunger. Are we focused on temporary, worldly things, or are we seeking the eternal sustenance that comes from a relationship with Jesus? It challenges us to trust in God's provision, not just for our physical needs but for our spiritual growth and well-being.

As we receive the Eucharist, the bread of life, we are reminded of Jesus' ultimate sacrifice and His continuous presence in our lives. This reflection encourages us to approach the Eucharist with renewed faith, recognizing it as the true bread from heaven that sustains us on our journey toward eternal life.

OTHER PARISH NEWS:

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Join us every Friday from 6 pm to 12 midnight at the Cathedral Crypt. **Access is through Cathedral Centre**



MASS TIMES

St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart 7.30am: Tuesday - Frida

Tuesday - Friday

5.00pm: Saturday 10.30am: Sunday 6.00pm: Sunday

Sacred Heart Church New Town

9.00am: Tuesday - Thursday

8.00am: Saturday 8.30am: Sunday

Lawrenny Court

(131 Hill St West Hobart) 10.30am: Friday

SACRAMENTS & DEVOTIONS

ENOUIRIES FOR BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGE PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart 4.00pm - 4.30pm: Saturday

NOVENA TO OUR LADY AND ROSARY Sacred Heart Church, New Town After 9am Mass: Wednesday 7.30am: Saturday

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT St Mary's Cathedral Crypt (Cathedral Centre)

6pm-12am: Friday

> ARE YOU INTERESTED IN **BECOMING CATHOLIC (RCIA)** Please contact 62086236



IN THE PARISH



Project Compassion 2024 has wrapped up for another year, and we are filled with gratitude for the incredible commitment and compassion demonstrated by your parish throughout Lent.

We are thrilled to announce that Project Compassion 2024 has raised an astounding **\$9.7 million** to help vulnerable communities globally.

The Chosen:

The Chosen is a groundbreaking historical drama based on the life of Jesus, seen through the eyes of those who knew him.



Come and join us for the first season, starting with the first two episodes on Thursday 18th of July and every two weeks thereafter, refreshments and popcorn provided.

Come along, enjoy some company, some discussion and some popcorn. Where and When: 6pm on 15th, 29th August at the St Mary's Cathedral Centre, 1st floor.

The Angelus Prayer

- V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
- R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, The Lord is with Thee; Blessed art thou among women, And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us sinners, Now and at the hour of our death. Amen

- V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
- R. Be it done to me according to your word. Hail Mary...
- V. And the Word was made flesh.
- R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...
- V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
- **R.** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



Children's Corner:



<u>First-class relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis</u> and 'Eucharistic Miracles of the World'

St Mary's Cathedral Opening Details:

24-25 August and 31 August/ 1st September 2024

St Mary's Cathedral 180 Harrington Street, Hobart Contact: (03) 6234 4463

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from around the world.

Saturday 24th August

10am - 4:30pm (5pm Mass) 6pm - 7pm

Sunday 25th August

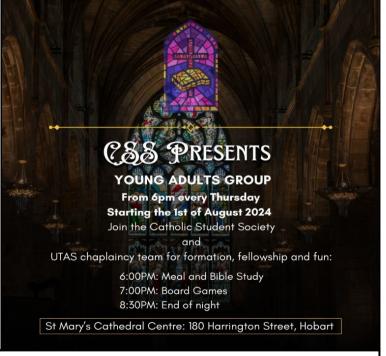
11:30am - 5:30pm (6pm Mass) 7pm - 8pm

Saturday 31st August

10am - 4:30pm (5pm Mass) 6pm - 7pm

Sunday 1st September

11:30am - 5:30pm (6pm Mass) 7pm - 8pm



From Our Anniversary Book: Charles Thornhill, Lily Davis, Thomas McGlone, Hedley Taylor, Gail Zantuck, Mario Ghedini, John Kelly, Gladys Fitzgerald, Christine Sproule, Damien Chatterton, Sr. Barbara Duggan, SSJ, Antonio Marino, Rezkallah Korkmaz, Ina Nichols, Kathleen Saunders, Nora Doolan, Pasquale Giusti, Nicola Gentile, Charles Pocock, Christine Weeding, Frank Rieusset, Paul Thompson, Sr. Veronica Higgins, John Heffernan, David Pauly, Gwen Zeitzen, William Jeffrey, Herbert Viney, William Mitson, June Abbott, Maria Zappone, Margaret Szechy, Eletto Pangrazzi, Elsie Aiken and Denis Pauly

May they rest in peace!



IN THE DIOCESE

Sunday 4th August

Adoration For Vocations

Wednesday 7th August

Mass For Vocations

NATIONAL AWARENESS WEEK FOR VOCATIONS

"The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." It is clear in the Gospels that the people of God should pray for vocations and so as part of the National Week for Vocations, Mass will be celebrated as a diocese for an increase in vocations.

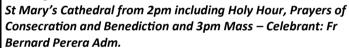
Adoration for Vocations on Sunday 4th August at Our Lady of Victories Shrine, Lutana 2pm -5pm

Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday 7th August at 6 pm @ St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, please email <u>vocations@aohtas.org.au</u>

FATHERHOOD OF GOD CELEBRATION SUNDAY 4th August 2024.

Mass honouring the Fatherhood of God with special intention to ask God's blessing on families will be held at



Photos of family members (especially those in need of healing) may be placed on the sanctuary where they will be blessed and remain throughout the Holy Hour and Mass.

Enquiries: Zofia 0438 366 447.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for 3-6 Year Old Children:

The Archdiocese is opening a new CGS atrium at Lindisfarne (old presbytery) in August. We are taking new registrations for children 3-6 years. Sessions run Wednesdays 10.30am-12pm. Orientations for new children begin early August by appointment. CGS is a faith formation process aimed at enabling the child to experience and form an authentic relationship with God. It's grounded in Scripture and the liturgy of the Church, and framed by Montessori principles of education.

Registrations: christine.wood@aohtas.org.au or 6208-6236.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Feast Day Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart Thursday 8th August 2024

God of the Pilgrim, Mary MacKillop trusted your quidance in her journey of life and deepened her

confidence in your will. May we renew our trust in your Providence to lead us to hope as we bring our prayer before you. May we grow in the fullness of your love and the depth of your mystery.

More information visit <u>Mary's Story - Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart (sosj.org.au)</u>

Endow Women's Group: A Study of Catholic Social

Teaching: A study group for women on the Biblical and Historical roots of the Church's Social Teaching. Activating your feminine genius in light of the social, political and economic needs of our day. When: Meets fortnightly on Thursdays 15th Aug. to 21st Nov., 10.30am-12pm. Where: 3 Bay Rd, Lindisfarne (old presbytery). Cost: \$30, includes study guide. Registrations:

<u>christine.wood@aohtas.org.au</u> or 6208-6236. Register soon as places are limited.

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS RELIC TOUR & EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBITION:

20 July - 1 September

A first-class relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis, an Italian teenager soon to be canonised, will be visiting Tasmania from 20 July to 1 September, along with an international exhibition he designed featuring Eucharistic miracles from around the world. The relic and exhibition will visit parishes and schools across the whole of Tasmania. There will be opportunities at each location to venerate the relic and to visit the exhibition.

Who is Bl. Carlo Acutis?

Blessed Carlo Acutis died from leukemia in 2006 when he was just 15 years old. Carlo had a deep devotion to the Holy Eucharist and used his passion for technology to create a website that documented approved Eucharistic miracles. He once described the Eucharist as "the highway to heaven". Carlo was beatified in 2020 and is currently in the process of becoming a canonised saint. He is a role model for young people around the world, drawing many deeper into their Catholic faith.

Tasmanian parishes tour dates:

4 August

Church of the Apostles, Launceston

• 10-11 August

Our Lady of Lourdes, Devonport

• 17-18 August

St Francis of Assisi, Riverside

24-25 August &31 August – 1 September

St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart



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St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart

Veneration of the first-class relic

Exhibition featuring Eucharistic Miracles from around the world





St Mary's Cathedral Parish embraces and wholeheartedly supports the Archdiocese of Hobart Safe Communities Policy and Framework, which can be found at the Parish office. Any enquiries regarding Safe Communities contact Jane McKeown (03) 6234 4463.

READINGS OF THE DAY - 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading Exodus 16:2-4. 12-15

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!' Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.' 'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God."" And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24

(R.) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

- The things we have heard and understood, the things our fathers have told us, we will tell to the next generation: the glories of the Lord and his might. (R.)
- He commanded the clouds above and opened the gates of heaven.
 He rained down manna for their food, and gave them bread from heaven. (R.)
- Mere men ate the bread of angels.He sent them abundance of food.He brought them to his holy land,to the mountain which his right hand had won. (R.)

Second Reading Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 4:4

Alleluia, alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel John 6:24-35

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat.

Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly,

it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.'

Jesus answered:

'I am the bread of life.

He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 5th August - Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday 6th August - Mk 9:2-10 (Transfiguration of the

Lord)

Wednesday 7th August - Mt 15:21-28

Thursday 8th August - Mt 6:25-34 (St Mary of the Cross

MacKillop)

Friday 9th August - Mt 16:24-28

Saturday 10th August - Jn 12:24-26 (St Lawrence)

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading - 1 Kgs 19:4-8
Responsorial Psalm - Ps 33:2-9
Second Reading - Eph 4:30-5:2
Gospel - Jn 6:41-51

Pray and Reflect on the Word of God