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33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 17th November 2024

This Sunday is the second to last Sunday of our liturgical year. As we approach the end of the Church year, our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus' predictions and teaching about the end of the world. In the context of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words about this are spoken to his disciples as he prepares them for his passion and death.

Before we consider Jesus' words, it is important to note the political backdrop against which many think Mark's Gospel was written. Most scholars concur that Mark wrote his Gospel for Christians living in or near Rome about 30 to 40 years after the death of Jesus. This was a time of political turmoil in Rome. Some Christians experienced persecution by the Romans during the reign of the emperor Nero (about 64 A.D.). Jewish revolutionaries rebelled against the Romans, which led the Romans to destroy the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A.D. In this time of political turmoil and persecution, many in Mark's community might have wondered if the end times predicted by Jesus were in fact quite near.

Last Sunday we heard Jesus' observation about the contributions made to the temple treasury and the example of sacrificial giving that he saw in the poor widow's offering. If we had been reading Mark's Gospel continuously, we would have heard Jesus predict the destruction of the Temple, his teaching about the costs of discipleship, and the woes that will accompany the end times. Finally, we would have heard Jesus instruct his disciples about the need for watchfulness so that they would not be caught unprepared for this final Day of Judgment.

In today's Gospel, Jesus continues this teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches, however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father. In the verses that follow this reading in Mark's Gospel, Jesus continues to warn his disciples to be on watch for this end time.

Dear Friends, Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope are found in the lasting nature of Jesus' words and God's never-ending love for us.



MASS TIMES

St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart

7.30am: Tuesday - Friday
5.00pm: Saturday
10.30am: Sunday (Mass Livestreamed)
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

*ENQUIRIES 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

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

WHAT'S NEW?

IN THE PARISH

Children's Corner:



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

When the fig tree starts to sprout new leaves, we know that summer is near and it is ready to bear fruit. Write down things you can do to make yourself ready for when Jesus returns.

When Jesus returns, God will send his angels to gather his chosen ones. Write down the names of some people you know for the angels to gather.

FIND THE SECRET ANSWER

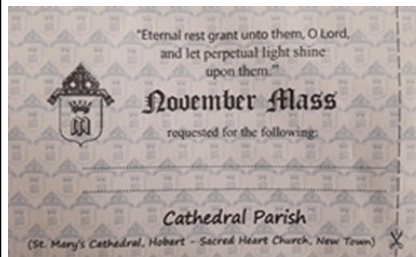
Help the angel find the hidden answer to the question.... "Who will know when the time is right for Jesus to return?". In the puzzle below, cross out any letter that appears four or more times. Then unscramble the remaining letters to complete the verse below.

B	M	G	S	N	D	V	K	P	Y	Z
J	W	Q	I	H	Z	O	S	W	E	V
P	C	T	B	V	Q	G	X	M	P	I
M	Q	S	L	N	K	Y	C	S	U	B
X	D	J	M	T	X	V	D	J	Z	V
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Q	E	L	P	G	O	Z	U	Q	S	Y
G	I	W	U	X	M	F	K	C	N	G
L	O	C	S	B	I	P	L	J	D	P
Z	U	Y	L	H	N	G	Q	A	W	K

ONLY _____ KNOWS.



Dear Parishioners, due to the external works occurring on St Mary's Cathedral grounds over the next 4 weeks, there will be **NO Adoration at St Mary's Cathedral Crypt Chapel** during this time, from Friday 15th November until Friday 13th December 2024 inclusive. There will be further information and updates provide in the AVE over the next month.



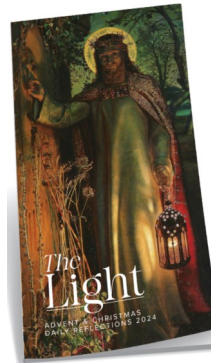
November Mass Envelopes

The Church dedicates the month of November to praying for our deceased loved ones. November envelopes are available for those who wish to offer Masses.

Pick up your envelopes at the foyer of the Cathedral, Sacred Heart Church and the Parish Office. Return envelopes to Parish Office or place in collection plate during Mass. Names will be added in the Remembrance book and Masses offered for them.

2025 St Mary's Cathedral Parish Sacramental Program

The Parish office is now taking registrations for the 2025 Sacramental Program. For all children in Year 3 and upwards (Sacrament of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist). Register at the Parish Office by **Phone: 03 62344463** or **Email: cathedral@aohtas.org.au**



Advent is meant to be a time of preparation, waiting and hope for the coming of Jesus into our world and lives. The Advent Program is a pocket-sized book that includes daily reflections from the beginning of Advent to the Baptism of the Lord. The book also includes beautiful artwork from the Masters with accompanying artwork reflections. Books are for sale at the Parish Office. \$10.00 each cash or EFT.

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.



St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hampers 2024

The Cathedral Conference of St Vincent de Paul receives requests for assistance throughout the year. At Christmas we provide assistance to families and singles in the form of a bag full of grocery items suitable for a Christmas lunch. We would like to "top up" the bags with some extra's. You may wish to donate an edible Christmas treat such as chocolate, jam, chips, cereal, tea or coffee. You may prefer to donate toiletries or a pair of socks, we would be most grateful for all donations. There is a St Vincent de Paul donation box in the foyer of the Cathedral for monetary donations at any time throughout the year. We are mindful that many people within our community are experiencing financial hardship, parishioners included. If you are able to donate, on the weekends of **December 7/8** and **December 14/15** we will accept donations in clearly marked bins at the back of the Church.

Thankyou

From Our Anniversary Book: Mary Burn, Eileen Quigley, Arthur O'Neil, Mangione Family, Pat Case, Nicola Mainell, Beverley Munnings, Maria Cutoli, Azzizulah Haibari, Julio Fuentes, Edward Stanford, William Dolliver, Ian Baker, Harry Burton, Elizabeth Proposch, Vittorio Di Martino, Charles Wilson, Fr. Tom McDonnell, Leslie Ransley, Henry (Harry) Fitzgerald, Lucia Lacapra, Roydon Chen, Bernard Mazengarb, Molly Pullen, Carmela Palmese, Walter Smallhorn, Maria Ferraro, Tommaso Dienno, Fr. Harold Buckley, Moira Fisher, Johannes Meure, Rrok Lufi, Jan Fikerle, Domenico Raglione and Sr Borgia Homer PBVM

May they rest in peace!



WHAT'S NEW?

IN THE DIOCESE

Red Wednesday

Stand up for Persecuted Christians!

Please Save the Date: Red Wednesday 20 November 2024!



What is Red Wednesday?

Red Wednesday is an initiative of Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) to pray for, and draw attention to, Christians who suffer and are persecuted for their faith. Notre Dame in Paris; the British Houses of Parliament and the Colosseum in Rome, are some of the landmarks that have participated by lighting their facades in red. Since 2018, ACN Australia has joined commemorations around the world for Red Wednesday. Several Australian dioceses have participated in recent years including Sydney, Broken Bay, Brisbane, Hobart, Melbourne, Newcastle, Wagga Wagga and Perth.

Red Wednesday Celebrations:

When: Wednesday 20th November 2024
Where: St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart
Time: 6pm Mass
Celebrated by Archbishop Julian Porteous

“Christmas in focus: sacred remembering, happy homecoming, ongoing birthing for the world: Glory to God”.

Monday 2 December 2024 (10.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m.)

Josephite Mission and History
67 Clare Street, New Town 7008

Bookings by 20 November please.

Phone: **03 6228 1628** or

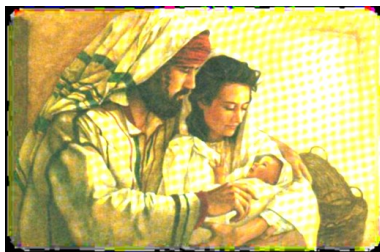
Email:

JMHC@sosjspirit.org.au

BYO Lunch, Tea and Coffee provided.

Cost: \$50.00 All welcome.

(We don't wish to exclude anyone so, if this is more than you can afford, please make the contribution that you are able to make).



Pope appoints Italian Capuchin as papal preacher

Pope Francis appointed a new preacher of the papal household: a 53-year-old Italian Capuchin priest who discovered his vocation while reading a free copy of St Matthew's Gospel on the subway.

CAROLS ON THE HILL 2024

Saturday 7 December, 7pm -9pm
Guilford Young College Oval
Patrick Street, Hobart

Join us for this FREE, family-friendly celebration of the true meaning of Christmas. There will be traditional carols performed by the Derwent Symphony Orchestra, Augusta Singers, The Cathedral Choir, Salsita Latin Singers and many more! There will also be food stalls and plenty of fun activities for the kids including free face painting, a petting zoo and Christmas Crafts. Gifts can be placed under the CatholicCare Christmas Appeal Tree to help families in need at Christmas time.

More info: hobart.catholic.org.au



The November edition of the *Catholic Standard* has arrived. Please pick up your own copy from the back of Cathedral/Church to take home to read or share with a friend.



Here are the highlights from this edition:

- Joyous celebration marks 40 years of first-class Catholic co-education (St Pat's Launceston)
- Stephen shares 'personal cries from the heart' with Hobart audience
- Migrant and Refugee Sunday celebrated at Kingston-Channel
- Four Tasmanian churches places of pilgrimage for 2025
- A year of abundant fruit in youth ministry
- Mission Mass highlights 'hidden work' of the Church over seas
- Catholic Women's League pilgrimage
- Ecology walk highlights wonder and beauty of God's creation (Bellerive)
- Moonah-Lutana Parish celebrates 'Unity in Diversity' The 'power and beauty' of praying the Rosary (Launceston Parish)

World Fisheries Day is celebrated on November 21 to underscore the importance of having sustainable stocks of fisheries around the world. This year's theme is "Let the waters teem with living creatures," inspired by the Book of Genesis.



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 – 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading Daniel 12:1-13

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 15:5, 8-11. R. v.

(R.) Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.

1. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R.)
2. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)
3. You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness forever. (R.)

Second Reading Hebrews 10:11-14,18

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 21:36

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful, and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates.

I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'



GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 18th November	- Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday 19th November	- Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday 20th November	- Lk 19:11-28
Thursday 21st November	- Lk 19:41-44
Friday 22nd November	- Lk 19:45-48
Saturday 23rd November	- Lk 20:27-40

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

First Reading	- Daniel 7:13-14
Responsorial Psalm	- Ps 92:1-2,5. R.v.1
Second Reading	- Apocalypse 1:5-8
Gospel	- John 18:33-37

Please take your copy of the AVE home to reflect and to share with family and friends.