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**PARISH OFFICE: Closed until** Monday 13th January 2025



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#### NATIVITY OF THE LORD—SUNDAY 25TH DECEMBER 2024

As we are in the joyous season of Christmas and the beginning of a New Year, we are filled with immense gratitude and admiration for each one of you who has tirelessly dedicated your time, talents, and efforts to the life and mission of our parish community.

Thank you, your Grace, for your guidance and unwavering commitment to shepherding our community in faith. Your words and actions inspire us to grow closer to Christ. May this Christmas bring you abundant joy, peace, and blessings as we celebrate the birth of our Saviour.

Rev. Sister Monica thank you for your unwavering dedication and selfless service. May the joy and peace of Christ's birth fill your heart as you continue to be a light to others. God bless you abundantly!

Our Seminarian, Akalanka, your vocation and dedication to God's call are a gift to our Church. Thank you for your service and example of faith. May this Christmas bring you renewed joy and blessings as you continue your journey toward the priesthood

To our secretary Jane McKeown, your commitment to keeping everything organized, your patience in handling endless inquiries, and your efficient coordination have been the backbone of our administrative work. You ensure that the day-to-day functions of the parish run smoothly, and for that, we are deeply grateful.

To our master of ceremonies and sacristans, your careful attention to the details of our liturgical celebrations brings order and reverence to our worship. Through your diligent preparation and dedication, you create a sacred space where our community can encounter God in prayer and the sacraments. To the choir members, your music is a true gift that uplifts our spirits and enhances our worship. Through your voices and instruments, you bring beauty and joy to our celebrations, helping us to praise the Lord with all our hearts.

With heartfelt gratitude, I thank the parish councillors finance committee members Sacramental team, and members of the youth for your tireless dedication and service to our parish. Your commitment, collaboration, and faith-filled efforts have been instrumental in fostering a vibrant, loving, and spiritually enriched community. Whether through guiding parish decisions, managing resources, supporting sacramental life, or inspiring our youth, your contributions reflect Christ's love in action. As we prepare to celebrate the joy of Christmas, may God bless you and your families with peace, happiness, and the wonder of His love. To our altar servers, your faithful service at the altar is a shining example of reverence and devotion. Your willingness to assist in the liturgy reminds us all of the importance of serving God with humility and love.

And to all others who have contributed in various capacities - ushers, cleaners, decorators, catechists, and those who serve quietly in the background - your work may sometimes go unnoticed, but it is no less valuable. You reflect the hands and feet of Christ in our community, embodying a spirit of selflessness and service. This year has been filled with many challenges, but your commitment to our parish has been unwavering. You have been the heart and soul of our community, ensuring that our mission continues to flourish and that our church remains a place of hope and sanctuary for all.

As we celebrate the birth of Christ, the greatest gift to humanity, may you and your families be filled with the peace, joy, and love that this holy season brings. We also wish you a blessed and prosperous New Year, filled with new opportunities to grow in faith and service.

Thank you once again for your dedication and sacrifices. May God bless you abundantly for all that you do.

With heartfelt gratitude, Fr Bernard Perera (The Administrator) Fr Steven Smith (Assistant Priest)



### MASS TIMES for DECEMBER 2024 and THE NEW YEAR 2025

For St Mary's Cathedral Parish Mass times, please refer to the:

- 2nd page of the AVE
- St Mary's Cathedral Website
- St Mary's Cathedral Facebook Page

The Parish Office will be closed until Monday 13th January 2025.

For Pastoral assistance during this time please ring 03 62344463.

#### **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 9.15am Mass: Wednesday 7.30am: Saturday

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





## ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

# **DECEMBER AND NEW YEAR MASS TIMES 2024/2025**



Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> December 2024 FEAST OF ST STEPHEN, 1<sup>ST</sup> MARTYR

9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2024 NO MASS IN THE PARISH

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December 2024 FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

8am: Sacred Heart Church

**Vigil Mass** 

**5pm:** St Mary's Cathedral

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December 2024 THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

8.30am: Sacred Heart Church10.30am:St Mary's Cathedral6pm: St Mary's Cathedral

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> December 2024 NO MASS IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church



Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2025 NO MASS IN THE PARISH

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2025 8am: Sacred Heart Church **Vigil Mass** 

5pm: St Mary's Cathedral

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2025 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

8.30am: Sacred Heart Church10.30am:St Mary's Cathedral6pm: St Mary's Cathedral

Monday 6<sup>th</sup>January 2025 NO MASS IN THE PARISH

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025 9.15am:** Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025 NO MASS IN THE PARISH

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2025 8am: Sacred Heart Church 5pm: St Mary's Cathedral

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2025 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

8.30am: Sacred Heart Church 10.30am: St Mary's Cathedral 6pm: St Mary's Cathedral

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025 NO MASS IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025 NO MASS IN THE PARISH

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2025 8am: Sacred Heart Church 5pm: St Mary's Cathedral Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

**8.30am:** Sacred Heart Church **10.30am:** St Mary's Cathedral **6pm:** St Mary's Cathedral

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025 NO MASS IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 21<sup>th</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2025 NO MASS IN THE PARISH

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2025 8am: Sacred Heart Church 5pm: St Mary's Cathedral

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2025 AUSTRALIA DAY 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

8.30am: Sacred Heart Church10.30am: St Mary's Cathedral6pm: St Mary's Cathedral

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025 NO MASS IN THE PARISH

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2025 9.15am: Sacred Heart Church

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025 FEAST OF ST JOHN BOSCO NO MASS IN THE PARISH

NO AVE UNTIL 1<sup>st</sup> WEEKEND IN FEBRUARY 2025

From Our Anniversary Book: Kum Tong-Lee, Brian Barker, Brian Langdale, Audrey Chew, Michael Toohey, Peter Burke, Judith Thiessen, Doris Maple, Angelo Baccarin, Katheleen Rose, Margaret Nicol, Sebastiano Palmese, Molly Wilson, Patrick Ryan, Tadeusz Zacharek, Doris Brickhill, John Sowby, Pietro and Assunta Vacca, Verrillo Family, Mary Tate, Anna Cengia, Greg Steward, Luigi Di Martino, Antonio Di Virgilio, Angiolina Labbrozzi, Carol Dine, Mary Traynor, Father Michael Flynn, Ralph Bocchino, Thelma Ryan, Sr Lillian Mary 'Josepha' Aiken, Joshua Cooper, Stan Case, Michael Zeeman, John McQuillan, Kenneth McKay, Cheryl Searle, Audrey Gladys Zacharek, Graeme Kirkwood, Helen Westbrook, Charles Cox, Felice Allocca, Mario Di Gasperi, Irene Shirley, Luigi Minnucci, Jane Hanlon, Philip Dwyer, Owen Cook and Sr Finn Barr Mackey (PBVM)