



St Mary's Cathedral Parish

180 Harrington Street
Hobart 7000

Phone: 03 62344463

E-Mail:
cathedral@aohtas.org.au

Administrator:
Fr Bernard Perera

Assistant Priest:
Fr Paschal Okpon

Pastoral Associate:
Sr Monica Shelverton PBVM

Cathedral Sacristan:
Jane McKeown

Sacred Heart Church Sacristan:
Maureen Chisholm

Parish Secretary:
Jane McKeown

PARISH OFFICE :
(MONDAY - FRIDAY)

Limited hours.

Please ring 62344463 for
Office Hours



cathedralparishhobarttasmania

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B - 10th MARCH 2024

“Rejoice, Jerusalem. Be joyful, all who love her!” (Is 66, 10). Today is the fourth Sunday of Lent, called “Laetare” Sunday. This Sunday is marked by relaxation from the penitential character of the Lenten season. This Sunday, the Holy Mother Church exhorts us to be joyful and relaxed because Christ, our shepherd, illuminates us and heals our blindness.

In today’s gospel, Jesus restored the sight of a man born blind. Here Jesus proves that he cares for the well-being of his flock. This is mainly for the sick, the weak, and the marginalized. Again, today he broke another cultural and religious barrier to saving the blind man. He healed him on a Sabbath day. Without minding about the consequences, he attended to the essential need of the blind man.

Jesus’ disciples asked him: “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” From this question, it is evident that the notion was that all suffering was caused by sin. However, Jesus’ response proved otherwise. God permits something to happen for the manifestation of his glory. In other words, this miracle remarkably revealed the power and glory of God.

The lessons we must learn from the man healed by Jesus include that the man was obedient to the instruction given to him: “Go wash in the pool of Siloam,” Second, we must be consistent with our words, faith, convictions, and the truth. Despite all the Pharisees’ intimidation, the man remained truthful and firm without denying Christ. Instead, he insisted that it was Jesus that healed him. According to St. John Chrysostom: “The Pharisees cast him out of the Temple; but the Lord of the Temple found him.”

OTHER PARISH NEWS



A Memorial Mass will be offered for Fr Terry Yard on **Monday, 11th March 2024 at 7.00 pm in Corpus Christi Church, Bellerive.** All relatives, friends and parishioners are very warmly welcome to participate in this Mass, especially those who are unable to travel to Deloraine on Friday for the funeral Mass.



Request for Palms – Sunday 24th of March for the Palm Sunday Masses in the parish. Please bring your palms to the Cathedral Centre by 3pm on Friday 22nd March.

Volunteers required

The Parish Office is seeking Volunteers on Tuesday 26th March to assist with set up for the Clergy retreat in the morning, assistance during lunch time and also after the Chrism Mass with distribution of the Holy Oils. Please contact the Parish Office 62344463 if you are



MASS TIMES

St Mary’s Cathedral, Hobart

7.30am: Tuesday - Friday
5.00pm: Saturday Vigil Mass
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

*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

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

WHAT'S NEW?

IN THE PARISH



Project Compassion box or set of donation envelopes are available at St Mary's Cathedral and Sacred Heart



Church to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and for all future generations.

Project Compassion Prayer:

God of all hope, we pray for our world with all its beauty and need. We thank you for the love in our lives that mirror of your unending love.

May all creation know your compassion this Lent, and may we take courage to share it, especially with those who do not have what they need.

In our time, we hear the same words you spoke to Moses: 'I will be with you' when you ask us to do courageous things. Through our prayer, fasting and almsgiving, move us to act in the company of your spirit, showing compassion and acting for justice to renew the face of the earth, now and for all future generations. **Amen**



Memory is 26 years old and lives in rural Malawi. As the eldest child in a low-income farming family, Memory had to take on many household chores and farming activities to support her parents. They struggled to pay for Memory's school fees and school supplies, and Memory often had to walk to school barefooted.

With the support of Caritas Australia and its partner the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi (CADECOM),

Memory was able to enrol at a technical college where she learnt technical skills in carpentry. She undertook a three-year carpentry course, with CADECOM supporting part of her tuition and boarding fees.

Memory became the first female carpenter from her village. Today, she works as a carpenter at one of Malawi's largest hydroelectric power stations. With the income from her job, she can provide financial support to her family and inspire other young women in her community so that they may have the opportunity to succeed in a male-dominated industry.

Please donate to Project Compassion via donation boxes, envelopes, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

Photo: Richard Wainwright/Caritas Australia



Join us every Friday night from 6pm – 12 midnight at the Cathedral

Crypt. Access is through Cathedral Centre Everyone is welcome.

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH, HOBART HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, HOBART

23rd March	5.00 pm	Palm Sunday (Vigil Mass)
24th March	10:15 am	Palm Sunday
24th March	6.00 pm	
26th March	NO 7.30 am MASS	
	06:00 pm	Chrism Mass and Clergy Retreat
27th March	7.30am	Mass (Holy Week Wednesday)
28th March	NO 7.30 am MASS	
	7:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
29th March	NO 7.30 am MASS	
	3:00 pm	Good Friday Passion of the Lord
30th March	7:30 pm	Easter Vigil
31st March	10:30 am	Easter Sunday
	NO 6pm Evening MASS	

SACRED HEART CHURCH, NEW TOWN

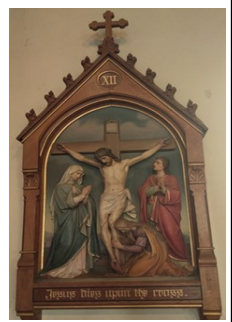
24th March	8.20 am	Palm Sunday
29th March	10.00 am	Good Friday Station of the Cross
31st March	8.30 am	Easter Sunday



Stations of the Cross:

Friday – Stations of the Cross during Lent

- 15th March** - Sacred Heart Church at 6.00 pm
- 22nd March** - **DAY OF MERCY** No Stations of the Cross



- 29th March** - Sacred Heart Church **Good Friday** at 10.00 am Open air - Way of the Cross
- 3pm - St Mary's Cathedral **Good Friday** Service

From Our Anniversary Book: William Zeeman, Thomas Davis, Luciano Longo, Vecchione Family, Matrondola Family, Dorothea Connor, Mary Pugh, Helene Matterson, Kitt Martin, Ian Lowe, Mary Atkins, Desmond Orpwood, Jozef Gala, William Byrne, Gladys Imlach, Noel Logan, Brian Kilmartin, Paul Gill, Ivy Woolford. Kaye Tapp. Helen Fox. Clare Costello. Catherine O'Driscoll, Susan Di Giovanni, Francesco Demarte, Maxwell Webberley, Archibald Hawkes, Florence Proto, Giovanni Ferraro, Archbishop Guilford Young, Nancy Foale, Anthony Pauly, Rosemary Cooper, Peter Roach, Joseph Dominic Michael Xiberras and Sr Genevieve Quinn PBVM

May they rest in peace!



WHAT'S NEW?

IN THE DIOCESE

Day of Mercy

As instructed by His Grace, the Day of Mercy falls on **22nd March FRIDAY**
Please note the following notice



SACRED HEART CHURCH

9am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament for Adoration
9.15 - 10.15am Reconciliation
10.30 am Benediction

ST.MARY'S CATHEDRAL

6pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament for Adoration
6.15 - 7.45pm Reconciliation
8pm Benediction

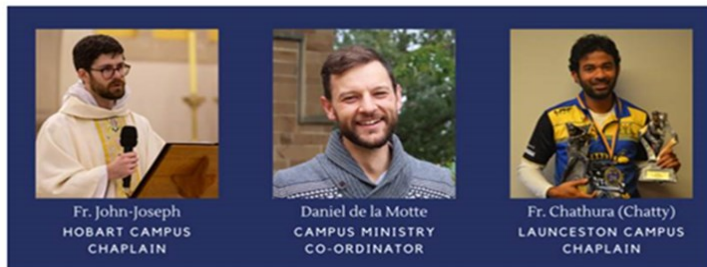
NO ADORATION IN CRYPT on Friday 22nd March

The Community of the Sons and Daughters of God Conference - March 4th –6th 2024



A gathering of faith filled individuals attended the Cathedral Centre this past week for the Annual conference of the Community of the Sons and Daughters of God. The group welcomed Fr Doroteo & Br Massimo who led the group in spiritual formation, prayer, praise and worship.

Utas Chaplaincy



Daniel de la Motte has recently taken up the role of coordinator of Utas campus ministry, supporting the work of Father Chathura in the North and Father John-Joseph in the South. For further information or to contact the Utas Chaplaincy team directly please call 0448 265 986



Campus Ministry Mailing list

Complete this form to stay up-to-date with mass times, campus ministry events and Catholic student news.



Campus Ministry Parishioner Support

Please use this form to offer practical support, insights, and suggestions for the Utas Campus Ministry.

Join us for the Life to the Full Conference in April 2024, featuring the incredible Sisters of Life from New York City, who dedicate their lives to serving those who the world considers 'useless'. **From April 26th to April 28th, 2024, we invite high school students (yr 7-12) to join us at Camp Clayton (Ulverstone) for a weekend of faith, growth, and community.** Come and explore the profound truth that we are made for love, not use, and be reminded that you are built with purpose, and equipped in courage. A bus service to and from Conference will be provided for youth from Hobart. Please indicate at registration if bus travel required. Cost is \$230 for food and accommodation. To register see link below:- <https://events.humanitix.com/life-to-the-full>

Children's Corner

Write a prayer about how you would like God to help you.



Dear Lord,

Amen.

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.

READINGS OF THE DAY – 4th SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B

First Reading 2 Chronicles 36:14-16. 19-23

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy.

Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.'

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: 'Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up.'"

Responsorial Psalm Psalms 136. R. v.6

(R) Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you

1. By the rivers of Babylon
there we sat and wept,
remembering Zion;
on the poplars that grew there
we hung our harps. (R.)
2. For it was there that they asked us,
our captors, for songs,
our oppressors, for joy.
'Sing to us,' they said,
'one of Zion's songs.' (R.)
3. O how could we sing
the song of the Lord
on alien soil?
If I forget you, Jerusalem,
let my right hand wither (R.)
4. O let my tongue
cleave to my mouth
if I remember you not,
if I prize not Jerusalem
above all my joys (R.)

Second Reading Ephesians 2:4-10

God loved us with so much love that he was generous

with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus. This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Gospel John 3:14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 11th March	John 4:43-54
Tuesday 12th March	John 5:1-3, 5-16
Wednesday 13th March	John 5:17-30
Thursday 14th March	John 5:31-47
Friday 15th March	John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday 16th March	John 7:40-52

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - 5th Sunday of Lent

Jeremiah 31:31-34	Psalms 50:3-4, 12-15
Hebrews 5:7-9	John 12:20-30

Pray and Reflect on the Word of God

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