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24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 15th September 2024

The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time of Year B offers profound insights into discipleship, suffering, and the mystery of the Messiah's mission. The readings invite us to reflect on the nature of true faith, sacrifice, and the call to take up our cross and follow Christ.

The first reading is taken from the "Servant Songs" of Isaiah, in which the prophet speaks of the suffering servant. This particular passage presents the servant as someone obedient to God, even in the face of suffering and rejection. The servant says, "I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard." Yet, despite the humiliations, the servant remains steadfast, trusting in God's vindication.

This prophetic image foreshadows Christ, the Suffering Servant par excellence, who willingly endured suffering and rejection to accomplish the mission of salvation. The passage calls us to reflect on the cost of true discipleship and reminds us that suffering can be redemptive when united with God's will. It also offers us hope that no matter our trials, God remains our help and vindicator. The letter of James challenges us to examine the authenticity of our faith. It confronts the temptation to reduce faith to mere words or intellectual assent. "Faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead," James asserts. True faith must be alive, manifesting itself in tangible acts of charity, love, and service to others. This passage reminds us that discipleship involves not only belief but also action. Genuine faith bears fruit in the way we care for others, especially the marginalized and suffering. As followers of Christ, we are called to a dynamic faith that engages with the world around us, transforming it through acts of compassion and justice.

The Gospel of Mark brings us to a pivotal moment in Jesus' ministry. Jesus asks His disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" After hearing various responses, He poses the question directly to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter boldly declares, "You are the Christ."

However, when Jesus reveals that the Messiah must suffer and die, Peter objects. Jesus rebukes him, saying, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." This moment highlights the tension between human expectations of the Messiah and God's true plan of salvation.

Jesus then issues a call to all His followers: "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." This is a call to radical discipleship, where following Christ means embracing the way of the cross. The Christian journey is not one of comfort but of self-denial and sacrifice. Yet, paradoxically, it is through losing our lives for Christ that we find true life.

The readings for the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time invite us to reflect deeply on the nature of discipleship. They challenge us to embrace a faith that is lived out through action and to follow Christ, even when it leads to suffering. Ultimately, the path of discipleship is one of profound trust in God, who transforms our suffering into new life.



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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT

St Mary's Cathedral Crypt (Cathedral Centre)

6pm-12am: Friday

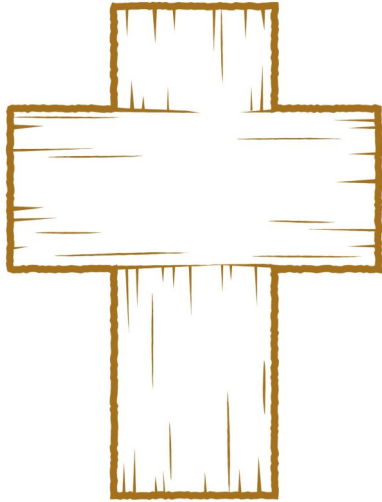
**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN
BECOMING CATHOLIC (RCIA)
Please contact 62086236**

WHAT'S NEW?

IN THE PARISH

Children's Corner:

Write on the cross some of the hard things you need to do if you want to follow Jesus.



SICK AND RETIRED PRIEST FUND APPEAL:

The Cathedral Parish envelope contributions to the Sick and Retire Priest Fund **as of the 8th September 2024 is \$904.90**
Please support our diocesan priests through the Sick and Retired Priest Fund Appeal during August. You can securely donate online at hobart.catholic.org.au

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.



CATHEDRAL PARISH FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



!!Movie Night - Unsung Hero!!

Thursday 19th September - 6pm @ Cathedral Centre, Level 1
You are invited to come and join us for a fun movie night. Join us for some Pizza, Popcorn and some great company. *Based on a remarkable true story, Unsung Hero follows David Smallbone as he moves his family from Down Under to the States, searching for a brighter future after his successful music company collapses. With nothing more than their seven children, suitcases, and their love of music, David and his pregnant wife Helen set out to rebuild their lives. Helen's faith stands against all odds and inspires her husband and children to hold onto theirs.*
View the Trailer at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UHyrHRNX9Rk>

From Our Anniversary Book: Frances Simpson, Gina Toigo, Barry Stanfield, D'Abate & Meale families, Emma Alomes, William Absalom, Dawn Dolan, Reginald Goodluck, Zygmunt Gauden, George Carr, Michael Donnelly, Kaisei David O'Keefe, Vittorio Limongelli, Leslie Aiken, John Williams, Margaret Burnett, Geoffrey Saunders, Eileen Fahey, Victorio Gabriel, Carmelo Abate, Francis Jeffrey, Rose Salter, John Breen, Alice Kelly, James Lynch, Thomas Williams, Keith Downey, Frederick McCann, Tom Young, Albert Harwood, Leonard Sattler, Francis Hickey, Evie Doggart, Elaine Brocklehurst

May they rest in peace!



WHAT'S NEW?

IN THE DIOCESE



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

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

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING CONTINUATION

The Continuation of the Annual General Meeting will be held on **MONDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2024** at **ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH HALL, Angelsea Street South Hobart** at 11am



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.

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35TH YEAR IN ORDINARY TIME



50 Years of Priesthood Archbishop Julian's Golden Jubilee

By Catherine Sheehan

As Archbishop Julian Porteous marked 50 years of priesthood on 7 September, he reflected upon his many and varied experiences over five decades, twenty years of the work of God's abundant grace and mercy in his life. "There's a phrase from the Letter to the Ephesians, which I think summarises my life and my priesthood and my role as bishop," Archbishop Julian said. "It simply says: 'It is by grace you are saved through faith. I am just very conscious of grace. I'm very aware that I need salvation and I want to place myself under the mercy of God, under the grace of God.'"

"Now after 50 years a priest, I think that, more than anything else, the priest is one who stands in the presence of God for the people and really with the people. And involves God's grace and mercy upon the community of believers, but more broadly the world."

Born in Sydney in 1948, the eldest of five children to his family, he first formed a call to priesthood as a young boy in grade five or six at school.

"A distinct memory was occurring going into the chapel and kneeling down at the altar, really just to get a brief prayer. And the words came into my mind very simply, very clearly: 'Who do you call me a priest?' And there would just flash into my mind: 'I succeeded there and had no resistance' from...

"Now, when you can look back and understand this was the moment when God did actually call me. He entered the seminary in 1969, from out of secondary school, studying first at St Columba's College in Springwood and later at St Patrick's College, Manly."

It was during his time at Manly that the young Julian Porteous had a profound spiritual experience that changed his life forever.

As he was working in the grounds of St Patrick's College one evening before Vespers he was overwhelmed by an awareness of God's presence.

"I can only describe it as a moment when I sensed God's presence in a very, very real and immediate way – I felt the direct love of God for me."

"Immediately I just felt this enormous joy... I found myself breaking out in praise of God. And particularly, I found myself praying in what they call the 'Gloria of Francis'."

"That was the moment that God in His mercy towards me touched my life with His grace, through the presence and activity of the Holy Spirit."

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- Legion of Mary celebrates 90 years in Tasmania
- Jubilarians celebrate a combined 140 years of priesthood
- Fr Mark Freeman reflects on 40 years of priesthood
- New pastoral centre to foster faith and community
- An opportunity to encounter the Risen Christ
- Ten years of building houses, creating homes, and growing communities
- Memorial garden a reflective place to gather, pause and pray
- Employee Service Recognition Awards (north & south)
- Fostering bonds of faith, friendship and family with seasonal workers

Please collect your copy to take home from the back foyer of the Cathedral and Sacred Heart Church.



Do you want to feel the presence of God in your life?

Come and experience a time of grace and encounter Jesus through the life transforming power of the Holy Spirit.

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Sat 12 Oct, 9:30am - 5:30pm & Sun 13 Oct, 1:30pm - 5:30pm

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READINGS OF THE DAY – 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading Isaiah 50:5-9

The Lord has opened my ear.
For my part, I made no resistance,
neither did I turn away.
I offered my back to those who struck me,
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
I did not cover my face
against insult and spittle.
The Lord comes to my help,
so that I am untouched by the insults.
So, too, I set my face like flint;
I know I shall not be shamed.
My vindicator is here at hand.
Does anyone start proceedings against me?
Then let us go to court together.
Who thinks he has a case against me?
Let him approach me.
The Lord is coming to my help,
who dare condemn me?

Responsorial Psalm Ps 114:1-6. 8-9. R. v.9

(R.) I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

1. I love the Lord for he has heard
the cry of my appeal;
for he turned his ear to me
in the day when I called him. (R.)
2. They surrounded me, the snares of death,
with anguish of the tomb;
they caught me, sorrow and distress.
I called on the Lord's name.
O Lord my God, deliver me! (R.)
3. How gracious is the Lord, and just;
our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me. (R.)
4. He has kept my soul from death,
my eyes from tears
and my feet from stumbling.
I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.

Second Reading James 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty,' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good

works do not go with it, it is quite dead.
This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

Gospel Acclamation Galatians 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said, 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked, 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him. And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.' He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 16th September	-	Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday 17th September	-	Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday 18th September	-	Lk 7:31-35
Thursday 19th September	-	Lk 7:36-50
Friday 20th September	-	Lk 8:1-3
Saturday 21st September	-	Mt 8:9-13

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading	-	Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
Responsorial Psalm	-	Psalm 53:3-6,8
Second Reading	-	James 3:16-4:3
Gospel	-	Mark 9:30-37

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.