

**WHAT'S NEW?**

**IN THE DIOCESE**

**Holy Spirit Church Sandy Bay  
90th Anniversary Celebrations:**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May  
2024 7pm -8pm – Pentecost  
Retreat.

Festive High Mass on Pentecost Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>  
May 2024 at 10am. Anniversary BBQ after  
Mass



**ARCHBISHOP'S LETTER**

Please find a message from His Grace the Archbishop  
Porteous in respect of the Draft

**Religious Discrimination Bill.**

Refer to our Parish Website for the full draft of the  
letter



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**Children's Corner**

**I am the vine and you  
are the branches**

5th Sunday of Easter, Year B

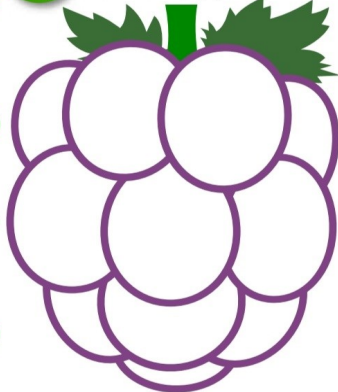
Who are some people in your community who are like  
branches of the vine? On each branch, write down a name  
and how they contribute their 'fruit' to the community.



Jesus says that we must be fruitful disciples.  
What are some of the ways that you can  
be a disciple to Jesus? Write or draw your  
answers inside the grapes.

Mrs Smith

takes meals to  
elderly residents



Can you work out which of these three branches is the one bearing fruit?



Jn 15:1-5, 7-8

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**The Regina Coeli**

Queen of Heaven, rejoice. **R.** Alleluia.  
For He, whom you did merit to bear.

**R.** Alleluia.

Has risen as He said. **R.** Alleluia.  
Pray for us to God. **R.** Alleluia.

**V.** Rejoice and be glad,  
O Virgin Mary. Alleluia.

**R.** For the Lord is truly risen, Alle-  
luia.



**Let us pray**

O God, Who gave joy to the  
world through the  
Resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus  
Christ, grant we beseech thee, that through  
the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His  
Mother, we may attain the joys of  
everlasting life. Through the same Christ,  
our Lord. **Amen.**

# READINGS OF THE DAY – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

## First Reading

**Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*He explained how the Lord appeared to Saul and spoke to him on his journey.*

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 21:26-28. 30-32. R. v.26**

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. My vows I will pay before those who fear him.  
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.  
They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.  
May their hearts live for ever and ever! (R.)
2. All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,  
all families of the nations worship before him.  
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;  
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. (R.)
3. And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.  
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,  
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:  
'These things the Lord has done.' (R.)

## Second Reading

**1 John 3:18-24**

A reading from the first letter of St John

*His commandments are these: that we believe and that we love one another.*

My children,  
our love is not to be just words or mere talk,  
but something real and active;  
only by this can we be certain  
that we are the children of the truth  
and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence,  
whatever accusations it may raise against us,  
because God is greater than our conscience and he knows  
everything.

My dear people,  
if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience,  
we need not be afraid in God's presence,  
and whatever we ask him,  
we shall receive,  
because we keep his commandments  
and live the kind of life that he wants.  
His commandments are these:  
that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ  
and that we love one another

as he told us to.  
Whoever keeps his commandments  
lives in God and God lives in him.  
We know that he lives in us  
by the Spirit that he has given us.

## Gospel Acclamation

**John 15:4-5**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;  
my branches bear much fruit.  
Alleluia!

## Gospel

**John 15:1-8**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

*All who live in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine,  
and my Father is the vinedresser.  
Every branch in me that bears no fruit  
he cuts away,  
and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes  
to make it bear even more.  
You are pruned already,  
by means of the word that I have spoken to you.  
Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.  
As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself,  
but must remain part of the vine,  
neither can you unless you remain in me.  
I am the vine,  
you are the branches.  
Whoever remains in me, with me in him,  
bears fruit in plenty;  
for cut off from me you can do nothing.  
Anyone who does not remain in me  
is like a branch that has been thrown away  
– he withers;  
these branches are collected and thrown on the fire,  
and they are burnt.  
If you remain in me  
and my words remain in you,  
you may ask what you will  
and you shall get it.  
It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much  
fruit,  
and then you will be my disciples.'

## GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 29th April	- Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday 30th April	- Jn 14:27-31
Wednesday 01st May	- Jn 15:01-08 (st Joseph the worker)
Thursday 02nd May	- Jn 15:09-11
Friday 03rd May	- Jn 14:06-14
Saturday 04th may	- Jn 15:18-21

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - 6th Sunday of Easter

First Reading	- Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48
Responsorial Psalm	- Ps 97:01-04
Second Reading	- 1 Jn 4: 07-10 or 1 Jn 4: 11-16
Gospel	- Jn 15: 09-17 or Jn 17: 11-19

**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.**



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## 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B - 28th APRIL 2024

### **ALL WHO LIVE IN ME, AND I IN THEM, BEAR MUCH FRUIT**

What is Jesus saying to us today in the liturgy of the word? Are we being asked to look at ourselves regarding our relationship with our loving God who has given us the free gift of life and to value the relationship we have with those around us?. Through the sacrament of Baptism we are united as one in Jesus Christ through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit who lives and acts in us as we grow to know, love and serve God in each other.

Jesus says, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit because apart from me you can do nothing." The fruit referred to in the saying by Jesus is the holiness of our lives when we are in union with Jesus. When we believe in Christ and follow the commandments, Jesus comes to dwell in and through us as we grow together in love of God and love one another. The Spirit dwells in us directing all we say and do as true disciples bringing the Good News for a broken world. We know the first three commandments are about the worship, love, respect and honour which is due to God who loves us unconditionally. The other seven commandments relate to our respect, acceptance, forgiveness, and love of our neighbour. Jesus, the greatest of all teachers says of himself; "I am the vine, I am the bread of life;

I am the light of the world, I am the gate, I am the way, the truth and the life, I am He. (the Son of God.) I am the Resurrection; Apart from me you can do nothing". When we are as one in the Holy Spirit 'nothing' is turned into 'something' because we cannot say 'no' but 'yes' if we are a branch on the vine acting through the movement of the Holy Spirit living in us. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth. Amen

### **OTHER PARISH NEWS**

**ARCHBISHOP PORTEOUS WILL BLESS AND OPEN THE CHURCH AT LUTANA (12 ASHBOLT CRES) AS A SHRINE IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF VICTORIES ON SATURDAY, 11 MAY AT 11.00AM.**

**ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE MASS OF BLESSING.**

#### Parish Office Closure:

The Parish office will be closed from Monday 15th April 2024 - Tuesday 30th April 2024, as the Parish Secretary will be on holidays. For urgent pastoral needs, please email: [cathedral@aohtas.org.au](mailto:cathedral@aohtas.org.au)  
Or Call Administrator on 0427195134



### **MASS TIMES**

#### St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart

**7.30am:** 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

*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**

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# IN THE PARISH

## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

On Sun 05th May (Easter 6)

4.30pm -5.30pm

Schools begin Confirmation preparation on  
06th May 2024



For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honour Mary, Mother of God. Not just a day in May, but the entire month. The ways Mary is honoured in May is as varied as the people who honour her. If we recite rosary every day, it helps creating a special relationship with the Virgin Mary and makes us feel closer to her and Jesus. Furthermore, reciting the Rosary each day of the month guarantees blessings and benefits for our beloved ones and our families. Also, by reciting it, we can alleviate the pains suffered by the souls in the Purgatory.

It's common for parishes to have a daily recitation of the Rosary during May, and many erect a special May altar with a statue or picture of Mary as a reminder of Mary's month. Additionally, it's a long-standing tradition to crown the statue of Mary during May – a custom known as May Crowning. Often, the crown is made of beautiful blossoms

But May altars and crowning aren't just "church" customs. We can and should be doing the same in our homes. When we echo the customs and traditions of the Church in our homes – our domestic churches – we participate more fully in the life of the Church.

Devotion to Mary is one an important part of the Catholic identity. As our mother she is an example of a committed "Yes" (Fiat) to the will of God. Because of the devotion to her many people ask her for help in the most difficult moments of their life as any child does with his mother.



## 2024 Concert Series

*a place of Prayer, a place of Worship, a place of Music...*

**Tickets at the door and at**

<https://events.humanitix.com/smcs24>

**4th May 2024 at 2.00 pm**

*"I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love."*

— John 15:9 —

## Healing Service

STARTS WITH FRIDAY  
**7PM 03**  
MASS MAY

AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL  
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## MEN'S PUBLIC ROSARY

MEN OF ALL AGES WELCOME  
[rosarycrusadetas@proton.me](mailto:rosarycrusadetas@proton.me)

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AT OUR PARISH

Come and join us every Friday night from  
6pm –12 midnight at the Cathedral Crypt.  
Access is through Cathedral Centre

**JOIN TO PRAY THE ROSARY  
FROM 01ST OF MAY  
5.30 PM AT  
THE CATHEDRAL**

### **From Our Anniversary Book: May they rest in peace!**

William Corby, Monsignor Bernard Rogers, Maria Lewicki, Bortolo Gesiotto, Jessie Viney, Dulcie Rollins, Alexander Robertson, John Phillips, Austin Locke, Patrycja Wilanowska, Mary Gillon, David Fahey, Teresa Broszczyk, Anna D'Ettore, Ellen Oakford, Alfred Harold, Louis Jelss, Courtney Campbell, John Howe, Rocco Caccavo, Florence Williams, Sister Mary Joseph McVilly PBVM, Mary Morgan, John Maple, Sergio Giudici, Carmello Disipo, Peter Dodson, Giuseppe Mione, Archibald Lawler, Kate Scott, Marcella Saunders, Martha Krakowiak, Amelia Shelverton, Linden Lowe, Jago Dzelalija, Antonietta Lufi, John Rose, Ernest Boughton, Barry Fisher, Lila Robertson, Molly McKeown, Walter George Bevis, Dorcas Elizabeth Saunders,

