



# St Mary's Cathedral Parish

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## 8TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR C - 2nd MARCH 2025

St Catherine was an Italian Catholic mystic, a laywoman in the Church who was not only generous and loving, seeking to serve others especially the sick, the poor and the incarcerated of Siena, with a humble faith, she was also not afraid to engage in papal and Italian politics. A dangerous thing to do, but one she did with great faith and love for Christ and his Church.

A particular moment in the life of St Catherine that comes to mind is when Fra Lazzarino de Pisa, a well-known Franciscan priest and a respected theologian who had taken to speaking against St Catherine in his lectures and homilies, who felt it was wrong that she would dare to preach without any formal studies. He travelled to Siena and demanded that St Catherine debate with him, she agreed.

St Catherine however did not debate but instead sat at his feet asking to hear his wisdom, Fra Lazzarino de Pisa annoyed at her actions got up to leave, at which point St Catherine rushed to him and asked to receive his blessing. That night Fra Lazzarino suffered a sleepless night unable to find peace, the next morning it was Fra Lazzarino who rushed to St Catherine and kneeling before her, in tears, asked for her forgiveness and blessing upon him.

A beautiful moment and one that shows the great humility of St Catherine and the love she held for Christ's Church and His priests. But what has this to do with our readings this week?

In the Gospel Jesus warns his disciples, not to fall into the trap of pride "The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher." Catherine did not see herself as superior, and was aware of the plank in her eye, and through her humble, and grace filled approach towards Fra Lazzarino, was able to help him see the splinter in his eye. When we interact with others, we need to be aware of our intentions, that we seek to share God's love, not to win the debate, or the argument. This is not to say that we act defeated, we can't be defeated, we are followers of Christ, and will share in the victory of the resurrection, after all Paul tells us to "Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain." The difference is, we do not take on the methods of the world, to seek to tear down those we don't agree with, because we are all sinners, we are all disciples, learning together, and growing in Christ together, not seeking to win at the cost of others in this life, instead preparing ourselves and others for the life that is to come.

St Catherine, a lay woman brought renewal into the Church not by attacking it, or tearing at its members. Through her humble and gentle approach, she changed the hearts of many, bringing them to Christ. Let us strive with humility to continue the work of the Church seeking always the good of others and the salvation of souls.



## MASS TIMES

**St Mary's Cathedral Crypt, Hobart**  
7.30am Tuesday Thursday Friday

**St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart**  
**ASH WEDNESDAY - 5th March**

7.30am: Wednesday  
6pm: Wednesday  
5.00pm: Saturday  
10.30am: Sunday  
6.00pm: Sunday

**Sacred Heart Church New Town**  
**ASH WEDNESDAY - 5th March**

9.15am: Wednesday  
9.15am: Tuesday and 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 9.15am Mass: Wednesday  
7.30am: Saturday

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
**St Mary's Cathedral Crypt, Hobart**  
6.00pm - Midnight: Friday

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



Pope Francis has declared 2025 a Jubilee Year for our Church, themed "*Pilgrims of Hope*", a year of hope for a world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the climate crisis. As Pope Francis states "the forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire; that is why I have chosen as the motto of the Jubilee, Pilgrims of Hope."

**WHAT'S NEW?**

**IN THE PARISH**

**Children's Corner:**



Fill in the missing words from the list below to see what Jesus said about judging other people.

\_\_\_ do you see the  
 \_\_\_\_\_ in your  
 \_\_\_\_\_ eye,  
 but do not \_\_\_\_\_ the  
 \_\_\_ in your own \_\_\_?

**FRIEND'S SPECK LOG  
 EYE NOTICE WHY**

**LENTEN RESOURCES:** Sign up to the Cathedral Parish FORMED Subscription for free <https://formed.org/>

A Lent to Remember explores the ways God reaches out to each of us with his mercy. By reflecting on the Paschal Mystery and making a step-by-step examination of the Rite of Confession, A Lent to Remember communicates God's invitation to each one of us to come experience his indescribable love this Lent.



**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.

**From Our Anniversary Book:**

John Anderson, Henry Smith, Brother E.D. Joyce, Ada Maple, Patrick Murnane, Raffaele Palermo, Alma Pullen, Evelyn Blissenden, Angelina Di Domenico, Terrence Keogh, Guiseppe Paternoster, Helmut Ott, Caterina, Giuseppe and Nicola Gentile, Paolo Scavone, Roy Foulkes, Rex Rushton, Benjamin Rootes, Edward Terry, Rosita De Montes, Laszlo Hegedus, John Cairns, Antonin Divis, Ettore Di Martino, Patrick Harnett, Frederick Banks, Annie Lawler, Br. Dominikus Tischmacher, Geoffrey Whittaker, Barbara Pitt, Josephine Grey, Eugenio Labbrozzi, Albert Wood, Alice Stubbs, Daisy Ryan, Louis Gillon, Raymond Doran, Angela Di Tommaso, Kath Case, Eileen Bowden, Hugh McConalogue, Laurence Simpson, George Flaskas, Alma Horne, Myra Tillack, Pauline Frances Watts and Sr Gerard Rawley (PBVM)



**May they rest in peace!**

**A Lenten Reflection Day**

**When:** Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2025

**Time:** 9am -2pm

**Where:** Josephite Mission and History Centre

67 Clare Street, New Town

**Cost:** \$60.00

Facilitated by Belinda Chapman

Bookings to Belinda Chapman ph: 0418 141 171 or email

[belindachapman.sd@gmail.com](mailto:belindachapman.sd@gmail.com). Please book by 17<sup>th</sup> March 2025



**Cathedral Parish Way of the Cross:**

**6pm Friday Night during Lent.**

**7th March** -Sacred Heart Church, New Town

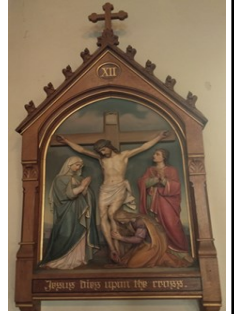
**14th March** - Sacred Heart Church, New Town

**21<sup>st</sup> March** - Sacred Heart Church, New Town

**28<sup>th</sup> March** - Sacred Heart Church, New Town

**4<sup>th</sup> April** - Sacred Heart Church, New Town

**11th April** -Sacred Heart Church, New Town



**Lent is a 40 day season** of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends in the evening on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ.

"HE HIMSELF BORE OUR SINS IN HIS BODY....AND BY HIS WOUNDS YOU HAVE BEEN HEALED." 1 PETER 2:2

*Holy Mass & Healing Service*

**Fri 7 March 2025**

Rosary 6.40 pm, Mass 7.00 pm

followed by Adoration & Prayer Ministry

**SACRED HEART CHURCH**  
 1 CROSS ST, NEW TOWN



ORGANISED BY ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH  
 IN COLLABORATION WITH  
 THE RISEN LORD COMMUNITY TASMANIA



WHAT'S NEW?

# IN THE DIOCESE

## Inaugural Utas Chaplaincy Quiz Night Fundraiser:

An invitation for everyone within the Parish, to get a table together of family and friends and come and have fun testing your trivia knowledge. All proceeds support the UTAS Campus Ministry.

**When:** Saturday 22 March 2025 6pm –8pm.

**Where:** St Frances Xavier

Parish Hall, 61 Adelaide Street, Sth Hobart. **Cost:** \$10 Students, \$15 Per Person over 18 years, \$80 Table of 6, \$120 Table of 10.

**Email:** UTASCHAPLAINCY@AOHTAS.ORG.AU



You donate to the **Caritas Australia** emergency appeal for Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan ... Have you wondered how the money reaches the country in crisis and what it is used for? Surely CA doesn't have people 'on the ground' in each of these countries (and many more)?

An informal information evening about CA will be held in **St Francis Xavier's Church Hall, 34 Anglesea Street, South Hobart, this Sunday from 7-8 pm** with CA guest Nicole Chehine (Sydney).

No RSVP is required.

Further information: Penny Edman 0400 896 191 or

[penny.edman@caritas.org.au](mailto:penny.edman@caritas.org.au)

**Endow Women's Group** will run two studies of two extraordinary female saints and leaders in the Church. Enjoy discussing and reading of the study guide, along with fellowship. **Cost:** \$30 includes study guide.

**Where:** Lindisfarne Pastoral Centre, 3 Bay Rd, Lindisfarne.

**Register:** Christine Wood on 6208-6236 or

[christine.wood@aohtas.org.au](mailto:christine.wood@aohtas.org.au).

**St Catherine of Siena**, mystic, adviser to popes, bishops, and common folk, Dominican tertiary. **When:** Mondays starting 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2-3.30pm, fortnightly for 8 sessions.

**St Edith Stein**, Jewish philosopher, later Catholic Carmelite nun, martyr at Auschwitz during WWII. **When:** Wednesdays starting 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2-3.30pm, fortnightly for 8 sessions.

**St Patrick's Pilgrimage**  
15-16 March 2025

Join Archbishop Julian on a weekend pilgrimage from Colebrook to Richmond.

To register or for further information, please visit [humanitix.com/au](https://humanitix.com/au) and enter StPatricksPilgrimage2025 or contact youth@aohtas.org.au

Designed for young adults aged between 16-35

Archdiocese of Hobart

## Fr Michael Tate's Lenten talks about Mark's Gospel as a Declaration of War

### 12 March

- War against the Roman Emperor/Empire (Mark 1:1)
- War against demonic powers (Mark 1:21-28)
- War against a privileged social order (Mark 5:21-43)

### 19 March

- War against quarantined holiness (Mark 7:1-8)
- War against exploitative religion (Mark 12:38-42)
- War against bodiless religion (Mark 9:2-10)

The talks will be held on 12 and 19 March at SFX Parish Hall, 34 Anglesea St, at 7 pm.

## Join Caritas Australia's Project Compassion in 2025

This Lent, Caritas Australia's Project Compassion invites you to **Unite Against Poverty** and take action to make a lasting difference.

All parishioners are warmly invited to attend the Southern Prayer Service launch of Project Compassion on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 11am at Corpus Christi Church, Bellerive**, followed by a **Q&A session in the church foyer guest, Nicole Chehine.**

No RSVP is required.

Further information: Penny Edman 0400 896 191 or

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THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HOBART PRESENTS

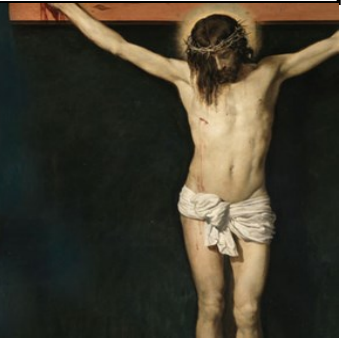
## NO GREATER LOVE!

PASSION PLAY 2025

FRIDAY, 28 MARCH 2025 &  
FRIDAY, 11 APRIL 2025

6.45 PM

THE DON BOSCO CREATIVE ARTS CENTRE GLENORCHY



FREE ENTRY



## Stephen Kirk Unplugged Concert – Launceston

Enjoy an intimate evening of music with renowned Catholic singer-songwriter, Stephen Kirk, who will take you on a soul-moving journey sharing the inspiration behind his songs. Light refreshments are included in the price of the ticket. Drinks will be available for purchase from the bar.

**WHEN:** Friday, 4 April 2025

**WHERE:** Hotel Grand Chancellor – Room 4 - 29 Cameron Street, Launceston

**TIME:** 7 pm – 9 pm (doors open at 6 pm)

**COST:** \$20 per adult, \$15 concession

To purchase tickets - <https://events.humanitix.com/stephen-kirk-unplugged-launceston>

## Music in the Eucharist Workshop – Launceston

Inviting all musicians, liturgists, and anyone seeking a deeper understanding of the role of music in entering into a more profound participation in the Eucharist! This free workshop led by Stephen Kirk will explore the vital role of music in the liturgy and provide practical guidance on enhancing the Mass through thoughtful musical selections.

A light lunch will be provided, so registrations are essential.

**WHEN:** Saturday, 5 April 2025

**WHERE:** Pastoral Centre - 44 Margaret St, Launceston

**TIME:** 10 am – 1 pm

**COST:** Free

To register - <https://events.humanitix.com/music-in-the-eucharist-workshop-launceston>



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 – 8TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

### First Reading Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,  
so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.  
The kiln tests the work of the potter,  
the test of a man is in his conversation.  
The orchard where the tree grows is judged on  
the quality of its fruit,  
similarly a man's words betray what he feels.  
Do not praise a man before he has spoken,  
since this is the test of men.

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R.v.2

**(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.**

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord  
to make music to your name, O Most High,  
to proclaim your love in the morning  
and your truth in the watches of the night. (R.)
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R.)
3. Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R.)

### Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability,  
and when this mortal nature has put on immortality,  
then the words of scripture will come true:  
Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your  
victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of  
death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law.  
So let us thank God for giving us the victory through  
our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit  
defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always,  
knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in  
vain.

### Gospel Acclamation Philippians 2:15-16

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Shine on the world like bright stars;  
you are offering it the word of life.

**Alleluia!**

### Gospel Luke 6:39-45

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man  
guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit?  
The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully  
trained disciple will always be like his teacher.  
Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye  
and never notice the plank in your own? How can you  
say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the  
splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the  
plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of  
your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough  
to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor  
again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit.

For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do  
not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from  
brambles.

A good man draws what is good from the store of  
goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad  
from the store of badness.

For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'



### **GOSPELS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

Monday 3rd March	- Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday 4th March	- Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday 5th March	- Mt 6:1-6,16-18
Thursday 6th March	- Lk 9:22-25
Friday 7th March	- Mt 9:14-15
Saturday 8th March	- Lk 5:27-32

### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:**

#### **1st Sunday of Lent Year C**

First Reading	- Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Responsorial Psalm	- Psalm 90:1-2, 10-15
Second Reading	- Romans 10:8-13
Gospel	- Luke 4:1-13

**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.**