



# St Mary's Cathedral Parish

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## EASTER SUNDAY YEAR B - 31st MARCH 2024

"As a young boy, I longed for the Easter season because I loved to hear and sing this traditional Easter hymn (Victimae Paschali): "Christ the Lord has risen today, Alleluia! Christians, haste your vows to pay, Alleluia..." translated from Latin to English by Lane E. Leeson in Catholic Hymns book, 1853). I was merely interested in this song without actually reflecting on the importance of Easter. However, as I grew up, I realized Easter is more than just singing this song. This is because now I understand the full meaning of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

Today's gospel tells us that Jesus left the linen cloths with which he was buried in the grave when he resurrected. In other words, he did not cling to any "worldly" thing or allow them to pull him down. So, there are two questions we need to ask ourselves this Easter. The first is: Did I resurrect with Christ this Easter? The second question is: What have I left in "my grave" this Easter? If we must rise like Christ, we must be equally ready to detach ourselves from all unnecessary mundane things to which we are firmly and madly attached to. Jesus understood and obeyed the natural law, which holds that one must leave something behind for one to rise. If we fail to do this, the law of gravity that Jesus himself understood and obeyed might prevail against us.

Therefore, the core message of Easter is that today, we like Christ, have risen above all the obstacles that held us down in the grave. It is a message that, even though death and the grave were parts of God's salvation plan, they will not last for eternity (Ps. 30, 5). It is a blessed assurance that God is faithful to his promises and will deliver us from all the dangerous situations. It is also an assurance that our day of glory will surely come. Today is "a day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it (Ps118, 22)." Alleluia, Alleluia!



### **OTHER PARISH NEWS**

**Daylight Saving** - The clocks go back an hour, 3am, on **Sunday 7th April 2024.**



### **MASS TIMES**

#### St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart

**7.30am:** Wednesday - Friday

**5.00pm:** Saturday

**10.30am:** Sunday

**6.00pm:** Sunday

#### Sacred Heart Church New Town

**9.00am:** Wednesday - Thursday

**8.00am:** Saturday

**8.30am:** Sunday

#### Lawrenny Court

(131 Hill St West Hobart)

**10.30am:** Friday - **5th April 2024**

### SACRAMENTS & DEVOTIONS

*ENQUIRIES FOR BAPTISMS*

*AND MARRIAGE*

*PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE*

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart

#### 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

### St Mary's Cathedral Parish Priest Announcements

Dear Parishioners, as announced by His Grace the Archbishop of Hobart, Most. Rev. Julian Porteous, DD, on Sunday 17th March 2024, the current Assistant Priest in the Cathedral Parish, Fr Paschal Okpon, has been appointed as Parish Priest at Campbell Town commencing 15th April 2024.



Fr Steven Smith has been appointed as Assistant Priest of St Mary's Cathedral Parish.



As a Parish community, we wish Fr Paschal Okpon a blessed future and pray for God's graces on his new mission, and wish to welcome Fr Steven Smith warmly to our Parish.

The Parish will hold a farewell morning tea for Fr Paschal Okpon on Sunday 7th April 2024 after the 10.30am Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Fr Bernard would like to thank the following for their ministry during the Holy Week celebrations.

- Archbishop Julian Porteous, Fr Paschal Okpon, Sr Monica Shelverton and the Archdiocese of Hobart priests
- Michael McKenna as Master of Ceremonies
- Clair Stanelos – Director of Sacred Music, Greg Stephens – Organist, Kareem Barton – organ scholar, the Cathedral Choristers.
- The choirs and musicians and other
- Jane McKeown – Parish Secretary and Cathedral Sacristan, Maureen Chisholm – Sacred Heart Church sacristan, Arthur and Angela Ritar, Anna Osuchowski as Assisting Sacristans
- Deacon- Michael Hangan and Brothers – Ashan Peiris and Akalanka Randeniya
- Vincent Parr, Giancarlo Rigoli – Acolytes and all the Altar servers
- The volunteers who assisted with the Clergy retreat, Chrism Mass oil distribution and assisting the caterer with the priest meals after the Chrism Mass.
- Sean Dunn and his wonderful catering.
- Lorraine Shelverton and Audrey Storey for preparation of flowers at St Mary's Cathedral and Sacred Heart Church.
- All the readers who read during Holy Week
- All the others who assisted in different capacities

### Men's Public Rosary:

1st Saturday of every month

**Time:** 1pm

**When:** Saturday 6th April 2024

**Where:** St David's Park, Hobart

**Contact:** [rosarycrusadetas@proton.me](mailto:rosarycrusadetas@proton.me)

Men of all ages are welcome



**Come and join us every Friday night from 6pm –12 midnight at the Cathedral Crypt.**

**Access is through Cathedral Centre  
Everyone is welcome.**

**Commencing again after Easter on Friday 5th April 2024**

### Parish Office Closure:



The Parish office will be closed from Wednesday 17th 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)

# HEALING SERVICE

**05 APRIL 2024**  
 MASS AT 7:00 PM  
**AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL**  
**180 HARRINGTON STREET**  
**HOBART**

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

### From Our Anniversary Book:

Francis Philbin, Augusto Tamayo, Betty Parkes, Mervyn Dolan, Hylton Jarrett, Merv Conway, David Westbrook, Cain Lorkin, Edward Sweeney, Eric Ogilvie, Elizabeth Mitson, Mary Bugg, Terrence Connor, Jacopo Maluta, Sr. Valerie Marguerite Burns, Kathleen Brooks, Jackson Myrtle, Sr. Christina Astell, (LCM), Firmino Favretto, William Jeffrey, Philip Ryan, Kathleen Ibbott, John O'Donnell, David Jarrett, Catherine Blackaby, Violet Ethel Webster, Sr Bernard Nicholson (PBVM) and Sr Agnes Boylson (PBVM)

**May they rest in peace!**



**WHAT'S NEW?**

# IN THE DIOCESE



## Divine Mercy Sunday Celebrations

Sunday 7th April 2024  
at St Mary's Cathedral

### 2pm-3pm HOLY HOUR

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet, and Sacrament of Reconciliation

3pm Benediction

3.15pm MASS celebrated by Archbishop Julian Porteous



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 in your registration if you would like more details on this. Cost is \$230 for food and accommodation. To register see link below:-

<https://events.humanitix.com/life-to-the-full>

## A Vision for Parishes – Encounter, Discipleship & Mission

In light of Archbishop Julian's Pastoral Initiative this year – **A Vision for Parishes – Encounter, Discipleship & Mission**, please explore [www.evangeliumproject.com](http://www.evangeliumproject.com), our new Catholic resource to help inspire us on the journey to become missionary disciples!

Content is updated weekly and if you have any feedback, please email [evangeliumproject@aohtas.org.au](mailto:evangeliumproject@aohtas.org.au)



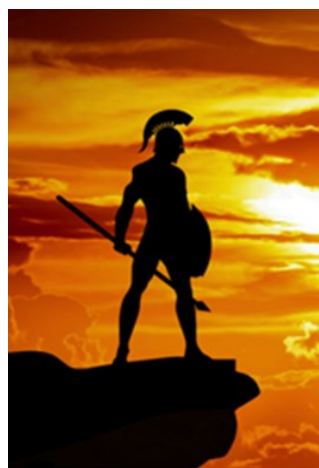
## EVANGELIUM

The new Evangelium website full of resources to help form Catholics as missionary disciples is now live!



Scan the QR Code, or visit: [www.evangeliumproject.com](http://www.evangeliumproject.com)

## Calling Prayer Warriors



Do you have a desire to intercede for others, your family, the Church, our nation and the world?

Please join us on Tuesday 7pm -8pm on Zoom.

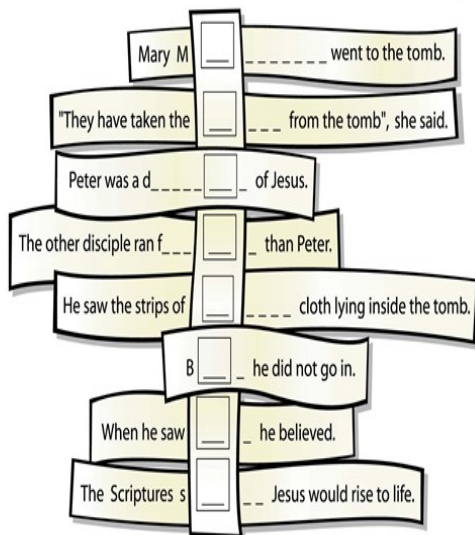
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## Children's Corner

**This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice!**

What can you do to make people glad today?

Fill in the missing words below to find out what the letters in the boxes spell.



## 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 – EASTER SUNDAY YEAR B

### **First Reading** Acts of the Apostles 10:34. 37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

### **Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24

**(R.) This is the day the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
for his love has no end.  
Let the sons of Israel say:  
'His love has no end.' (R.)
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds. (R.)
3. The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. (R.)

### **Second Reading** Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him. so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

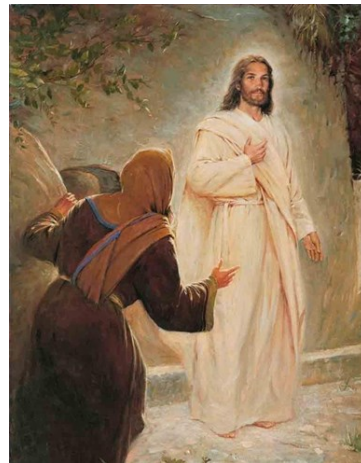
Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;  
let us feast with joy in the Lord.

**Alleluia!**

### **Gospel** John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.



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

Monday 1st April	Matthew 28:8-15
Tuesday 2nd April	John 20:11-18
Wednesday 3rd April	Luke 24:13-35
Thursday 4th April	Luke 24:35-48
Friday 5th April	John 21:1-14
Saturday 6th April	Mark 16:9-15

### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - 2nd Sunday of Easter**

Acts 4:32-35	Psalm 117:2-4, 15-18, 22-24
1 John 5:1-6	John 20:19-31

**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.**