

AEC Cathedral Parish

March 11 YR B/2 2018
4th Sunday of Lent



Weekly Mass Times

St Mary's Cathedral

Tue-Fri : 7.30am Mass

Sat : 6pm Mass

Sun : 10.30am & 6.00pm Masses

Sacred Heart Church

Tue/Wed/Thu : 9am Mass

Sat : 8.00am Mass

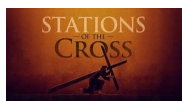
Sun : 8.30am Mass

Lawrenny Court Cnr Arthur and Hill Sts,
West Hobart Fri 10.30am Mass

Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation)

Sacred Heart Church : Sat following
8.00am Mass

St Mary's Cathedral: Sat 5-5.30pm



St Mary's Cathedral –
Friday 7.30pm Mar 16

Sacred Heart Church—Friday 10.30am
Mar 30.

Parish Reconciliation will be
held at 7pm on Thursday
March 15 at the Cathedral.



St Mary's Cathedral—Cnr Harrington & Patrick Streets, Hobart;
Sacred Heart Church—Cross St, New Town;

Responsorial Psalm: Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!

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!

Readings: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

Next Week's Readings: Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Dear parishioners, the Italian community wish to extend an invitation to all parishioners to join in this year with the San Carlo procession which will leave from the Cathedral following 10.30am Mass this Sunday March 11. The walk concludes at the Italian Club North Hobart, with fine food and wine and is always a lovely event.



Holy Week Events in our Parish (24th March-1st April)

Sat 24th March: Cathedral 6pm—Palm Sunday Vigil

Sun 25th March : Sacred Heart 8.30am—Palm Sunday

Cathedral 10.30am / 6pm—Palm Sunday

Tues 27th March : Cathedral 7.30pm—Mass of the Oils

Wed 28th March : Cathedral 7.30am; Sacred Heart Church—9am

Thurs 29th March : Cathedral 7.30pm—The Last Supper of the Lord

Fri 30th March : Sacred Heart Church—10.30am Stations of the Cross

Cathedral—3pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Sat 31st March : Cathedral 7.30pm—Easter Vigil

Sun 1st April : Sacred Heart Church 8.30am—Easter Sunday

Cathedral 10.30am—Easter Sunday



Holy Week

Theme: In Him was life, and that life was the light of men. The Light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it. (John 1:5-6)

"We can easily forgive a child who is afraid of the dark; the real tragedy of life is when men and women are afraid of the light" Plato. Today's discourse by Jesus in the Gospel is to Nicodemus. Nicodemus appears three times only in the Gospel of John. He first visits Jesus during the nights to discuss his teachings. (John 3:1–21) The second time Nicodemus becomes a mouthpiece of Christ where he reminds his colleagues in the Sanhedrin that the law requires that a person be heard before being judged (John 7:50–51). Finally, Nicodemus appears after the Crucifixion to provide 100 pounds of myrrh and aloes for the Jewish customary embalming the body of Jesus for burial (John 19:39–42). In his book Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week, Pope Benedict XVI observes that, "The quantity of the balm is extraordinary and exceeds all normal proportions. This is a royal burial." Christian tradition believes that Nicodemus was martyred because of his belief in Christ sometime in the 1st century AD.

It is to this man Nicodemus that Christ tells today: "that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light." This statement of Jesus teaches us three important Gospel realities: Firstly, it reminds us that we are not light neither darkness. Secondly, Christ is the light for he says "I am the light of the world." What does this brings to our mind: The creation story where God says on the first day itself "Let there

be light." Remember God created Sun and Moon on the fourth day but on the first day he created light. Light is the symbol of life, goodness and virtue. This light is universally considered desirable. So Christ stands as the light in the new creation and our desire for light is fulfilled in Christ. Thirdly and finally it is up to us to choose light or darkness. It is out there. If we are to decide whether we creep into that cave of darkness where we can't see ourselves as we really are or whether we walk into that open space where his light shines on us and we see ourselves as we are; we see the truth of ourselves. Seeing ourselves as we are is the most grace-filled moment in Lent. Because then we give the truth of our hearts to God. When we give the truth of our hearts, Christ creates each one of us as a new creation and we are born again.



The Greek word "ecclesia" used to refer to Church comes from the two Greek words "ek", meaning "out" and "kaleo", meaning "to call." So we are all as his possession "called out" called out of slavery to freedom, sin to salvation, despair to hope, an existence centred on death to an existence focused on life, darkness to light. May we all run to that light, that grace during this Lent.

Fr Shammi Perera



Dear parishioners,
Rosters for those parishioners who would like to do a reading at any of the Holy Week Masses and Liturgies at the Cathedral are now at the back of both Churches. Please write your name on the appropriate line along with your phone number and email address. I will then notify you closer to the time to confirm.
With thanks. Liz



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Coming shortly to the bookstall—a new range of Sacramental gifts, rosaries, statues and mementos.



The Cathedral Parish extends an invitation to people interested in volunteering to take the young children of the parish for liturgy (during the readings and homily) at 10.30am Mass and 6pm Mass on Sunday evening. On a rostered basis it would mean you need only do it every few weeks. (The Parish will pay for your Working With Children government card). Childrens' Liturgy continues this week during both Sunday Masses at the Cathedral. If you would like your child to attend Children's Liturgy during either Mass, please encourage them to join the other children as they process out before the First Reading. Please note all catechists have Working With Children approval.



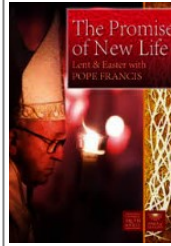
Dear parishioners,
Donations of biscuits, fresh or long life milk, plunger coffee and other kitchen items are gratefully accepted to cater for refreshments following our Masses. *With thanks.*



"Teas, coffees... drinks, snacks anyone?"

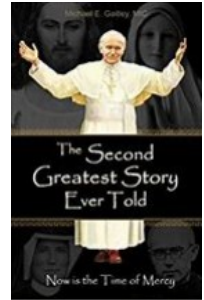
CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS Wed. March 14th St. Joseph's Church /side chapel; cnr. Harrington and Macquarie Sts. Catholic Charismatic Renewal warmly invites all to join us for our first Charismatic Mass for 2018. The evening commences at 7.30 pm with Songs of Praise and Worship and concludes with supper around 9pm. Di van Tienen 6227 1789/0447350379

You are invited to the Legion of Mary Annual Acies Ceremony : Saturday March 24 : 2pm at St Paul's Church, Paice St, Bridge-water. A plate to share for afternoon tea would be appreciated.

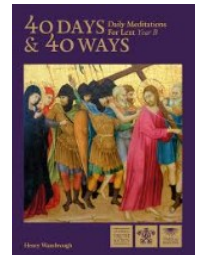


Lenten Reading—now in the bookstall. The Promise of New Life by Pope Francis—reflections and weekly challenges during Lent. \$10

In this vastly popular talk, **Fr. Gaitley** describes the second greatest story ever told - a story that encompasses Divine Mercy, the life of St. Pope John Paul II, and the crucial role that Marian Consecration can play in your life. \$27



40 Days & 40 Ways—Daily Meditations for Year B by Henry Wansbrough (CTS) \$10



ROBERT BARRON
with JOHN L. ALLEN, Jr.
TO LIGHT A FIRE ON THE EARTH

Proclaiming the Gospel in a Secular Age



Back in stock—As secularism gains influence, and increasing numbers see religion as dull and backward, Robert Barron wants to illuminate how beautiful, intelligent, and relevant the Catholic faith is. \$39

St Mary's College 150th Anniversary Fun Day

We welcome the community to the 150th Anniversary Fun Day on Saturday 17 May, 12.00-3.00pm on the St Mary's College convent lawns. Dress in colonial dress (or green in nod to our Irish roots) and enjoy complimentary food and entertainment. Old fashioned games, face painting, jumping castle, Irish music, birthday cake and more!



Open Day

St Mary's College warmly welcomes prospective parents and students to Open Day on Thursday 22 March, 9.30am-12.30pm. Take a tour, speak with our students and staff and see what we get up to on a regular day at St Mary's College. Tours depart regularly from 9.30am. Register on the day at Reception at the lower Brisbane Street entrance. enrol@smc.tas.edu.au or 6108 2560.

150th Anniversary Gala Dinner

Kick up your heels – it's time to party! We are very excited to announce that tickets to our 150th Anniversary Gala Dinner are now available for purchase. All members of the St Mary's College community are invited to join us in celebrating our major milestone by attending the dinner, which will be held from 5.30pm on Saturday 12 May 2018 at the Hotel Grand Chancellor Hobart. Tickets are \$89 a head (includes three courses and musical entertainment).

Dear parishioners, the horizontal bookstall in the Cathedral Centre suffered a little damage as a result of being moved/slid too regularly, so please ensure we do not move it for now. The plan is to attach wheels to the base in the future. *Thank you.*

In Times Past ...

One of the most amusing parts of the old Catholic Standard papers are editorial responses to correspondents. Letters from the public were an important source of information for the paper. They were often printed to convey news about rural parishes. Others were published because they contained reports from overseas, including Australia, New Zealand, and further afield. Some quoted other publications that someone thought might interest readers of the Standard. There were also some that more closely resemble modern 'letters to the editor', opinion pieces that were responding to an issue of the day. But some, rather tantalisingly, were unprintable.

Responding to these unprintable letters, the editor often wrote a short reply in a section 'To Correspondents'. Some of these were simply instructive, like the following from February 1871: 'Mr. N. – "Sulphur Creek." – Never send coin in a letter, for such letters are always registered by the Postmaster-General, and the person to whom it is addressed is compelled to pay the fees. For small amounts, postage-stamps are better, or post-office orders.' Whoever Mr. N. was, he wasn't alone. Other letters with money attracted similar complaints.

The authors were generally de-identified either by omission or the use of a non-deplume, but occasionally they were singled out and named. John Downs of Deddington, for example, was told in September 1870 that 'Every precaution is taken to prevent papers going astray; but if the correct address is not known to the publisher, can he be blamed?' It was a bit of a public slap down, so there may have been more to this story.

Much of the editorial letter-dodging was about the content or quality of the writing submitted for publication. A would-be poet in November 1870 was told bluntly: 'The sentiment good, but the versification incorrect.' And in January 1871 'A Poor Bushman' received the following interesting reply: 'Thanks for your letter, but it would serve no good end to publish it. As regards the person referred to we think it better "to leave him alone with the utmost severity.'" Whatever the Bushman described, it sounded juicy.



But short and dismissive quips were not the only means of editorial reply. In February 1872 one J. H. F. of Westbury was excoriated for a writing style that clearly got under the editor's skin: 'We have received your report of the concert at Westbury, but as the communication was not authenticated even by your name, we could not think of inserting it. Add to this, the fact that there were no less than sixteen mistakes in spelling on one page of foolscap, and some very indifferent grammar, and we shall be excused for not giving insertion to the paper.'

Dr Nick Brodie



In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop 2018 National Pilgrimage The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to significant places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop. Commence in Melbourne 23 October, travel through Victoria & South Australia, conclude in Sydney 3 November 2018.

COST EX HOBART: \$3,355.00 (all inclusive: airfares, accommodation, coach travel, admission fees and meals). SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$700.00

For further information, please contact Sr Therese Leydon 0417 683123 or Sr Annie Bond 02 89124818, or email national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au.

UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES: The Lamb's Supper (the Biblical roots of the Mass) on Tuesdays 10 & 24 Apr., 8 May, 1-3pm; and He Must Reign: The Kingdom of God in Scripture on Thursdays 12 & 26 Apr., 10 May, 10am-12pm. Encounter the link between our Catholic lives today and Scripture! Discover what God has revealed to his People in Scripture. Where: Murphy Room, Diocesan Centre, 35 Tower Rd, New Town. Cost: \$20 per course for study guide. Register: Dr Christine Wood, 6208-6236 or christine.wood@aohtas.org.au



Is God calling you to minister to the vulnerable and sick in our community? Calvary Hospitals are seeking Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist to join our team of voluntary Parish Visitors. You would bring the sacrament after Mass on one Sunday a month to be distributed to Catholic patients currently in our hospitals. This would require a monthly commitment of around one hour. There are vacancies at both our Lenah Valley and St John's South Hobart campuses. No experience required, just a heart for those in need and a willingness to be trained and endorsed by your parish priest. Speak to your parish priest regarding your interest, or if you have any further questions, contact Sean Conroy, Pastoral Care Manager for Calvary Hobart on 6278 5232.

Handel's Messiah

Farrall Centre—Friends' School, North Hobart.

Easter Saturday—March 31, 2pm

Door of Hope—South Launceston

Easter Monday—April 2, 2pm

With 80 choristers from the Lincoln Singers, Southern Voices, Men in Black and guest singers.

Soprano Helen Thomson (Hobart)

Soprano Tamsyn Stock Stafford (Launceston)

Mezzo-soprano Dr. Maree-Rose Jones, Tenor Christopher Bryg, Bass Michael Lampard, and the Boa Vista Strings orchestra; Tickets \$35 /\$30 conc. \$10 children 6-16 yrs.

Hobart: Bellerive Newsagency, Lindsfarne Newsagency and www.trybooking.com/REQO

Launceston: Barratt's Music, George St, and www.trybooking.com/TVUF



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 (remember to 'like/follow us' to stay up to date!)



Volunteer with Palms Australia-

Get out there and be the Church, "bruised, hurting and dirty" Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. Palms volunteers don't do quick fixes, but immerse themselves in overseas communities for long-term skill exchange. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, share them with our global family!



Contact Christine at Palms on 02 9560 5333 or go to www.palms.org.au/volunteer/

Dear parishioners,

The Cathedral grounds are reserved for parishioners Cathedral staff, tradies and people attending on business. We are extremely worried there will be a serious accident as relatives of school children are still parking in the carpark for school drop-offs and pickups. People are parking haphazardly, reversing with children darting around and also parking across our driveway. You will find a light weight chain across the 'in' driveway which will be put there at 2.30pm each day. Sadly it just means we will all need to get in and out of our cars if we visit during that time. You are welcome to unclick the chain and move it to the side to drive through and then put it back up again please. It will be straightforward and simple and we regret the inconvenience. It is our duty of care to ensure no harm comes to the children in the area.



Friday's Eucharistic Holy Hour—Spending time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is always time well spent. Each Friday, there is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 4.30 -5.30pm in the Cathedral. Join us for some singing, some time for silent prayer, some communal prayer (from the Prayer of the Church) and Benediction. All welcome. Queries, call Deacon Nick MacFarlane 0418 242 010



BEFORE THE SERVICE

THE CONGREGATION UNDERTAKE CAREFUL DEVOTIONAL PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP



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From Our Anniversary Book Vecchione Famly, Matrundola Family, Dorothea Connor, Mary Pugh, Helene Matternson, Kitt Martin, Ian Lowe, Mary Atkins, Desmond Orpwood, 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, William Warren, Eileen Burke, John Kelly, Walter Pauly, Guido Toffoli
May they rest in peace.



Dear Lectors please note! We have had to repair our lectern microphone numerous times as it is being pulled on very hard. You should not need to adjust it as it's very sensitive but you may, if really necessary, simply **tilt** the very **end** of it up or down. **Please do not pull on it.** Thank you!



10/11	SHC : 8.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
Greeter			Maria Respondek	TBA
Lector	Eva Dunn Elizabeth Longo Peter Tierney	Andrew Pinelli, Lorraine Dooley	Isaac Harradine, David Harradine	Lachlan Hutchinson, Andrew Hutchinson
EMOC		Andrew Pinelli, Colleen Stanford	David Shelverton, Suzanne Santiago, Angela Ritar	TBA