

Weekly Mass Times

St Mary's Cathedral

Tue-Fri : 7.30am

Sat : 6pm Mass

Sun : 10.30am & 6.00pm Masses

Sacred Heart Church

Tue/Wed/Thu : 9am

Sat : 8.00am Mass

Sun : 8.30am Mass

Lawrenny Court Cnr Arthur and Hill
Sts, West Hobart

Fri : 10.30am

Reconciliation

Sacred Heart Church : Sat following
8.00am Mass

St Mary's Cathedral: Sat 5-5.30pm

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

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my light and my salvation. **Gospel Acclamation:** Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Readings: Gen 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17—4:1; Lk 9:28-36 **Next Week's Readings:** Ex 3:1-8, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9;

'IT IS YOUR FACE O LORD THAT I SEEK, HIDE NOT YOUR FACE.' (Ps 27 v 9)

The Gospel for last Sunday's liturgy was taken from St. Luke 4:1-13. We heard once again about Jesus' victory over Satan and sin; 'the kingdom of light has won over the kingdom of darkness'. Jesus' victory over Satan's temptations gives us courage to persevere with our own efforts to avoid sin by listening to the voice of God within us, acting accordingly and allow the Word of God to sanctify our thoughts, words and actions especially during this Lenten season. 'Lord, make me know your ways, teach me your paths.' (Ps 25:4.) Our Lenten practices include fasting, alms-giving, prayer and repentance.

You may have noticed the contrast between last Sunday's Gospel story of 'Jesus' temptation in the wilderness' and the Gospel reading for today of the Transfiguration of Jesus with the witnesses being Peter, James and John. The synoptic Gospels of Mark, Matthew and Luke each record the following statement prior to their account of the Transfiguration. "Jesus said to them, "I tell you truly, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Kingdom of God. Is Jesus referring to Peter, James and John and their experience on the mountain? Eventually they would witness Jesus' suffering and death on the Cross. What does all this mean for us as we strive to build up the Kingdom of God in our time? Where do we meet Jesus face to face.?

In the wilderness Jesus' human vulnerability and integrity were being put to the test as Satan endeavoured to destroy the spirit of Jesus tempting him with greed, possessiveness and power. By contrast, today's reading highlights Jesus' loving relationship with his Father. Frequently

we are told throughout the Gospels that Jesus went off to a quiet place to be prayerfully united with his Father. On this occasion, Jesus appeared with the prophets Moses and Elijah in divine heavenly glory. The three apostles were frightened; no doubt so would we have been! Peter's mind was on an earthly dwelling. " Let's build three tents." The presence of God cannot be contained within a structure but is available to all of creation. The aspect of Jesus' face was changed. His clothes were as bright as lightening. For me this experience of Jesus speaks of a reward for his triumph over sin and an encouragement as he continued to face death while remaining faithful to his Father's will. From the cloud a voice was heard," This is my Son, the Chosen one, listen to him'.



Prayer must be the core foundation of our living. Through prayer we come to know more of the way Jesus responded to his Father's will and so can we. Through our daily scripture reflection and prayer we come to know just how much God loves each one of us. Because of our very existence and our baptismal we are God's children. One day we too will be see God face to face in all his heavenly glory . See you there!!! Glory be to you, Lord Jesus Christ. **Sr Monica Shelverton PBVM**

The Cathedral Parish Lenten Retreat will be held each day at 6.30-8pm from Monday March 25 concluding on Thursday March 28 with



Mass . Fr Chris Eaton, from the Missionaries of God's Love, will direct the retreat with the format being music of praise and worship, a reflection based on scripture and concluding with Adoration and Benediction. The final evening Fr Chris will celebrate Mass. We invite all parishioners to join with us in this special retreat. **FR CHRIS EATON** is a priest in the Missionaries of God's Love (MGL) and is well - known as the 'rapping priest'. Originally from Christ Church, New Zealand, he now lives in Melbourne in the MGL formation house, where he helps to train young men in their initial stage of formation as MGL's priests and brothers. Fr Chris is passionate about bringing the message of God's love to young people in new and creative ways.

In case you missed AVE last week, please welcome Fr Norberto Ochoa who has joined the Cathedral Parish as Priest in Residence to support Fr Shammi. Fr Norberto recently spent 5 years in Broken Bay Diocese after his arrival from his home Diocese of Daet in the Philippines.



Stations of the Cross will be held at 6.30pm each Friday in Lent, alternating between Sacred Heart Church and the Cathedral as follows:

Cathedral : March 22, April 5 (Passion Play—see overleaf)

Sacred Heart Church : March 15 and 29, April 12



Dear parishioners, please note the earlier times for some events in Holy Week

Palm Sunday Vigil :	6.00pm	Sat April 13	St Mary's Cathedral
Palm Sunday Mass :	8.30am	Sun April 14	Sacred Heart Church
Palm Sunday:	10:15am	Sun April 14	St. Mary's Cathedral
Chrism Mass:	7:00pm	Tues April 16	St. Mary's Cathedral

Sacred Paschal Triduum

Mass of the Lord's Supper:	7:00pm	Thurs April 18	St. Mary's Cathedral
Stations of the Cross:	10:00 am	Fri April 19	Sacred Heart Church
Passion of the Lord:	3:00pm	Fri April 19	St. Mary's Cathedral
Easter Vigil:	7:00pm	Sat April 20	St. Mary's Cathedral
Mass of the Resurrection:	8:30 am	Sun April 21	Sacred Heart Church
Mass of the Resurrection:	10:30am	Sun April 21	St Mary's Cathedral

Please note there are NO 7.30am Masses at the Cathedral or 9am Masses at Sacred Heart Church in Holy Week. There is no Lawrenny Court Mass on Good Friday - it resumes Friday 26th April.

Acts of Compassion - Day by Day

Excerpt from Compassion: Reflecting Sharing Living the Good News (Lent Year C)

© Archdiocese of Brisbane 2019. Used with Permission, Lent is a transformative time, a time to shed those habits that diminish us as human beings.

It was in prayer that Jesus was changed and transformed.

How can we use this period of Lent to commit to a time of prayer each day - or to an extra time of prayer each day? It could be as simple as a breath prayer prayed for just one minute:

Choose a simple prayer that can be prayed in two phrases - one on the in-breath and one on the out-breath, such as:

- Loving God ... bring peace; God of compassion ... live in me; Merciful God ... come near; 'Yes,' God ... I choose you;

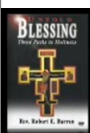
Prayer changes us. If our everyday activities became moments of prayer, we could be continuously transformed and become what we love. *Can our everyday lives be transformed, every moment with awareness of God's presence?*

Making beds - thanksgiving for sleep; for rest; for loving relationships; **Washing dishes and clothes** - cleanse me from my sins; make me whiter than snow - call to mind our sins and ask forgiveness; **Dusting** - we are made from dust and to dust we return. An opportunity to pray for others; **Gardening or caring for pets** - bringing to awareness the sacredness of all creation; **Cooking** - the gift of hospitality - sharing with others; nurture of body and soul; **Sweeping, mopping and vacuuming** - what are the things I want to let go of today? To sweep out of my life? **Packing the dishwasher** - a little examen - what needs to fit in my life, and what can be put aside? Driving the car or the sound of a siren - prayer for emergency service workers and those in distress.

"The discipline of prayer makes us stop and listen, wait and look, taste and see, pay attention and be aware... it actually demands much willpower and motivation...."

Every attempt to 'live it through' or to 'stay with it' is so contrary to our usual habits that all our impulses rise up in protest. But when discipline keeps us faithful, we slowly begin to sense that something so deep, so mysterious, and so creative is happening here and now that we are drawn towards it."

Henri Nouwen, Donald McNeill, Douglas Morrison, *Compassion: A Reflection on the Christian Life*, (p105).



Cathedral Parish Lenten Study Program now running. Robert Barron's *Untold Blessing* paints a beautiful and mysterious image of what it takes to be a follower of Jesus Christ.

He lays out 3 intriguing paths to holiness: Finding the centre; Knowing you're a sinner; Realising life is not about you. *Untold Blessing* continues Mondays 18/3-15/4 at 7-9pm or Wednesdays 20/3-17/4 10am-noon in the Cathedral Centre. **Info from Deacon Nick on 0418242010**

Dear parishioners,

We are hoping to locate two 'mini bus' drivers for Saturday March 30. We are looking to transport a group of parishioners to Launceston



on a spiritual pilgrimage on two separate buses. You would be needed from fairly early in the morning, arriving home by late afternoon. Please let Fr Shammi or the Cathedral Office know if you can assist. You must be licenced to drive a 30 seater bus.

With thanks.

Dear friends,



I wish to invite all the families from Arabic and Australian backgrounds, especially the families that have children aged five and above for our new Arabic language school. There will be an information session for all the parents who are keen to enrol their children on Saturday March 23rd at 10-11 am at St Mary's Cathedral centre on the 1st floor. Enrolments of your children can be done at this session and you will receive all the information on the day. Please pass the message to everyone in the community. Kindly contact Basma on basmanami2@yahoo.com or Naderah on 0470 359 234 for more information. Thank you. **Fr Shammi Perera**

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. Please let your children know also. Thank you!



Dear parishioners,

You are all warmly invited to the 2019 parish Passion Play at 6pm on Friday April 5 in the Cathedral. This time the Passion Play will be generously presented by drama students of Guilford Young College and St Mary's College. It will be a beautiful and blessed event to participate in during this Lenten season and we hope you can join us.



The Passion Play



Last Sunday following 10.30am Mass the parish held a farewell morning tea for Fr Emmanuel. Fr Emmanuel was presented with a framed photograph of himself in front of the painting of St Mary's Cathedral which hangs in the Cathedral Centre. He will take it with

him home to Nigeria to remember his time with us.

The parish Youth Group also made a presentation to Fr Emmanuel for his time, commitment and involvement with them. Thank you to everyone who donated cakes or their time for serving, preparation and clean-up.



"I wish to pass on my sentiments of gratitude to Archbishop Julian, Fr Shammi the Administrator, and to all the parishioners for their support to me these past 4 years and especially on the day of my farewell event. I sincerely invoke God's blessings upon you all."
Fr Emmanuel Ibeke



Faces of the Parish ~ Nicole De Gouveia



Which suburb do you live? Dynnryne
Which is your main Mass you attend? SHC or SMC depending on family commitments.
How long have you lived in Hobart? 18 years. I moved from South Africa with my parents, brother and some of my extended family.
Names of your immediate family members: Paul (Husband) Michael and Thomas, our two sons, Alice, my mother, Eddie, my father and Mathew my brother.
Your family background, place of origin, occupation: I grew up in Johannesburg, South Africa, but my family are of Portuguese heritage. I spoke Portuguese before I spoke English, but now my Portuguese is very poor! My family moved here in 2000 along with my uncle, aunt and cousins. I am a teacher at Sacred Heart College, a school that I am very proud of and that I am honoured to work in. I work with very generous and kind people and have met many amazing families during my time at the school. I met Paul in 2009 and we were married at the Cathedral in 2012. Our two boys have been baptised at the Cathedral too, and I drive past it every day on my way to work. I like that I have a physical reminder of the place that I've shared so many special occasions in every day.
Your hobbies: Does eating count? I love to sing, so it's not really a hobby, but I'm always singing some tune or other. I also love my indoor plants and I have a lovely collection growing at home.
Any ministries/charities you serve or are involved in: I have helped out with the Sacramental program in the past and hope to in the future too.
Any funny 'life stories' you would like to share: Too many funny stories. I'm the person that wears two different pairs of shoes to work, wears my shirt on inside out unknowingly etc... and I'm a little clumsy!

Are you new to our parish?

We welcome you to St Mary's Cathedral Parish!

To help you become involved in our parish life and any of the various ministries of the parish, please return this slip to the Cathedral Office or place it on the collection plate at any Mass.

We will then be in touch.....with thanks.

Name

Email

Phone

Address

Ministries you may be interested in: (please circle)

greeters, lectors, choir members, musicians, flower arrangers, childrens' liturgy, youth ministry, cleaners, setting up for morning teas, sewing, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, book stall attendant after Mass, office help, handyman work, gardening, organising special events/fundraising.

Would you like to meet our clergy and staff?

Just let us know and we'll arrange a visit!



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 Administrator Fr Shammi Perera
 Assistant Priest Fr Emmanuel Ibeke
 Priest in Residence Fr Norberto Ochoa
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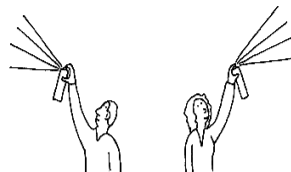
From Our Anniversary Book William Warren, Eileen Burke, John Kelly, Walter Pauly, Guido Toffoli, Michele Giura, Rosa Rello, Ernest McDonald, Maria Sofia di Noia, Mary News, Julian Donnelly, John Farrington, Clarke Henry, Mona Jones, Bernard Gillon, Margaret Connell, Mary Duggan, Bernard Shelverton, Giovanni Marino, Francis Fox, Sr. Mary Philbin, Christina Kesson, Anna Szeles, Rose Radic, Fr. Edmund Roche, Thomas Brennan, Phyllis Cronley, Bronislaw Kozak, Ted Cosgrove, Eileen Firman



May they rest in peace

CHURCH CLEANING

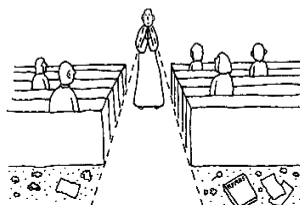
HOW TO MAKE IT SEEM AS IF YOU HAVE DONE A GOOD JOB



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IF IN DOUBT: PUT IT IN THE VESTRY

PROJECT COMPASSION

In the readings today, we hear of the loving promise made between God and Abram. On Mount Tabor God speaks of Jesus as 'beloved son' and urges Peter, James and John to "listen to him'. He urges them to listen to what Jesus has been saying. Jesus is moving towards Jerusalem and his eventual death and resurrection, a path on which we, as brothers and sisters of Jesus are invited. This journey is intended to help us discern our priorities, and to recognize that our responsibility for others goes beyond our immediate community. Our Project Compassion story this week is a story in two parts, revolving around connection with land and connection with people. Project Compassion invites us to accompany our Indonesian sister, Tati (pron. Tar-ti), as she sees in her Indigenous Dayak culture and land, a way of living sustainably while maintaining the integrity of her community. Tati's community depends on the native rainforests for cultural reasons, and for their livelihoods, but these vital habitats that are home to her community and to endangered orangutans, rhinos and tigers are being depleted by logging, the global use of palm oil and climate change. People depend on the forest and river for food and medicine, as well as having a spiritual connection to it. Caritas has been working with local communities to create new hope for a better future, by helping teach local people English and long-term, sustainable eco-tourism activities so they don't have to sell their land. The program has been one of transformation for Tati. She can now understand and see the world in a whole new way. For Tati and other people in her community, 'Hope' started with community. Through listening to the scriptures today and to Tati's story of transformation, this has the power to move us. We can be partners in working for hope for everyone. You can make your donation in the collection box available at the back of both churches.

Reminder : Regular Weekly Events

Fri 4.30-5.30pm : Cathedral—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction
Sat 11am : 2nd Floor Cathedral Centre—Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help



Dear parishioners, the cleaning ministry is a very important and often overlooked and under-appreciated (by many) part of the life of our parish. We are urgently seeking a couple of kind people who would be able to donate approx. 2 hours of their time on a Monday morning on a monthly basis to assist in cleaning the Cathedral Centre. Everything is supplied and you'd be joining a couple of lovely people who have been doing this for years. Please consider helping out and volunteering your time. Please contact Liz in the office. With thanks.



Dear parishioners,

It is wonderful to see so many people staying for fellowship following 10.30am Mass at the Cathedral. To assist us in providing for this, please remember to simply pop an extra packet of biscuits, long life milk or other morning tea supplies into your shopping basket to bring along. Or any coin donations are welcome on the day also. **With thanks.**

16/17	SHC : 8.30am Sun	SMC : 6.00pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
Greeter		TBA	Romilda Amorosa	TBA
Lector	Eva Dunn Michael Brown Debbie Brown	Andrew Pinelli, Sr Monica Shelverton	Kermeena Kahak, Brigid McKenna	Sr Monica Shelverton, Cathy Sullivan
EMOC	TBA	TBA, Colleen Stanford	Michael Midson, David Shelverton	TBA