

St Mary's Cathedral Parish



New Mass Times

St Mary's Cathedral Hobart

Tue-Fri : 7.30am & 12:15pm Masses

Sat : 5pm Mass

Sun : 9am, 10.30am, & 6.00pm Masses

Sacred Heart Church

Tue-Fri : 9am Mass

Sat : 8.00am Mass

Sun : 8.30am & 10:00am Masses

Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation)

St Mary's Cathedral Hobart:

Tue-Fri: 11:45am-12:05pm

Sat: 4:30pm-4:50pm

Sacred Heart Church: Friday after 9am Mass

19th July 2020, 16th Sunday in
Ordinary Time Year A

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

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, you are good and forgiving.

Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia!, Alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of
heaven and earth; you have revealed
to little ones the mysteries of the
kingdom.
Alleluia!, Alleluia!

This week's Readings: Wis 12:13, 16-19; Rom 8:26-27; Mt
13:24-43

Next Week's Readings: 1 Kg 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30;
Mt 13:44-52

CONTINUING CATHEDRAL RESTORATION

This weekend, His Grace Archbishop Julian Porteous will be launching the commencement of the interior restoration of St Mary's Cathedral, Hobart.

Continuing the process that commenced in the early 2000s, which concluded with the construction of the Cathedral Centre and crypt, we are progressing onwards to restoring work on the interior of the Cathedral itself in the following aspects:

- Exhumation of Archbishops buried within the Cathedral and reinterment in the Cathedral Crypt
- Restoration of the Cathedral Sanctuary
- Installing in-floor heating
- Levelling, sanding, and polishing the wooden floorboards.
- Installing LED lighting
- Addressing disability access



The Cathedral restoration project, overseen by the Cathedral Restoration Committee, respects the Cathedral's original neo-gothic architecture and layout while keeping the design in line with the style and liturgical aspects of the Cathedral. The work will occur progressively over the coming months. More information will be provided in the upcoming issue of the Catholic Standard.

The Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council has been consulted by His Grace as the representative body of the Parish Community and will continue to keep the Parish informed as the project progresses.

Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council also wishes to acknowledge and thank for the on-going dedicated work of the Cathedral Restoration Committee.

We invite you to pray in the coming months for the restoration of the Cathedral through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the patroness of our Cathedral.

Michael and Debbie Brown

(Joint Chairs of the Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council)

Behind every problem is a lesson

Jesus addresses us today with the parable of the good seed and the darnel/weed in a field (Mt 13:24-43). A farmer who plants a good seed hopes to harvest its fruits someday. Yet no matter how good a farmer is, he or she will always encounter the presence of some undesirable guests (weeds) among the good seeds in the field. Although weeds consume the time, energy and resources of a farmer, their presence is important for they test the viability of the seeds as well as the competence of the farmer.



In the life of faith, there are many weeds/darnels. These weeds are the challenges, problems and difficulties of life. Not only are the challenges of life around us, sometimes they are within us - How to love like Christ, forgive those who hurt us, overcome sins and temptations, and trust in God at all times, etc. Like weeds in a field of good seeds, they are usually uninvited and definitely time-consuming. Yet they are the very things that test that authenticity of our faith in God. As the scripture says – “Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.” James 1:12. In today’s second reading (Rom 8:26-27), we are reminded of the faithfulness of God. He never ceases to hear our cries and pleas for help. Instead of trying to uproot the various darnels and weeds in our lives with our own strength, let us turn to the Lord in prayer for he is the surest helper.

Fr. Fidelis Udousoro

Weekly Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Kindly be advised starting from Friday, 17th July, there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction at St. Mary’s Cathedral between 11am and 12pm every Friday with Mass at 12:15pm. During this hour the Sacrament of reconciliation will be available.



Sunday Plate Collection



In the interest of public safety and following government recommendations we are temporarily not passing collection plates around for monetary collections or planned giving offerings. However, Parishioners can still make their contributions by putting their weekly offerings or planned giving envelopes in the Collection boxes kept in the foyer.

Thank you!

National Vocations Awareness Week 2020, 2nd to 9th August

NVAW Week - 2 August

National Vocations Awareness Week – This is a week for the entire Church to consider, support and pray for those searching for their vocations in life. We might think about and pray for the young people in our community and in our families this week especially. In prayer, ask the Lord to enlighten them and give them the grace and courage to respond to His call. The Lord calls each of us to a particular vocation (marriage, consecrated life, priesthood or a single life of service).

NVAW Week – 9 August

National Vocations Awareness Week - This week we celebrated the Feast of St Mary of the Cross McKillop. Our first Australian born canonised saint. St Mary took bold new directions in education and care of children. We know her saying ‘Never see a need without doing something about it’. We pray this week that many young people in our communities may embrace this spirit in response to the call of the Lord to serve as priests or consecrated religious.

Deacon Steven Paul Smith Ordination to the Priesthood Friday, 24 July 2020

The Archdiocese of Hobart, together with the Smith family, cordially invite you to join the celebration of the Ordination to the Priesthood of Dcn Steven Paul Smith on Friday, 24th July 2020 at 7 pm at St Mary's Cathedral Hobart.



Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we invite you to join the celebration via live-stream broadcast of Dcn Steven's Ordination on YouTube. To view live-streaming, please go to [YouTube.com.au](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qx_BodiefhM) and search for Archdiocese of Hobart or alternatively refer to the link below:

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Thank you!

Deacon Chathura Ranmuni Silva Ordination to the Priesthood Friday, 31 July 2020

The Archdiocese of Hobart, together with the Ranmuni Silva family, cordially invite you to join the celebration of the Ordination to the Priesthood of Dcn Chathura Ranmuni Silva on Friday, 31st July 2020 at 7 pm at the Church of the Apostles, Launceston.



Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we invite you to join the celebration via live-stream broadcast of Dcn Chathura's Ordination on YouTube. To view live-streaming, please go to [YouTube.com.au](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9BMfU-84hns) and search for Archdiocese of Hobart or alternatively refer to the link below:

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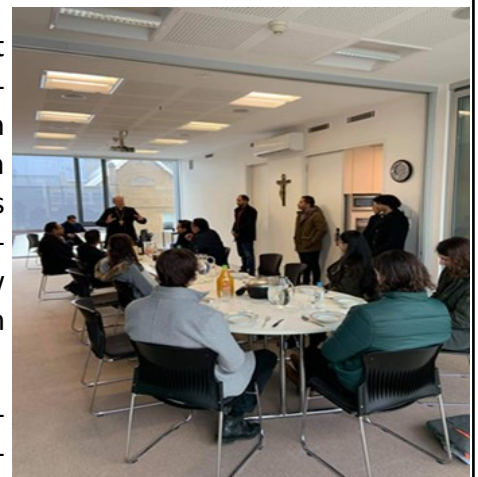
Thank you!

St Mary's Cathedral Youth Group Session Recommenced

St Mary's Cathedral Youth Group gathered back together for their first formal session since COVID-19 began back in March. The youth gathered together for Prayer Sunday which was lead by the new Youth Group Chaplain, Father Leonard OFM. His Grace Archbishop Julian Porteous blessed the group with his presence. The opening speeches were by His Grace and Parish Administrator & Priest Fr Shammi Perra. Father Leonard spoke on the Franciscan form of prayer and how young people should relate to God and grow their relationship with Him, particularly through the way they pray.

It was a fabulous time spent together over a delicious meal and dessert cooked by the Youth Group Leaders. It was a truly blessed gathering and the Youth Group looks forward to seeing everyone for next

Sunday's session (July 19th) on the Chosen Series for Study Sunday at 12pm on level 1 of the Cathedral Centre. Please feel free to join us and invite your friends!



HONOURING THE FATHERHOOD OF GOD - SUNDAY AUGUST 2ND AT 2PM St. Mary's Cathedral, Hobart.

Father Michael Gaitley, MIC, from the Divine Mercy Shrine in the USA, has recently published another book - "33 Days to Greater Glory". In it he recommends a greater awareness of the love that God the Father has for us, His children. He believes this is the solution for such a time of turmoil in personal lives, the world and the Church.

Father Gaitley encourages us to be consecrated in the truth of our sonship in imitation of Jesus who, as Son, was consecrated to the Father. When we proclaim "Abba, Father" we embrace this truth - a truth that will set us free and give us peace amidst all the uncertainty.



The annual Mass honouring the Fatherhood of God the Father will be held at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 2nd August. It will commence at 2pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and conclude with Benediction at 2.45pm. Mass will follow at 3pm. During this time there will be an opportunity to make our consecration to God our Father.

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Feast Days (20th-25th July, 2020)

St. Camillus (July 18), St. Apollinaris (July 20), St. Lawrence of Brindisi (July 21), St. Mary Magdalene (July 22), St. Bridget (July 23), St. Sharbel (July 24), St. James (July 25)

Highlight of the week

St. Mary Magdalene (July 22) Feast Day

Mary Magdalene is considered to be a saint by the Catholic, and by the Eastern Orthodox, Anglican, and Lutheran churches. In 2016 Pope Francis raised the level of liturgical memory on July 22 from memorial to feast. Other Protestant churches honor her as a heroine of the faith. The feast of St. Mary Magdalene is considered one of the most mystical of feasts, and it is said that of all the songs of the saints, that of Mary Magdalene is the sweetest and strongest because her love was so great.



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Dear Parishioners and Friends in Christ

I wish to announce, that we have secured a Covid-19 safe "Tap & Go" Donation Point. Now you are welcome to make your donations through bank cards (credit or debit cards).

Thank you!

Fr. Shammi Perera

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"The good news is you'll stay here.
The bad news is your luggage has
gone to hell."

From Our Anniversary Book

Gemma Vigolo, Celestina Di Felice, Kathleen Whittaker, Gina Colla, Stella Stafford, John & Mary Hanrahan, Mary Sheehan, Catherine Carroll, Bruno Giudici, Gina Vivarelli, John Davis, Michael Carroll, Ila Cox, Gertrude Cosgrove, Francis Shelverton, Christina McGuire, Trevor Williams, Maria Fantini, Kiaus Assman, Cyril Shirley, Giovanni Di Monda, Vincenzo and Sebastiano Allocca, Martin McShane, Ernest White, Sheila Stephens, Richard Darcey, Ellen Nolan, William Hogan, Donato Palermo, David Donaghy, Mary Langdale, George Wilson, Harry Thompson, Yvonne Brierley, Lucy Jarvis (SSJ), Barbara Morgan, John Fahey, Mary Jeffrey, Mary Lily Power, James Sexton, Sante Cerone, Molly Shelverton, Rodney Howell, John Green.

May they rest in peace !

