



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

Responsorial Psalm: This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

Readings: Acts 10:34, 37-42; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9;

Next Week's Readings: Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

Dear parishioners, please note there is NO Mass on Easter Sunday evening.

Reminder : please return your
Project Compassion boxes.



Jesus Is Risen. Indeed He Is!

Blessings and Peace to all this Easter.

Today we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus our Saviour. Without our confidence that Jesus has risen from the

dead, we would not have had the strength to even think about His passion and death, let alone celebrate it. As St Paul says, "if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain" (1 Cor 15:14). Without the resurrection we would all be wasting our time.

But we can have great confidence that Jesus is risen from the dead. The bodily resurrection of Jesus is actually one of the best attested facts in all of ancient history. In today's Gospel (John 20:1-9) we have some very compelling evidence. When St Peter and St John heard that Jesus's grave was empty, they ran there to find out what had happened. They saw that the body was gone but that the grave-clothes, the shroud that had been wrapped round Jesus' body and the cloth that had been wrapped round His head, were still there! This is very strong evidence against the story that Jesus' body had been stolen by grave robbers. They would never have had time to take the grave clothes off the body during a robbery. And certainly not had time to fold them up neatly as had been



done with the cloth round Jesus' head. Even more telling, grave-robbers would never have left the grave-clothes in the tomb, because these large pieces of cloth were quite valuable. In fact, they were the only

things in the grave that were valuable!

These were the sort of thoughts which must have been going through the minds of St Peter and St John as they stared into the empty tomb. St John says that when he went in, "he saw and he believed." Suddenly, he started to grasp what Jesus had said would happen – that He would rise from the dead. He tells us he had failed to understand that the Scriptures had also foretold this.

St Peter and St John were transformed by the realization that Jesus was alive – that He had risen from the dead. They spent the rest of their lives proclaiming their faith in the risen Jesus. They travelled far and wide to proclaim that Jesus, the Son of God, who died for us, was raised up to glory, body and soul. The fact of Jesus' resurrection changed their lives completely. Because Jesus lives, they knew that they too could have eternal life in Him. Dear brothers and sisters, so can we.

Deacon Nick MacFarlane



On behalf of Archbishop Julian Porteous, the Parish Priest, I extend my sincere thanks to all the parishioners who generously contributed with their time and resources in the celebration of the Paschal Mystery during the Holy Week. I would like to offer a token of appreciation to a few individuals in particular....

Fr Emmanuel Ibeke, our assistant priest, Deacon Nick McFarlane; Sr Monica Shelverton, the Parish Pastoral Associate; Chris Appleton, Ros Giudici, Maureen Chisholm, Anna Osuchowski and Moana Muller, our beloved sacristans, for their commitment and tireless dedication; Ben Mackey our Director of Music and Jo-Anne Kemp our Assistant Director and all our long standing wonderful choir members from both Sacred Heart and the Cathedral, including Cathy Murrowood and her Sunday evening choir; Michael McKenna, the Master of Ceremonies to the Archbishop; both senior and junior Altar Servers for Cathedral and New Town Churches; Liz Horne, Cathedral Office Manager; Chris Wroblewski (for his dedication in the preparation of our booklets); Audrey Storey and Ros Giudici for our beautiful flowers and all the wonderful volunteers—especially Colleen Stanford, Stan Murrowood, Anne Shirley, Kaye Harrington, Michael and Aniela Marshall; the Matuszek family for their work with our youth; the Toohey family who keep our grounds in order; Chris Appleton and her wonderful Cathedral Centre cleaning team of Aniela Marshall, Angela Ng and Gillie Payne; greeters, lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of Communion and our loyal parish money counting team. **Shalom! Alleluia! Fr Shammi Perera, Cathedral Administrator**

Dear visitors to our parish,

We are thrilled that you have chosen to join with our parishioners today for worship as we celebrate our risen Saviour, Jesus Christ.

May your lives be touched by the true meaning of Easter and may God bless you and your families on this joyful day.

**Fr Shammi Perera
Administrator**

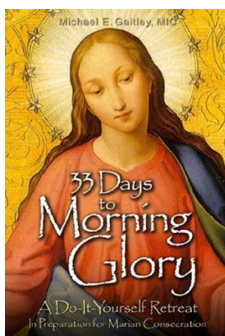


Two Alpha Courses Starting After Easter The Parish Alpha Team will be running two new Alpha Courses starting after Easter. The evening course will be held in the Cathedral Centre from 7:00 to 9:00 pm on Mondays and will start on the 9th of April. The morning course will be held in the Sacred Heart Parish Centre from 9:15 to 11:15 am on Wednesdays and will start on the 11th of April. Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith. Come for a bite to eat, watch a talk and have a chat. A great experience for active Catholics and also a way for those who have got a bit isolated to get back into things. Check out Alpha at alpha.org.au. For further info, or to let us know you are coming, call Deacon Nick on 0418 242 010 or Moana on 0476 030 535.



A Journey to Consecration to Jesus through Mary

Dear parishioners, after Easter, the parish will offer a 33-day group retreat focused on personal consecration or entrustment to Jesus through Mary. St Louis de Montfort assures us that this consecration or entrustment, is the surest, easiest, and most perfect means to becoming a saint. St John Paul II said that this devotion was a decisive turning point in his life. The retreat will require attendance at a group session for 6 weeks from 5:45 to 7:15 pm on Friday evenings starting on Friday 13th April. Each participant must also get a copy of Fr Michael Gaitley's beautiful book *33 Days to Morning Glory* (available from www.bookdepository.com) to use every day on this extraordinary 33-day journey to Marian consecration **with four giants of Marian spirituality: St Louis de Montfort, St Maximilian Kolbe, St Mother Teresa of Calcutta, and Pope St John Paul II.** It is essential that **intending participants confirm their participation with Deacon Nick MacFarlane on 0418 242 010 prior to commencement.**



Dear parents of Sacramental Program candidates,

We have a new large delivery to our bookstall of lovely items to purchase as gifts for your children to commemorate their First Eucharist and Confirmation. Please be so kind as to pass this information on to family members who may also be seeking a gift. **With thanks.**



The "Tasmanian Catholic Youth Festival" (TCYF) will be held on 16 and 17 May 2018 in Launceston and Hobart respectively with a fantastic line-up of speakers and performers. They include US singer/songwriter and ACYF performer Steve Angrisano, entrepreneur and Oneplate charity founder

Therese Nichols, and many more! The festival will consist of a day session which will be open to all school students from years 8-12 followed by a night rally that will be open to all young people until 30 years of age. More information on the festival will be out shortly. Info via youth@aohtas.org.au

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

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WITH JOHN L. ALLEN, Jr.
**TO LIGHT A FIRE
ON THE EARTH**
Proclaiming the Gospel in a Secular Age



'Before I was on The X Factor Australia, before I performed for a pope ... I was an alienated, messed-up teenager.' **The story of Fr Rob Galea is a journey from desperation to hope.** Struggling under the weight of addiction and depression, Fr Rob was considering ending his life when redemption came through a phone call. It's a powerful story about recovery, redemption and faith, and is told by one of the most charismatic priests of our time. **Limited copies in our bookstall—\$27**

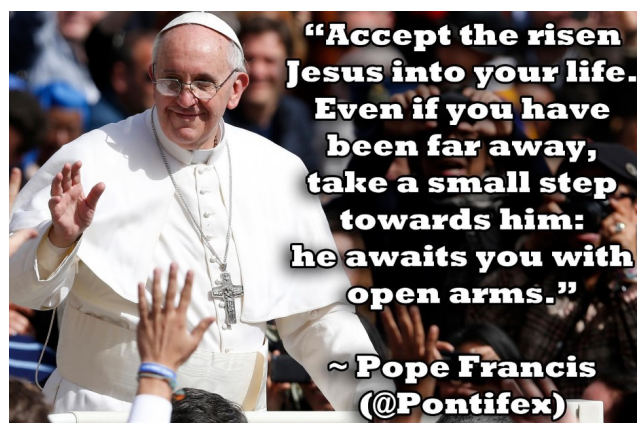


Now in the bookstall—a new range of Sacramental gifts, rosaries (including crystal, hematite and lapis), statues and mementos.



Divine Mercy Sunday on 8th April will be celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral.

2.00pm Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Reconciliation; 3.00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by Benediction and Mass with Archbishop Julian Porteous as main celebrant. Enq: Maree 6228 7108.



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



Easter Should Be An Eye Opener

by Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI

Easter is mostly about waking up. It's Easter when God and spring susurrate through the veins of nature giving frozen earth and frozen hearts a wake-up call. That call is ever needed. The human proclivity is towards sleep. Without outside revelation, the trumpet blast announcing resurrection, a divine force opening tombs, and God whispering new life inside of us, our preoccupations and obsessions invariably render us blind as bats – left to fly by radar.

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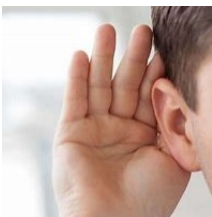
It's a strange irony! We spend our lives searching for life in its rarity and we hardly notice Easter and spring. It's Easter and we are heavy in spirit. Resurrection is all around and we are feeling old! Why? Why so blind to spring and resurrection? Classical spiritual writers have always affirmed a connection between morality and epistemology. That's a sophisticated way of saying that how we live morally affects our eyesight, our perception of reality. Moral laxity, sin, and lack of faith, cloud vision. That's very true and our propensity to sleep through the resurrection, obviously, has something to do with our less than perfect faith and morals. However, I believe, in the end the problem is not so much our badness as our busyness, our sin as our obsessions.

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We've no time for the examined life, for contemplation, to notice spring and resurrection. "The plant must run!" as Merton once put it. There is little time or energy left after that has been taken care of.

Sadly, this is true even of our preaching of the Gospel. We are so busy teaching the Gospel, learning the Gospel, running religious programs, administering sacraments, and making sure the religious plant runs that there is precious, little, if any, time and energy left to actually live the Gospel. We have to spend so much time talking about God that, at a point, there is no time to listen to God any more. To this we add restlessness and emotional obsessions. Here too we differ from past ages. We are more restless, more dis-eased, than they. People have always been restless and prone to obsessions, but our age militates against restfulness and literally invites obsessions. They are the pain and the narcissism which makes us unaware of spring and resurrection and the whispering of God about newness and stones being rolled back. We don't notice spring and resurrection because, outside of our heartaches and headaches, we hardly see anything at all. The earth is ablaze with the fire of God, with sights, sounds, smells, touches and tastes that are enough to make anyone want to take one's shoes off. There's resurrection a plenty! Mostly it goes unnoticed. We sleep the sleep of heartaches and headaches!

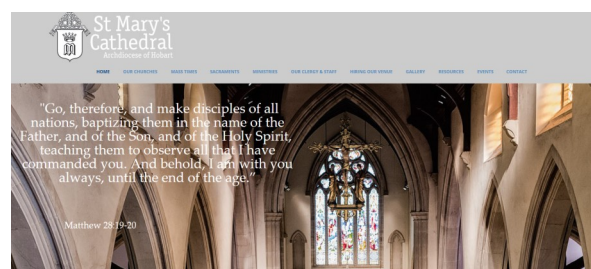
It's the time for spring and resurrection. I doubt there will be any resurrection trumpets loud enough to blast the narcissistic hell out of us. Mostly resurrection is about susurrection, whispering. God whispers a lot. There are all kinds of secrets to be heard. Spring and Easter is a good season, for looking and listening.



All young adults are invited to a new weekly event that will be held in St Mary's Cathedral called Hobart Haven. This event is a chance for young people to get away from the noise and rush of daily life and simply spend some time with Jesus. Hobart Haven will run every Wednesday from 6-7pm at St Mary's cathedral and will include: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, time for silent prayer, hymns, scripture reflection, chance for Confession and Benediction. The first Hobart Haven will be held in Holy Week on Wednesday 28 March with Archbishop Julian Porteous who will be presiding on the night.



Reminder! This is an open invitation to all parishioners, sacramental parents, people being married and parents of baptised children, Alpha participants and RE's of schools. **Please take photos of your events and email them to cathedraloffice@bigpond.com or sms them to 0408 778 152.** We'd love to add to our collection within the parish gallery. **With thanks.**



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, garden- ing, organising special events/fundraising.

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



Rachel's Vineyard has helped many men and women to move on with hope. You are not alone, there is hope after an abortion experience. We can help, our next Rachel's Vineyard retreat for healing after abortion will be held in Hobart, on Aug 31st to Sept 2nd. To speak to someone please call Anne Sherston on the confidential phone line 0478599241.



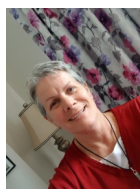
Friday's Eucharistic Holy Hour—Spending time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is always time well spent. Each Friday, there is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 4.30-5.30pm in the Cathedral. Join us for some singing, some time for silent prayer, some communal prayer (from the Prayer of the Church)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

Queries, call Deacon Nick MacFarlane 0418 242 010



Welcome Ben Mackey and Jo-Anne Kemp!

In case you missed last week's AVE, some of our parishioners will know Ben Mackey who has been studying in the UK, and who will be playing the organ for us through Holy Week and the coming few weeks. Ben will then resume studies in the UK before rejoining us in his official capacity of Director of Music as of October this year. Welcome Ben! Also, Jo-Anne Kemp has been acting as our Choir Director for some months now and has agreed to take on the role of Deputy Director of Music effective immediately. Jo has done a wonderful job helping us over a period of change and transition and we are grateful for her efforts. **Please make Ben and Jo-Anne welcome when you see them!**



Images from Palm Sunday and the Mass of the Oils this last week....



Upcoming Events at Maryknoll May 2018 - A series of talks by Fr Chris Hope

May 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th 10-12 noon "Peter and the Others"
 Four talks on the disciples and followers of Jesus.
 All Welcome. For further information, please contact Sr Margaret Henderson RSM on 0418 366 923. Maryknoll Retreat and Conference Centre 15 Home Avenue Blackmans Bay

From Our Anniversary Book William and Maria Mackey, Giulia Longo, 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, Marian O'Rourke, Vida Legro, Enid Miller, Fr. Joseph Howe, Sr. Anne Wilkinson-Thompson, Edward Dabrowski **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!



31/1	SHC : 8.30am Sun	SMC : 7.30pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
Greeter			Romilda (other helpers welcome)	TBA
Lector	Fred Tojino Amchana Charko Merin Charko	As per Easter Vigil special roster	As per Easter Sunday special roster	No Mass
EMOC				TBA