## 239 Cathedral Parish November 3, 2019 YR C/1 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time



#### **Weekly Mass Times** St Mary's Cathedral

Tue-Fri: 7.30am Sat: 6pm Mass

Sun: 10.30am & 6.00pm Masses

**Sacred Heart Church** Tue-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

Rosary

Sacred Heart Church: Sat 7.30am

On Wednesday 20th November 2019 at 7 pm at St Mary's Cathedral will take place a Red Wednesday Prayer Service. Red Wednesday Prayer Service is an annual event organised by the Catholic Church throughout the world to pray for the persecuted Christians and for religious freedom around the world. During the prayer service we will hear from two Catholic Christians who will share their own experiences of persecution. Archbishop Julian Porteous will attend the prayer service and following the prayer service, there will be refreshments at the Cathedral Centre. Let us join in to pray for our persecuted Christian brothers and sisters around the world.



#### Archdiocesan entry in the 2019 Myer **Hobart Christmas Pageant**

The Archdiocese of Hobart would like to invite children and their parents/ guardians (optional) to be a part of our walking nativity scene in the 2019 Myer Hobart Christmas Pageant on Saturday 16th November. Participants are required from 9 am - 12pm. Children are given the choice to dress up as either an angel, shepherd or sheep. To register your interest ben.smith@aohtas.org.au or 6208 6036.

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

Responsorial Psalm: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! God loved the world so much, he gave us

his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Alleluia!

Readings: Wis 11:22—12:2; 2 Thess 1:11—2:2; Lk 19:1-10

**Next Week's Readings**: 2 Macc 7:1-2, 9-14; 2 Thess 2:16—3:5; Lk 20:27-38

Early in his Pontificate when a journalist questioned Pope Francis: "Who is Jorge Bergoglio?" (Which is the Pope's original name), he humbly responded: "I am a sinner." This is truth expressed in humility. In saying those words, the Pope spoke for all of us, without exception. He saw all of us lost and yet struggling to catch a glimpse of the sight of Christ in our own spiritual journey.

With this in mind, let us see the historical background from which Zacchaeus hails. Zacchaeus is introduced in the first verse of the Gospel as a wealthy tax collector. Tax collectors were hated by most Jews at the time of Jesus for two reasons. Firstly, the taxes they collected were going to support Rome – a foreign, Gentile power that was an unwelcome occupying force in Palestine. The Jews' taxes were paying the wages of the army that occupied their country, so tax collectors were seen as collaborators with the enemy, Imperial Rome. Secondly, the system of tax collection paved the way for abuse and corruption. Tax collectors were required to collect a certain amount from their district; any excess they collected was theirs to keep that was their income. Now you could understand why the Jews treated tax collectors with derision and utter contempt.

Zacchaeus, the enthusiastic sightseer was being sought by an even more enthusiastic insight-seer. Jesus of Nazareth was and is the Divine Seer into the heart. Jesus looked at Zacchaeus and saw him in a double perspective. He saw Zacchaeus not only as he was but also as he could become, was destined to become if only he would respond to the grace on offer. 'Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold.' This is what he could become and in reality what he became; something that Christ alone could foresee.

Sunday after Sunday, we come to Mass to catch a glimpse of Jesus. At Mass, we are graciously given a perspective which allows us to see Jesus in the Scriptures and in the Sacrament. While we catch a glimpse of Him in the Scriptures and the Sacrament, He is gazing at us. The reality is we are in the real presence of the One who is seeking us out. He sees me as I am. He sees you as you are. He sees the person I am capable of becoming; He sees the person you are capable of becoming. This way of looking at us is Christ's offer of friendship. As Jesus tells his disciples: 'I no longer call you servants but friends.' So he wants us to treat our neighbours in the same way and to look at them without any preconceived ideas, without bias and without prejudice. So let us ask for grace and blessings from the Lord to approach our neighbours as Jesus did with Zacchaeus.

Let us pray:

Oh stay at our house, Jesus

And spend time with us as you did with Zacchaeus. Let our hearts run over with the joy you bring, And spread it to everyone, everywhere;

Gladly give it to your poor,

And to our neighbours in the same way Zacchaeus did.

Fr. Shammi Perera



This year to assist the office, please ensure you submit your loved ones' names for inclusion in the Book of the Dead in large, clear printing. It is often very difficult and time consuming to decipher long hand. Please write the names of the deceased on the **front** of the envelope. With thanks.





## 'FORMED' has been updated!

(Note: you may find that Chrome is a better browser in which to view Formed)

#### The new FORMED

platform has improved performance and an enhanced search tool. It allows offline playback and you no longer have to remember a password because access is now simply through your e-mail address. For existing subscribers, just visit formed.org then click 'Sign In' and enter your email address. You will be sent an e-mail, and when you click on the link in the email you're in. No more passwords. You can stay signed in even when you close your browser or your device is off. When you go back to formed.org just click on 'sign in' and you can start watching again. If you sign out, then to get back in, just go to formed.org again and click 'sign in' and an e-mail will be sent to you, then click – you're back in. For parishioners wanting to join our FORMED group account, the process has become even easier than it was. Go to formed.org and click 'Sign Up'. On the next page select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization." Find our parish by name, "St Mary Cathedral 164 Harrington St Hobart TAS" Enter your email address and you will be sent an e-mail - and you're in!

#### Immaculata Mission School 2020 is a 10 day live-in

formation school for young people, with talks on the faith from awesome speakers, daily Mass & prayer, Eucharistic Adoration, praise &



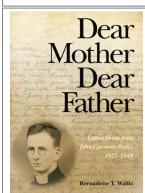
worship, fun & fellowship & lots more! It runs 1-10 Jan, The Glennie School, Toowoomba QLD for 15-35 year olds. Guest speaker: Dr Ralph Martin (USA), Professor of Sacred Theology, international speaker on evangelisation and the spiritual life. Dr Martin is a consulter to the Pontifical Council for the New Evangelisation. Other guest speakers: Archbishop Julian Porteous, Vince Fitzwilliams, James Parker, Jess Leach, Paul Elarde, Sisters of the Immaculata & more. \$390 (cost includes all accomm, food, speakers and activities) before 18 Nov, \$450 after 18th

Nov www.sistersoftheimmaculata.org.au/ims or 406 372 608

#### Dear Parishioners,

As part of the Safe Communities Program, we would like to remind parents that it is their responsibility to escort children/minors to the bathroom during Masses. Also, children should not be left to run around unattended either within the Cathedral, the Cathedral Centre or the grounds. It is important that parents can see their children at all times. Last Wednesday the parish community attended a presentation by Tassie Strafkos from the Archdiocese of Hobart outlining the Safe Communities framework and the undertaking of the Parish. If you missed this event and would like the information please contact the parish office. Also a reminder, that all volunteers within the parish community need to have a current police check and a Working with Vulnerable People registration. This is a directive from the outcome of the Royal Commission and is supported by the Australian Bishop's Conference and the Archdiocese of Hobart. Our parish will be audited on our compliance next year so it is very important paperwork is submitted now. Please contact Liz Horne in the parish office to discuss.

> With thanks Fr Shammi Perera



The Missionary Sisters of Service invite you to the book launch of Dear Mother Dear Father—100 letters written by John Wallis: to be launched by Archbishop Adrian Doyle.

Tuesday 19 November : 6pm for 6.30pm start 2nd Floor St Mary's Cathedral Centre.

Info 0411 058 046 or mssadmin@missionarysisters.org.au

The Way to St James Pilgrimage is on again in 2020, and registrations are now open. (Early bird pricing finishes 15 Nov). Inspired by the famous Spanish El Camino of St James, this two day pilgrim walk will take you through the scenic and peaceful Huon Valley to a celebration at the Spanish mission styled



Church of St James, nestled in the heart of Cygnet. Through fellowship, reflection, rejoicing and ritual you will find an opportunity to reconnect with the spiritual dimensions of your life. The pilgrimage commences on Sat 11 Jan 2020 10.30am at the Mountain River Community Hall, and finishes on Sun 12 January 2020 at approx. 5pm at St James church, Cygnet in the midst of the wonderful Cygnet Folk Festival. For further info/registering: www.waytostjames.com.au

Or httpsL//www.facebook.com/waytostjamescygnet/

#### 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.

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Email	
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# WELCOME

## Ministries you may be interested in: (please circle)

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



The parish would like to offer our sincere gratitude to Aniela Marshall (pictured) and Gillie Payne (photo to follow) for their years of service in the cleaning of the Cathedral Centre. Additionally our humblest thanks to Michael Marshall (pictured) for his years of assistance with carpentry and all manner of odd jobs in the Parish churches. A lovelier couple you will not find and we offer God's blessings and our humble prayers for them. Gillie Payne has selflessly travelled from Cygnet for years on a fortnightly basis to assist Aniela, sometimes braving frost and extremely early morning buses in the dark. We will track her down for a 'Kodak moment' in the near future! Also a belated birthday wish to Michael for last Sunday and for Fr Shammi for last

#### **Additional Special Screenings of**

"Unplanned". This movie was screened in the USA earlier this year and had great success in unmasking the abortion industry's strategies, and most importantly, in changing people's hearts about abortion.



"Unplanned" depicts the inspiring true story of one woman's journey of transformation. Abby Johnson wanted to help women as a Planned Parenthood clinic director. She was involved in more than 22,000 abortions, counselled countless women about their reproductive choices, and fought to enact proabortion legislation. Until the day she saw something that changed everything. Tickets online from:

Fri 15th Nov - Village Cinemas, Eastlands @ 7pm https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands-3/

**Fri 22nd Nov - Village Cinemas, Eastlands @ 7pm** https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands-5/

Fri 29th Nov - Village Cinemas, Eastlands @ 7pm https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-village-cinemas-eastlands-4/ Tickets are \$22 People can contact Moana on 0476 030 535n or email tasmuller@gmail.com

Classes in "Inspiring Faith" Catechesis for children aged 8–11 years will continue on Sundays to 8 December at the Cathedral Parish Centre (Level 1) 9:45 – 10:15am. For more information contact Jo 0407 876 913 or macfarlane3jo@gmail.com

On Sunday mornings, parish children are invited to participate in the following:

Children 0 – 4 stay with parents

Monday!

Children 5 – 7 Children's Liturgy during Mass

Children 8 – 11 Catechesis before Mass (as above)

#### The Grace Within Passivity by Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI (excerpt)

A friend of mine shares this story. She grew up with five siblings and an alcoholic father. The effect of her father's alcoholism was devastating on her family. Here's how she tells the story: By the time my father died his alcoholism had destroyed our family. None of us kids could talk to each other anymore. We'd drifted apart to different parts of the country and had nothing to do with each other. My mother was a saint and kept trying through the years to have us reconcile with each other, inviting us to gather for Thanksgiving and Christmas and the like, but it never worked. All her efforts were for nothing. We hated each other. Then as my mother lay dying of cancer, in hospice, bedridden, and eventually in a coma, we, her kids, gathered by her bedside, watching her die, and she, helpless and unable to speak, was able to accomplish what she couldn't achieve through all those years when she could speak. Watching her die, we reconciled.

We all know similar stories of someone in their dying, when they were too helpless to speak or act, powerfully impacting, more powerfully than they ever did in word or action, those around them, pouring out a grace that blessed their loved ones. Sometimes, of course, this isn't a question of reconciling a family but of powerfully strengthening their existing unity. Such was the case in a family history shared by Carla Marie Carlson, in her book, Everyday Grace. Her family was already closely-knit, but Carlson shares how her mother's dying strengthened those family bonds and graced all the others who witnessed her dying: "Those who took the opportunity to be with my Mom during that journey have told me that their lives were forever changed. It was a remarkable time which I will always treasure. Lessons of acceptance and courage were abundant as she struggled with the realities of a dying body. It was dramatic and intense, but yet filled with peace and gratitude." Most anyone who has ever sat in vigil around a loved one who was dying can share a similar story.

There's a lesson here and a mystery. The lesson is that we don't just do important things for each other and impact each other's lives by what we actively do for each other; we also do life-changing things for each other in what we passively absorb in helplessness. This is the mystery of passivity which we see, paradigmatically, played out in what Jesus did for us.

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From Our Anniversary Book Elizabeth Newman,
Archbishop Justin Simonds, Yvonne Boughton,
Rachele & Antonio Carnevale, Nicola Basso, Mollie
Counsel, Therese Kretchmar Gladys Bantick, Donald Nevin, Muriel Kilmartin, Ruth Hurd, Apolina Coma,
Mario Zanchetta, Craig Joseph McKeown, Sr. Francis Xavier
Murphy, Geoffrey Waters, Jean Bradshaw, Mary Hickey,
Derek Stone, Edmund Bollen, Dorothy Richardson, Les
Flannigan, Luigi Pattaro, Francis Smallhorn, Maude McMullen, Fr. Joseph Medwin, Molliee Sherston, Roderick William
Cooper, Linda Direen, Dulcie Richardson, Mavis Mazengarb, Kathleen Sarfalvy, Mark Tuckett

#### May they rest in peace.

#### Attention Extraordinary Ministers of Com-

**munion** Fr Shammi requests that all EMOCs should follow these guidelines as a refresher in carrying out this ministry effectively.

At the end of distribution, the special minister should reverently consume what consecrated wine remains in the chalice. Taking the purifier, this should be made into a pad, and the particles of the consecrated hosts remaining on the paten should be carefully brushed into the chalice. A small amount of water is then poured into the chalice, making sure that all particles are dissolved. The particles are then consumed. The chalice is then wiped out firmly inside the bowl, and around the rim. The purifier may then be placed in the chalice or folded lengthwise, and draped over the chalice

#### Meli Melo Christmas concert

Come and enjoy a varied programme of Christmas, folk and classical music including soloists, choirs and an Alpine and French Horn ensemble presented by the Meli Melo choir. Where? St. John the Baptist Church, Bowden Street, Glenorchy. When? 2.00pm. on Saturday 30 November. Entry by donation includes afternoon tea. All proceeds go to support students at the Don Bosco Technical School, Biratnager, Nepal. Contact Jo 0419 510 014



I'M SORRY GUY, I KNOW THAT YOU'VE GOT A GOOD HEALTH PLAN AND YOU GIVE OUT FREE GIFTS AND ALL, BUT JESUS REALLY DOES HAVE A MUCH BETTER PLAN

### Saints of Italy Pilgrimage

Fr Brian Nichols will be leading a 13 day pilgrimage to Italy, departing 18 May 2020. Organised and run by Harvest Journeys, the tour will follow the paths of many of our saints and will take in Rome, Montecassino, Pietrelcina, San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant' Angelo, Lanciano, Loreto, Assisi, Siena and Florence. Contact the Sandy Bay parish office for more information. Email sandybay@aohtas.org.au or phone 6224 1423.

Donations of tea, plunger coffee, biscuits etc are always welcome at the Cathedral for weekend morning teas. Please consider popping an extra packet in your trolley! *With thanks.* 



Now that spring has well and truly sprung (!) any flowers from your gardens are welcome for our Cathedral altar display. Please simply drop them in to the office or put them in the bucket of water left in the foyer at the back of the Cathedral. If we could have them on a Thursday it would be wonderful.



With thanks!

#### **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; **Sun 9.45-10.15am :** Children's Cathechesis (8-11yrs in school terms)



#### **UTAS Catholic Student Society (UTAS CSS)**

Any university students or young adults who would like to become a member of the University of Tasmania Catholic Student Society (South Campus) or would like to send any suggestions are welcome to contact or message the newly elected executive members of CSS: Lukas Paska (0402319578), Dennis (0415737408), Tom Bearman (0439833801), and Suwani Samaratunga (0450364669).

2/3	SHC: 8.30am Sun	SMC : 6.00pm Sat	SMC : 10.30am Sun	SMC : 6pm Sun
Greeter			Maria Respondek	TBA
Lector	Athie Willemsen Seena Sejan Eva Dunn	Sr Monica Shelverton, Andrew Pinelli	Lucy McKenna, Brigid McKenna	Margot Suber, TBA
ЕМОС	Carol & Colin Brown	ТВА	David Shelverton, Maria Saracino, Angela Ritar	ТВА