The New Evangelisation has always been a major part of Archbishop Julian Porteous’ mission and will continue to be so in his new role as Archbishop of Hobart.

With the focus of reconnecting with the Gospel and drawing closer to Christ, Archbishop Porteous said the Church needed to face the challenges of the times with the New Evangelisation at its forefront.

“What I really want to focus on and emphasise is the call for all of us... to draw closer to Christ, to centre our own lives and hearts more on him, to be more attentive to his voice and to be more aware of living our daily lives in union with him,” he said.

“This is a universal call right across the entire Catholic world.”

Archbishop Julian Porteous officially took over the role of Archbishop of Hobart on September 17, at the Reception and Solemn Mass of Installation at St Mary’s Cathedral. The Mass was attended by more than 600 people including senior Australian Catholic clergy, the Governor of Tasmania His Excellency The Honourable Peter Underwood AC and Premier Lara Giddings.

Archbishop Porteous, who moved from Sydney to fill the position, takes over from Archbishop Adrian Doyle who is retiring from the post after 14 years of service. After visiting Tasmania on many occasions to bushwalk and cycle, Archbishop Porteous said he had special place in his heart for the State.

“I believe [Tasmania has] very much its own identity and spirit and I’m very much looking forward to embracing that,” he said.

Archbishop Porteous said he was keen to take the time to travel through Tasmania to talk to all those doing wonderful work in the Church’s name including local priests and people working in health, education and welfare.

Born in Sydney in 1949 and baptised in Rose Bay Parish, Archbishop Porteous was ordained a priest in 1974. Throughout his ministry Archbishop Porteous has focused on evangelisation and the importance of connecting with the Gospel and with Jesus.
He said this focus was further clarified in recent years through the New Evangelisation by John Paul II and then more recently through Pope Benedict’s establishment of a new Pontifical Council for Promoting the New Evangelisation in Rome and through the recent Synod of Bishops.

“It [The New Evangelisation] really does line up clearly with the where the church is heading which is encouraging,” he said.

Archbishop Porteous, who attended the recent World Youth Day in Rio de Janeiro which attracted more than 2 million participants, said he was optimistic about the future of the church and its ability to connect with young people.

“I have great optimism for the future of the church particularly when it is faithful to its central mission, to proclaim Jesus Christ,” he said.

“I believe we are at a point in history where many young people are re-examining their lives and are discovering the beauty and the power of the Christian message in terms of knowing Jesus Christ,” he said.

“World Youth Day was eloquent testimony to the fact that basic presentation of the Christian message attracts and inspires young people.”

While the Church had a long history, the Archbishop said it was its traditions and experience that gave it so much to contribute to public debate and the world arena today. And through the Holy Spirit, the Church would remain ever changing and ever new.

“I think one of the beauties of the Catholic Church is that it is ever old and ever new,” he said.

“The point of its newness is of the Holy Spirit [which] is an active agent all the time nourishing and nurturing the life of the Church.... it brings freshness [and] new vision”.

In his recent homily, given at St Mary’s Cathedral, Archbishop Porteous invited all Tasmanians to make a fresh and renewed connection with Jesus and the Gospel and to experience the joy of Christian life.

“The Christian life has meant for me a life full of hope and confidence. With this experience firmly grounded within me, my ministry as priest and now as bishop has focussed on helping others to discover what I have discovered. The Catholic faith is a great treasure. I long that all may know what I have come to know.

“Let us all centre ourselves afresh on Christ. Let us draw close to him. Let us listen to him with hearts which long to hear his voice. Let us seek his mind and his will for us,” he said.
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GH PERFORMANCE CRICKET CENTRE
SEPTEMBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY CRICKET PROGRAMS:

Parents and children looking to get some practice in readiness for the start of the Cricket season should contact High Performance Cricket Tasmania.

Programs for 6-15 year olds – boys and girls will be available during both weeks of the school holidays. There will be a program to suit your child regardless of age and/or experience.

Please contact Linsey on 0408 971 609 or tasmania@highperformancecricket.com.au for a registration form or for more information.

SOUTHERN TASMANIAN NETBALL ASSOCIATION

‘We’re having a ball’

Netball Holiday Clinic

The Southern Tasmanian Netball Association invites students from Grade 3 to Grade 7 to participate in the Netball Holiday Clinics for 2013.

The programs will be conducted by experienced coaches and aim to provide skill development, fitness, improved game knowledge, general enjoyment of the game and match play.

Clinic Dates
Autumn School Holidays: Wednesday 1st, Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd May
Winter School Holidays: Wednesday 10th Thursday 11th and Friday 12th July
Spring School Holidays: Monday 7th, Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th October

Location: Creek Road Netball Centre/ Aurora Sports Stadium
Time: 9am – 12pm for all grades
Cost: $25 per session or $60 for 3 sessions of the one clinic

- Bring your own drink bottle, hat and snack
- Participants will work in grade levels
- Enquiries, contact Phillip Stoneman Ph: 62280760 Fax: 6228 0477 Email: info@stna.asn.au
- A confirmation email will be sent to you once the office has received your registration form

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Highlight the day/s below to indicate the sessions you wish to attend:
Wednesday    Thursday    Friday

Please return signed form (one form per participant per clinic)

Netball Holiday Clinic
PO Box 310
MOONAH TAS 7008

Email: info@stna.asn.au
Fax: 62280477

Payment Methods
EFT to 037005 131826 Ref ‘Surname’    Cash on arrival    Cheque: Payable to STNA

Where did you hear about the Netball Holiday Clinic? (please highlight)
School   Primary Roster/Netball Centre Media   Other
If other please specify ..........................................................
Signed ______________________________ (parent/guardian)
Maritime Museum of Tasmania Spring School Holiday Programs 2013

‘X Marks the Spot’: Pirates, Maps and the Jolly Roger
30th September – 2nd October 10.00-11.30am
Listen to piratical stories, and learn how pirates used maps to find their treasure and scary flags to frighten other ships into surrendering. Recommended for ages 4-9.

Learn to Draw Class
3rd October – 4th October 10.00-11.30am
Formally trained artist Louis Rodway introduces budding artists to the fundamental skills of drawing and observation, with a simple formula enabling artists to draw ships, pirates, treasure, anything! Recommended for ages 9-12.

Place: Maritime Museum of Tasmania, Cnr. Argyle and Davey Streets Hobart.
Cost: Free

Places are limited, so please call us on 6234 1427 or email info@maritimetas.org to make a booking. Kids need to be accompanied by a guardian.
Stress Less Seminar

By popular demand, motivational speaker Fay Jackson is returning to Kingston for Mental Health Week 2013, this time for a full day seminar.

Topics include
- About Mental Health
- Stress Management
- Suicide Prevention
- Recovery

Don’t miss out on this invaluable opportunity to attend a fun, informative day on all things mental health!
There will be plenty of time for Q&A and lunch will be provided.
This is a free community event

WHEN Friday 11 October 2013, 10am – 4pm
WHERE The Centre, 100 Beach Rd Kingston

Please RSVP by 30 September 2013
e. growaspire@gmail.com
p. 6231 0635

Proudly brought to you by Grow Tasmania, in collaboration with Aspire and St Clements Kingston.
This conference is supported by funding from the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing, Aspire, and DHHS Statewide Mental Health Services.
2013 TERM DATES

Term 3
Monday 22nd July – Friday 27th September

Term 4
Monday 14th October – Thursday 19th December
Staff finish - Friday 20th December

TERM 3 DIARY DATES

SEPTEMBER
19 RE Showcase Day
20 Southern Catholic Primary Schools Cross Country Event for our Grades 3 – 6 team at the Rokeby Police Academy.
20 Book Week Parade & P&F Kinder to Grade 4 Daytime Disco
25 Southern SATIS Athletics Carnival for our Grades 7-10 team
27 Kingston Campus Assembly at 11.30am.
27 Footy Colours Day to raise money for the Archbishop’s Samaritan Fund
27 Term 3 concludes.

2014 TERM DATES

Term 1 Thursday 6th February – Thursday 17th April

EASTER in 2014 is in the school holidays – Good Friday is 18th April and Easter Sunday is 20th April

Term 2 Monday 5th May – Friday 4th July
Term 3 Monday 21st July – Friday 26th September
Term 4 Monday 13th October – Thursday 18th December

NB: Teachers commence on Monday 3rd February and finish the year on Friday 19th December.