

Second Sunday of Easter 11 April 2021



8am and 10am Rev'd Canon Prof Dorothy Lee (Assistant Priest) Christ Church Mass – Philip Matthias (b.1954) TiS 757

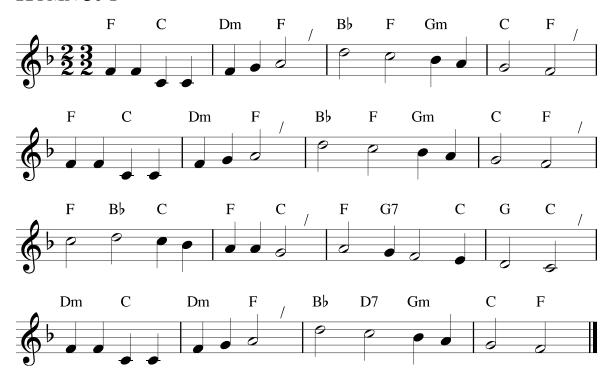
Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne. Thank you for joining us in worship.

Please join in saying the text marked in **bold** and singing the musical responses and hymns.

Introduction

Today's readings point to the resurrection and its transforming effects. Acts describes the lifestyle of the early community in sharing possessions and caring for the poor, as exemplified by Barnabas. The Psalm shares the same conviction of the blessings of kinship in community. The opening words of 1 John (a letter probably written by the same hand as the Gospel) speaks of the kinship that unites us to God and one another, sustained by the forgiveness of sin through the risen Christ. The Gospel tells of Jesus giving the Spirit on the evening of Easter day and of Thomas on the following Sunday (Easter 2). Thomas may not at first believe but goes on to make the highest confession in the Gospel, a confession we make each Sunday as we celebrate the Risen Christ: 'my Lord and my God!'

HYMN 391



- 1. Come, God's people, sing for joy, shout your songs of gladness, for the hope of Easter day overcomes our sadness.

 Come with all God's people here, who with true affection join again to celebrate

 Jesus' resurrection.
- 2. Years before, as Moses led Israel's sons and daughters from their bonds to exodus through the Red Sea waters: so the living Lord of life speaks through our baptism of the new life which we share with him who is risen.

3. That first Easter he arose, his disciples greeting; Christians now in every place still their Lord are meeting. Christ, who died for all the world, in his death brings healing; and his rising from the grave is God's power revealing.

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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

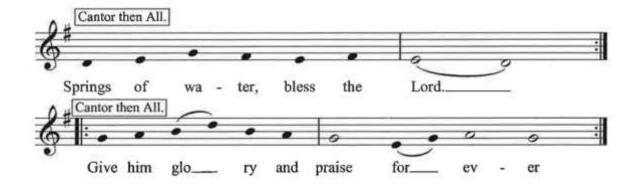
In the name of God: Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life. **Amen.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

[At 10am] The choir sings the Vidi aquam as all are sprinkled with water from the baptismal font.

Antiphons and responses:



Springs of water bless the Lord.

Springs of water bless the Lord.

Give him glory and praise for ever.

Give him glory and praise for ever.

[At 8am]
Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy

The celebrant introduces the confession Let us affirm our trust in God's mercy, and confess that we need forgiveness.

Lord God, you created this world, and made us in your own image. Forgive us when we turn away from you.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy

Lord God, through your Son you overcame evil and death. Rescue us from slavery to sin.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy

Lord God, by your Spirit, you restore us to fellowship with you and with one another. Breathe your love and freedom into our lives.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy

The celebrant pronounces the absolution:

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,

all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us.

Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT

Risen Christ, whose absence leaves us in despair but whose presence is overwhelming: breathe on us with your abundant life, that where we cannot see, we may have courage to believe that we may be raised with you. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PLEASE SIT FOR THE READINGS

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"). He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

(Acts 4:32-37)

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 133

Response



The Lord a-noints and bless-es, gives life for-ev-er - more. _

How good and pleasant it is when people dwell in unity!

It is like find oil upon the head, running down upon the beard. *Response*

How good and pleasant it is when people dwell in unity!

It is like the oil on Aaron's beard running down his collar of his robe. *Response*

How good and pleasant it is when people dwell in unity!

It is like the dew of Hermon that falls on the hills of Zion. *Response*

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SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of St John.

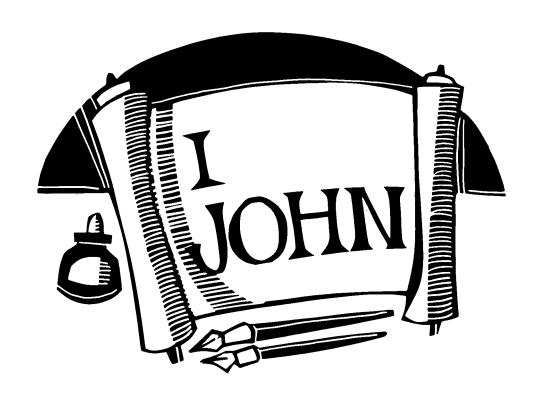
We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

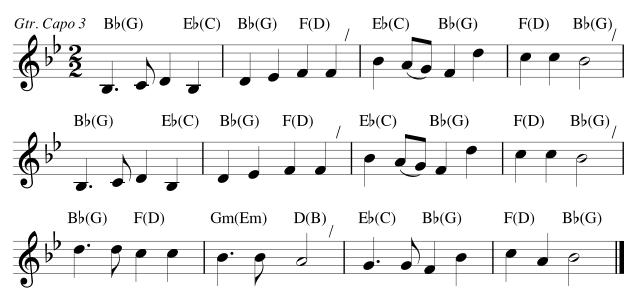
My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

(1 John 1:1-2:2)

For the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



HYMN 379



- 1. He is risen, he is risen!

 Tell it with a joyful voice:
 he has burst his three days' prison,
 let the whole wide world rejoice.

 Death is conquered, we are free,
 Christ has won the victory.
- 2. Come with high and holy gladness, sing our Lord's triumphant song: not one touch of twilight sadness dims his resurrection morn; brightly dawns the radiant east, brighter far our Easter feast.
- 3. He is risen, he is risen!
 He has opened heaven's gate:
 we are free from sin's dark prison,
 risen to a holier state;
 soon a brighter Easter beam
 on our longing eyes shall stream.

Cecil Frances Alexander 1818–95 alt.

THE GOSPEL



Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Lord be with you And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples

told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

(John 20:19-31)

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON MTHR DOROTHY LEE

NICENE CREED We believe in one God. the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the

forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each section: Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

And at the end:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE PEACE

Please stand.

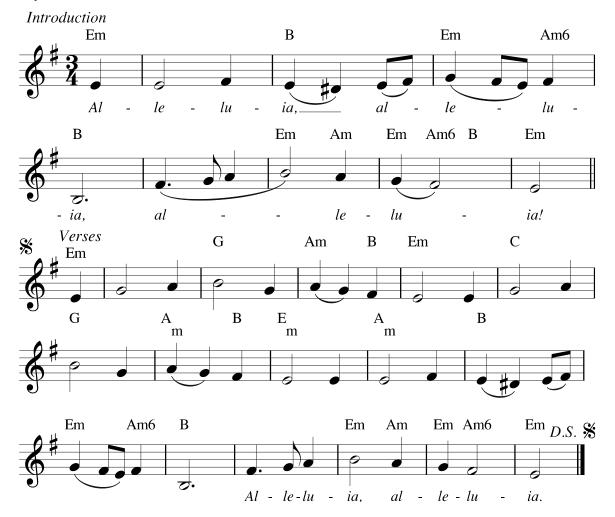
The risen Lord came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you!'. Then they were glad when they saw the Lord.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Hymn 363



Introduction

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

- 1. My daughters and my sons hear tell The king of heav'n, the glorious king is risen today from death and hell. *Alleluia, alleluia.*
- 2. Now Mary and Salome come to show their last love for their friend, and fit his body for the tomb. *Alleluia, alleluia.*

- 3. Amazed, they hear the angel's word, whose shining form confronts their fear, 'In Galilee you'll find your Lord!' *Alleluia, alleluia.*
- 4. His followers huddle in despair, when suddenly he's in the room, saying, 'My peace is yours to share.' *Alleluia, alleluia.*
- 5. But Thomas, lonely in his grief, hears only later, 'He is risen', and simply cannot find belief. *Alleluia*, *alleluia*.
- 6. 'Look, Thomas, see my wounded side. Reach out, and touch my feet and hands, then dare believe that I'm alive.' *Alleluia, alleluia*.
- 7. And now he knows it is the Lord. He sees the hands, the feet, the side. He cries for joy, 'You are my God!' *Alleluia, alleluia.*
- 8. How happy those who come to faith, although they have not seen the Lord for they shall have eternal life *Alleluia, alleluia.*

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THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessèd be God for ever.

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessèd be God for ever.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, ever-living God.

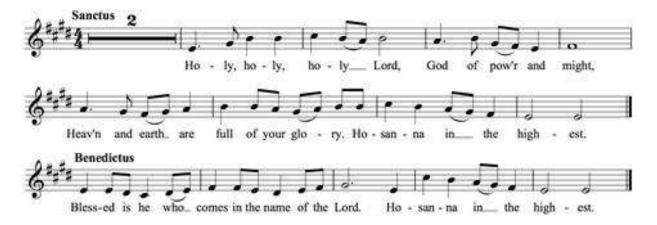
We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

And now we give you thanks that you raised him to life triumphant, and exalted him in glory.

By his victory over death, the reign of sin is ended, a new day has dawned, a broken world is restored and we are made whole once more.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:



Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

One the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'



Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:



Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

AGNUS DEI



Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

THE INVITATION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

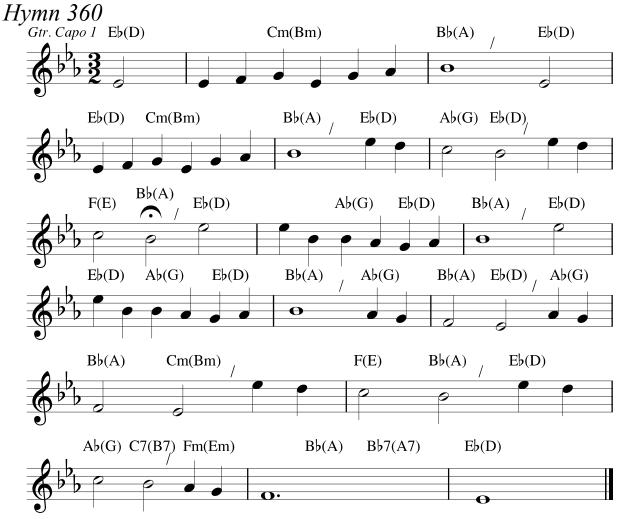
Anthem: "Christ the Lord is Ris'n today." (Surget in Haec Dies 12th C plainsong) Arr. R Proulx.



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.



That Eastertide with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light, Alleluia, Alleluia! when to their longing eyes restored th'apostles saw their risen Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

He showed to them his hands, his side, where yet the glorious wounds abide: Alleluia, Alleluia! the tokens true which made it plain their Lord indeed was risen again. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Jesus, the king of gentleness, come now yourself our hearts possess, Alleluia, Alleluia! that we may give you all our days the tribute of our grateful praise. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy in your faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love.

Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of the Spirit.

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Amen.

We go in the name of Christ.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude: "Fugue on "O filii" Jean Langlais

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Prayers

Please pray for those in need, including Jocelyn, Calvin, Jackie, Roderick, Mandy, Jenny, Sasha, Martin, Jane, and Paul.

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Myrtle Hodgson, Alfred Lawrence Heath, Juan Gualberto Cespedes, Patricia Grace Anderson.

If there is a name that should be included, please advise the Parish Office by email office@stmarys.org.au

A Prayer for St Mary's, North Melbourne

Loving and gracious God, we give you thanks for calling us as your church to worship and to serve. We pray for your blessing on our parish of St Mary's, asking that you will direct us in our hopes and plans for the future.

Bless, we pray, all those who lead: for our Vicar, Fr Jan, and other clergy, Mthr Dorothy and Fr Mark; for our Wardens, Sam, Anne and Michael; for Harriet in her educational work with the children; for our organist, Beverley, and choristers; for the members of the parish Council, the Hospitality committee and all who serve in many other ways. We thank you for their willing service. And we pray for all who enter our doors: to pray, to worship, to find acceptance and healing, to serve, to encounter you.

We pray also for the wider community of North Melbourne. Help us to discern how we may work for your kingdom in our mission. We pray for Indigenous people, refugees, and those who are poor, that they may discover your inclusive and welcoming love through our witness.

We pray for ourselves and for anyone we know who needs our prayers at this time ...

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ, our Crucified and Risen Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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behavior of a church worker, past or present. The Diocese of Melbourne is committed to doing all that is possible to ensure that abuse does not occur. All complaints of abuse are taken very seriously, and we do all we can to lessen harm. We offer respect, pastoral care and ongoing long-term support to anyone who makes a complaint. St Mary's Statement of Commitment to Child Safety is on our noticeboard and can be downloaded from our website www.stmarys.org.au.

PLEASE REPORT ABUSE CALL 1800 135 246

Mission and Vision Statement

St Mary's Anglican Church, North Melbourne is an inner-city Christian community that strives to be faithful, inclusive and sacramental.

God inspires us to worship in daily celebration; to be caring, thoughtful and inviting.

In response to God's call, in the next three to five years we aim:

- To grow substantially in faith and numbers
- To create an inter-generational culture that values all age groups children and adults equally
- To express our faith in active engagement within and beyond our own community
- To deploy our property and financial assets in strategic support of the ministry needs of the parish for the long term
- To become more open to change as we learn to grow



St Mary's Parish Notices

EASTERTIDE PARISH NEWS

The Eastertide Edition of the Parish News 'Ave' will be produced after Easter. We invite your contributions to be submitted to Rhondda Fahey rhondda.fahey@bigpond.com and the Parish Office office@stmarys.org.au by Easter Sunday.

IN-CHURCH SERVICES THIS SUNDAY

Please sign in when you arrive at the church. Please consider Internet banking for your offering. Bookings are not required. Masks are not required to be worn while in church, unless you wish to do so.

YOUR OFFERING ONLINE

Account Name: St Marys Anglican Church North Melbourne, Bank: Westpac North Melbourne. BSB: 033 132, Account Number: 264412

CHOIR

Meeting Tuesdays at 5.30 in the Church, and Sundays at 9.20 in the Hall. We welcome new members, understanding that everything is being conducted according to strict protocols. Please contact the Director of Music.

SHARING SUNDAY

On the first two Sundays each month we will bring non-perishable groceries and toiletries to share with Mission House Fitzroy. You can also donate directly to Anglicare. Please leave your donations in the Baptistery in the basket provided.

CHURCH GARDEN GROUP

If you are available to help in the Church Garden, please contact Rhondda Fahey on 9329-4438.

Notices from the Diocese and Further Beyond

HEARTEDGE SEMINAR SERIES

'Receiving God's gifts: recognising assets & abundance' is a programme of seminars and panel discussions introducing the HeartEdge ethos and its mission model (the 4 Cs – compassion, culture, commerce, congregation) to the Anglican Dioceses' of Southern Queensland and Melbourne. This series will feature stories, case studies, ideas and approaches presented by clergy and lay leaders from the two Dioceses.

THE MELBOURNE ANGLICAN

The April edition is now available in the porch.

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A Moment to Dream: Pope Francis' Pathway to a Better Future 2.00 – 3.30 PM (AEST), Sunday 18 April 2021. via ZOOM

- The vision of Fratelli Tutti Fr Kevin Lenehan, Master, Catholic Theological College, University of Divinity.
- Collaboration, not Confrontation among faiths, Sr Jan Barnett, RSJ, Josephite Justice Network
- Reflecting on Australia's Relations in Southeast Asia, Rev. Andy Tiver, Uniting Church in Australia, Co-Chair Philippine-Australia Solidarity Association (PASA)

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