

St Mary's



Twenty-Eighth Ordinary Sunday

10th October 2021



*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

If salvation were up to us it would be impossible to achieve. Our challenge is to put our hope and trust in the gifts of God, not in power or wealth, or in ourselves. It is not a matter of having nothing, but of putting first things first.

THE ENTRANCE HYMN TIS 392

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1. Praise the one who breaks the darkness
with a liberating light.
Praise the One who frees the prisoners
turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the gospel,
curing every dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands
with the very bread of peace.

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2. Praise the One who blessed the children,
With a strong yet gentle word.
Praise the One who drove out demons
with a piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water
to the desert's burning sand;
from the well comes living water,
quenching thirst in every land.
3. Praise the one true love incarnate,
Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose for many
that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory.
Praise the One who makes us one.

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Rusty Edwards 1955—
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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

In the name of the Father the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you:
And also with you.

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.

Lord have mercy; **Lord have mercy**
Christ have mercy; **Christ have mercy**
Lord have mercy; **Lord have mercy**

The deacon introduces the confession:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Let us therefore bring our sins before the one true God, in penitence and faith.

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.

The celebrant pronounces the absolution:

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

Merciful God, in your Son you call not the righteous but sinners to repentance: draw us away from the easy road that leads to destruction, and guide us into paths that lead to life abundant, that in seeking your truth, and obeying your will, we may know the joy of being a disciple of Jesus our Saviour; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit for the reading

A reading from the book of Job:

Then Job answered:

'Today also my complaint is bitter;
his hand is heavy despite my groaning.

O that I knew where I might find him,
that I might come even to his dwelling!

I would lay my case before him,
and fill my mouth with arguments.

I would learn what he would answer me,
and understand what he would say to me.

Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power?
No; but he would give heed to me.

There an upright person could reason with him,
and I should be acquitted for ever by my judge.
'If I go forward, he is not there;
or backward, I cannot perceive him;
on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him;
I turn to the right, but I cannot see him.
God has made my heart faint;
the Almighty has terrified me;
If only I could vanish in darkness,
and thick darkness would cover my face!

Job 23.1-9, 23.16-17

Hear the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 22.1-15

Response:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me.

1. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me:
why are you so far from helping me
and from the words of my groaning?
2. My God, I cry to you by day, but you do not answer:
and by night also I take no rest.

Response

3. But you continue holy:
you that are the praise of Israel.
4. In you our forebears trusted:
they trusted, and you delivered them;
5. To you they cried and they were saved:
they put their trust in you and were not confounded.

Response

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6. But as for me, I am a worm and no man:
the scorn of all and despised by the people.
 7. Those that see me laugh me to scorn:
they shoot out their lips at me and wag their heads, saying,
 8. 'He trusted in the Lord—let him deliver him:
let him deliver him, if he delights in him.'

Response

9. But you are he that took me out of the womb:
that brought me to lie at peace on my mother's breast.
10. On you have I been cast since my birth:
you are my God, even from my mother's womb.
11. O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand:
and there is none to help.

Response

12. Many oxen surround me:
fat bulls of Bashan close me in on every side.
13. They gape wide their mouths at me:
like lions that roar and rend.

Response

14. I am poured out like water,
and all my bones are out of joint:
my heart within my breast is like melting wax.
15. My mouth is dried up like a potsherd:
and my tongue clings to my gums.

Response

SECOND READING:

A reading from the book of Hebrews:

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4.12-16

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, **Alleluia**

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

Alleluia

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark:

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, ‘Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?’ Jesus said to him, ‘Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: “You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother.” ’

He said to him, ‘Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.’

Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, ‘You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.’ When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, ‘How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!’ And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, ‘Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.’ They were greatly astounded and said to one another, ‘Then who can be saved?’ Jesus looked at them and said, ‘For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.’ Peter began to say to him, ‘Look, we have left everything and followed you.’ Jesus said, ‘Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.’

Mark 10.17-31

**This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

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

We are the body of Christ.

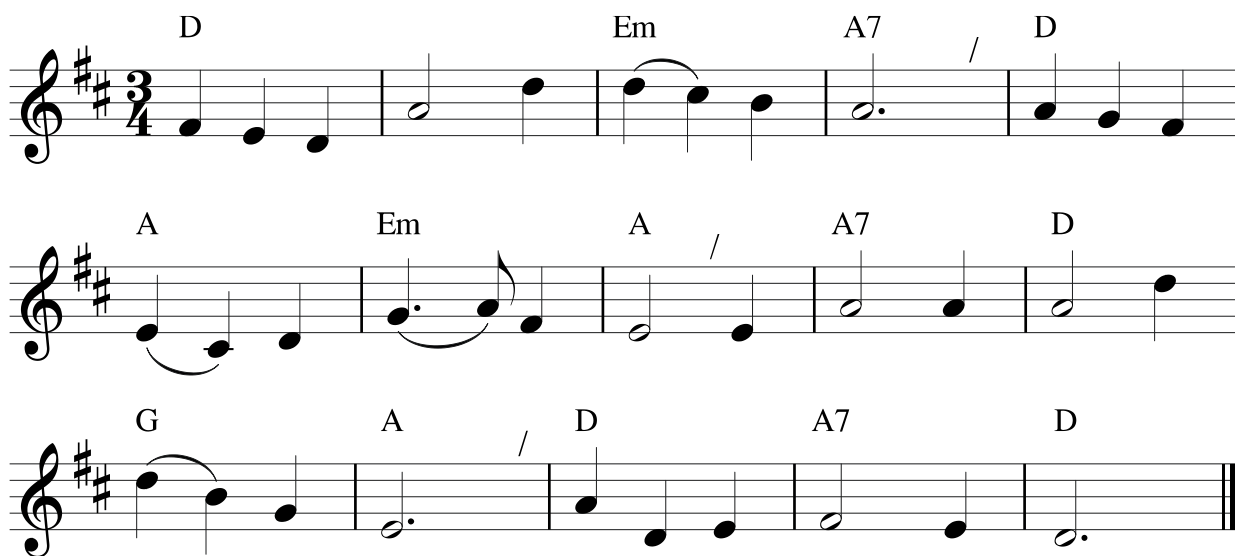
His spirit is with us.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN TIS 584



1. Just as I am, without one plea
but that your blood was shed for me,
and that you would my Saviour be,
O Lamb of God, I come.
2. Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come.
3. Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind —
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yes, all I need, in you to find,
O Lamb of God, I come.
4. Just as I am, you will receive,
will welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
because your promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come.

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5. Just as I am — your love unknown
has broken every barrier down —
now to be yours, and yours alone,
O Lamb of God, I come.
6. Just as I am, of that free love
the breadth, length, depth and height to prove,
here for a season, then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.

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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.

EUCCHARISTIC 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 thanks and praise, glory and honour,
be yours at all times and in all places,
holy and loving Father, true and living God.

We praise you that through your eternal word
you brought the universe into being and made us in your own image.
You have given us this earth to care for and delight in,
and with its bounty you preserve our life.

We thank you that you bound yourself to the human race
with the promises of a gracious covenant
and called us to serve you in love and peace.

Above all, we give you thanks for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ: born as one of us,
he lived our common life and offered his life to you
in perfect obedience and trust.

By his death he delivered us from sin,
brought us new life,
and reconciled us to you and to one another.

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, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed 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.

On 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.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

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
be 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,
Give us your peace.**

THE INVITATION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already here,
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with the Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN TIS 595

1 O Je - sus, I have pro - mised to
serve you to the end; Lord, be for e - ver
near me, my ma - ster and my friend: I
shall not fear the bat - tle if
you are by my side, nor wan - der from the
path - way if you will be my guide.

1. O Jesus, I have promised
to serve you to the end;
Lord, be for ever near me,
my master and my friend:
I shall not fear the battle
if you are by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if you will be my guide.

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2. Still let me feel you near me:
the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
and tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me,
around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw me nearer,
and shield my soul from sin.
 3. O let me hear you speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
Lord, speak to reassure me,
to chasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen,
true guardian of my soul.
 4. Lord, let me see your footmarks
and in them plant my own;
that I may follow boldly
and in your strength alone;
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my friend.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD’S PEOPLE

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.

THE BLESSING

God, who from the death of sin raised you to new life in Christ, keep you from falling and set you in the presence of his glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

POSTLUDE

‘Praeludium und Fuge’.

Georg Bohm. (Needs on umlaut on the O of Bohm)

PRAYERS

Please pray for those in need, including Sharne, Grace, Ellie, Leanne, Barbara, Pat, Jocelyn, Roderick, Mandy, Jenny, Sasha, Martin, Jane, Pamela, Paul, Rhondda, + Andrew and Father Tim.

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Tedd Gill, Effie Taylor, Margaret Josephine Maher, Charles Albert (Bert) Housden, Patricia Litchfield, Elizabeth Hastings, Robert Morrison.

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

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ST MARY'S PARISH NOTICES

GET YOUR FAVOURITE TEACUP READY!



As soon as permitted by Covid regulations I plan to hold a morning or afternoon tea on the church lawns.

Notice will be given on Thursday by email to let you know that it is on. I will provide the scones etc, you bring along your own fancy teacup/mug and we will have some fun getting together. Fr Jan



CHRISTMAS STALL



We are planning, all going well, to hold a Christmas stall on Advent Sunday, November 28. In the absence of the Fair this will be our main big money raising project for the year. We need the help of everyone to help stock this stall with gifts and useful things for people to buy at Christmas time.

Are you a cook or a craftsperson? Can you make jams or marmalades, pickles or chutneys, sauces or other preserves? Suggestions for favourite preserves include:

- preserved lemons
- citrus marmalades (orange, kumquat, grapefruit)
- raspberry jam
- onion marmalade
- tomato relish
- tomato kasoundi
- mint jelly

I have good recipes for all these if required. Jars available at the Church. If you can sew, maybe you could make items such as potholders, serviettes, hand towels, cushion covers, lavender bags, or anything else you can think of. Lockdown times are a good chance to make things, so do get cooking or sewing!

Ring me if you want to talk (0417364431)

Marion Poynter for the Hospitality Committee

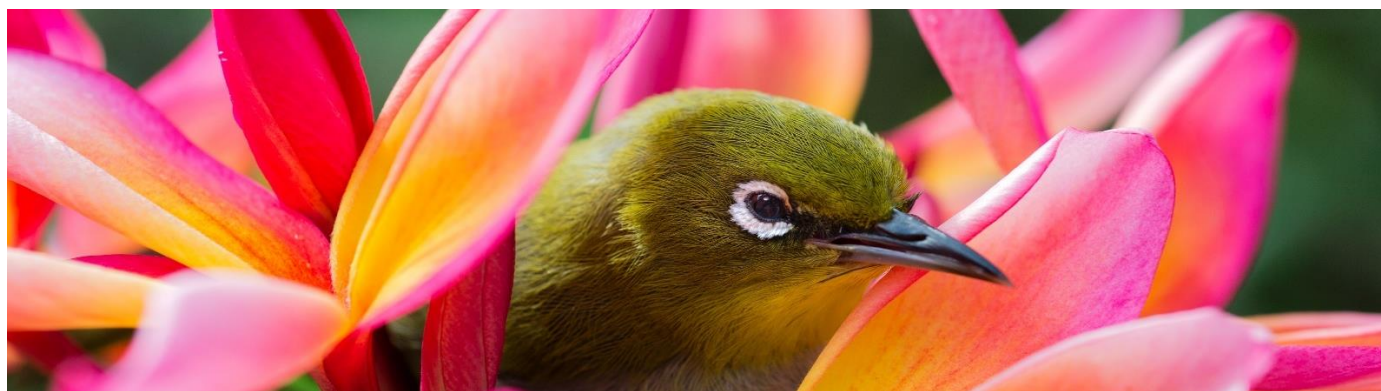


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PLEASE REPORT ABUSE CALL 1800 135 246

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*

