

# Third Sunday of Easter 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022 Baptism of Charles Joseph Fensom



8am Presiding (10am Preaching): Rev'd Prof Mark Lindsay 10am Presiding: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra

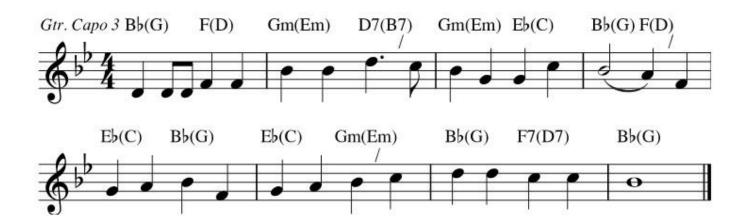
# Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne. Thank you for joining us in worship.

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

#### Introduction

Peter's commitment to Jesus will lead him into God's future – unknown, full of surprises and unexpected suffering. The story is a blueprint for all who claim to serve the Lord in love. True Christian service calls for the need always to be open to the ways of God; sometimes that openness will result in pain.

#### **HYMN 204**



- 1. Come let us join our cheerful songs with angels round the throne; ten thousand thousand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
- 2. 'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry, 'to be exalted thus';'Worthy the Lamb,' our lips reply, for he was slain for us.

- 3. Jesus is worthy to receive honour and power divine; and blessings more than we can give, be, Lord, for ever thine.
- 4. Let all creation join in one to bless the sacred name of him that sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb.

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## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

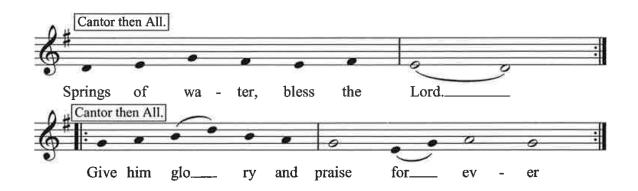
In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Christ is risen. Alleluia

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.

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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

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**



## THE COLLECT

Almighty God, through your only son you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that we who celebrate our Lord's resurrection, may, through the renewing power of your Spirit, rise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The reply came, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.' The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, 'Ananias.' He answered, 'Here I am, Lord.' The Lord said to him, 'Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.' But Ananias answered, 'Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind

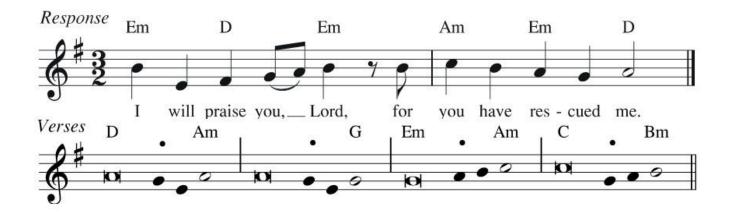
all who invoke your name.' But the Lord said to him, 'Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.' So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, 'Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.' And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, 'He is the Son of God.'

Acts 9.1-20

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# Response



- I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
   O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. *Response*
- Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name.
   His anger lasts but a moment; his favour all through life.
   At night there are tears, but joy comes with the dawn. *Response*
- 3. The Lord listened and had pity.
  The Lord came to my help.
  For me you have changed my mourning into dancing,
  O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. *Response*

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## SECOND READING

A reading from the book of Revelation:

Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth.

He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne.

When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twentyfour elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.

They sing a new song:

'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals,

for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every tribe and language and people and nation; you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God, and they will reign on earth.'

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands,

singing with full voice,

'Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!'

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

'To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might for ever and ever!'

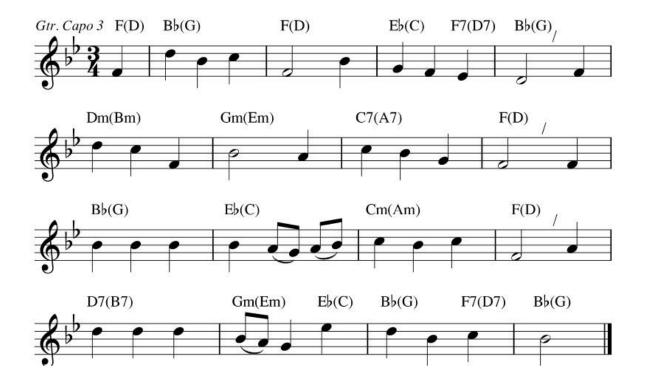
And the four living creatures said, 'Amen!' And the elders fell down and worshipped.

Revelation 5.6-14

For the word of the Lord.

# Thanks be to God.

## **HYMN 215**



- 1. You servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad his wonderful name; the name all-victorious of Jesus extol; his kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.
- 2. Our God rules on high, almighty to save; and still he is nigh, his presence we have; the great congregation his triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our king.

- 3. Salvation to God, who sits on the throne! let all cry aloud, and honour the Son: the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.
- 4. Then let us adore, and give him his right, all glory and power, all wisdom and might, all honour and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

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## THE GOSPEL



# Alleluia, Alleluia

Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; He has shown pity on all people.

# 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.

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you

know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

John 21.1-19

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**SERMON** 

## PRESENTATION FOR BAPTISM

We welcome those who come to be baptised. I invite their sponsors to present them now.

Sponsors (parents and godparents): We present Charles Joseph Fensom to be baptised.

Will you accept the responsibilities placed upon you in bringing *Charles Joseph* for baptism?

Sponsors: I will.

Are you willing to answer on behalf of Charles Joseph?

Sponsors: I am.

By your own prayers and example, by your friendship and love, will you encourage *Charles Joseph* in the life and faith of the Christian community?

Sponsors: I will, with God's help.

Before God and this congregation, you must affirm that you turn to Christ and reject all that is evil:

Do you turn to Christ?

Sponsors: I turn to Christ.

Do you repent of your sins?

Sponsors: I repent of my sins.

Do you reject selfish living, and all that is false and unjust?

Sponsors: I reject them all.

Do you renounce Satan and all evil?

Sponsors: I renounce all that is evil.

Almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, and lead you in the light of Christ to his everlasting kingdom.

Sponsors: Amen.

Will you each, by God's grace, strive to live as a disciple of Christ, loving God with your whole heart, and your neighbour as yourself, until your life's end?

Sponsors: I will, with God's help.

# To the congregation

You have heard these our brothers and sisters respond to Christ. Will you support them in this calling?

## We will.

Let us pray.

Grant, merciful God, that Charles Joseph may be so buried with Christ in baptism that the new nature may be raised up in him.

May the fruit of your Spirit grow and flourish in him. **Amen.** 

Give to his sponsors and family the desire to share with him what you have revealed in your holy gospel. **Amen.** 

May he know Christ's forgiving love and continue in the fellowship and service of his Church. May he proclaim, by word and example, the good news of God in Christ. **Amen.** 

We thank you for the ministry we have in your world and to each other in the household of faith. Hasten that day when the whole creation shall be made perfect in Christ. **Amen.** 

## THE BAPTISM

The Lord be with you.

# And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

# It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks that at the beginning of creation your Holy Spirit moved upon the waters to bring forth light and life. With water you cleanse and replenish the earth; you nourish and sustain all living things.

#### Thanks be to God.

We give you thanks that through the waters of the Red Sea you led your people out of slavery to freedom, and brought them through the river Jordan to new life in the land of promise.

# Thanks be to God.

We give you thanks for your Son Jesus Christ: for his baptism by John, for his anointing with the Holy Spirit.

## Thanks be to God.

We give you thanks that through the deep waters of death Jesus delivered us from our sins and was raised to new life in triumph.

# Thanks be to God.

We give you thanks for the grace of the Holy Spirit who forms us in the likeness of Christ and leads us to proclaim your kingdom.

## Thanks be to God.

And now we give you thanks that you have called Charles Joseph to new birth in your Church through the waters of baptism. Pour out your Holy Spirit in blessing and sanctify this water so that those who are baptised in it may be made one with Christ in his death and resurrection. May they die to sin, rise to newness of life, and continue for ever in Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we give you praise and honour in the unity of the Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

I now ask you to affirm as yours the faith of the Church Do you believe in God the Father?

Sponsors: I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in God the Son?

Sponsors: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. The third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

Sponsors: I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The priest says to the congregation: This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith: We believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The minister baptises the child:

Charles Joseph

I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The minister makes a cross on the child's forehead:

Charles Joseph

I sign you with the sign of the cross to show that you are marked as Christ's own forever.

Live as a disciple of Christ: fight the good fight, finish the race, keep the faith.

Confess Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, look for his coming in glory.

God has brought you out of the darkness into his marvellous light.

Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

God has called you into his Church.

We therefore receive and welcome you as a member with us of the body of Christ, as a child of the one heavenly Father, and as an inheritor of the kingdom of God.

The newly baptised is greeted by the congregation.

# THE GREETINGS OF PEACE

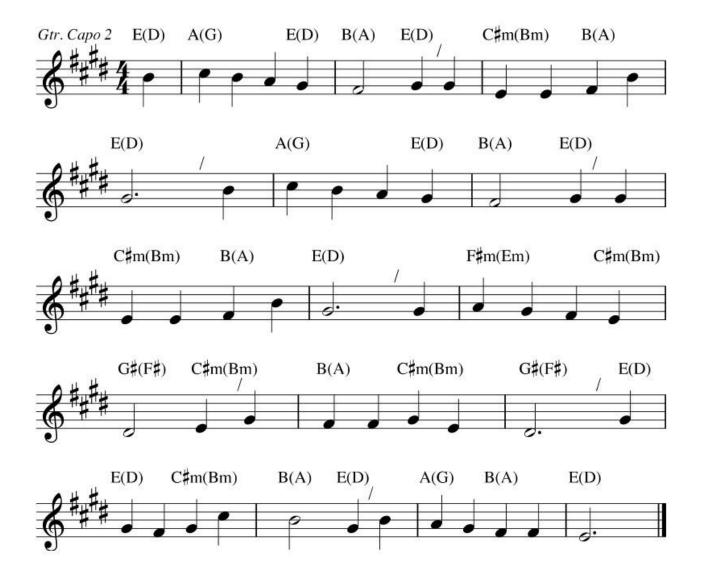
In baptism, God has made us one in Christ.

# His Spirit is with us.

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

# And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.



- 1. I know that my Redeemer lives crowned upon the throne; Lord over earth and heaven he saves, and he alone; he conquered death by dying upon the accursed tree, and from his death sprang glorious eternal life for me.
- 2. I think upon my Saviour, I trust his power to keep, his mighty arm enfolds me awaking and in sleep.

Christ is my rock, my courage; Christ is my soul's true life; and Christ (my still heart knows it) will bear me through the strife.

3. In Jesus' name I'm living; in Jesus' name I'll die; I'll fear not though life's vigour from death's cold shadow fly.
O grave, where is your triumph?
O death, where is your sting?
Come when you will, and welcome! secure in Christ I sing.

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#### THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

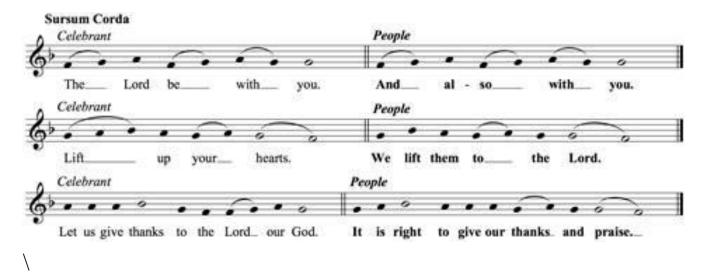
Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

# 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**



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,

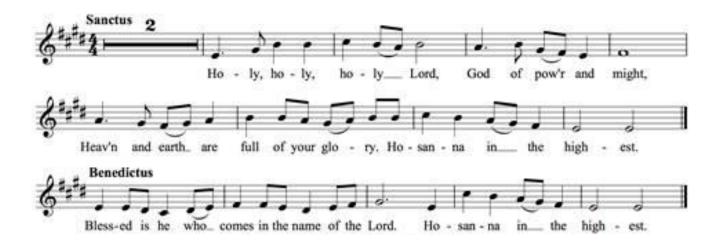
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

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:



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.'



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:



## 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**



## 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:

'Prayer of St Richard of Chichester"

White

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of the bread; open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and forever.

## 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.



1. Christ the Lord is risen today:

Hallelujah!

Let the whole creation say:

Hallelujah!

Raise your joys and triumphs high:

Hallelujah!

Sing now, heaven, and earth reply:

Hallelujah!

- 2. Love's redeeming work is done; fought the fight, the battle won; vain the stone, the watch, the seal: Christ has burst the gates of hell.
- 3. Lives again our glorious king; where, O death, is now your sting? Once he died our souls to save; where your victory, O grave?

4. Soar we now where Christ has led, following our exalted Head; made like him, like him we rise: ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### THE BLESSING

The God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**DISMISSAL** 

Go in peace love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

## **POSTLUDE**

'Christ lag in Todesbanden' (Christ lay in the Bonds of Death)

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

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## **PRAYERS**

Please pray for those in need: including Andrew, Susan, Barbara, Pat, Jocelyn, Mandy, Jenny, Sasha, Martin, Pamela, Mavis, John, + Andrew, Tricia and Neil, Paul, Elsdon and Father Rob.

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Lily May Whittingham, Lorna May Gunnersen and John Harvey Foster.

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

The Roster – Who's doing what		
	May 1st	May 8th
8:00am Reader	Rhondda Fahey	Judie Bainbridge
10:00am Readers	Rebe Taylor Michael Golding	Paul Eikelboom TBC
Serving Team	Peter O'Donoghue	Anne Sunderland
Welcome	Michael Golding	Samuel Miller
Introduction & Intercessions	Samuel Miller	Audrey Statham
Video/AV	Samuel Miller	Adam Wing
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Rosie Moloney	Harriet Jenkins
Morning Tea	Margaret Noble Michael Noble	Rosie Moloney TBC
<b>Collection Counting</b>	Parish Council +1	Parish Council +1
Flowers	Helen McCallum	ТВС

# STEWARDSHIP AT ST MARY'S

In order to plan our parish finances, we welcome pledges of support from parishioners. Forms are available from the Parish Office or the Stewardship Secretary (role shared by Andrew Murray and Darrell Pitt). Please note that the collection of pledges is confidential. Individual pledges are kept confidential from the Wardens, Parish Council and Vicar. The Stewardship Secretary passes on only a deidentified record of the amounts pledged.

The treasurer will be providing a periodic update on finances to let the parish know how we're tracking.

You can donate either by using the Square link below, or by scanning the QR code.

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**Note:** The link takes you to a page with pre-set suggested donation amounts to choose from (or you can add your own preferred amount). The QR code sends you to a simpler interface with no pre-set donation amounts.

# ST MARY'S PARISH NOTICES

## **CHURCH STALL SUNDAY 1ST MAY**

The Church is holding a stall after church today. It will be stocked with goods which will be suitable for Mother's Day.

## YOUR OFFERING ONLINE

Account Name: St Marys Anglican Church North Melbourne

Bank: Westpac North Melbourne.

**BSB:** 033 132 **Account Number:** 264412

## **CHOIR PRACTICE**

Choir practice is from 5.30pm to 7pm. We always welcome new members. If you have moved into North Melbourne, or are at all interested, please contact the Director of Music. All Covid protocols observed.

Please contact Bev if you'd like to be involved: bevjp@westnet.com.au

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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.

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# 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

