

# Fifth Sunday of Easter 15th May 2022



8am Presiding: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra10am Presiding: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra10am Preaching: Rev'd Prof. Em. Robert Gribben

# 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

The command to love is often misunderstood as the weak side of the Christian message. There is a temptation in our hard-nosed world to prefer the stern calls to discipline found elsewhere in the New Testament. That temptation must be resisted. Love is at the heart of Christianity, the self-giving love which should be seen amongst all who claim to be disciples of Jesus.

HYMN 217 Tis 590



- 1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown:

  Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.
- 2. Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave: thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
- 3. Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be, let us see thy great salvation, perfectly restored in thee: changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

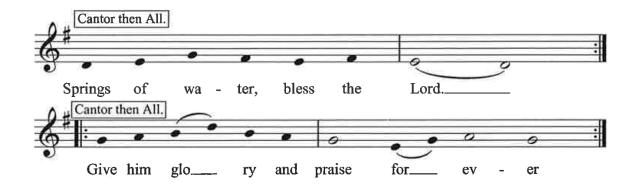
In the name of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

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.

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

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

We behold your glory, O God, in the love shown by your Son, lifted up on the cross and exalted on high: be glorified anew in the love we have for one another as disciples of the risen Lord Jesus, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

ACTS 11.1-18

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



# Response



Praise the Lord from the Heavens; give praise in the heights. Praise the Lord, all angels above; give praise, all hosts. Praise the Lord, sun and moon; give praise, shining stars. Praise the Lord, highest heavens, all waters above the heavens.

# Response

Praise the Lord, you heavens above, for God spoke and you were created. You were established forever; your courses shall not pass away. Praise the Lord from the earth, creatures of the sea and all oceans, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy winds that yield to God's command,

## Response

all mountains and hills, all fruit trees and cedars, beasts and all cattle, reptiles and flying birds, all rulers and peoples, you that govern the nations, children and older ones, too, join to praise the Lord.

# Response

Praise the name of the Lord, for God alone is exalted. The splendor of God's name reaches beyond heaven and earth. God gives strength to the people. God be praised by all the saints, by the children of Israel, who are near to the Lord.

#### SECOND READING

A reading from the book of Revelation:

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

'See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more:

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.'

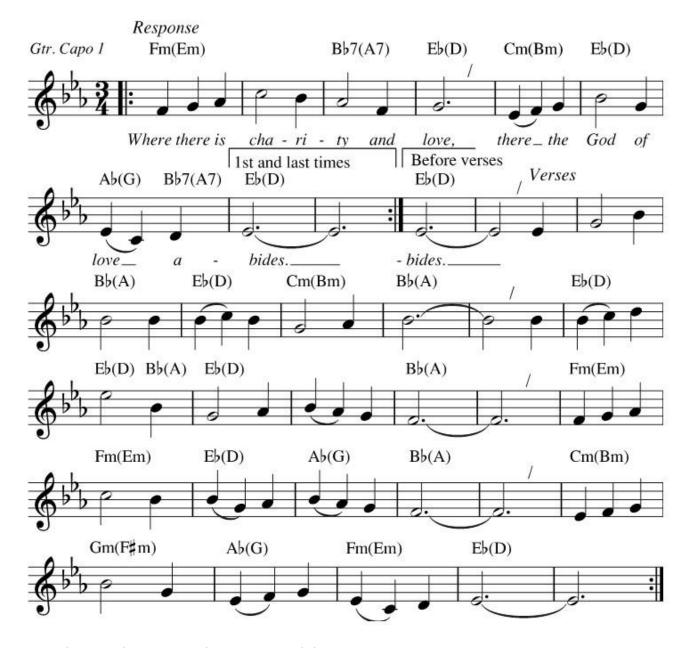
And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.'

Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

Revelation 21.1-6

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Where there is charity and love, there the God of love abides.

- 1. The love of Christ has gathered us as one: rejoice in him with joy which he imparts; let us revere and love the living God, and love each other with unfeigning hearts.
- 2. And so, when we are gathered here as one, let quarrels die, and envious rancour cease; be our resolve all bitterness to shun, and in our midst be Christ, his love and peace.

3. O lead us, Master, by your saving grace, to where the blessèd glory in your sight; there let us see and love you, face to face, gathered once more in everlasting light.

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#### THE GOSPEL



## Alleluia, Alleluia

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you.

#### 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 he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I

give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

John 13.31-35

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 GREETINGS OF PEACE

The risen Lord came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you!'

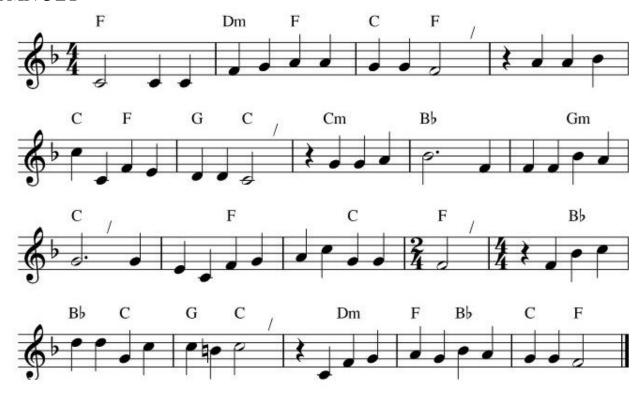
Then they were glad when they saw the Lord.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

#### **HYMN 521**



- 1. Lord Christ, at your first eucharist you prayed that all your church might be for ever one; may at each eucharist this prayer be made with longing heart and soul, 'Your will be done.' O may we all one bread, one body be, through this blest sacrament of unity.
- 2. For all your church, O Lord, we intercede; make all our sad divisions soon to cease; draw us the nearer each to each, we plead, by drawing all to you, O Prince of Peace: thus may we all one bread, one body be, through this blest sacrament of unity.
- 3. We also pray for wanderers from your fold; O bring them back, Good Shepherd of the sheep, back to the faith which saints believed of old, back to your church which still one faith must keep: soon may we all one bread, one body be, through this blest sacrament of unity.

4. So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease may we be one with all your church above, one with your saints in one unbroken peace, one with your saints in one unbounded love; more blessèd still, in peace and love to be one with the Trinity in Unity.

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#### THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

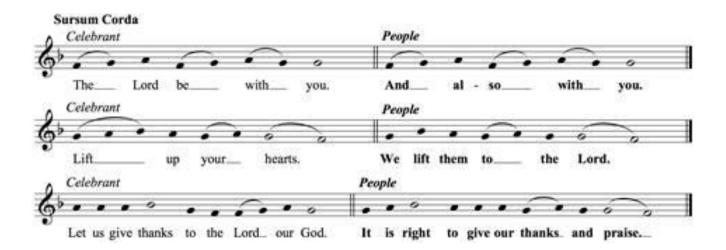
Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

#### 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.

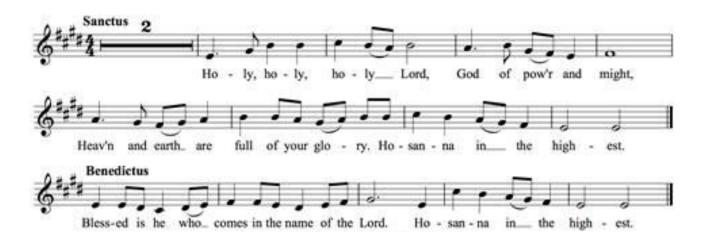
We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

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:



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.

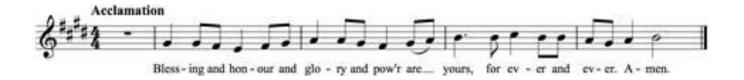
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'



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:**

'A New Commandment'

William Mundy (c. 1529-1591)

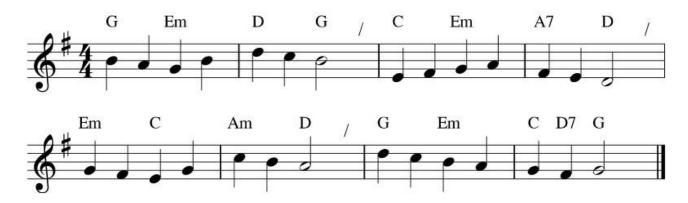
#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life: 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.

#### **HYMN 440**



- 1. Christ, from whom all blessings flow, perfecting the saints below, hear us, who your nature share, who your mystic body are.
- 2. Join us, in one spirit join, grant us still your help divine; still for more on you we call, you, O Christ, fill all in all.
- 3. Move, and animate, and guide: various gifts to each divide; placed according to your will, let us all our work fulfil;
- 4. freely may we all agree, touched with loving sympathy; kindly for each other care; every member feel its share.
- 5. Love, like death, has all destroyed, rendered all distinctions void; names, and sects, and parties fall; you, O Christ, are all in all.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### THE BLESSING

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith; 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 ist erstanden" BWV 627 J S Bach.

J S Bach (1685 - 1750)

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#### **PRAYERS**

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

Recently Departed: Richard Connolly\*

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Nan Dawson, Frankie Artis.

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

\* Noted Australian composer. The author and composer of our Gradual Hymn today. The Church in Australia is indebted to his creativity and spirituality.

The Roster – Who's doing what		
	May 15th	May 22nd
8:00am Reader	Jenny Langmead	Rhondda Fahey
10:00am Readers	Elizabeth Brookes Geoff Jenkins	Helen McCallum Susan Gribben
Serving Team	Peter O'Donoghue Andrew Murray	Andrew Murray
Welcome	Anne Sunderland	Michael Golding
Introduction & Intercessions	Andrew Murray	Geoff Jenkins
Video/AV	Paul Eikelboom	Adam Wing
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Harriet Jenkins	Harriet Jenkins
Morning Tea	Helen McCallum David Keuneman	Susan Gribben Marion Poynter
<b>Collection Counting</b>	Parish Council +1	Parish Council +1
Flowers	ТВС	TBC

# GIVING TO SUPPORT ST MARYS

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# ST MARY'S PARISH NOTICES

#### **CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

We will be holding confirmation classes later this year. If you'd like to be involved, please contact the office.

# BALLARAT CHORAL SOCIETY & KLEMENTYNE ENSEMBLE CONCERT

You may be interested in attending this concert on the 22nd of May, 2022. An 18th Century Sampler from Telemann to Beethoven, including Handel Organ concerto in F.

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Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 2.30pm Cathedral Church of Christ the King 49 LYDIARD STREET SOUTH BALLARAT

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#### **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

# ST MARY'S CLIMATE ACTION GROUP MEETING 22nd MAY

The next meeting of the St Mary's CAG will take place on **Sunday 22 May after the 10am service in the church hall.** Prior to that and in the lead up to the Federal election, members of St Mary's CAG will be attending climate action vigils on Fri 6 May, 11am-1pm (Chisholm) and Fri 13 May, 4:30pm (Kooyong).

Parishioners who wish to come along can get in touch with Helen at: <a href="https://bit.ly/CAG030422">h.c.mccallum@gmail.com</a> To read the minutes from the 3 April CAG meeting, click here: <a href="https://bit.ly/CAG030422">https://bit.ly/CAG030422</a>



Helen McCallum, David Keuneman and Michael Noble displaying the St Mary's climate action banner at the Australian Religious Response to Climate Change (ARCC) rally in Chisholm last Friday

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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

