

St Mary's



Thirteenth Ordinary Sunday

26th June 2022



8am Presiding: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra

10am Presiding: Rev'd Prof Dorothy Lee (Associate Priest)

10am Preaching: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra

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

We who claim to be followers of Jesus have set out on a lifelong journey. That journey will take us through all the events of our lives, back to the God who made us. There is a programme for the follower; in that programme the priority for the follower is always the Gospel and the kingdom of God.

Gtr. Capo 1 Ab(G) Bbm(Am) Eb(D) Ab(G) Fm(Em)

Bb7(A7) Eb(D) Eb7(D7) Ab(G)

Bbm(Am) Db(C) C7(B7) Fm(Em) F(E) Bb(A)

Eb(D) Ab(G) Bbm(Am) Eb(D) Eb7(D7) Ab(G)

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2. All that dedicated city,
dearly loved by God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody,
God the Three in One adoring,
praising him eternally.
3. Here among us, where we call you
come, O Lord our God today;
with your gentle loving-kindness
hear your people as we pray,
and your fullest benediction
pour upon us here today.
4. Here bestow on all your people
what we ask of you to gain,
what we gain from you for ever
with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in your glory
evermore with you to reign.
5. Praise and honour to the Father,
praise and honour to the Son,
praise and honour to the Spirit,
ever Three and ever One,
one in might and one in glory
while eternal ages run.

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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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

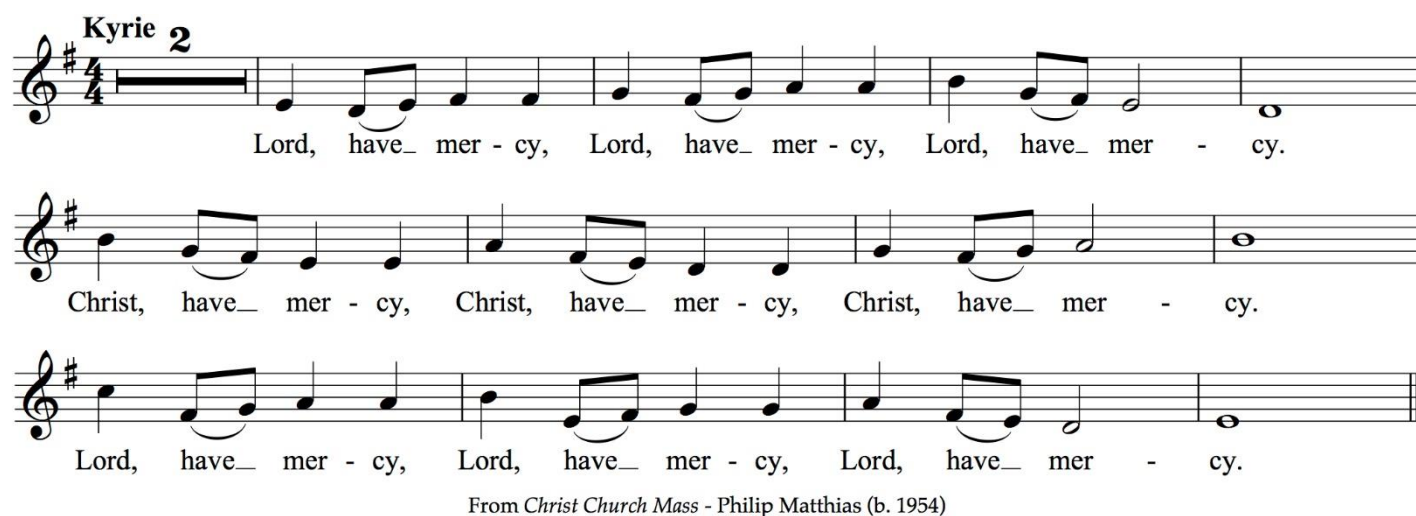
The Lord be with you.

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.**

Kyrie 2



Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy.

Christ, have_ mer - cy, Christ, have_ mer - cy, Christ, have_ mer - cy.

Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy.

From Christ Church Mass - Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

The deacon introduces the confession

God shows his love for us in this:
while we were still sinners Christ died for us.
Sure of reconciliation through the death of his Son
we confess our sins to God.

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

Gloria 2

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for_ your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther,

Lord God,_ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are

seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the

Ho - ly One: you a - lone are the Lord: you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the_ glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

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THE COLLECT

O God, the light of minds that know you, the life of souls that love you, the strength of the thoughts that seek you: help us so to know you that we may truly love you, and so to love you that we may fully serve you, whose service is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Kings:

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, 'Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?' When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

2 Kings 2.1-2, 2.6-14

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 77.1-2, 77.11-20

Response:



I re - mem - ber your deeds, O my God. _____

I cry aloud to God: I cry aloud to the one who will hear me. In the day of my distress I sought the Lord: by night my hands were spread out in prayer without ceasing, my soul refused all comfort. But then I remember what the Lord has done: and call to mind your wonders of old. I meditate on all your works: and ponder the things you have done.

Response

Your way, O God, is holy: what God is so great as our God? You are the God who does wonders: you have shown your power among the nations. With your strong arm you delivered your people: the offspring of Jacob and Joseph.

Response

The waters saw you, O God, the waters saw you and were afraid: they trembled in their depths. The clouds poured out waters, the heavens thundered: and your arrows flashed abroad. The voice of your thunder was heard in the whirlwind: the earth was shaken and trembling.

Response

Your path was in the sea, and your way was through the great waters: and your footprints were not seen. You led your people like sheep: by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Response

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SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians:

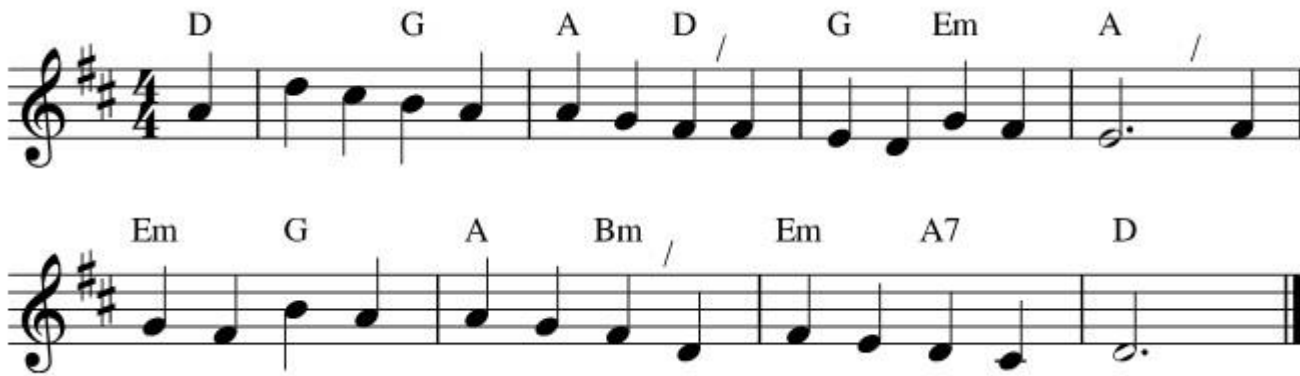
For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Galatians 5.1, 5.13-25

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 485



1. My God, accept my heart this day,
and make it still your own,
that I from you no more may stray,
but follow you alone.
2. Before the cross of him who died
in penitence I fall;
let every sin be crucified,
and Christ be Lord of all.
3. Anoint me with your heavenly grace,
and seal me for your own,
that I may see your glorious face,
and worship near your throne.
4. Let every thought and work and word
to you be ever given;
then life shall be your service, Lord,
and death the gate of heaven.

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Alleluia, **Alleluia**

Speak, O Lord your servant is listening;
you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

THE GOSPEL

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, ‘Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?’ But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, ‘I will follow you wherever you go.’ And Jesus said to him, ‘Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.’ To another he said, ‘Follow me.’ But he said, ‘Lord, first let me go and bury my father.’ But Jesus said to him, ‘Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.’ Another said, ‘I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.’ Jesus

said to him, ‘No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.’

Luke 9.51-62

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

Jesus says:

‘Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you.

Not as the world gives I give to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.’

The peace of the Lord be with you

and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

HYMN 533

TIS 324

The musical score is written on three staves in 4/4 time, featuring a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is composed of quarter and eighth notes, often beamed together. Chord symbols are placed above the staff: F, C, Bb, F, Dm, C, F, C, Dm, C, Dm, Am, Bb, F, Bb, C7, F. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

- 1. I come with joy to meet my Lord,
forgiven, loved, and free,
in awe and wonder to recall
his life laid down for me.**
- 2. I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.**
- 3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share
each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.**
- 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord,
his presence, always near,
is in such friendship better known:
we see, and praise him here.**
- 5. Together met, together bound,
we'll go our different ways,
and as his people in the world
we'll live and speak his praise.**

Brian Arthur Wren 1936–

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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

Sursum Corda

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
	
The Lord be with you.	And al - so with you.

Celebrant	*People*
Lift up your hearts.	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	*People*
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, faithful God,
Always and everywhere,
For with your only begotten Son
And life-giving Spirit,
You are the one true God from everlasting to everlasting.
At the dawn of time you wrought from nothing
A universe of beauty and splendour,
Bringing light from darkness
And order from chaos.
You formed us, male and female, in your image,

And endowed us with creative power.
 We turned away from you but you did not abandon us.
 You called us by name and searched us out,
 Making a covenant of mercy,
 Giving the law, and teaching justice by the prophets.
 And so we praise you,
 Joining with your faithful people of every time and place,
 Singing the eternal song:

Sanctus 2

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Benedictus

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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When the fullness of time was come,
 You sent your Son to be born of Mary.
 Bright image of your glory,
 He learnt obedience to you in all things,
 Even to death on a cross,
 Breaking the power of evil,
 Freeing us from sin, and putting death to flight.
 You raised him from death,
 Exalting him to glory,
 And the new day dawned.

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:

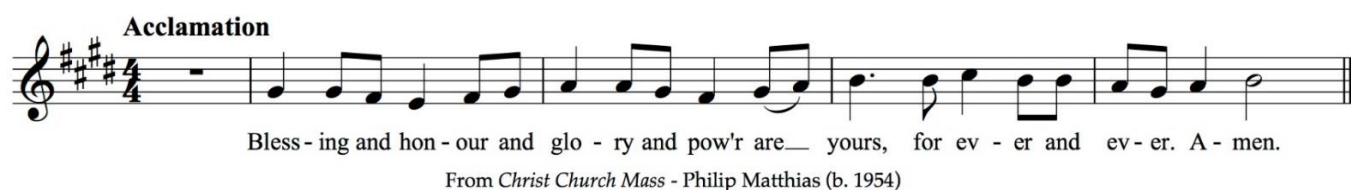


Therefore, living God, as we obey his command,
 we remember his life of obedience to you,
 his suffering and death,
 his resurrection and exaltation,
 and his promise to be with us for ever.
 With this bread and this cup
 We celebrate his saving death until he comes.

Accept, we pray, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
 and send your Holy spirit upon us and our celebration
 that all who eat and drink at this table
 may be strengthened by Christ's body and blood
 to serve you in the world.

As one body and one holy people,
 may we proclaim the everlasting gospel
 of Jesus Christ our Lord,
 through whom, with whom, and in whom,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 all glory is yours, eternal God, now and for 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

Agnus Dei 2

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re-deem-er of the world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

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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.

ANTHEM:

“O wheat whose crushing was for bread.”

Text: Delores Dufner OSB.

Music : Rosalie Bonighton (1946 – 2011)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope; teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN 626

Gtr. Capo 1 Eb(D) Cm(Bm) Ab(G) Bb(A) Eb(D)

Bb(A) Fm(Em) Bb(A) Eb(D) Cm(Bm) Bb(A)

Ab(G) Eb(D) Gm(F#m) Ab(G) Bb(A)

Eb(D) Cm(Bm) Ab(G) Eb(D)

- 1. Lord of creation, to you be all praise!
Most mighty your working, most wondrous your ways!
Your glory and might are beyond us to tell,
and yet in the heart of the humble you dwell.**
- 2. Lord of all power, I give you my will,
in joyful obedience your tasks to fulfil.
Your bondage is freedom; your service is song;
and, held in your keeping, my weakness is strong.**
- 3. Lord of all wisdom, I give you my mind:
rich truth that surpasses our knowledge to find,
what eye has not seen and what ear has not heard
is taught by your Spirit and shines from your word.**
- 4. Lord of all bounty, I give you my heart;
I praise and adore you for all you impart,
your love to inspire me, your counsel to guide,
your presence to shield me, whatever betide.**
- 5. Lord of all being, I give you my all;
if ever I leave you I stumble and fall;
but, led in your service your word to obey,
I'll walk in your freedom to the end of the way.**

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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

May the God of peace equip you with everything good for doing his will, working in you what is pleasing to him through Jesus Christ; 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.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

POSTLUDE

“Praeludium und Fuge e- moll” (‘the little’)

Nicholas Bruhns (1665 - 1697)

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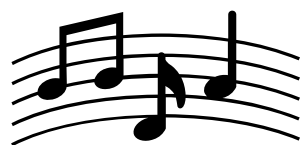
PRAYERS

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

And, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Harold Hopwood and Rasta Christian George.

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

Choir Practice



Due to a number of pending absences due to travel plans and family commitments, the choir is numerically heading to a critical number. We are keen to welcome new membership.

Choir practice is on Tuesdays from 5.30pm to 7pm. 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

Patronal Festival and Dinner



We are celebrating the feast of Saint Mary again this year with our annual Patronal dinner. A High Mass and Morning Tea will occur the following day.

Date and Time: 13th August, 2022 at 7.00pm

Location: St Mary's Church Hall. You can book via Trybooking at:

<https://www.trybooking.com/CAHJF>

Alternatively, you can pay through the church bank account. If using this method, please specify that you're paying for the patronal dinner e.g. Patronal dinner for 3.

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Social Get-together at The Castle

The last social event at The Castle attracted a good number of parishioners, who seemed to enjoy themselves. We'll keep the format and venue under review but for the moment we are going to give it another go. So, save the date, because on Monday 4 July from 7.00 pm some of us will be there again at The Castle pub on 56 Courtney Street: <https://thecastlehotel.com.au>

No agenda, no speeches, no designated seating and it will be pay your own way.

Come and go as you wish. Hope to see you there!

End of Financial year Tax Deductible Giving

The ongoing St Mary's National Trust appeal is a tax-effective way of making a contribution to the ongoing task of maintaining our heritage-listed building. As the end of the financial year approaches, you might like to consider making a contribution to this fund, which is tax-deductible.

Please complete the form found at:

<https://www.stmarys.org.au/wp/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/National-Trust-Appeal-Form-2020.pdf>

and send it to the office at:

office@stmarys.org.au.

More information can be found at:

https://www.stmarys.org.au/news_events/

ST MARY'S PARISH NOTICES

Roster – Who's Doing What?

	June 26th	July 3rd
8:00am Reader	Rhondda Fahey	Judie Bainbridge
10:00am Readers	Josephine Snowdon Peter O'Donoghue	Rebe Taylor
Serving Team	Alice Christofi Anne Sunderland	Robert Gribben
Welcome	Michael Golding	Peter O'Donoghue
Introduction & Intercessions	Andrew Murray	Anne Sunderland
Video/AV	Adam Wing	Susan Gribben
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Harriet Jenkins	Samuel Miller
Morning Tea	TBC	School Holidays
Collection Counting	Parish Council +1	TBC
Flowers	TBC	Parish Council

Hospitality Committee

Are you able to help with morning teas? The hospitality committee is seeking additional help. The current members are Helen, Susan, Denise and Marion. Please chat to them if you'd like to be involved.

Donations for Patronal Raffle

Do you have something you can donate to the raffle? If so, please leave your donations with Father Jan or Susan Gribben.

Confirmation Classes

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

Giving to Support St Marys

We value your financial support. This helps us keep our doors open and fulfil our mission. *You can donate by following this link or scanning the QR code:*

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Bank: Westpac

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

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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 pledges are confidential. Your identity will not be revealed to the Wardens, Parish Council or Vicar.

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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*

