

St Mary's



Sixteenth Ordinary Sunday

17th July 2022



8am Presiding: Rev'd Robyn Boyd (Associate Priest)

10am Presiding: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra

10am Preaching: Rev'd Robyn Boyd (Associate Priest)

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

Action and reflection, equally and essentially, make up the Gospel. It is not enough to do good things for people – to serve; our practical Christianity must be inspired and nourished by sitting at the feet of Jesus so we might hear and be guided by his word. We all need to be both Martha and Mary.

HYMN 693



1. **‘Come as you are: that’s how I want you.**
Come as you are; feel quite at home,
close to my heart, loved and forgiven.
Come as you are: why stand alone?
2. **‘No need to fear, love sets no limits;**
no need to fear, love never ends;
don’t run away shamed and disheartened,
rest in my love, trust me again.

- 3. 'I came to call sinners, not just the righteous;
I came to bring peace, not to condemn.
Each time you fail to live by my promise,
why do you think I'd love you the less?**
- 4. 'Come as you are; that's how I love you;
come as you are, trust me again.
Nothing can change the love that I bear you;
all will be well, just come as you are.'**

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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

Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ and make yourself our guest: amid the cares of our daily lives, make us attentive to your voice and alert to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the Prophet Amos:

This is what the Lord God showed me—a basket of summer fruit. He said, ‘Amos, what do you see?’ And I said, ‘A basket of summer fruit.’ Then the Lord said to me,
‘The end has come upon my people Israel;

I will never again pass them by.
The songs of the temple shall become wailings on that day,'
says the Lord God;
'the dead bodies shall be many,
cast out in every place. Be silent!'
Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, 'When will the new moon
be over so that we may sell grain;
and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale?
We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
and practise deceit with false balances,
buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat.'
The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.
Shall not the land tremble on this account,
and everyone mourn who lives in it,
and all of it rise like the Nile,
and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt?
On that day, says the Lord God ,
I will make the sun go down at noon,
and darken the earth in broad daylight.
I will turn your feasts into mourning,
and all your songs into lamentation;
I will bring sackcloth on all loins,
and baldness on every head;
I will make it like the mourning for an only son,
and the end of it like a bitter day.
The time is surely coming, says the Lord God,
when I will send a famine on the land;
not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water,
but of hearing the words of the Lord .
They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east;
they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord ,
but they shall not find it.

Amos 8.1-12

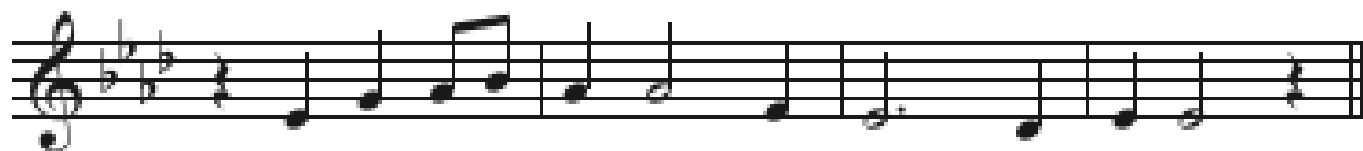
For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 52

Response:

Andrew Moore



I trust in the good-ness of God for e - ver.

Why do you glory in evil you tyrant,
while the goodness of God endures continually?
You plot destruction, you deceiver;
your tongue is like a sharpened razor.

Response

You love evil rather than good,
falsehood rather than the word of truth.
You love all words that hurt,
O you deceitful tongue.

Response

Therefore God shall utterly bring you down;
He shall take you and pluck you out of your tent
and root you out of the land of the living.

Response

The righteous shall see this and tremble;
they shall laugh you to scorn, and say:
'This is the one who did not take God for a refuge,
but trusted in great riches and relied upon wickedness.'

Response

But I am like a spreading olive tree in the house of God;
I trust in the goodness of God forever and ever.

I will always give thanks to you for what you have done;
I will hope in your name, for your fatherful ones delight in it.

Response

SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's letter to the Colossians:

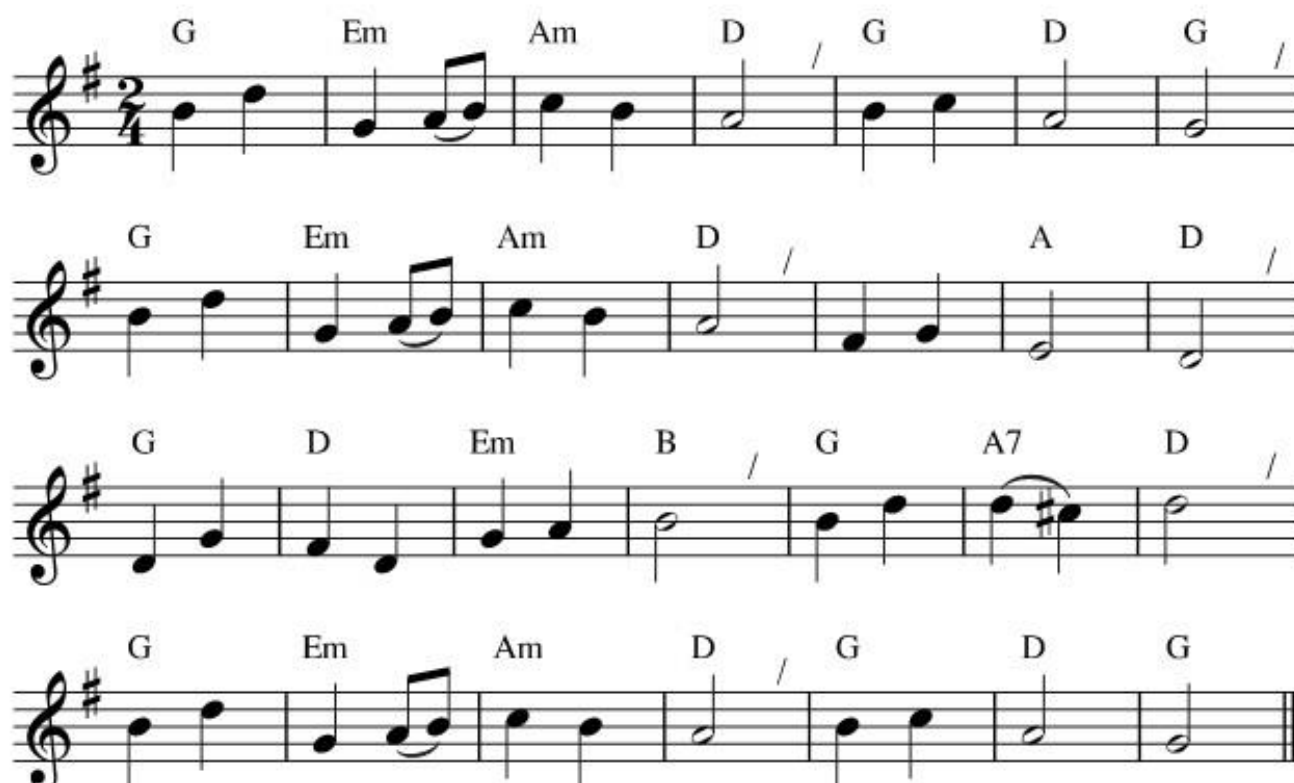
He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ. For this I toil and struggle with all the energy that he powerfully inspires within me.

Colossians 1.15-29

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 201



1. **King of glory, King of peace,
I will love thee;
and, that love may never cease,
I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
thou hast heard me;
thou didst note my working breast,
thou hast spared me.**
2. **Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing thee,
and the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
thou didst clear me;**

and alone, when they replied,
thou didst hear me.

3. Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise thee;
in my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
to enrol thee:
ev'n eternity's too short
to extol thee.

George Herbert 1593–1633

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Alleluia, **Alleluia**

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.

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.

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

Luke 10.38-42

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.

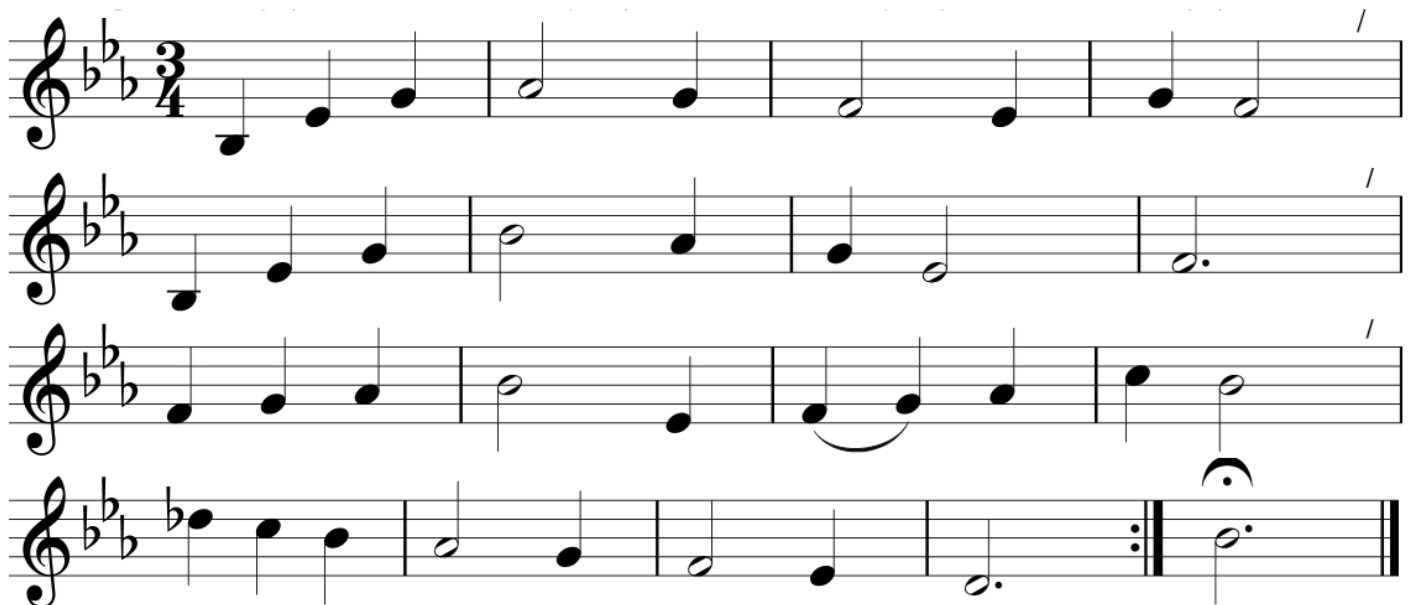
Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.’

The peace of the Lord be with you

and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

HYMN 653



1. This is a day of new beginnings,
time to remember, and move on,
time to believe what love is bringing,
laying to rest the pain that's gone.
2. For by the life and death of Jesus,
God's mighty Spirit, now as then,
can make for us a world of difference
as faith and hope are born again.
3. Then let us, with the Spirit's daring,
step from the past, and leave behind
our disappointment, guilt and grieving,
seeking new paths, and sure to find.
4. Christ is alive, and goes before us
to show and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings;
our God is making all things new.

**4. In faith we'll gather round the table
to taste and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings;
our God is making all things new.**

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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:

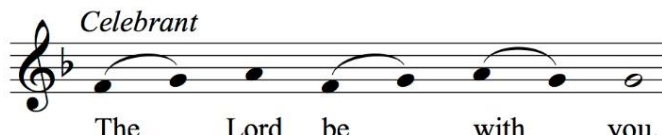



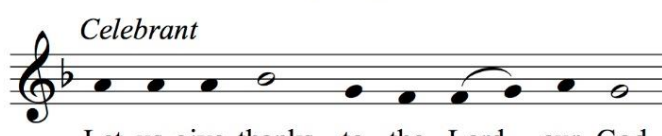

Blessèd be God for ever.

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.

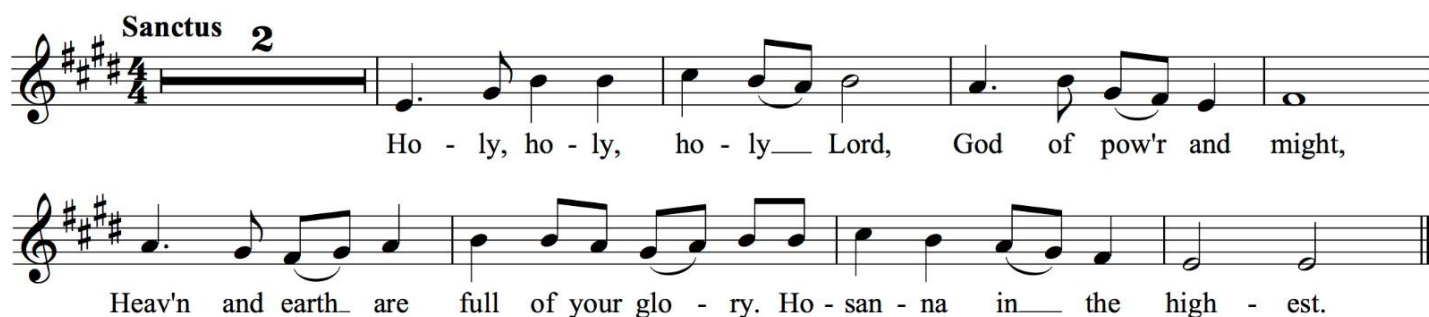
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Sursum Corda

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
	
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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.

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

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.'

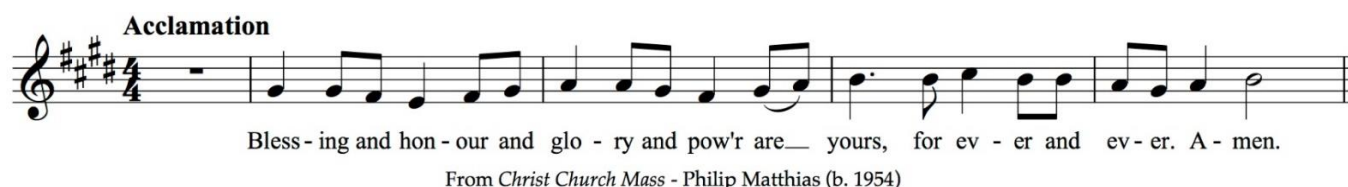
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



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:

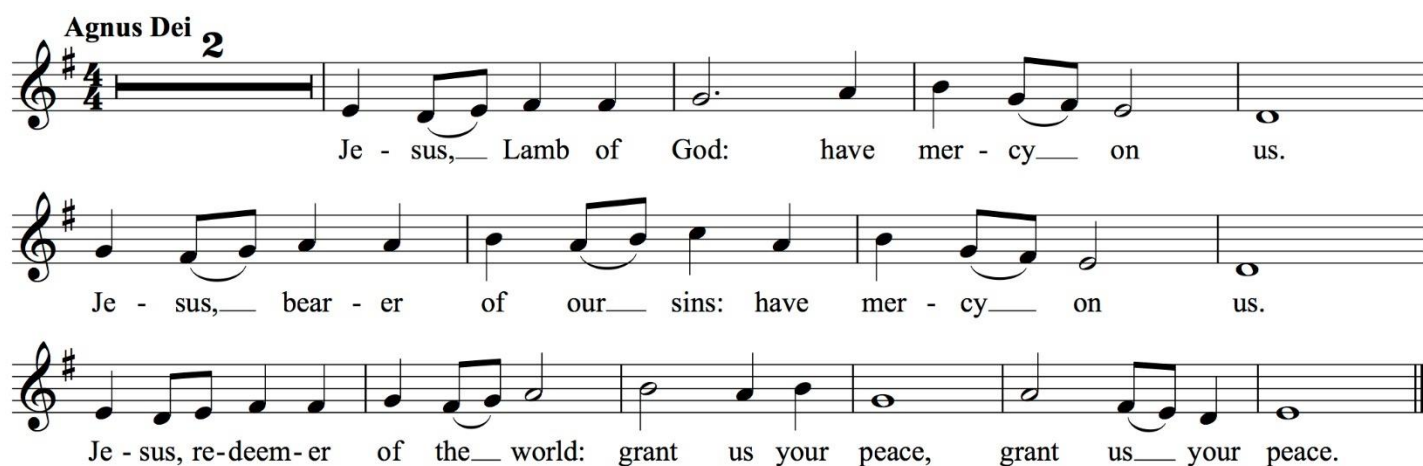
We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

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.

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

THE INVITATION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

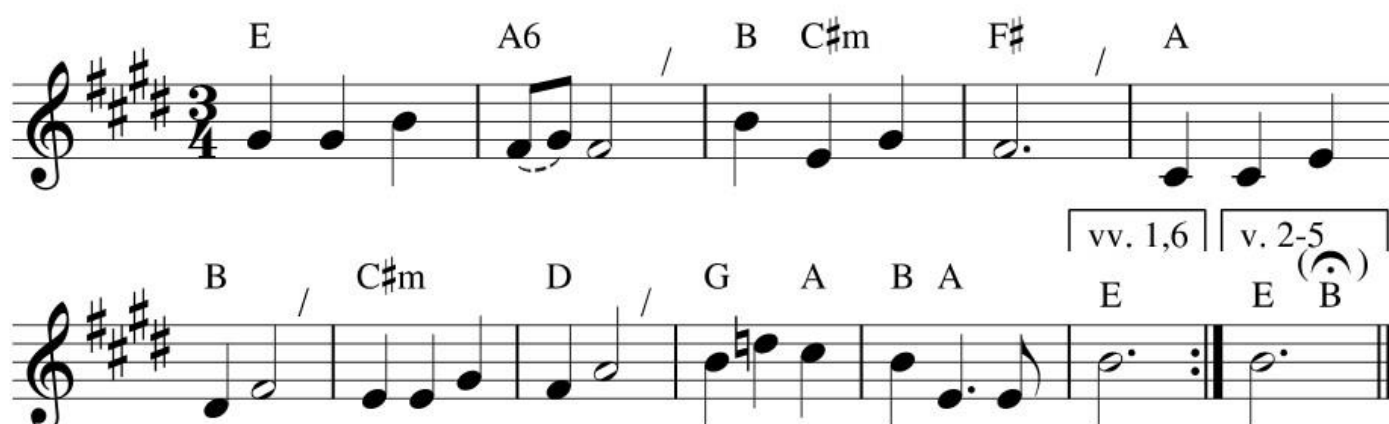
Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

ANTHEM

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live; may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and forever. **Amen.**

HYMN 468



- 1. We are your people;
Spirit of grace,
you dare to make us
to all our neighbours,
Christ's living voice, hands and face.**

- 2. Joined in community,
treasured and fed,
may we discover
gifts in each other,
willing to lead and be led**
- 3. Rich in diversity,
help us to live
closer than neighbours,
open to strangers,
able to clash and forgive.**
- 4. Glad of tradition,
help us to see
in all life's changing,
where you are leading,
where our best efforts should be.**
- 5. Give, as we venture
justice and care
(peaceful, resisting,
waiting or risking)
wisdom to know when and where.**
- 6. Christ as we serve you
in different ways,
may all we're doing
show that you're living,
meeting your love with our praise.**

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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 almighty God bless you in his mercy, and make you always aware of his saving wisdom; may he strengthen your faith so that you will persevere in good works; may he direct your steps to himself and show you how to walk in charity and peace, 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 to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

POSTLUDE

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PRAYERS

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

And, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Ikenna Nwokolo, Wayland Wong Hoy, Katie O'Donoghue and Jean Young.

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

Delta Studies - Wisdom and Being Wise

Here are some of the topics that are being covered in this series:

- * Wisdom in the Hebrew Bible
- * Wisdom in the Gospels
- * Wisdom in St Paul, especially I Corinthians.
- * Wisdom in the Desert Fathers and Mothers
- * Wisdom in the Mishnah
- * Wisdom in St Augustine

This study will take place at 11:30 in the Church.

If you prefer to join online, pls use this link:

<https://bit.ly/SaintMary-DELTA>

Looking forward to seeing you there.

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.

The Patronal Dinner is BYO

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.

Account Name: St Marys Anglican Church North Melbourne

Bank: Westpac

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

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/

Food Donations for St Marks

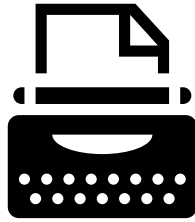
It's very cold and many of our neighbours don't have enough food to keep warm. In the past we have attended to this in two ways. First by contributing through the office to the Benevolent Fund. This provides meat to the kitchens at St Mark's Fitzroy, where people are provided with a hot meal. Second by providing non-perishable items like noodles or canned beans and soup or toiletries.

Leave them in the Baptistery on Sunday mornings and they will be taken to Anglicare at Fitzroy. Please buy an extra article or two when you do your own shopping. Thanks.

Roster – Who’s Doing What?		
	July 17th	July 24th
8:00am Reader	Jenny Langmead	Judie Bainbridge
10:00am Readers	Rosie Moloney Fabien Nunes	Helen McCallum Michael Golding
Serving Team	Andrew Murray Peter O’Donoghue	Andrew Murray Peter O’Donoghue
Welcome	Samuel Miller	Anne Sunderland
Introduction & Intercessions	Geoff Jenkins	Samuel Miller
Video/AV	Adam Wing	Samuel Miller
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Harriet Jenkins	Harriet Jenkins
Morning Tea	Marion Poynter Lindy Golding	Josie Snowdon Rosie Moloney
Collection Counting	Parish Council +1	Parish Council +1
Flowers	Father Jan	TBC

ST MARY'S PARISH NOTICES

Patronal Edition of Ave



The next edition of Ave is due for the Patronal festival. Everyone is encouraged to write an article. You don't have to be especially invited just give in to that creative urge. End of July would be super but could you at least let Rhondda Fahey know what to expect.

You can send contributions directly to the office or to Rhondda Fahey at:

rhondda.fahey@bigpond.com

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.

Raffle Books

If you have taken a raffle book would you please inform Deepa so that she can be sure to get them all back before the dinner.

Confirmation Classes

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

Online Study Groups

The Congregation of Mark the Evangelist (Nth Melb UCA) is running online study groups in July and August, considering Miroslav Volf's "Free of charge: giving and forgiving in a culture stripped of grace".

This text is available in paper and electronic form ([Amazon](#), [Koorong](#) [e-book is in epub format], [Book Depository](#), and [elsewhere](#)).

Participants should get their own copy of the book (\$11-\$20). Two study groups will meet online for 60-75 minutes on: Wednesday nights, 7.45pm from Wednesday July 20 and Friday afternoons, 1.30pm from Friday July 22.

The groups will run for 6-8 weeks – about a chapter per week. It will help if you register via the webpage:

www.marktheevangelist.unitingchurch.org.au

This will send you the Zoom link.

For more information, contact:

minister@marktheevangelist.unitingchurch.org.au.

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:*

<http://st-marys-anglican-north-melbourne.square.site/>



Or make a direct transfer to:

Account Name: St Marys Anglican Church North Melbourne

Bank: Westpac

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

STEWARDSHIP AT ST MARY'S – PLEDGE YOUR REGULAR SUPPORT

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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The Anglican Diocese in conjunction with St Mary's Anglican Church North Melbourne does not tolerate abuse, harassment or other misconduct within our communities. If any person has concerns about behavior of a church worker, past or present. The Diocese of Melbourne is committed to doing all that is possible to ensure that abuse does not occur. All complaints of abuse are taken very seriously, and we do all we can to lessen harm. We offer respect, pastoral care and ongoing long-term support to anyone who makes a complaint. St Mary's Statement of Commitment to Child Safety is on our noticeboard and can be downloaded from our website www.stmarys.org.au.

PLEASE REPORT ABUSE CALL 1800 135 246

MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

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

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

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

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

