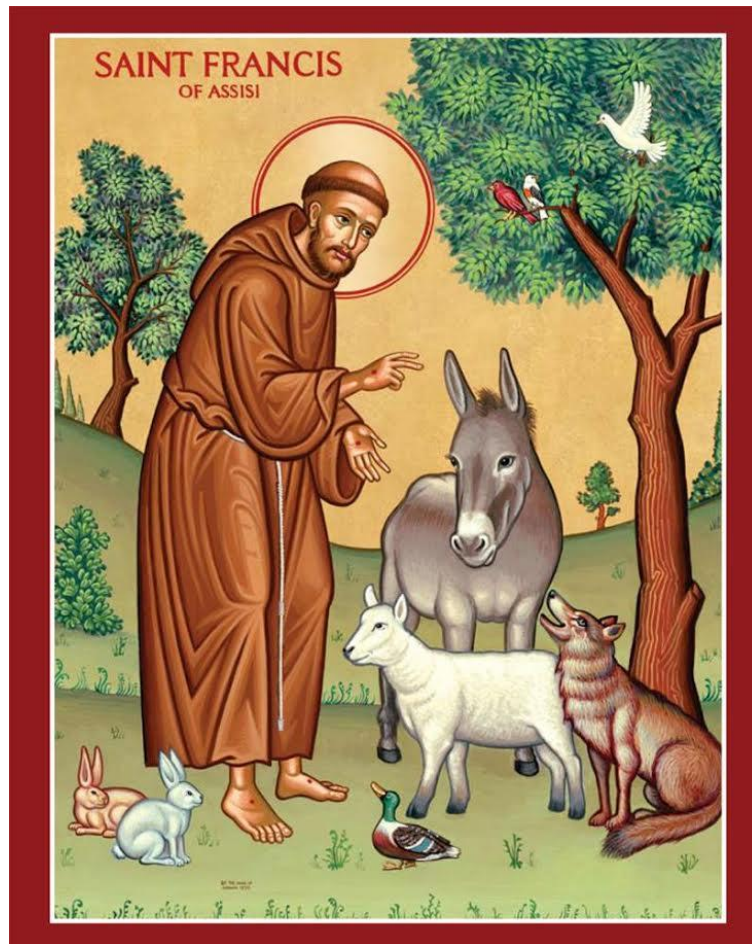


St Mary's



Season of Creation 5: Blessing of Animals
2nd October 2022



St Francis of Assisi

8am Presiding & Preaching: Revd Dr Luke Hopkins

10am Preaching: Revd Dr Luke Hopkins

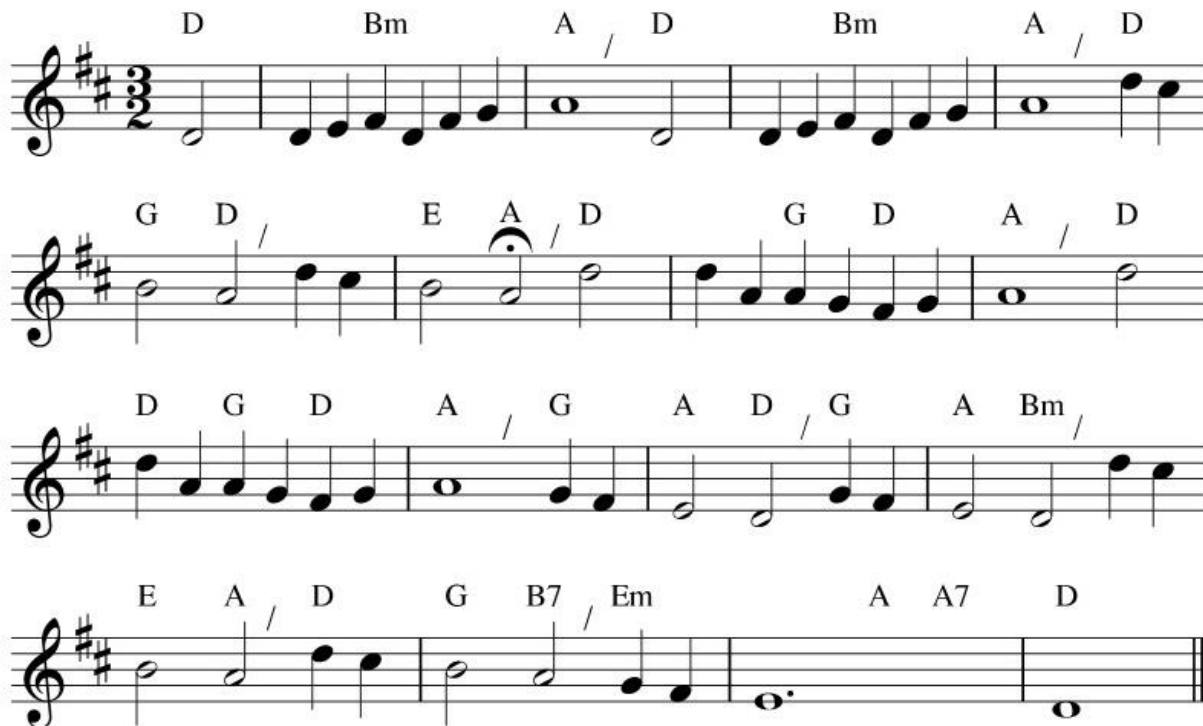
Presiding: Revd Prof Dorothy Lee

*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

This is now the last week in our series on creation when we particularly commemorate St Francis of Assisi (1182–1226 CE). Our readings are taken from Habakkuk and James, with the Gospel reading focussed on Jesus' teaching on the journey to Jerusalem. James, in particular, emphasises the need to live out the law of love in practice and not just in words, a love that extends to all creation.

HYMNAL 100



- 1. All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing
alleluia, alleluia!**
**O burning sun with golden beam,
and silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

- 2. Swift-rushing winds that are so strong,
and clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, alleluia!
Fresh-rising morn, in praise rejoice,
and lights of evening, find a voice:
O praise him ...**
- 3. O flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for your Lord to hear,
alleluia, alleluia!
O fire, so masterful and bright,
providing us with warmth and light,
O praise him ...**
- 4. Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfold rich blessings on our way,
O praise him, alleluia!
All flowers and fruits that in you grow,
let them his glory also show;
O praise him ...**
- 5. And everyone of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part,
O praise him, alleluia!
All who long pain and sorrow bear
praise God and on him cast your care;
O praise him ...**
- 6. And you, most kind and gentle death,
waiting to hush our latest breath,
O praise him, alleluia!
You lead to heaven the child of God,
and Christ our Lord the way has trod:
O praise him ...**

7. Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness;
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Based on Laudato sia Dio mio Signore the 'Canticle of the Sun' of Francis of Assisi 1182–1226
by William Henry Draper 1855–1933 alt.*

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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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

The Lord be with you:
And also with you.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

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's whole creation groans. The land produces thorns and thistle and longs to be set free. Our sin affects all around us. We confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Creator God, we confess that we have not honoured and obeyed you. We have broken our relationships with one another, abused your fragile creation, wounded your love and marred your holy image in us. We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins. Father, forgive us. Lead us from apathy to love. Strengthen us as stewards of your precious people and of your glorious creation for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us. Amen.

The celebrant pronounces the absolution:

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed: forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of the kingdom 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.

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

THE COLLECT

O God, by whose gift St Francis was conformed to Christ in poverty and humility: Grant that, by walking in Francis' footsteps, we may follow your Son and, through joyful charity, come to be united with you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit for the reading

A reading from Habakkuk:

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous—therefore judgment comes forth perverted ... I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith... *Habakkuk 1:1–4; 2:1–4*

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 37:1-9

PSALM 37 (1-11)

Hal H. Hopson



Do not fret, should the wicked prosper;
Do not envy those who do wrong.
They soon wither like the grass;
They fade like the green of the field. *Response*

Make the Lord your only joy,
And God will give you your heart's desire.
Commit your life to the Lord;
Trust in God whose deeds are always sure. *Response.*

Righteousness shall dawn as the light,
Justice like the noonday sun.
In silence be still before the Lord;
In patience, wait for God's own time. *Response.*

The wicked may prosper along their way,
but do not be enraged; leave anger alone.
The evildoers shall be destroyed,
But the righteous shall possess the land. *Response.*

SECOND READING:

A reading from the Letter of James:

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, You shall not commit adultery, also said, You shall not murder. Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill, and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. *James 2:8-17*

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN TIS 607

D Dmaj7 D6 D /

1 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. _____ Where
 2 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. _____ Where
 3 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. _____ It

D Dmaj7 Em7 A7 /

1 there is ha-tred let me bring your love; _____ where
 2 there's de-spair in life, let me bring hope; _____ where
 3 is in par-don - ing that we are par - doned, _____ in

Em Em7 Em A7 /

1 there is in - ju - ry, your par-don, Lord; _____ and
 2 there is dark-ness, let me bring your light; _____ and
 3 giv-ing of our - selves that we re - ceive, _____ and in

Em7 A7

Refrain after verses 1 and 2 only
 D Fine D7 / Refrain

1 where there's doubt, true faith _____ in _____ you. _____
 2 where there's sad-ness, ev - er _____ joy. _____ O
 3 dy - ing that we're born to e-ter - nal life. _____

G D /

Mas-ter, grant that I may nev - er seek _____ so

A7 D D7 /

much to be con - soled as to con - sole, _____ to be

G D /

un - der-stood as to un - der - stand, _____ to be

E7 A D.C.

loved, as to love with all my soul. _____

Based on an anonymous prayer (?French) c.1900
 This version by Johann Sebastian Templehoff ('Sebastian Temple') 1928–

THE GOSPEL



Alleluia, **Alleluia**

Christ is the firstborn of all creation;
all things have been created through him and for him.

Alleluia

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus said to his disciples, Occasions for stumbling are bound to come, but woe to anyone by whom they come! It would be better for you if a millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea than for you to cause one of these little ones to stumble. Be on your guard! If another disciple^a sins, you must rebuke the offender, and if there is repentance, you must forgive. And if the same person sins against you seven times a day, and turns back to you seven times and says, I repent, you must forgive. The apostles said to the Lord, Increase our faith! The Lord replied, If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, Be uprooted and planted in the sea, and it would obey you. Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in the field, Come here at once and take your place at the table? Would you not rather say to him, Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink? Do you thank the servant for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, We are worthless servants; we have done only what we ought to have done!

Luke 17:1-10

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.

INTERCESSIONS

8 am:

Caring God, we thank you for your gifts in creation:

The heavens tell of your glory;

For our land, its beauty and its resources,

For the rich heritage we enjoy.

We pray: For those who make decisions about the resources of the earth: **that we may use your gifts responsibly;**

For those who work on the land and sea, in city and in industry,
that all may enjoy the fruits of their labours and marvel at your creation;

For artists, scientists and visionaries,
That through their work we may see creation afresh.

We thank you for giving us life;
for all who enrich our experience.

We pray for all who are deprived of fullness of life,
For prisoners, refugees, the handicapped, and all who are sick;
For those in politics, medical science, relief work, and for your Church,
for all who seek to bring life to others.

We thank you that you have called us to celebrate your creation.
Give us reverence for life in your world.

We thank you for your redeeming love;
may your word and sacrament strengthen us to love as you love us.

God, Source of all being, bring us new life.

Jesus, Redeemer, renew us.

Holy Spirit, strengthen and guide us.

God of peace, let us your people know, that at the heart of turbulence there is an inner calm that comes from faith in you. Keep us from being content with things as they are, that from this central peace there may come a creative compassion, a thirst for justice, and a willingness to give of ourselves in the spirit of Christ. **Amen.**

10 am:

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

...

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.

BLESSING OF PETS

Blessed are you, Lord God, maker of all living creatures: You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air, and animals on the land. You inspired St. Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless these pets. By the power of your love, enable them to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures!
Amen.

Individual pets may be brought forward for a blessing.

THE PEACE

We are the body of Christ: **his Spirit is with us.**
The peace of the Lord be always with you: **and also with you.**
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

HYMN TIS 787

Em Am7 Bm Em /
 1 Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness.

Em Am7 Bm Em /
 Long-ing for truth, we turn to you.

Em Am D G /
 Make us your own, your ho - ly peo - ple,

C Am D D7 /
 light for the world to see. _____

Refrain G C G / Em Bm
 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.

Em Am D / G C
 Shine through the dark - ness. Christ, be our

G / Em Am D
 light! Shine in your church gath-ered to -

G C G G 5.
 day. _____

1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light!

Shine in your church gathered today.

2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice.
Christ, be our light.

3. Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed.
Christ, be our light.

4. Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone.
Christ, be our light.

5. Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come.
Christ, be our light.

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.


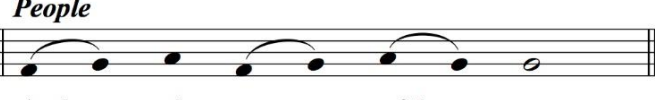
Blessèd be God for ever.

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.

O God, eternal Wisdom, all you have made is beautiful and good. We thank you for darkness and light, for this earth and for our bodies, for growth and change and all that lies beyond our knowledge and imagination. In every generation you befriend your people. You gave us your holy Law, sent the prophets, and called us back to the truth whenever we turned away. You were vindicated in your Son Jesus who came with forgiveness, feasting, and stories of your grace. Though we rejected him, death on a cross could not quench the fire of his love. You raised him up for us, the firstborn from the dead, to build a new community of hope where all are honoured as Christ's equal friends. And so we praise you with Mary, mother of the living Word, and with

all your faithful friends in heaven and on earth, as we join the angels' song:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

God of the feast, your household is hungry for the bread of heaven and the cup of life. Send your Spirit on us and on our celebration, so that we may eat at this table and be satisfied with the sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

On the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with the people he loved. He took the bread, gave you thanks, broke it to share with them, and said: Take and eat this: it is my body. Do this in remembrance of me.

Then he took a cup of wine. Again he thanked you and said: Drink this, all of you: it is my blood, shed for you and for many so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me.

So we delight to remember Jesus: the faithfulness of his life, the victory of his cross, the glory of his resurrection, the joy of the Holy Spirit poured out for the Church.

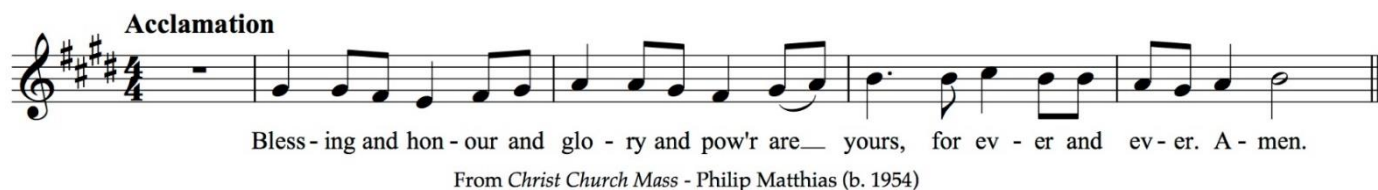
We proclaim the mystery of faith:

Acclamation

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

O God, holy Father, merciful and generous, accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Make us good stewards of creation, with justice in our hearts, courage in our actions and power in our speech to

bear witness to the truth. Protect us with your glory, unite your church in loyalty and love, and bring us home with all your saints to feast with you for ever. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, and in the Spirit's grace, with heart and soul and mind and strength we love and worship you alone, O God:



THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:

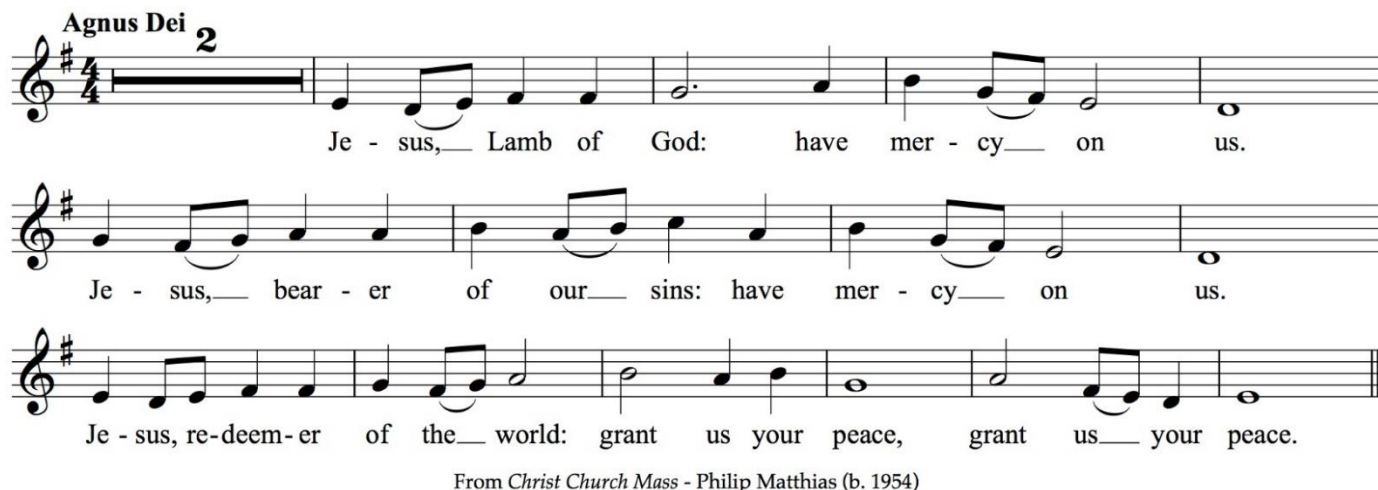
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

As this broken bread was once many grains, which have been gathered together and made one bread:
**so may your whole Church be gathered from the ends of the earth
into your kingdom. Amen.**

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:

‘Fill your hearts with joy and gladness’

*Music Sarah Quartel (b1982);
text Timothy Dudley-Smith (b1926)*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN TIS 668

*Gtr. Capo 3 **

Bb(G) F(D) Gm(Em) Dm(Bm) /

Eb(C) Bb(G) Cm(Am) F(D) /

Bb(G) F(D) Gm(Em) Dm(Bm) /

Eb(C) Bb(G) Gm(Em) Cm(Am) F(D) Bb(G)

1. **Touch the earth lightly,
use the earth gently,
nourish the life of the world in our care:
gift of great wonder,
ours to surrender,
trust for the children tomorrow will bear.**
2. **We who endanger,
who create hunger,
agents of death for all creatures that live,
we who would foster
clouds of disaster,
God of our planet, forestall and forgive!**
3. **Let there be greening,
birth from the burning,
water that blesses and air that is sweet,
health in God's garden,**

**hope in God's children,
regeneration that peace will complete.**

- 4. God of all living,
God of all loving,
God of the seedling, the snow and the sun,
teach us, deflect us,
Christ re-connect us,
using us gently and making us one.**

*Shirley Erena Murray 1931–
Music: Colin Gibson*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love.

Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of the Spirit.

THE BLESSING

God give us grace to follow St Francis and all the saints in faith and hope and love. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and always. **Amen**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:
In the name of Christ. Amen.

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS

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

And whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Tedd Gill, Effie Taylor, Margaret Josephine Maher, Charles Albert (Bert) Housden, and Patricia Litchfield.

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

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Roster – Who's doing what?		
	October 2nd	October 11th
8:00am Reader	Dorothy Lee	
10:00am Readers	Fabien Nunes & Andrew Gador-Whyte	
Serving Team	Anne Sunderland, Alice Christofi & Peter O'Donoghue	
Welcome	Michael Golding	
Introduction & Intercessions	Josie Snowdon	
Video/AV	Geoff Jenkins	
Kids Corner & Sunday School	School holidays	
Morning Tea	Susan Gribben + 1	
Collection Counting	Parish Council +1	
Flowers	Andrea O'Donoghue	

Confirmation Classes with Mother Dorothy

Mother Dorothy will be conducting three confirmation classes, starting a week on Sunday the 9th of October for any who are interested. The confirmation classes will continue on the following two Sundays. Participants will be meeting following the morning service at 11.45 am in the church.

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Poetry Corner

Prayer of St Francis:

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life.

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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*

