

12th March 2023

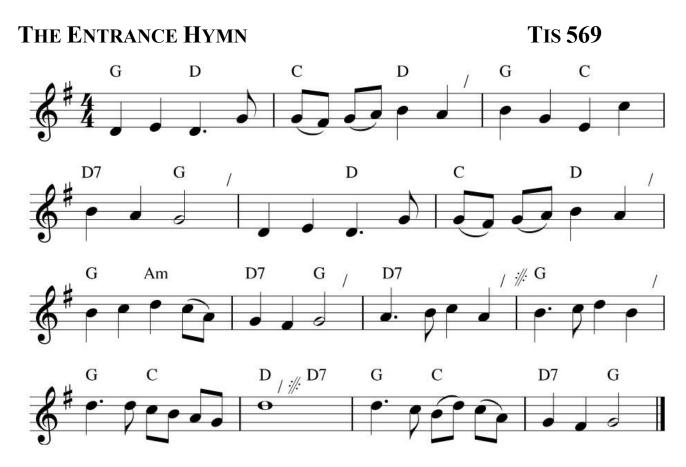


8am Presiding and Preaching: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra
 10am Presiding: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra
 10am Preaching: Rev. Professor Robert Gribben

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

Salvation is a gift from God, yet we often act as though it were something we can earn and achieve. The apostle Paul directs our thoughts in our second reading to place the emphasis on God's act of love for us in setting us right with God. Our acts of goodness are a response to, not a cause of, our salvation in Christ.



1. Guide me, O thou great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand: bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

- 2. Open now the crystal fountain whence the living waters flow: let the fiery, cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through: strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.
- 3. When I tread the verge of Jordan bid my anxious fears subside; death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side: songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee, I will ever give to thee.

William Williams 1717–91 tr. Peter Williams 1722–96 and William Williams alt.

COLLECT FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

Priest kneeling at the altar says:

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

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.

Assistant:

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we

have rebelled and wandered off. Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

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.**

COLLECT

O God, the fountain of life, to a humanity parched with thirst you offer the living water that springs from the Rock, our Saviour Jesus Christ: stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit, that we may profess our faith with freshness and announce with joy the wonder of your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, 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

Please sit for the reading

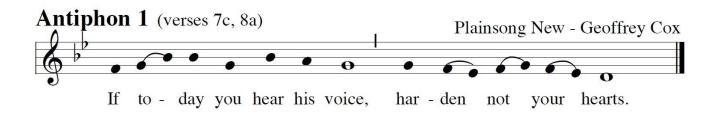
A reading from the book of Exodus:

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord ?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

Exodus 17.1-7

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

PSALM 95



O come, let us sing out to the Lord: let us shout in triumph to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his face with thanksgiving: and cry out to him joyfully in psalms. *Response*.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all Gods. In his hands are the depth of the earth, The heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his for he made it And the dry lands which his hands have formed. *Response*.

Come, let us worship and bow down: and kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God: we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. *Response*.

Today if only you would hear his voice 'Do not harden your hearts as at Meribah:

as on that day at Massah in the wilderness

'When your fathers tested me:

put me to proof, though they had seen my works. Response.

SECOND READING:

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans:

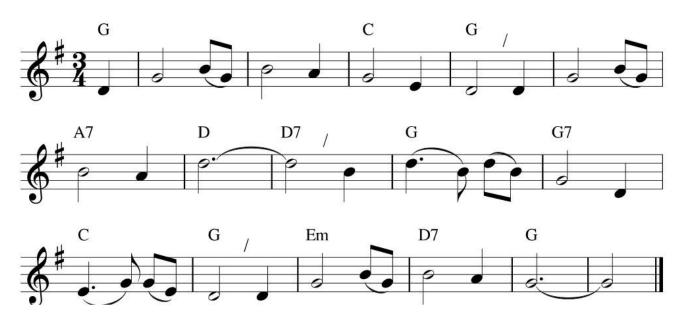
Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Romans 5.1-11

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

THE GRADUAL HYMN

TIS 129



- 1. Amazing grace (how sweet the sound) that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.
- 2. As grace first taught my heart to fear so grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!
- 3. Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come: God's grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
- 4. The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; he will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- 5. Yes, when this heart and flesh shall fail and mortal life shall cease

I shall possess within the veil a life of joy and peace.

6. When we've been there a thousand years bright shining as the sun we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun.

> John Newton 1725–1807 alt. Arrangement © L. F. Bartlett

THE GOSPEL

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory
Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world;
give me living water, that I may never thirst.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.

The Lord be with you: And also with you.

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

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

So Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.' Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.' Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' They left the city and were on their way to him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** John 4.5-30

SERMON

THE 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

After each section:

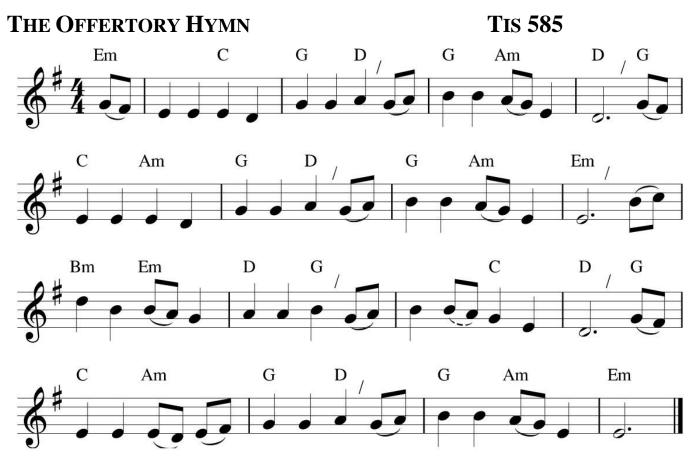
Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

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

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross. **We meet in his name and share his peace.**



1. I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Come unto me and rest; lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast.' I came to Jesus as I was, weary and worn and sad; I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad.

- 2. I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Behold, I freely give the living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live.' I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream; my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.
- 3. I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'I am this dark world's light; look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright.' I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun; and in that light of life I'll walk till travelling days are done.

Horatius Bonar 1808-89 alt.

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

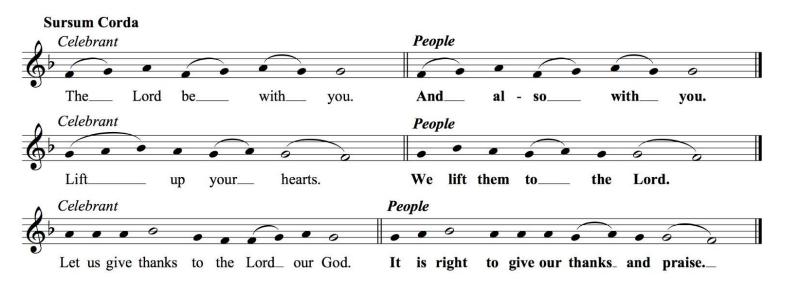
Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

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, thanks and praise be given to you at all times and in all places, Lord, holy Father, true and living God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For he is your eternal Word through whom you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image.

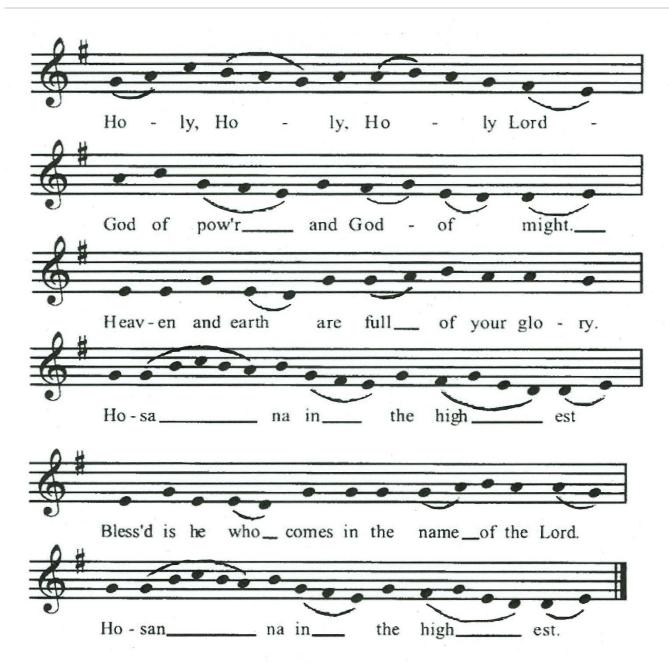
In your great love you gave him to be made man for us and to share our common life.

In obedience to your will your Son our Saviour offered himself as a perfect sacrifice, and died upon the cross for our redemption. Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin and reconciled us to yourself, our God and Father.

He is our great high priest whom you raised from death and exalted to your right hand on high where he ever lives to intercede for us.

Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit and made us a royal priesthood called to serve you for ever.

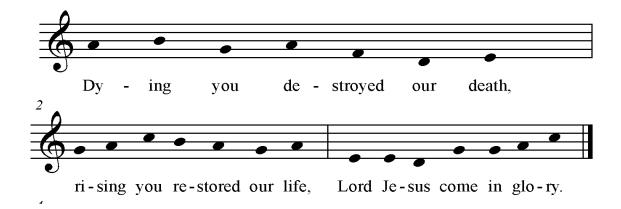
Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we proclaim your great and glorious name, for every praising you and singing:



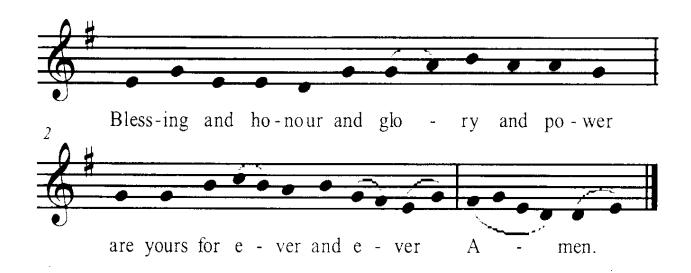
Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, and we pray that we who eat and drink them in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit in obedience to our Saviour Christ in remembrance of his death and passion may be partakers of his body and his blood.

Who 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 which is 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 which is 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:



Father, with this bread and this cup, We do as our Saviour has commanded; We celebrate the redemption he has won for us; We proclaim his perfect sacrifice Made once for all upon the cross, His mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; And we look for his coming to fulfil all things according to your will. 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 in in whom By the power of the Holy Spirit, We worship you, Father almighty, now and forever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:

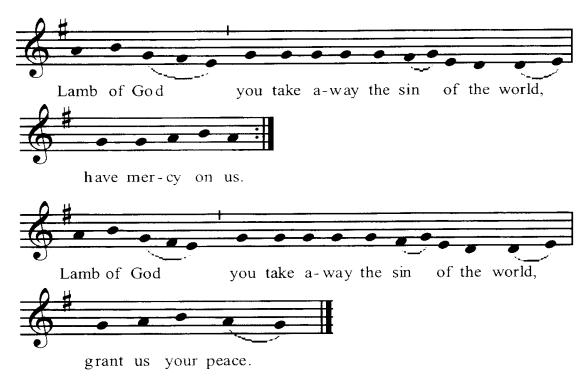
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

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

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.

COMMUNION

THE ANTHEM

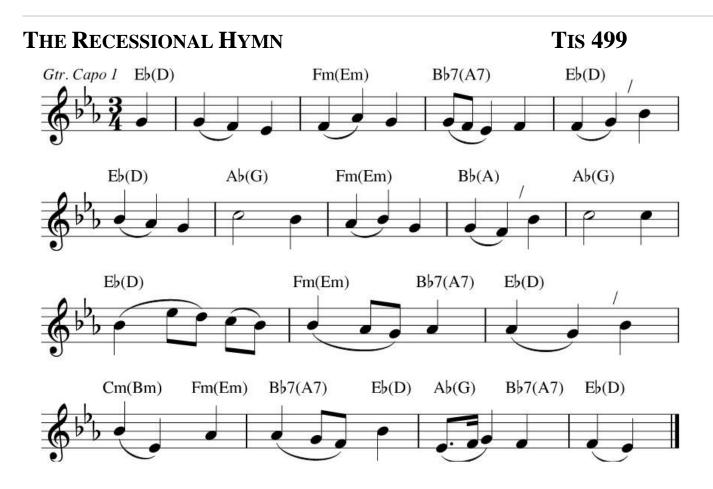
'What wondrous love is this.'

American folk hymn arr. P J Christiansen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; though Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.



- 1. O Jesus, joy of loving hearts, thou fount of life, thou light of men, from the best bliss that earth imparts we turn unfilled to thee again.
- 2. Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood, thou savest those that on thee call; to them that seek thee thou art good, to them that find thee, all in all.
- 3. We taste thee, O thou living bread, and long to feast upon thee still; we drink of thee, the fountainhead, and thirst our souls from thee to fill.
- 4. Our restless spirits yearn for thee, where'er our changeful lot is cast, glad that thy gracious smile we see, blest that our faith can hold thee fast.

5. O Jesus, ever with us stay, make all our moments calm and bright; chase the dark night of sin away, shed o'er the world thy holy light.

Anon., Latin, 12th cent. tr. Ray Palmer 1808-87 alt.

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

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you 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 Neil and Tricia, Father Rob, Bishop John (Parkes), Bianca and family, Gerard, Annie and Ben, Colette and John, Karina and Anna.

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Grace Elizabeth Lansell, Ethel Moran, Gerrit Stork, Henry Wallace Judd.

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

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Fish Friday

Why cook fish on Friday evenings during Lent when you can enjoy a lovely fish dinner with friends? Only \$18 for dinner and dessert.

6.30pm Small Hall. Bring a salad to share. Bookings through Trybooking.

Every Friday in March. Book now to reserve your place.

17th March: https://www.trybooking.com/CFXFY

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31st March: https://www.trybooking.com/CFXGD

Lenten Study

Come and join the Lenten study at the Vicarage! 7.30pm Wednesdays

Festival of Colours

Food, culture, colour and dancing. 11am to 3.30 pm. Date: 25th March, 2023

Venue: Green gardens of 33 Alfred Street, North Melbourne 3051

Note: Wear worn out clothes. The colours don't wash out fully. Have the greatest fun in real time. Splash in colour.

Roster Who's doing what? Sign up for roles here: <u>https://linktr.ee/stmarysroster</u>			
	March 12th	March 19th	
8:00am Reader	Judie Bainbridge		
10:00am Readers	Anne Sunderland Fabien Nunes	Helen McCallum	
Serving Team	As per serving roster		
Welcome	Michael Golding		
Introduction & Intercessions	TBC		
Video/AV	Samuel Miller		
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Harriet Jenkins	Rosie Maloney	
Morning Tea	ТВС	Margaret Noble Michael Noble	
Collection Counting	Parish Council +1	Parish Council +1	
Flowers	No flowers	No flowers	

St Mary's Parish Notices

Palm Sunday Walk for Justice for Refugees 2023

WHEN: Sunday 2 April 2023 at 1:30 PM

WHERE: State Library Victoria, corner Swanston and Latrobe Streets, Melbourne. Palm Sunday each year is an occasion to bear witness to the priority of compassion and to call for justice for refugees and people seeking asylum. It is also a time to celebrate the contribution that so many refugees have made to Australian society in a wide range of endeavours. It is a time to stand together. This Palm Sunday there will be music at State Library from 1.30pm. At 2pm there will be speakers including Dr Monique Ryan MP, people with lived experience of bridging visas and Temporary Protection Visas, and faith leaders such as Ukrainian Bishop Mykola Bychok. The Walk goes to Parliament Gardens for more music and speeches. A group from St Mary's will meet up with other Melbourne Anglicans at 1:50 pm in front of State Library under the diocesan banner, 'Anglicans Walking Together – Justice for Refugees'. Please invite friends, church and family to stand in solidarity with refugees and people seeking asylum. Hope to see you there!

For updates, see the event Facebook page: https://m.facebook.com/events/1607844152985818?mibextid=Z0UBBX

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