

Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne. Thank you for joining us in worship. Please join in saying the text marked in bold and singing the musical responses and hymns.

INTRODUCTION

The image of the Good Shepherd needs no introduction as it is a most popular way of describing the person of Christ. The voice of Jesus the shepherd is more than a sound. It is everything about him. While his call is recognised by those who belong to his flock, the call is for everyone.



- 1. Come let us join our cheerful songs with angels round the throne; ten thousand thousand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
- 2. 'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry, 'to be exalted thus';
 'Worthy the Lamb,' our lips reply, for he was slain for us.
- 3. Jesus is worthy to receive honour and power divine; and blessings more than we can give, be, Lord, for ever thine.

4. Let all creation join in one to bless the sacred name of him that sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb.

Isaac Watts 1674–1748 alt.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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

Christ is risen. Alleluia He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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.

[At 8am]

The celebrant introduces the confession

Let us affirm our trust in God's mercy, and confess that we need forgiveness.

Lord God, you created this world, and made us in your own image. Forgive us when we turn away from you. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy

Lord God, through your Son you overcame evil and death. Rescue us from slavery to sin. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy

Lord God, by your Spirit, you restore us to fellowship with you and with one another. Breathe your love and freedom into our lives. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy

[At 10am] The choir sings the Vidi aquam as all are sprinkled with water from the baptismal font.

Antiphons and responses:



Springs of water bless the Lord.Springs of water bless the Lord.Give him glory and praise for ever.Give him glory and praise for ever.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

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.

THE ABSOLUTION

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 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 Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son praise you for_ your glo - ry. Lord of the Fa-ther, God, __ Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy Lord on you are us; 10 at the right hand of the Fa-ther: - ceive our prayer. For a - lone are the seat-ed re you Ho - ly One: you a-lone are the Lord: a-lone are the Most High, you 0 0 Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi-rit, the_ glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A in men. From Christ Church Mass - Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

GLORIA

THE COLLECT

God of all power, you called from death our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep:

send us as shepherds to rescue the lost, to heal the injured,

and to feed one another with understanding;

through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Acts 2.42-47

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

PSALM 23

TIS 11



 The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
 Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
 Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. *Response*

2. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness, no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. *Response*

- You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes; my head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. *Response*
- 4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.
 In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. *Response*

tr. The Grail (1966, 1986) Anthony Gregory Murray 1905-92 A reading from the First Letter of Peter:

Rid yourselves, therefore, of all malice, and all guile, insincerity, envy, and all slander.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

For it stands in scripture:

'See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.'

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner', and 'A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.' They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people;

once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

1 Peter 2.1–10

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



- 1. The king of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine for ever.
- 2. Where streams of living water flow my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth.
- 3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me.
- 4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.
- 5. Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

6. And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never: good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

Henry Williams Baker 1821–77 based on Psalm 23

THE GOSPEL



Alleluia, **Alleluia** I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. **Alleluia**

The Lord be with you **And also with you**.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will

come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

John 10.1–10

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.

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 PEACE

Please stand.

The risen Lord came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you!'. Then they were glad when they saw the Lord.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.



HYMN

TIS 237

1. Hail Redeemer, King divine! Priest and Lamb, the throne is thine, King, whose reign shall never cease, Prince of everlasting peace.

Angels, saints and nations sing, 'Praised be Jesus Christ, our King! Lord of life, earth, sky and sea, King of love on Calvary.'

- 2. King, whose name creation thrills, rule our minds, our hearts, our wills, till in peace each nation rings with their praises, King of kings. *Angels, saints and nations sing* ...
- 3. King most holy, King of truth, guide the lowly, guide the youth; Christ the King of glory bright, be to us eternal light. *Angels, saints and nations sing* ...
- 4. Shepherd-king, from mountains steep, homeward bring the wandering sheep; shelter in one royal fold states and kingdoms, new and old. *Angels, saints and nations sing* ...

Patrick Brennan 1877–1951 alt. Words by permission Search Press

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 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 Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'



Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:

proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,

and looking for his coming again,

we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,

his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:



THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Christ has taught us we are confident to pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body, **for we all share in the one bread.**



THE INVITATION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

ANTHEM

"Br Jame's Air." James L MacBeth Bain 1860-1925. Text PS 23

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, giver of life, in the breaking of the bread we know the risen Lord. May we who celebrate this holy feast walk in his risen light and bring new life to all creation. **Amen**.

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

Hymn

TIS 529



Response:

By your priestly power, O risen Lord, all we lost and needed is restored. God in our communion be adored.

- 1. At your hands, Lord, we are fed, hands that guide and do not falter, wounded hands that broke the bread on this altar. *Response*
- 2. At your hands we seek release from the evils that assail us

for we know the Bread of Peace will not fail us. *Response*

- 3. In the world that we have known selfish, loud, vain passions riot; Lord, with you, with you alone is deep quiet. *Response*
- 4. To that world we must return sharing in its hope and labour, bringing to it Christ's concern for our neighbour. *Response*

James Phillip McAuley 1917–76

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

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you what is pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Sei Lieb und Ehr. JS Bach. BWV Anh 62a

PRAYERS

Please pray for those in need: including Neil and Tricia, Father Rob, Bianca and family, Gerard, Annie and Ben, Colette and John, Karina and Anna.

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: James Paul Wang, Lily May Whittingham, Lorna May Gunnersen and John Harvey Foster.

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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The Roster		
	April 30th	
8:00am Readers	Andrew McKinlay	
10:00am Readers	Rosie Moloney Andrew Barnard	
Serving Team	As per serving roster	
Welcome	Samuel Miller	
Introduction & Intercessions	Andrew Murray	
Video/AV	Adam Wing	
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Harriet Jenkins	
Morning Tea	Susan Gribben Winsome Roberts	
Collection Counting	Parish Council +1	
Flowers	TBC	

Choir

The Choir encourages the congregation to think about either joining or encouraging acquaintances who might like to learn how to sing in a choir.

St Mary's Parish Notices

PRODUCE STALL AT ST. MARY'S MOTHERS' DAY CRAFT FAIR.

The Mothers' Day Craft Fair is taking place in St. Mary's Big Hall on Saturday May 6. We will be having a Produce Stall. Help is needed from parishioner's both in making products to be sold, and in serving on the day. We will also be serving Devonshire tea in the Small Hall. On our stall we will be selling any hand-made goods. Could people please contribute by making preserves—jams, jellies, cordials, chutneys, etc – and near the day with home-made cakes and biscuits, pates, sweets, etc. Also, we welcome handmade crafty gifts like lavender bags, pot holders, aprons, scarves, etc. And potted plants. Labels for jams, etc. available from the Office.

Please Marion if you have any enquiries: Marion Poynter. (0417364431)

Pentecost Edition of Ave

This edition of Ave is especially concerned with the Holy Spirit but, of course, all contributions welcome. Please ask the Holy Spirit inspiration to start thinking and writing now.

I'm sure we can make another bumper edition.

Treasurer's Assistant Wanted

Parish Council is looking for someone to assist Paul with overseeing the church's finances with a view to taking over the position of Treasurer in November after the AGM. Training will be provided to anyone interested in taking on this varied and crucial role within the Parish. If you have any questions, please speak with Paul Eikelboom or a member of Parish Council.

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PLEASE REPORT ABUSE CALL 1800 135 246

MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

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

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

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

•To grow substantially in faith and numbers

•To create an inter-generational culture that values all age groups - children and adults - equally

•*To express our faith in active engagement within and beyond our own community*

•To deploy our property and financial assets in strategic support of the ministry needs of the parish for the long term

•To become more open to change as we learn to grow

