

# Seventh Sunday of Easter 21st May 2023



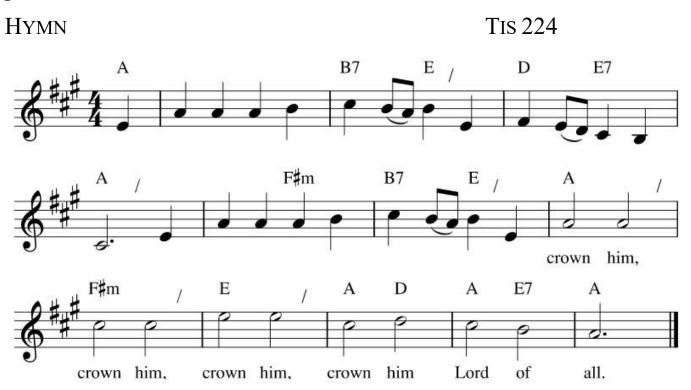
8am and 10am Presiding and Preaching: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra

## 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

We gather as did the first followers of Jesus, between his ascension and the day of Pentecost, to pray and watch for the manifestation of the power of the Holy Spirit. May we who come to share the glory of the risen Christ also be willing to endure the trials and suffering which are part of the Christian life.



- 1. All hail the power of Jesus' name; let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem to crown him Lord of all.
- 2. Crown him, you martyrs of our God, who from his altar call; praise him whose way of pain you trod, and crown him Lord of all.

- 3. As heirs of Israel's chosen race and ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
- 4. Sinners, whose love cannot forget the wormwood and the gall, go spread your treasures at his feet and crown him Lord of all.
- 5. Let every tribe and every tongue responsive to his call, now shout in universal song and crown him Lord of all.

Edward Perronet 1726-92 alt.

#### 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.

# [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.

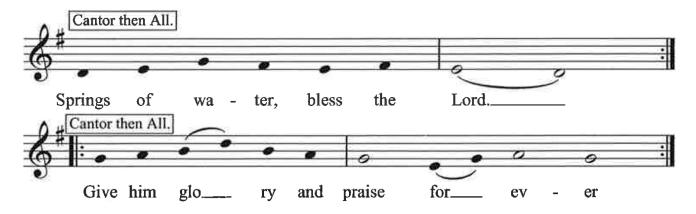
## Christ, have mercy

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**



#### THE COLLECT

O God, whose Son, Jesus, prayed for his disciples, and sent them into the world to proclaim the coming of your kingdom: by your Holy Spirit, hold the church in unity, and keep it faithful to your word, so that, breaking bread together, we may be one with Christ in faith and love and service, now and for ever. **Amen**.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

So when they had come together, they asked Jesus, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own

authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.' Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Acts 1.6-14

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

PSALM 68 TIS 38

**Response:** 



God, in your good-ness, you have made a home for the poor.

The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for joy.
O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult in his presence. *Response* 

Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place.
God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. *Response* 

You poured down, O God, a generous rain; when your people were starved you gave them new life. It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. *Response* 

 $tr. The \ Grail. \ Words \ by \ permission \ A. \ P. \ Watt, \ London \\ Music © R. \ Bonighton$ 

## SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of Peter:

Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it—not for sordid gain but eagerly.

Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away. In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for 'God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.'

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

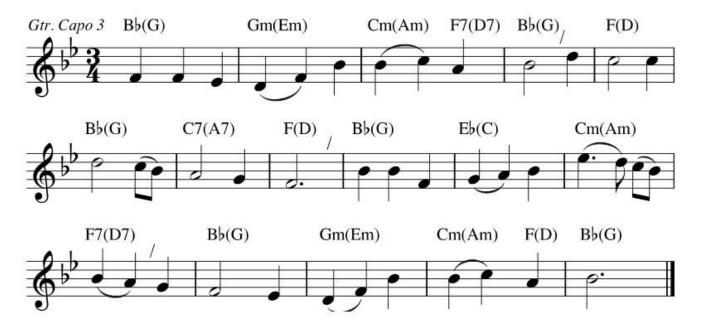
Through Silvanus, whom I consider a faithful brother, I have written this short letter to encourage you, and to testify that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it. Your sister church in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings; and so does my son Mark. Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

1 Peter 5

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN TIS 207



- 1. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2. For him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head; his name like sweet perfume shall rise with every morning sacrifice;
- 3. people and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.
- 4. Blessings abound where'er he reigns: the prisoner leaps to lose his chains; the weary find eternal rest; and all who suffer want are blessed.
- 5. Where he displays his healing power death and the curse are known no more;

in him the tribes of Adam boast more blessings than their father lost.

6. Let every creature rise and bring the highest honours to our King, angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the long amen.

Isaac Watts 1674–1748 alt.

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THE GOSPEL



## Alleluia, Alleluia

The Lord said: I will not leave you orphans.

I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice.

## **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.

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in

your presence before the world existed. 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

John 17.1–11

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.

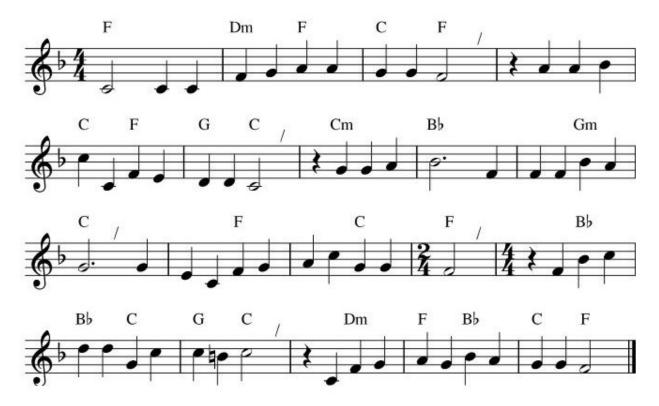
The risen Lord came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you!'. Then they were glad when they saw the Lord.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

HYMN TIS 521



- 1. Lord Christ, at your first eucharist you prayed that all your church might be for ever one; may at each eucharist this prayer be made with longing heart and soul, 'Your will be done.' O may we all one bread, one body be, through this blest sacrament of unity.
- 2. For all your church, O Lord, we intercede; make all our sad divisions soon to cease; draw us the nearer each to each, we plead, by drawing all to you, O Prince of Peace: thus may we all one bread, one body be, through this blest sacrament of unity.
- 3. We also pray for wanderers from your fold;
  O bring them back, Good Shepherd of the sheep,
  back to the faith which saints believed of old,
  back to your church which still one faith must keep:
  soon may we all one bread, one body be,
  through this blest sacrament of unity.

4. So, Lord, at length when sacraments shall cease may we be one with all your church above, one with your saints in one unbroken peace, one with your saints in one unbounded love; more blessèd still, in peace and love to be one with the Trinity in Unity.

William Henry Turton 1856–1938 *alt.*Arrangement from the *English Hymnal* by permission Oxford University Press

#### THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

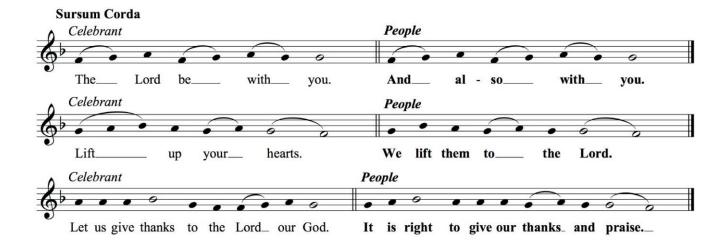
Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

# 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.

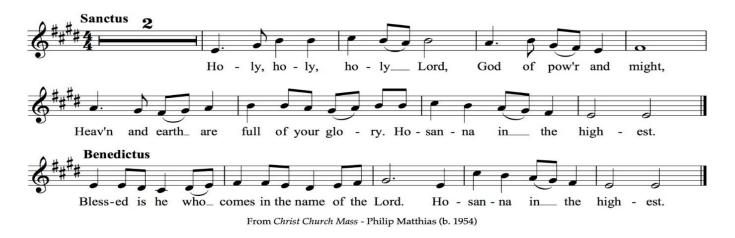
In your great love you gave him to be made man for us and to share our common life.

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 his 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.'

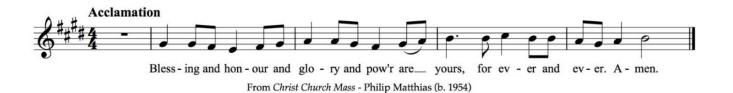
After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you.

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.

AGNUS DEI



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

## 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

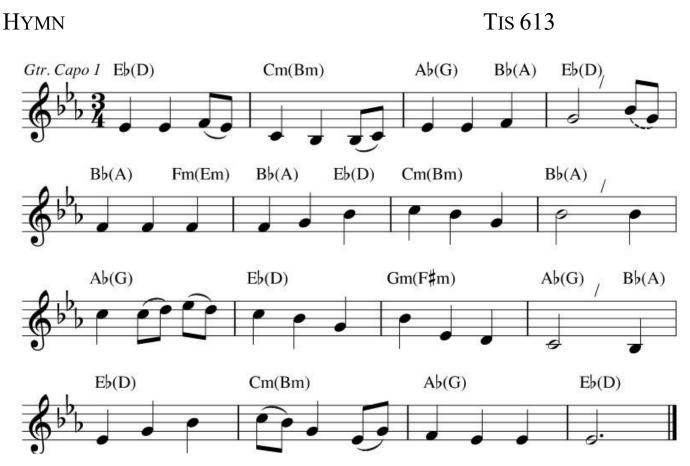
Alleluia

JS Bach BWV 230

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through 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. Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy, be there at our waking and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2. Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,

be there at our labours and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

- 3. Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace, be there at our homing and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4. Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm, be there at our sleeping and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Joyce Placzek ('Jan Struther') 1901–53

#### **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 our ascended King pour upon you the abundance of his gifts and bring you to reign with him in glory; 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 love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

#### **POSTLUDE**

#### **PRAYERS**

Please pray for those in need: including Ken, 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: John Augustus Cory Foster and Noele Daphne Whittingham.

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

#### **Acknowledgements:**

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## **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.

Roster		
	May 21st	May 28th
8:00am Reader	TBC	TBC
10:00am Readers	Alice Christofi Geoffrey Jenkins	Josie Snowdon Robert Gribben
Serving Team	Josie and TBC	Anne and TBC
Welcome	Samuel Miller	Rhondda Fahey
Introduction & Intercessions	Samuel Miller	Audrey Statham
Video/AV	Adam Wing	Samuel Miller
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Rosie Moloney	Rosie Moloney
Morning Tea	Helen McCallum David Keuneman	Marion Poynter Elizabeth Brookes
Collection Counting	Parish Council +1	Parish Council +1
Flowers	TBC	TBC

#### **Social dinner at The Castle**

We're holding a social dinner on Monday the 29th of May from 7.00 pm. All are welcome to join us at The Castle, 56 Courtney Street North Melbourne. https://thecastlehotel.com.au No agenda, no speeches, no designated seating and it will be pay your own way. Come and go as you wish. Just come for a drink and a chat if you like. See you there!

# St Mary's Parish Notices

#### Pentecost Edition of Ave – Articles Due May 21st

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.

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#### **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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#### GIVING TO SUPPORT ST MARYS

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

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# Faith and Justice in a Secular Age

The Brotherhood of St. Laurence (BSL), together with Christ Church South Yarra, warmly invite you to join us for the 2023 Tucker Oration, as we celebrate BSL and the legacy of our founder, Father Gerard Tucker, who was born in this vicarage in 1885.

Wednesday 24 May 2023 | Christ Church South Yarra 677 Punt Rd, South Yarra 6.30pm - 7.30pm (Prayers and Oration) | 7.30pm - 8.30pm (Supper)

#### About

The cry for systemic justice to create an Australia free of poverty has driven BSL far beyond its first vision as a ministry of the Anglican Church. Since the earliest years, allies of different faiths (or no faith) have collaborated through this shared vision, but in 90 years much has changed in both the religious and welfare dimensions of Australian society. Where is the place of faith in the quest for social justice in contemporary secular Australia? How does Father Tucker's founding vision for Anglican ministry translate into an open and generous advocacy by a community of allies which is at once secular and spiritual?

Please join us as we seek to examine our commitment to social justice and the ongoing legacy of Father Gerard Kennedy Tucker, founder of the BSL.



#### Orator

Reverend Dr. Michelle Trebilcock joined BSL as Chaplain in 2016. She works with staff, volunteers and participants within the BSL community to cultivate their calling within the BSL mission and care for them as they care for others. Michelle's post-graduate studies explored complex questions of transformational thinking and social change, particularly in its relationship to spirituality and the 'inner life' of individuals and groups.

#### RSVP by 15 May 2023

Please register by visiting events.humanitix.com/2023-gerard-tucker-oration

call 9483 1183 or email events@bsl.org.au

This is an accessible venue. Vegan and gluten free menu options have been catered. For further details please contact us on the details above.

