

Twenty-Seventh Ordinary Sunday 8th October 2023



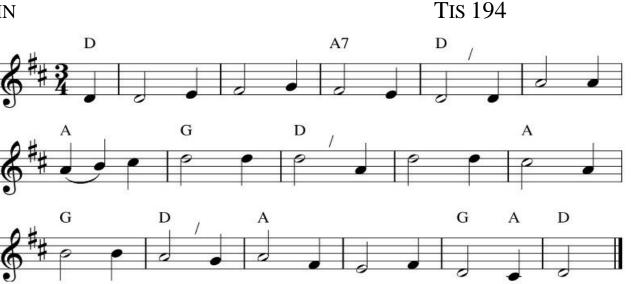
8am and 10am Presiding and Preaching: Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra

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

Today's readings were in the first instance addressed to those of the House of Israel who refused to believe in Jesus. They apply equally to us, today. We too worship other gods – the gods of pride and of power, and in doing so we risk rejecting Jesus as the Son of God.

HYMN



- 1. O love how deep, how broad, how high! it fills the heart with ecstasy that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake.
- 2. He sent no angel to our race of higher or of lower place but wore the robe of human frame himself, and to this lost world came.
- 3. For us he was baptized, and bore his holy fast, and hungered sore; for us temptations sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew.

- For us he prayed, for us he taught, 4. for us his daily works he wrought, by words and signs and actions, thus still seeking not himself but us.
- 5. To him whose boundless love has won salvation for us through his Son, to God the Father, glory be both now and through eternity.

Attrib. Thomas à Kempis 1379–1471 tr. Benjamin Webb 1819–85 alt.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.



Introduction to the confession

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Let us therefore bring our sins in 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.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA Gloria 2 Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we PP. . 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly praise you for_ your glo - ry. Son of the Fa-ther, . 0 God, __ Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer cy on us; Lord vou are 40 ••• 32 • **ø** . 0 at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our For a - lone are the prayer. you Ho - ly One: a-lone are the Lord: a-lone are the High, you you Most Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi-rit, in the_glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. men. From Christ Church Mass - Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, your Son Jesus was the stone rejected by the builders, and, by your doing, he has been made the chief cornerstone: grant that, by the power of his Spirit working in us, we may become living stones built up into your dwelling place, a temple holy and acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

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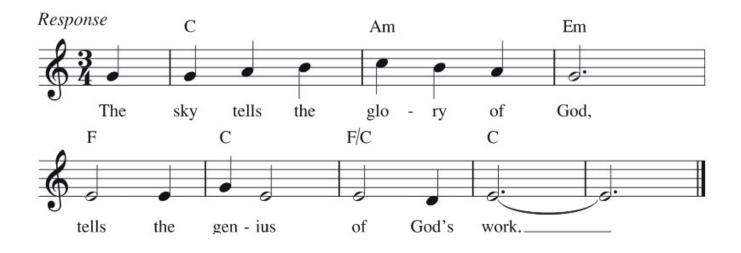
FIRST READING

A reading from Exodus:

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour. When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, and said to Moses, 'You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die.' Moses said to the people, 'Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin.'

Exodus 20.1–4, 20.7–9, 20.12–20

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



The sky tells the glory of God, tells the genius of God's work. Day carries the news to day, night brings the message to night, *Response*

without a word, without a sound, without a voice being heard, and yet their message fills the world, their news reaches its rim. *Response*

There God has pitched a tent for the sun to rest and rise renewed like a bridegroom rising from bed, an athlete eager to run a race. *Response*

It springs from the edge of the earth, runs a course across the sky to win the race at heaven's end. Nothing on earth escapes its heat. *Response*

tr. Psalms for All Seasons (ICEL)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians:

Finally, my brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you is not troublesome to me, and for you it is a safeguard. Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of those who mutilate the flesh! For it is we who are the circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and boast in Christ Jesus and have no confidence in the flesh— even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh.If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. Let those of us then who are mature be of the same mind; and if you think differently about anything, this too God will reveal to you. Only let us hold fast to what we have attained. Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly;

and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.

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Philippians 3

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

HYMN

Gtr. Capo 1 Ab(G)Bbm(Am) $E\flat(D)$ $A\flat(G)$ Fm(Em) Bb7(A7) Eb(D)Eb7(D7) Ab(G)Bbm(Am) Db(C)C7(B7) Fm(Em) F(E)Bb(A) $E\flat(D)$ Ab(G)Ab(G)Bbm(Am) Eb(D)Eb7(D7)

1. Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone, chosen by the Lord, and precious, binding all the church in one, holy Zion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.

- 2. All that dedicated city, dearly loved by God on high, in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody, God the Three in One adoring, praising him eternally.
- 3. Here among us, where we call you come, O Lord our God today; with your gentle loving-kindness hear your people as we pray, and your fullest benediction pour upon us here today.
- 4. Here bestow on all your people what we ask of you to gain, what we gain from you for ever with the blessèd to retain, and hereafter in your glory evermore with you to reign.
- 5. Praise and honour to the Father, praise and honour to the Son, praise and honour to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One, one in might and one in glory while eternal ages run.

From Urbs beata Hierusalem, Latin, c. 7th cent. tr. John Mason Neale 1818–66 alt.

THE GOSPEL



Alleluia, **Alleluia** I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. **Alleluia**

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

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country.

When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance." So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants? They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our

eyes"? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.' When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Matthew 21.33-46

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

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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.

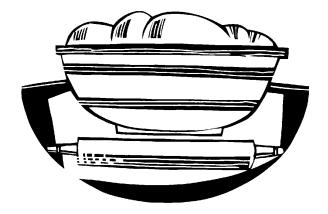
Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

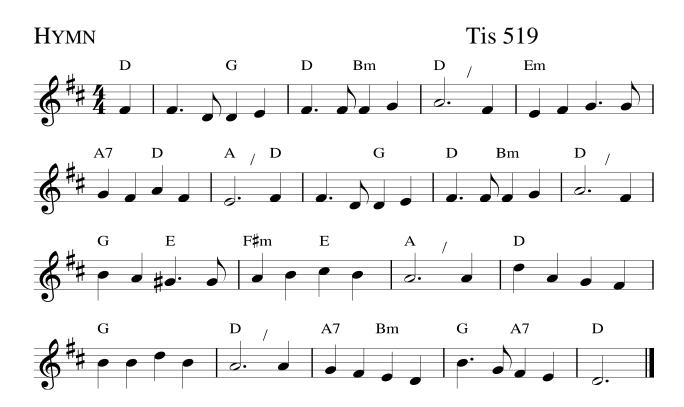
THE PEACE

Please stand.

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.





- 1. And now, O Father, mindful of the love that bought us, once for all, on Calvary's hill, and having with us him who pleads above, we here present, we bring before you still that only offering perfect in your eyes, the one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.
- 2. Look, Father, look on his anointed face, and only look on us as found in him; look not on our misusings of your grace, our prayer so halting, and our faith so dim: for now between our sins and their reward we set the passion of your Son our Lord.
- 3. And so we come; O draw us to your feet, most patient Saviour, who can love us still; and by this food, so awesome and so sweet, deliver us from every touch of ill; in your own service make us glad and free, and may we in your presence ever be.

William Bright 1824–1901 alt.

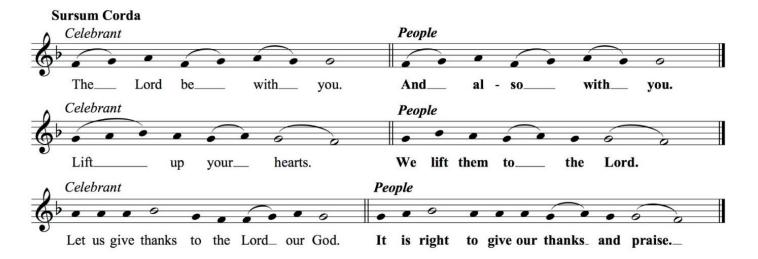
Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

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.

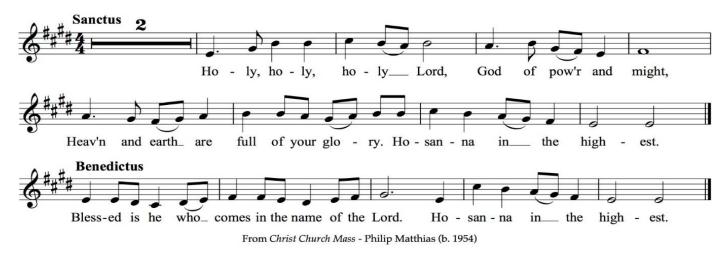
Blessèd be God for ever.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



It is right to praise you, faithful God, always and everywhere, for with your only begotten Son and life-giving Spirit, you are the one true God from everlasting to everlasting. At the dawn of time you wrought from nothing a universe of beauty and splendour, bringing light from darkness and order from chaos.

You formed us, male and female, in your image, and endowed us with creative power. We turned away from you but you did not abandon us. You called us by name and searched us out, making a covenant of mercy, giving the law, and teaching justice by the prophets. And so we praise you, joining with your faithful people of every time and place, singing the eternal song:



When the fullness of time was come, you sent your Son, to be born of Mary. Bright image of your glory, he learnt obedience to you in all things, even to death on a cross, breaking the power of evil, freeing us from sin, and putting death to flight. You raised him from death, exalting him to glory, and the new day dawned.

On the night he was betrayed your Son Jesus Christ shared food with his friends, his companions on the way. While at table he took bread, blessed, and broke it, and giving it to them, said: 'Take, eat; this is my body.'

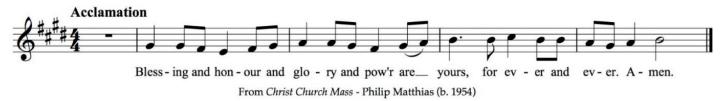
He took a cup of wine, and, giving thanks, he gave it to them, and said, 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Do this in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Therefore, living God, as we obey his command, we remember his life of obedience to you, his suffering and death, his resurrection and exaltation, and his promise to be with us for ever. With this bread and this cup we celebrate his saving death until he comes. Accept, we pray, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration that all who eat and drink at this table may be strengthened by Christ's body and blood to serve you in the world.

As one body and one holy people, may we proclaim the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, eternal God, now and for ever:



THE LORD'S PRAYER

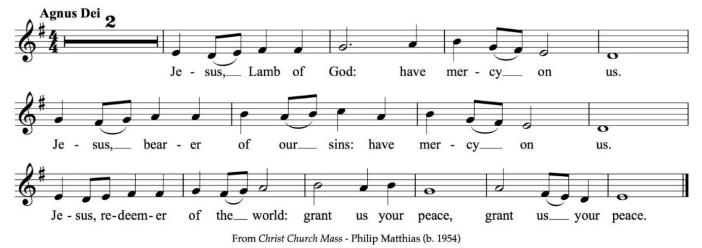
As Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:

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.

ANTHEM

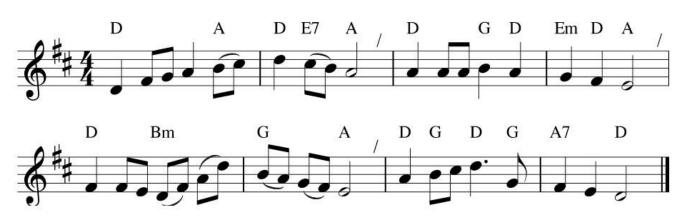
"Teach me, O Lord"

Thomas Atwood (1765-1838)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; 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. HYMN



- 1. Fight the good fight with all thy might, Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right; lay hold on life, and it shall be thy joy and crown eternally.
- 2. Run the straight race through God's good grace, lift up thine eyes, and seek his face; life with its way before us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
- 3. Cast care aside; and on thy Guide lean, and his mercy will provide, lean, and the trusting soul shall prove Christ is its life, and Christ its love.
- 4. Faint not, nor fear; his arm is near; he changes not, and thou art dear; only believe, and thou shalt see that Christ is all in all to thee.

John Samuel Bewley Monsell 1811–75

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love. Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of the Spirit.

THE BLESSING

May the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, confirm you and make you strong and sure in your faith; 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. In the name of Christ. Amen.

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS

Please pray for those in need: including Libby, Karin, Martin and Mavis, Tim, Jonna and baby Paul, Bruce, Pat, Neil and Tricia, Bianca and family, Gerard, Annie and Ben, Colette and John, Karina and Anna.

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week, including: Elizabeth Hastings, Robert Morrison and Alexander James Craig.

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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Roster			
	8th October	15th October	
8:00am Reader	Andrew McKinlay	Jenny Langmead	
10:00am Readers	Helen McCallum	Susan Gribben	
Serving Team Subdeacon	Alice Christofi Anne Sunderland Andrew Murray	Anne Sunderland Peter O'Donoghue Josie Snowdon	
Welcome	Michael Golding	Michael Golding	
Introduction & Intercessions	Josie Snowdon	Andrew Murray	
Video/AV	Sam Miller	Adam Wing	
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Rosie Moloney	Rosie Moloney	
Morning Tea	Josie Snowdon Elizabeth Brookes	Marion Poynter Susan Gribben	
Collection Counting	Parish Council +1	Parish Council +1	
Flowers	N/A	N/A	

Mary's Parish Notices

The Choir

The choir have begun working on the music for our Advent Carol liturgy on the 3rd of December. If you are interested in singing with the choir, please contact the Director of Music.

Thursday Midday Eucharist

For the next two months, there will be a midday Eucharist on Thursday. All are Welcome!

Sharing with the Hungry

There are three ways we can contribute food to those who cannot afford it.

- A financial donation to the Anglican Benevolent Society via the church office feeds the funds we use for a weekly purchase of meat for the kitchens at St Marks Fitzroy.
- A financial donation to either St Marks or Mission House via the church office gives them the money to buy what is needed for their food parcels.
- Food donations but no glass items can be left in the baptistery at St Mary's for either St Marks or Mission House.

Giving to Support St Mary's

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

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



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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, <u>inclusive</u> 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



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DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

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or present. The Diocese of Melbourne is committed to doing all that is possible to ensure that abuse does not occur. All complaints of abuse are taken very seriously, and we do all we can to lessen harm. We offer respect, pastoral care and ongoing long-term support to anyone who makes a complaint. St Mary's Statement of Commitment to Child Safety is on our noticeboard and can be downloaded from our website www.stmarys.org.au.

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