

St Mary's



Last Sunday before Lent

11th February 2024



8am Preaching and Presiding: Fr Jan Joustra

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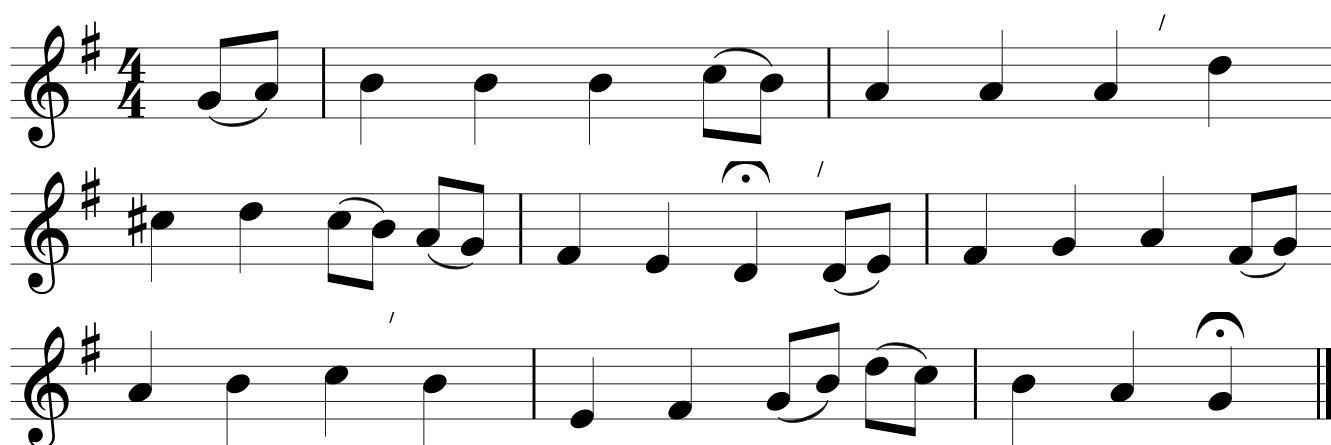
*Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne.
Thank you for joining us in worship.
Please join in saying the text marked in **bold**
and singing the musical responses and hymns.*

INTRODUCTION

Today is the last Sunday before Lent and so we prepare ourselves for the coming season by reading about Jesus' Transfiguration on the mountain. This Transfiguration is a prefiguring of what is to ultimately happen to Jesus. Peter wants to remain on the mountain but Jesus leads his disciples down to the plain so they can continue their journey towards the cross. We join with them on that journey during the Season of Lent.

HYMN

TIS 557



1. **Awake, my soul, and with the sun
your daily stage of duty run;
shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise
to pay your morning sacrifice:**
2. **Glory to you that safely kept
and have refreshed me while I slept;
grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake
I may of endless light partake.**

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3. **Lord, I my vows to you renew;
disperse my sins as morning dew;
guard my first springs of thought and will,
and with yourself my spirit fill.**
 4. **Direct, control, suggest, this day
all I design or do or say,
that all my powers, with all their might,
in your sole glory may unite.**
 5. **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
praise God, all creatures here below,
praise God above, you heavenly host,
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

Thomas Ken 1637–1711 alt.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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

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

Kyrie 2

Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy.

Christ, have_ mer - cy, Christ, have_ mer - cy, Christ, have_ mer - cy.

Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy, Lord, have_ mer - cy.

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

The assistant introduces the confession

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: ‘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. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and prophets.’

Let us confess our sins to Almighty God

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 celebrant pronounces 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 2

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for_ your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther,

Lord God,_ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are

seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the

Ho - ly One: you a - lone are the Lord: you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the_ glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

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

The celebrant reads or sings the collect of the day

O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the cloud you foreshadowed our adoption as your children: make us, with Christ, heirs of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit for the reading

A reading from the second book of Kings

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But

Elisha said, ‘As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.’ So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, ‘Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?’ And he said, ‘Yes, I know; keep silent.’

Elijah said to him, ‘Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.’ But he said, ‘As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.’ So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, ‘Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?’ And he answered, ‘Yes, I know; be silent.’

Then Elijah said to him, ‘Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.’ But he said, ‘As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.’ So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, ‘Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.’ Elisha said, ‘Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.’ He responded, ‘You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.’ As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, ‘Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!’ But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

2 Kings 2.1-12

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 50

Response:

Response

Be ex - alt - ed, O God, a - bove the
heavens! Let your glo - ry o - ver all the earth be found.

1. The Mighty One, God the Lord,
speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

2. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
God shines forth.

Response

3. Our God comes, and does not keep silence,
before whom is a devouring fire,
round about whom is a mighty storm.
4. God calls to the heaven above and to the earth,
that the people may be judged:

Response

5. 'Gather to me, my faithful ones,
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!'
6. The heavens declare God's righteousness,
for he himself is judge!

Response

SECOND READING:

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians:

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

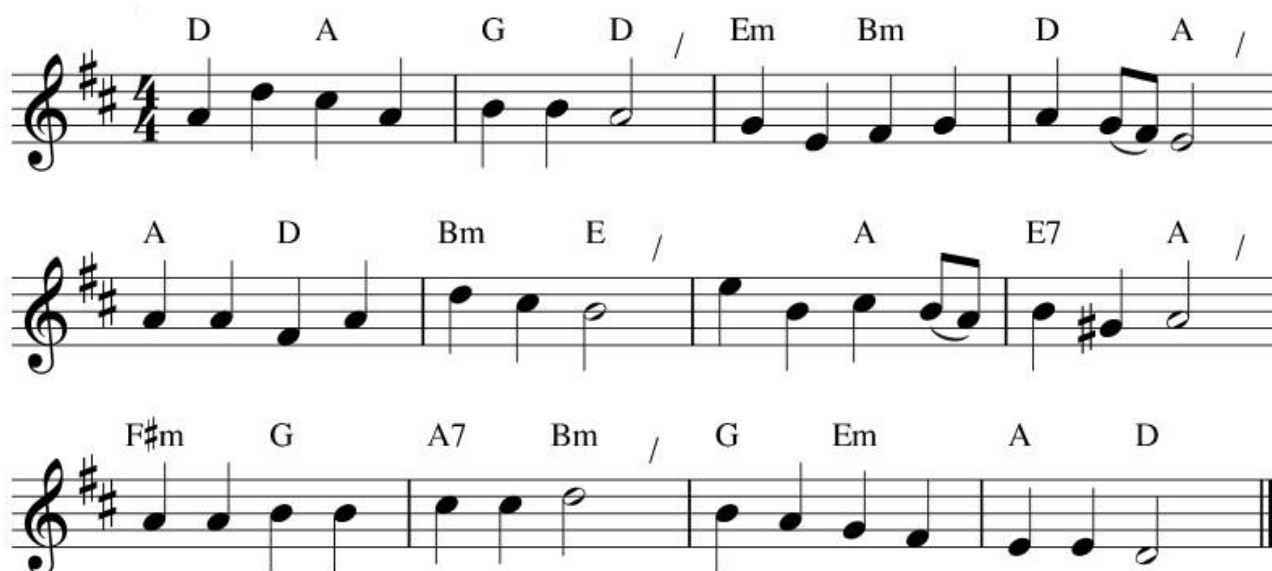
2 Corinthians 4.3-12

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HYMN

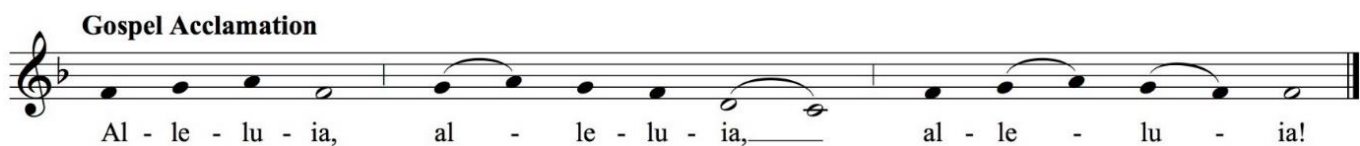
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1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ the true, the only light,
sun of righteousness, arise,
triumph over shades of night;
dayspring from on high, be near;
day-star, in my heart appear.
2. Dark and cheerless is the morn
if you seem not close to me;
joyless is the day's return,
till your mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
3. Visit then this soul of mine;
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
fill me, radiance divine;
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more yourself display,
shining to the perfect day.

Charles Wesley 1707–88 alt.

THE GOSPEL



Alleluia, Alleluia

From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard:
This is my beloved Son, hear him.

Alleluia

The Lord be with you:
And also with you.

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

Glory to you Lord Christ:

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

Mark 9.2-9

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 GREETINGS OF PEACE

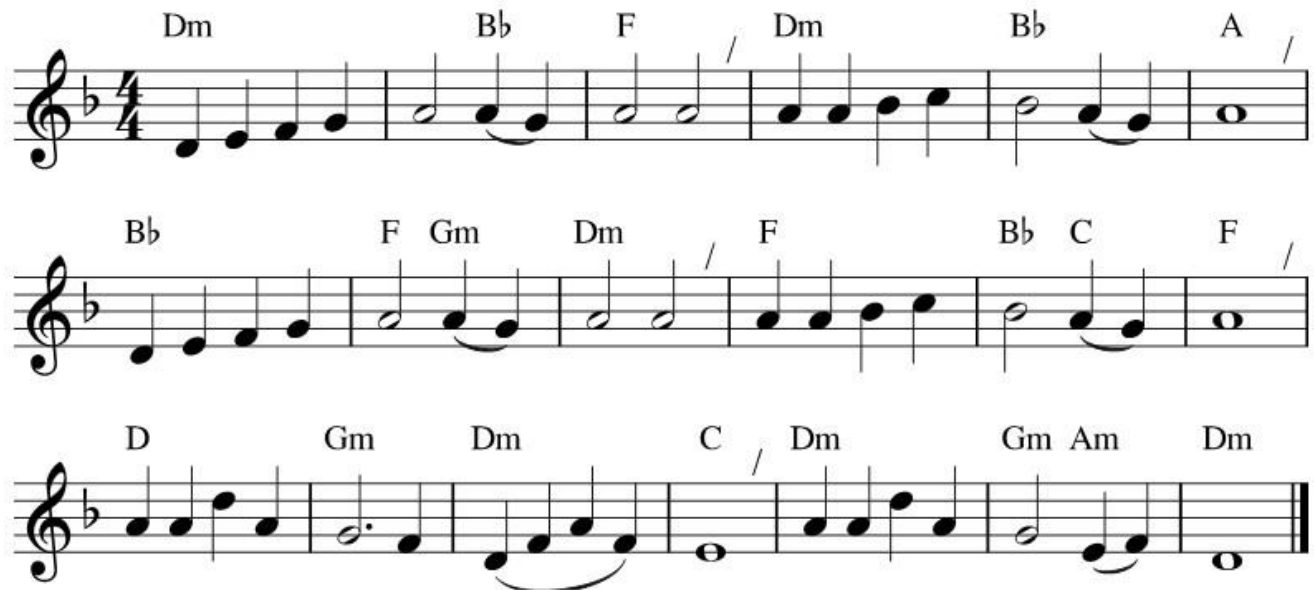
We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

HYMN 497



1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descending
comes full homage to demand.
2. King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.

**3. Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light comes shining
from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.**

**4. At his feet the six-winged seraphs,
cherubim with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord most high!**

From the Liturgy of St James c. 4th cent. tr. Gerard Moultrie 1829–85 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.




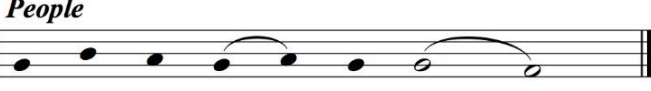


Blessèd be God for ever.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Sursum Corda

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
	
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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:

Sanctus *f*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of power and might. Hea - ven and earth are
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san-na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name, comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high -
 est, Ho - san-na in the high - est.

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father;
 on the night before he died, your Son, Jesus Christ, took bread;
 when he had given you thanks he broke it,
 gave it to his disciples, and said:
 Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you;
 do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup;
 when he had given you thanks he gave it to them and said:
 Drink this, all of you,
 for 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, to remember me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

1. Choir; 2. ALL



Therefore loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation.

Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Jesus Christ our great high priest.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

United in Christ with all who stand before you
in earth and heaven, we worship you, through Jesus Christ our
Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy
Spirit all glory is yours, eternal God, 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

Choir (SA)
mf warmly

Agnus Dei

Lamb — of God, you take a-way the sin — of the

ALL

world, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

mf warmly

Lamb — of God, you take a-way the sin — of the world, have

ALL

mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

Choir *mf warmly*

Lamb — of God, you take a-way the sin — of the world,

mp **ALL** *p poco rall.*

grant us your — peace, grant us your — peace.

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

ANTHEM

“Mine eyes for beauty pine”.

Herbert Howells

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Holy God, We see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:

May we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed,
That all the world may know His power to change and save.

This we ask 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

NEH 78



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1. Alleluya, song of sweetness,
Voice of joy that cannot die;
Alleluya is the anthem
Ever dear to choirs on high:
In the house of God abiding
Thus they sing eternally.
 2. Alleluya thou resoundest,
True Jerusalem and free;
Alleluya, joyful mother,
All thy children sing with thee;
But by Babylon's sad waters
Mourning exiles now are we.
 3. Alleluya cannot always
Be our song while here below;
Alleluya our transgressions
Make us for a while forgo;
For the solemn time is coming
When our tears for sin must flow.
 4. Therefore in our hymns we pray thee,
Grant us, blessèd Trinity,
At the last to keep thine Easter
In our home beyond the sky,
There to thee for ever singing
Alleluya joyfully.

tr John Mason Neale 1818-66

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 Christ the Son of God be manifest to you, that your lives may be a light to the world; 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 to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS

Please pray for those in need: Charles and family, Emily and Mick (daughter and son-law of Fiona and John Blanch), Susan and Greg, Peter and Juneanne, Jenny Langmead, Mavis and Martin, Brandi and family.

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week, including: Violet Hodge (Deaconess) and Vidya Fernandez.

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

The Roster

	11th February	14th February (ASH WEDNESDAY)	18th February (Lent 1)	25th February (Lent 2)
8:00am Reader	Judie Bainbridge	N/A	Rhondda Fahey	Judie Bainbridge
10:00am Readers	Luke Hopkins Fabien Nunes	Susan Gribben Sam Miller	Geoff Jenkins Marion Poynter	Helen McCallum Sarah Gador-Whyte
Servers	Peter O'Donoghue Josie Snowdon	Peter O'Donoghue Anne Sunderland Alice Christofi	Peter O'Donoghue Lewis Gurr Stephen	Alice Christofi Josie Snowdon
Subdeacon	N/A	Josie Snowdon	N/A	N/A
Welcome	Alice Christofi	Helen McCallum	Anne Sunderland	Andrew Barnard
Introduction & Intercessions	Geoff Jenkins	Fr Jan	Robert Gribben	Audrey Statham
Video/AV	Sam Miller	Sam Miller	Adam Wing	Adam Wing
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Rosie Moloney	N/A	Rosie Moloney	Rosie Moloney
Morning Tea	Marion Poynter Susan Gribben	N/A	Helen McCallum David Keuneman	Elizabeth Brookes Susan Gribben

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St Mary's Parish Notices

Visit of Bishop Genieve

On the 10th of March, Bishop Genieve will be visiting our parish. If anyone would like to be received into the church or confirmed, can you please speak to Father Jan ASAP to arrange this?

Lenten Studies

Lenten study sessions will be run at the vicarage over the period of Lent on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm. Please advise Jan or the office if you'd like to attend.

Upcoming Services

Here is a full list of upcoming services and times:

February 11th:

8.00am and 10.00am Transfiguration

February 14th:

8.30 am, 12.30 pm and 7.00 pm Ash Wednesday

February 18th:

8.00am and 10.00am First Sunday in Lent

February 25th:

8.00am and 10.00am Second Sunday in Lent

March 3rd:

8.00am and 10.00am Third Sunday in Lent

Return of the Choir

St Mary's Choir meets on Tuesday evenings from 5.30 till 7pm unless otherwise negotiated. The Choir welcomes interested persons of all ages, ability and experience. If you are interested, or know of someone who might be, please contact the Director of Music (see Parish directory) Vicar or chat with a Chorister.

Sharing with the Hungry

Anglicare is now back and is quite short of food. Please take a bag from the baptistery and bring it back with food.

Small sizes and easy to open please.

Parish Councillors for 2024

Sam Miller, Anne Sunderland, Adam Wing (Churchwardens), Andrew Barnard (treasurer), Helen McCallum, Alice Christofi (secretary), Andrew Gador-White, John Blanch, Rosie Moloney (Parish Councillors)

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