

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 20 July 2025

8am The Eucharist 10am Sung Eucharist

Principal Celebrant: Fr Stuart Soley SMMS Homilist: Fr Stuart

Welcome to St Mary's Anglican Church North Melbourne Thank you for joining us today

TODAY'S LITURGY

Our part: The congregational parts are printed in **bold**.

Music: Please join in the hymns and other music during the

Liturgy.

Mass Setting: Christ Church Mass by Philip Matthias (b. 1954).

INTRODUCTION

Action and reflection, equally and essentially, make up the Gospel. It is not enough to do good things for people – to serve; our practical Christianity must be inspired and nourished by sitting at the feet of Jesus so we might hear and be guided by his word. We all need to be both Martha and Mary.

From Fr Stuart

THNKING AHEAD – CELEBRATING OUR PATRONAL FEAST As we advertised last Sunday, we are asking you to 'save the dates' for

our Patronal Feast weekend.

We are observing it 'on the day', Friday 15 August with an Evensong at which the Polyphonic Voices – a singing group led by Michael Fulcher who is a renowned and accomplished musical director on the Melbourne choral scene. Evensong commences at 7 pm and it will be followed by refreshments of mulled wine and cheeses in the hall.

On Sunday 17 August we will gather for Eucharist at 8 am and 10 am as always. To this end, I have invited Mother Cara Greenham Hancock to preach at the Masses on that day. Mother Cara is the Assistant Priest at St Peter's Eastern Hill. She is a wise, compassionate and prayerful priest with a devotion to Mary. She and I are both members of the Sodality of Mary – an international company of priests who support each other by prayer, gatherings, reflective and educational opportunities to further ground us as priests in the service of Christ and his church.

I am looking forward and I am rather excited about that weekend because it is the first Patronal Festival I will be celebrating with you. I know that Beverley and the choir, our dedicated hospitality committee and each of you will also make this weekend a wonderful celebration and one to remember.

GETTING AROUND

This week I officiated at a graveside funeral at Bunrong Memorial Park in Dandenong. It is a newer cemetery and as it is developed beautifully they are creating a peaceful and gentle place in which to lay one's loved ones. Please pray for Barbara Taylor, whose funeral it was, and her family, also John and Fiona Blanch who were wonderful supports to Barbara through her life.

In my various coffee and catch ups there is a connection to thinking of what plans and hopes we might accomplish together as a parish.

This week we had a good meeting of a committee to plan various Delta Studies. The group, convened by Geoff Jenkins, explored a variety of issues to foster this educational program of enquiry and exploration.

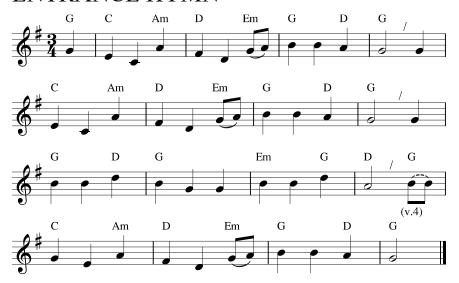
In addition to my weekly meetings with Beverley to plan the liturgical and musical life of the community, I have met, am meeting or planning to meet with those involved in finance and property, hospitality, social outreach to the poor and marginalised, children's ministry, serving and other liturgical ministries, communications and our presence in the digital landscape. All these take place within the ordinary round of the parish's prayer and social life. I am grateful for the open discussions and thinkings but also, most importantly, the chance of getting to know you all. I am very grateful to Marion Poynter for doing the flowers at this time.

There will be things we need to do – big and small projects. We will need to tackle any one of these together – in partnership and goodwill – I always interested in hearing from you about ideas and projects that sometimes get stuck or too challenging at one time or another.

May God bless you in all you do this week.

Fr Stuart

ENTRANCE HYMN



- 1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.
- 2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, but ruling in might; your justice like mountains high soaring above, your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3. You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small, in all life now living, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree, then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.
- 4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, your angels adore you, all veiling their sight; of all your rich graces this grace, Lord, impart take the veil from our faces, the veil from our heart.
- 5. All praise we would render: reveal to our sight what hides you is only the splendour of light; and so let your glory, Almighty, impart, through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** The Lord be with you: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

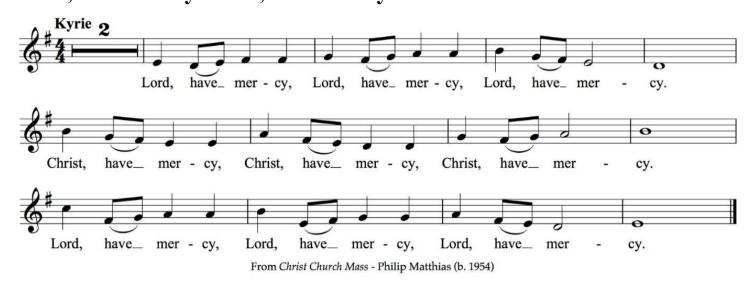
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON

[Said at 8am, sung at 10am]

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



THE CONFESSION

The confession is introduced ending with words: let us confess together

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.

ABSOLUTION

GLORIA

[Said at 8am, sung at 10am]

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: received our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the father.

Amen.



COLLECT

Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ and make yourself our guest: amid the cares of our daily lives, make us attentive to your voice and alert to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

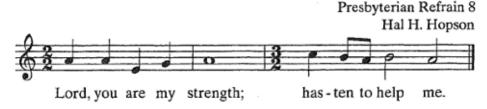
Please sit.

A reading from the Book of Amos:

This is what the Lord God showed me: a basket of summer fruit. He said, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A basket of summer fruit." Then the Lord said to me, "The end has come upon my people Israel; I will spare them no longer. The songs of the temple shall become wailings on that day," says the Lord God; "the dead bodies shall be many, cast out in every place. Be silent!" Hear this, you who trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain, and the Sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah smaller and the shekel heavier and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and selling the sweepings of the wheat." The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. Shall not the land tremble on this account, and everyone mourn who lives in it, and all of it rise like the Nile, and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt? On that day, says the Lord God, I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the earth in broad daylight. I will turn your feasts into mourning and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on all loins and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son and the end of it like a bitter day. The time is surely coming, says the Lord God, when I will send a famine on the land, not a famine of bread or a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord. They shall wander from sea to sea and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord, but they shall not find it.

(Amos 8.1-12)

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



- 1. Why O mighty one do you boast of your wickedness?:
- 2. always bent on harming those faithful to God. Your tongue is like a sharpened razor: you contriver of deceit and slander.
- 3. You love evil rather than good: lying rather than speaking the truth.
- 4. You love all words that may do hurt: O lying tongue that you are. *Response*
- 5. Therefore God will destroy you forever: God will pluck you from your tent, and uproot you from the land of the living.
- 6. The righteous will look on with awe: and then will they laugh and say,
- 7. "Here is one who would not look to God for strength, but trusted in great wealth and in the security of riches." *Response*
- 8. But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God: I trust in the goodness of God for ever and ever.
- 9. I will always give you thanks, for this was your doing: I will proclaim that your name is good, in the presence of the faithful. *Response*

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SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians:

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him, provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a minister of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its minister according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ. For this I toil and strive with all the energy that he powerfully inspires within me. (*Colossians 1.15-29*)

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



Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart, and yield a harvest through perseverance.

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you:

And also with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Saint Luke:

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

(Luke 10.38-42)

For the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE HOMILY

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,] all may
and became truly human.] bow

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 GREETING OF PEACE

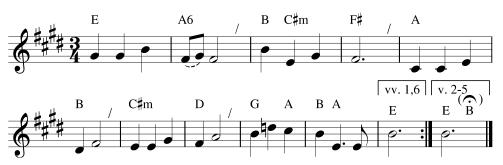
We are the body of Christ.

His spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you.

OFFERTORY HYMN



- 1. We are your people;
 Spirit of grace,
 you dare to make us
 to all our neighbours,
 Christ's living voice, hands and
 face.
- 2. Joined in community, treasured and fed, may we discover gifts in each other, willing to lead and be led
- 3. Rich in diversity, help us to live closer than neighbours, open to strangers, able to clash and forgive.

- 4. Glad of tradition,
 help us to see
 in all life's changing,
 where you are leading,
 where our best efforts should be.
- 5. Give, as we venture justice and care (peaceful, resisting, waiting or risking) wisdom to know when and where.
- 6. Christ as we serve you in different ways, may all we're doing show that you're living, meeting your love with our praise.

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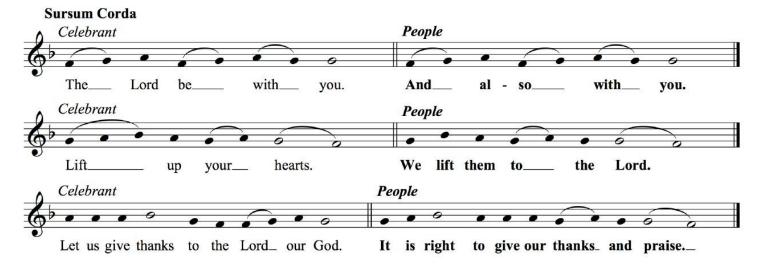
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OFFERTORY PRAYERS

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.**

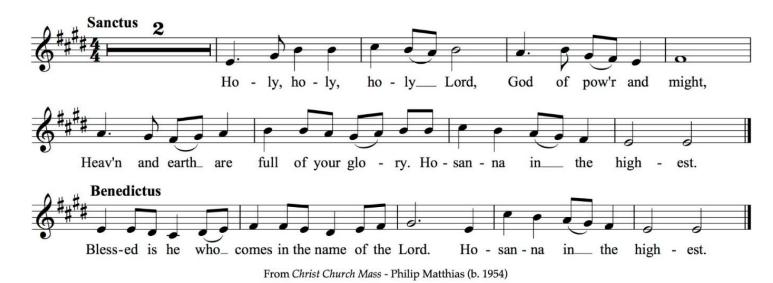
Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become for us the cup of salvation. Blessèd be God for ever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



It is indeed right ...

... for ever praising you and saying:



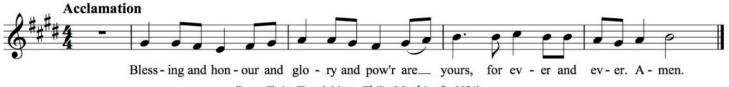
The prayer continues ...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



The prayer continues ...

... ending with:



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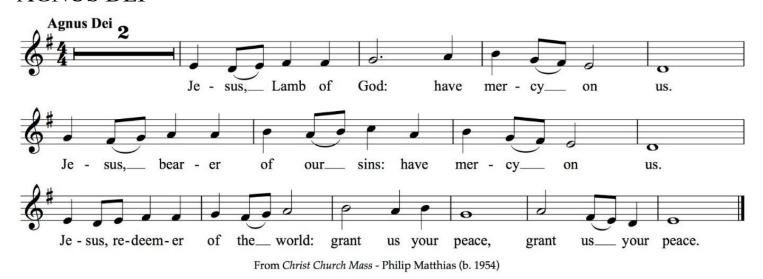
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION

Anthem: 'Thou art God' by Lionel Bourne.

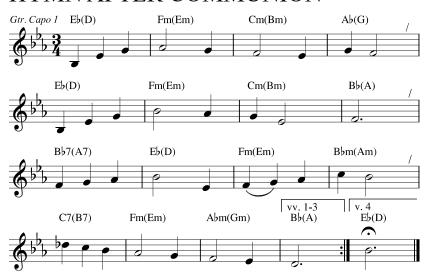
POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live; may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and forever.

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 AFTER COMMUNION



- 1. This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember, and move on, time to believe what love is bringing, laying to rest the pain that's gone.
- 2. For by the life and death of Jesus, God's mighty Spirit, now as then, can make for us a world of difference as faith and hope are born again.
- 3. Then let us, with the Spirit's daring, step from the past, and leave behind our disappointment, guilt and grieving, seeking new paths, and sure to find.
- 4. Christ is alive, and goes before us to show and share what love can do.This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new.

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NOTICES

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Prelude & Fugue in G minor WoO 10 by Johannes Brahms (Fugue this week, to conclude the Prelude last week).

All are invited for refreshments in the Parish Hall after the Service.

St Mary's Roster		
	Sunday 20 July 2025	Sunday 27 July 2025
	Ordinary Sunday 16	Ordinary Sunday 17
8:00am Reader	Judie Bainbridge	Andrew McKinlay
10:00am	Elizabeth Brookes	John Blanch
Readers	Calvin Lee	Steph C
Serving Team	Adam Wing	Sam Miller
	Peter O'Donoghue	Peter O'Dononghue
Welcome	Michael Golding	Anne Sunderland
Introduction &	Robert Gribben	Luke Hopkins
Intercession		
Video/AV	Sam Miller	Geoff Jenkins
Kids Corner &	N/A	Harriet Jenkins
Sunday School		Rosie Moloney
Morning Tea	Katie Holmes	Helen McCallum
	Andrea O'Donoghue	David Keuneman

PARISH NEWS

For Your Prayers

FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD

For peace in the Middle East, Sudan, Congo, Ukraine and an end to violence.

For those who sleep rough, for those stressed and unable to make ends meet.

FOR THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

For the life of our parish and its ministries.

For Archbishop-elect, Richard as he prepares to take up his call to be Archbishop of Melbourne.

FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS

Please pray for those in need: the sick, those struggling to make ends meet, those who mourn and those who are lonely.

By name we pray for: Isaiah, Vasu, Helen, Edith, Martin, Peter, Mavis, Bishop Scott Lowrey, Fr Frank Moloney, Mthr Ruth & Joe Cook, Fr Peter Treloar, Bishop Clarence Bester.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Barbara Taylor, Bishop John Parkes.

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND OCCURS THIS WEEK Katie O'Donoghue, Jean Young, Irma Dahn, Helmut Dahn, Lindsay O'Neill.

IF YOU HAVE PRAYER INTENTIONS

If there is a name to be included, please email <u>office@stmarys.org.au</u> (Names will be listed for 1 month unless otherwise specified).

St Mary's Parish Notices

ST MARY'S PATRONAL FESTIVAL – SAVE THE DATES!

- <u>Friday 15 August, 7pm</u> Choral Evensong featuring Polyphonic Voices followed by light supper.
- <u>Sunday 17 August</u> Eucharist at 8am & 10am, with Guest Homilist: Mthr Cara Greenham-Hancock (Assistant Priest at St Peter's Eastern Hill), followed by Festive Brunch!

Tell your friends and neighbours and the curious!

ST MARY'S SUNDAY ROSTER

Please put your names down for the next roster cycle (August-October) by Monday 21 July, new volunteers welcome @stmarysroster | Linktree

AVE PATRONAL FESTIVAL EDITION

Submissions for 2025 AVE Patronal Festival are open until <u>Thursday 31</u> <u>July</u>, with expected publication around mid August. Themes relating to our patron Saint Mary is encouraged, as well as a wide variety of subject matters. As usual, please send to either David or <u>office@stmarys.org.au</u>

DELTA STUDIES

We began our new series with a study of the Yoorrook Justice Commission. Please visit the site to start your journey www.yoorrook.org.au

ST MARY'S EVENTS

- Astra Ensemble presents 'Commas and' on Wednesday 23 July and The Joan Events No. 1' on Friday 8 August, both 8pm in the Hall. Visit https://www.astramusic.org.au/2025-season for detailed programs. Tickets are \$35/\$20, bookings via https://events.humanitix.com/commas-and and https://events.humanitix.com/the-joan-events-no-1
- Sandpiper Trio (flute, cello & piano) will be performing on <u>Sunday 31 August, 3pm</u> in the Church. Works by Dillon, Tann, Faure & Haydn, tickets are \$35/\$30/free under 18. For bookings, please visit <u>www.trybooking.com/DBZHB</u>

OTHER EVENTS

 Quarterly Conversations: Hugh White on Australia and the New World Order: <u>Friday 25 July, 11am</u> in the library at the Centre for Theology and Ministry. Please register here https://marktheevangelist.unitingchurch.org.au/quarterly-conversations/?doing_wp_cron=1752555986.5972030162811279296875

THE MELBOURNE ANGLICAN

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MORNING PRAYER

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THE EUCHARIST

Thursday at 12 pm.

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