

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 27 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

At the heart of all prayer is a willingness to allow God to be God to us. Implied in the prayer 'hallowed be your name, your kingdom come', is the abandonment of any attempt to advance our own fame, or construct our own kingdoms, or play God to ourselves or to others. The kingdom we say we want is one where worldly values are inverted. Do we understand the risk we take when we pray that that kingdom might come?

FROM FR STUART

BEAUTY FOR THE LORD

Since I arrived in the parish, I have enjoyed the flowers in the sanctuary and the chapel, beautifully arranged by Helen McCallum and Marion Poynter. Marion has taken up this weekly task whilst Helen recovers from her recent mishap.

In these past seven weeks or so, we have enjoyed an array of flowers, bright blooms, Australian natives, and even oranges in the weeks when there are few flowers around. In the next few weeks, we will see this change as the buds you can see in close inspection of gardens come to bloom as the days lengthen.

Today we are grateful to Susan Brennan who has donated money to the cost of the flowers you see today in thanksgiving for her father. She writes this lovely tribute to him and Marion:

Special thank you to Marion Poynter for her flower arrangement in memory of Geoffrey. He was an enthusiastic gardener, a lover of sacred music, a thoughtful Christian and a very precious figure in Susan's life. He very much enjoyed his visits to St Mary's from the parish of All Saints', Ainslie in Canberra.

If you would like to donate some money towards flowers in memory of someone or thanksgiving for a particular grace received, please speak to Marion or Helen when she returns. Alternately, you may wish to volunteer services to assist with flowers in which case speak with them also.

HEARTS STRETCHED AND BROKEN

We pray every day for an end to the conflict in the Middle East and in Gaza. For 20 plus months the enclave has been bombed relentlessly flattening homes, schools, universities, hospitals and vital infrastructure. The worst of it in recent weeks is that over 100 Palestinian men, women and children have been shot dead whilst they queue for food relief. The way in which that aid is structured is appalling – only 4 centres when 400 are needed. This adds to the pressures leading to a man-made famine with pictures emerging of severe malnutrition and death in the hot summer days. Even the solidly right-wing London newspaper the *Daily Express* had a skeletal malnourished child on its front page a few days ago.

The Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell, wrote this:

With each passing day in Gaza, the violence, starvation and dehumanisation being inflicted on the civilian population by the Government of Israel becomes more depraved and unconscionable. In the name of God, I cry out against this barbaric assault on human life and dignity. It is a stain on the conscience of the international community, and a flagrant breach of international law.

The statement this week by the UK and 27 other states (including Australia (sic)) condemning the denial of aid, and the inhumane killing of civilians at aid posts, is an important – if long overdue – sign of

growing international resolve to end this war. But while the group stated their preparedness to take further action, there is not time to wait. Action must be taken now to stop this ongoing assault on Gaza, end settlement-building and settler violence in the West Bank, and secure negotiation for a lasting and just peace.

My prayers remain with the steadfast and suffering Christian community in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, and most particularly in Gaza after the recent deadly attack on the Roman Catholic Holy Family Church. I stand in pastoral solidarity with the Latin and Greek Patriarchs of Jerusalem, and give thanks for their recent visit to Gaza. There are no excuses for the bombing of places of worship where desperate people are taking shelter, or hospitals where the sick and injured are being cared for. I echo the words of Pope Leo XIV and say clearly that this barbarism must stop.

The Holy Family Church in Gaza has been a shelter for around 500 people who have been made homeless and has been attacked before. The Latin Patriarch, Cardinal Pizzaballa, said on the recent visit that to remain silent in the face of suffering is a betrayal of conscience. Our prayers and more are needed now. Perhaps we can write to our various parliamentarians to advocate for stronger action to contribute to stopping this carnage.

THINKING AHEAD - CELEBRATING OUR PATRONAL FEAST

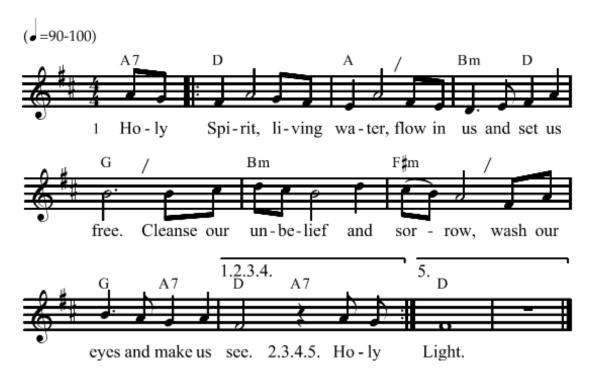
Finally, a reminder to put our Patronal Feast weekend in your diary and invite friends, neighbours and the curious. Details are to be found in the notices further inside this booklet. This gives us a chance to celebrate our life as a faith community and that its life is under the patronage of Mary, the Mother of the Lord.

I am looking forward to celebrating this Festival with you.

May God bless you in all you do this week.

Fr Stuart

ENTRANCE HYMN



- 2. Holy Spirit, come as wind and blow the dust of death away.

 Breathe the gift of life into us, lighten hearts to laugh and play.
- 3. Holy Spirit, rushing fire, burn with truth and justice here. Catch our minds alight with passion, perfect love that casts out fear.
- 4. Holy Spirit, come in silence, wordlessly to heal and bless.

 Be the heart that prays within us, fill the void with tenderness.
- 5. Holy Spirit, blessèd Wisdom, teach us all of God's delight. Offer us the wine of grace and make us children of the Light.

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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

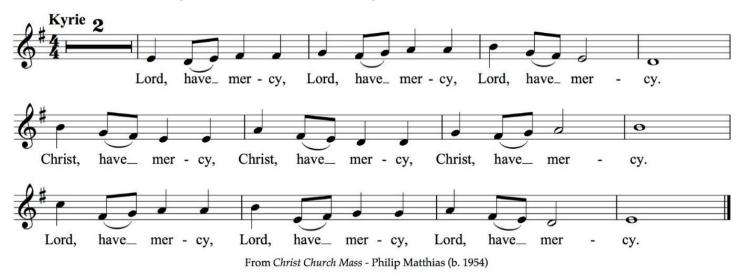
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord.

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

Provident Father, with the prayer your Son taught us always on our lips, we ask, we seek, we knock at your door: help us to seek that we may truly find, and so to ask that we may joyfully receive, and so to knock that the door of mercy may be open for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

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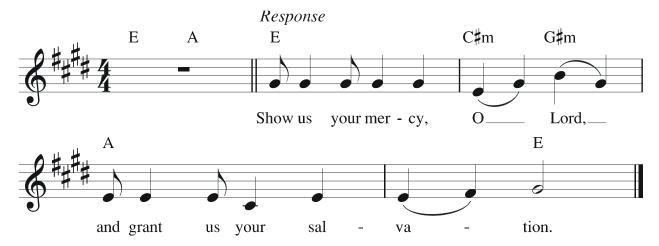
A reading from the Book of Hosea:

When the Lord first spoke through Hosea, the Lord said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of prostitution and have children of prostitution, for the land commits great prostitution by forsaking the Lord." So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son. And the Lord said to him, "Name him Jezreel, for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the Valley of Jezreel." She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the Lord said to him, "Name her Loruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the Lord their God; I will not save them by bow or by sword or by war or by horses or by horsemen." When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. Then the Lord said, "Name him Loammi, for you are not my people, and I am not your God." Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered, and in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God."

(Hosea 1.2-10)

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

PSALM 85



- 1. I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him. Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. *Response*
- 2. Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other. Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven. *Response*
- 3. The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet. *Response*

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SECOND READING

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

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. Watch out that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental principles of the world, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by the removal of the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

(*Colossians 2.6-15*)

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand.



Alleluia, alleluia!

Your have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father..

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.

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his

disciples." So he said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, may your name be revered as holy. May your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

(Luke 11.1-13)

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

THE HOMILY

Please sit

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.

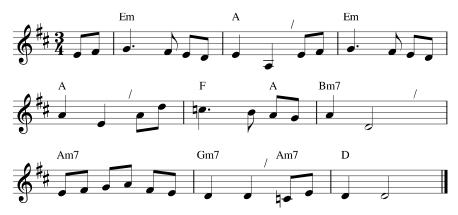
THE GREETING OF PEACE

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. For the bread that we have eaten, for the wine that we have tasted, for the life that you have given, *Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we will praise you.*

- 2. For the life of Christ within us turning all our fears to freedom, helping us to live for others, *Refrain*
- 3. For the strength of Christ to lead us in our living and our dying, in the end, with all your people, *Refrain*

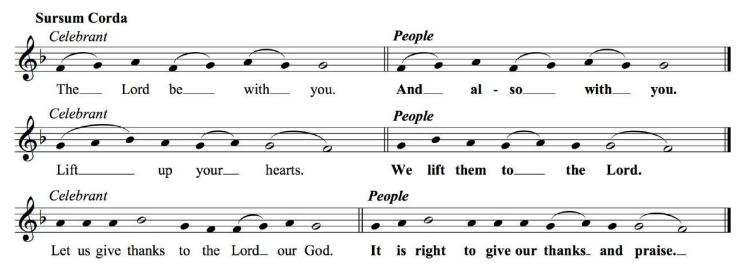
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OFFERTORY PRAYERS

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:



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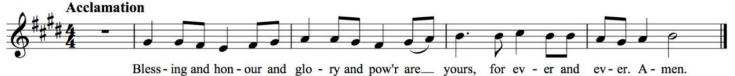
The prayer continues ...

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.

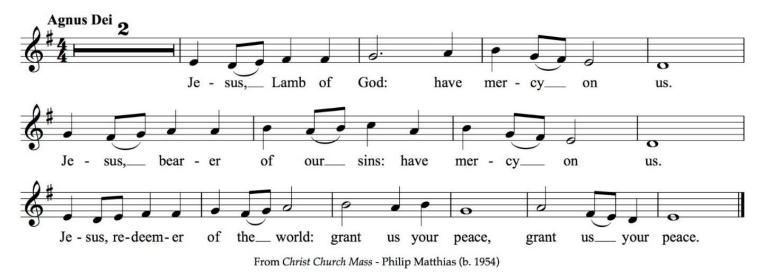
Amen.

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: 'O Lord My God' by S S Wesley (1810-1876)

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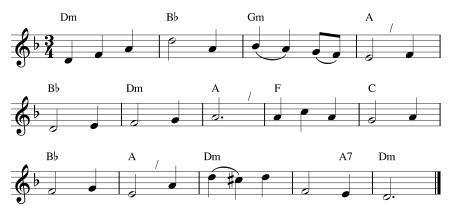
POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you 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. 'Forgive our sins as we forgive' you taught us, Lord, to pray, but you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.
- 2. How can your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart that broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

- 3. In blazing light your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew, what trivial debts are owed to us, how great our debt to you.
- 4. Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease; then, bound to all in bonds of love, our lives will spread your peace.

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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

Today's Prelude and Postlude are based on Vater unser im Himmelreich by J S Bach.

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

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

Mark John Harper, Donald Eddy, Bertie Charles Palmer, Dianne Groom, Geoffrey Brennan, Archibald William (Archie) Roach and Arthur Malcolm (Bishop).

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!

DELTA STUDIES

For the coming 2 weeks (Sunday 27 August & Sunday 3 August), our focus will be on the Nicene Creed. Prof. Robert Gribben will speak in 2 sessions (25 minutes each) and invite questions and discussion. Zoom link: https://bit.ly/SaintMary-DELTA please speak to Geoff for technical help.

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. Please send to either David or <u>office@stmarys.org.au</u>

ST MARY'S EVENTS

- Astra Ensemble presents 'The Joan Events No. 1' on <u>Friday 8</u>
 <u>August, 8pm</u> in the Hall. Visit https://www.astramusic.org.au/2025-season for detailed programs. Tickets are \$35/\$20, bookings via 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>

THE MELBOURNE ANGLICAN

To read online e-editions, visit <u>This Month's TMA - The Melbourne</u> <u>Anglican</u> or use the QR code.

TO HELP THOSE IN NEED

Thank you for your food donations to Anglicare Victoria/St Mark's Community Care. For tax deductible donations please visit https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/ - 'Melbourne Anglican Benevolent Society' - 'St Mary's North Melbourne—Relief Program'.

SUPPORTING THE LIFE AND MINISTRY OF ST MARY'S

Your continuing financial support of the Parish is greatly appreciated. One off or recurring payments are best made to the Parish Giving account with the Anglican Development Fund. Considering a bequest to the parish? Speak confidentially with the Treasurer via

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| | Sunday 27 July 2025 | Sunday 3 August 2025 | | |
| | Ordinary Sunday 17 | Ordinary Sunday 18 | | |
| 8:00am Reader | Andrew McKinlay | Rhondda Fahey | | |
| 10:00am | John Blanch | Ivana Csar | | |
| Readers | Steph C | Peter O'Donoghue | | |
| Serving Team | Sam Miller | Alice Christofi | | |
| | Peter O'Dononghue | Anne Sunderland | | |
| Welcome | Anne Sunderland | Kate Holmes | | |
| Introduction & | Luke Hopkins | Sam Miller | | |
| Intercession | _ | | | |
| Video/AV | Geoff Jenkins | Sam Miller | | |
| Kids Corner & | Harriet Jenkins | Harriet Jenkins | | |
| Sunday School | Rosie Moloney | Rosie Moloney | | |
| Morning Tea | Helen McCallum | Susan Gribben | | |
| _ | David Keuneman | Elizabeth Brookes | | |

Liturgies at St Mary's This Week

MORNING PRAYER

Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8.30am.

Click the link: https://bit.ly/49910N4

Meeting ID: 826 4665 0345, Passcode: 464706.

THE EUCHARIST

Thursday at 12 pm.

DELTA STUDIES

Sunday 27 July & 3 August, after the 10am service.

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