

THE TWENTYFIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 24 August 2025

8am The Eucharist 10am Sung Eucharist

Principal Celebrant: Fr Stuart Soley SMMS Homilist: Fr Stuart Soley SMMS

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: The Melbourne Setting by Rosalie Bonighton © 2005.

INTRODUCTION

Hypocrisy and double standards are never attractive. Worse, they are an obstacle to any real understanding of the freedom which Jesus brings. Are we guilty of an attitude or a practice of "do as I say, not as I do"?

FROM FR STUART

Thanks be to God for a joyous Patronal / Matronal Festival Weekend!



The above photo is of the choir, servers, visiting clergy (Fr Russell Goulbourne, Mother Dorothy Lee, Fr Bob Derrenbacker, Fr Luke Hopkins) and preacher after the 10 am Mass.

Present in the pews also were other clergy friends of the parish including Professor Robert Gribben, Canon Sally Miller and the Reverend Ron Miller from the Diocese of Grafton. There were many who came from near and far. We were very blessed by their attendance.

These big occasions do not just happen. Many people contribute to their success from Laura in the office, Beverley and the choir, our fantastic servers, Marion who arranged some lovely flowers, the Nobles who tended the garden beforehand as always, those who provided hospitality organised by Helen McCallum, Susan Gribben, Marion Poynter and a veritable army of helpers on the day and on the Friday evening. Thank you one and all – and especially if I have left you out!!

Mother Cara delivered a wonderful homily on the Assumption and our life as Marian Christians. She ended her homily with these words:

You are a Christian community dedicated to our Lady Mary – you have therefore been called and invited to discover what it can be to live as Marian Christians: to love Jesus as she first loved him, to live out that love in ways that are full of courage, and hope, and action for justice, and which look forward joyfully to the fulfilment of the promise that like Mary, we too will be gathered to share the eternal glory and delight of heaven. May she pray for you, today and every day, may she be your friend and your guide and your pattern.

MARKING THE SEASON OF CREATION

This week I met with Audrey Statham, Beverley Phillips and Robert Gribben to discuss some ideas of how we would observe the Season of Creation this year. It runs from the first Sunday in September through to the first Sunday in October.

We had a terrifically wide-ranging discussion – some of which engaged with bigger issues than will make it any observance this year. We will share some more details next week once we have finalised things and various observances in the weeks to follow.

FR PETER TRELOAR

On Wednesday, Beverley and I attended the Requiem Eucharist for Fr Peter Treloar in Christ the King Cathedral, Ballarat. On the back of the order of service was a lovely photo of him preaching here at St Mary's at the wedding of Jackie & David Morton.

FAREWELL TO LAURA

This coming Tuesday is the last day Laura Tanata will be working with us. She has contributed much to the parish in her time with us and we are very grateful for her. She is leaving us to take up a new full-time position in the health sector. The wardens and parish council will be discussing the details of the job we will advertise in due course. Please pray for Laura as she commences this new exciting opening in her life.

SAFEGUARDING THE CHRIST IN ALL

This icon is in the Cathedral of St John the Divine in New York. My recollection is that it came to prominence after the death, in America, of George Floyd five years ago. The target on the Christ in the womb of Mary is striking.

When one is targeted for death, for whatever reason, the life of God in Christ, born of Mary, is put to death, made as we are in the image of God.



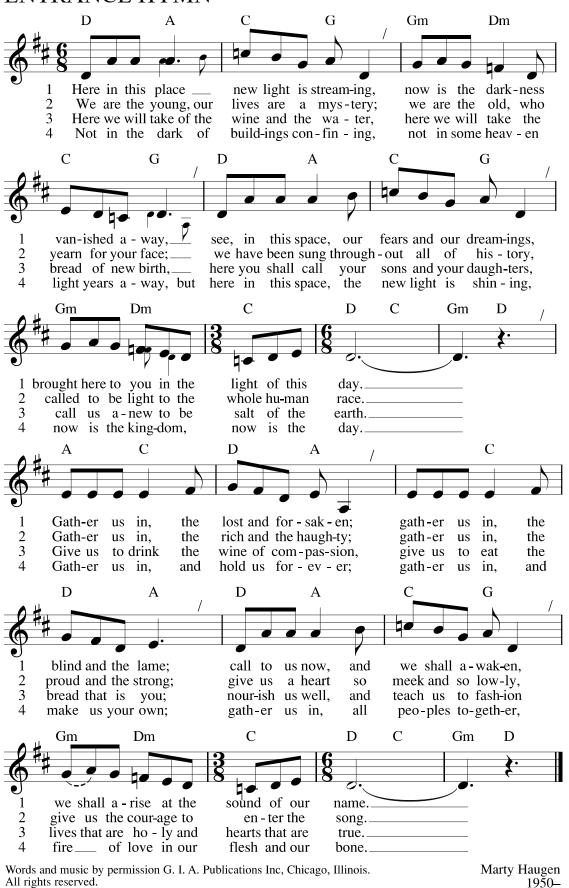
We can think of many situations which this icon captures. It could symbolise the presence of Christ and Mary consoling those who are victims shooting of students in one of the massacres in American schools.

It also has a contemporary relevance with the situation in Gaza. Dr Nick Maynard works from time to time in Gaza. On UK television he spoke of his time in Gaza in which those who presented to the hospital in which he worked showed a pattern of injuries that suggested the Israeli military were treating children, yes children, as target practice. On some days all the injuries were to the head, on others the abdomen, on other days in the neck and another day in the groin.

Let us keep praying that the cruelty and killing will cease both there and in the all too many other places in the world afflicted by conflict and violence.

Fr Stuart

ENTRANCE HYMN



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

O God, the Judge of all, through the saving blood of your Son you have brought us to the heavenly Jerusalem and given us a kingdom which cannot be shaken: fill us with reverence and awe in your presence, that in thanksgiving we, and all your Church, may offer you acceptable worship; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives to intercede for us, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

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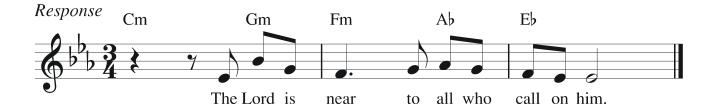
A reading from the Book of Jeremiah:

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy,' for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth, and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

(*Jeremiah 1.4-10*)

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

PSALM 71



- 1. In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be ashamed;
- 2. in your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me. *Response*
- 3. Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.
- 4. Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor. *Response*
- 5. I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; (omit 2nd bar of music) from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you. *Response*
- 6. I have become a portent to many; but you are my refuge and strength.
- 7. Let my mouth be full of your praise and your glory all the day long. *Response*

TIS 40

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SECOND READING

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

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking, for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe, for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

(Hebrews 12.18-29)

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



Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father except through me.

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 he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him. (Luke 13.10-17)

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:

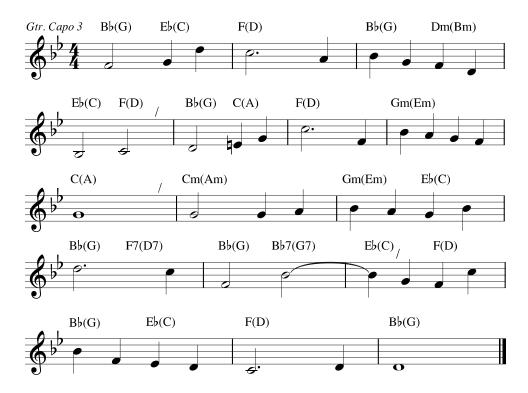
Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

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. O Jesus Christ, may grateful hymns be rising in every city for your love and care; inspire our worship, grant the glad surprising that your blest Spirit rouses everywhere.
- 2. Grant us new courage, sacrificial, humble, strong in your strength to venture and to dare, to lift the fallen, guide the feet that stumble, seek out the lonely and God's mercy share.
- 3. Show us your Spirit, brooding o'er each city, as once you wept above Jerusalem, seeking to gather all in love and pity, and healing those who touch your garment's hem.

Bradford Gray Webster 1898-1991

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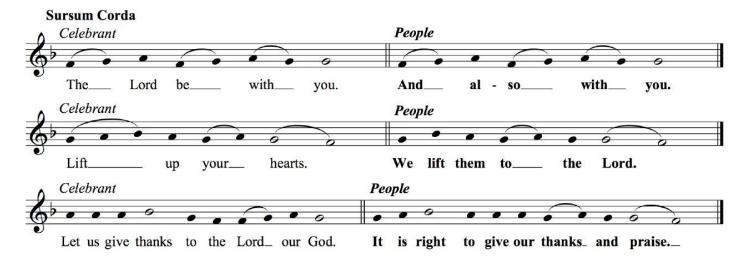
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OFFERTORY PRAYERS

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.**

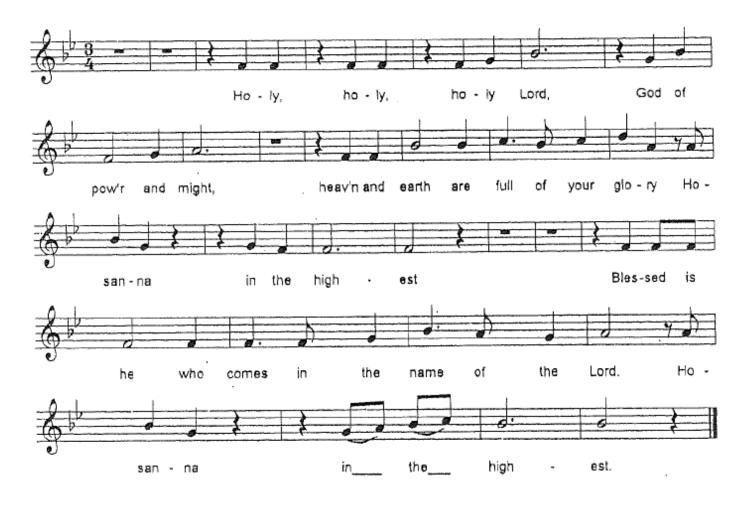
Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become for us the cup of salvation. **Blessèd be God for ever.**

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:



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.

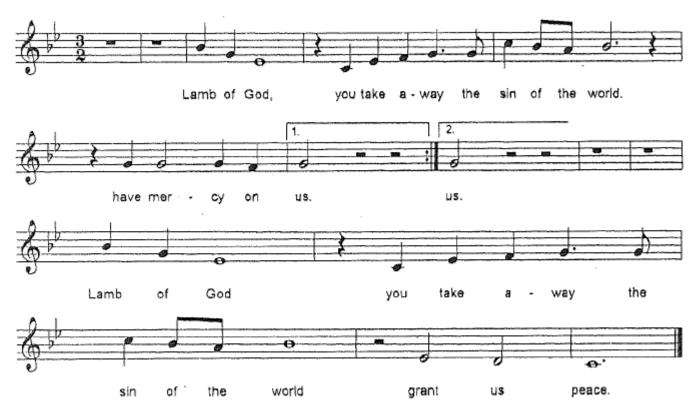
Amen.

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

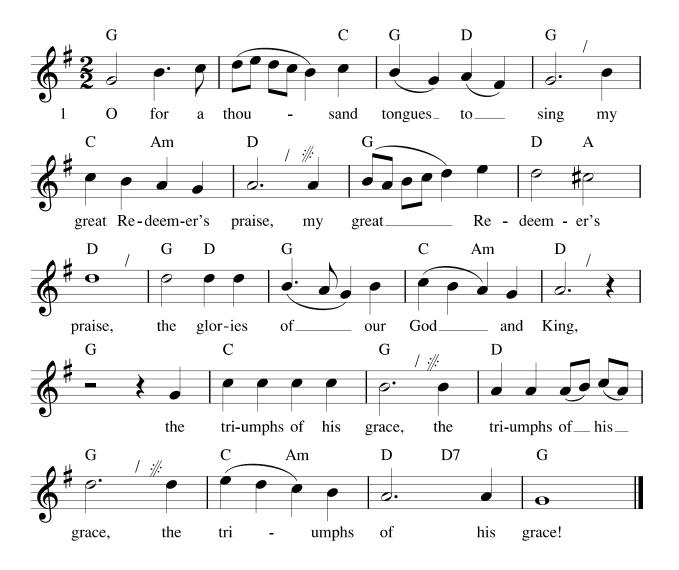
Anthem: 'Arioso' by J S Bach. Violinist: Elizabeth Brookes.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of 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 AFTER COMMUNION



- 2. Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; such music in the sinner's ears is life, and health, and peace.
- 3. He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free; his blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.
- 4. He speaks, and listening to his voice new life the dead receive, the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.
- 5. Hear him, you deaf; his praise, you dumb, your loosened tongues employ; you blind, behold your Saviour come; and leap, you lame, for joy!
- 6. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honours of your name.

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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

'Noel Nouvelet' by Fr Peter Treloar

(Played in memory of Peter, Priest, composer, poet, parent, pastor and colleague of composer Rosalie Bonighton)

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

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PARISH NEWS

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD

For an end to violence in Gaza, Sudan, Congo, Ukraine and other places of conflict. For the unlocking of humanitarian aid in Gaza.

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

FOR THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

For the church world wide – in every country and city

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: Susan Pilbrow, Isaiah, Sue, Vasu, Gerald, Bishop Clarence Bester, Fr Frank Moloney, the Roussell/Statham family and the Dawlings family.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Norah Lillian Killip, Mavis Alice Elizabeth Lloyd, Fr Ken Cahill, Carole Roussell and Fr Peter Douglas Treloar.

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND OCCURS THIS WEEK

Ernest Prosser, Gladys Gill, Gwyneth Strasser, Jeff Acland, Bishop Kallistos Ware, Pauline Gale, Roy Bradley (priest), Abbot Michael King, John Stockdale (Priest), Brian Robert Fletcher and Laura Cherry.

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).

NOTICES – IN THE PARISH AND BEYOND

2025 AVE – PATRONAL EDITION

The latest AVE are available from the front porch of the Church, and you can also read online from our website https://www.stmarys.org.au/ (head towards the bottom left hand corner).

FROM THE HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

More volunteers for Sunday morning teas are needed, you will be helping with set up/clean up as well as food preparation. Please speak to Susan Gribben if you would like to know more.

ST MARY'S EVENTS

• Sandpiper Trio (flute, cello & piano) will be performing on <u>Sunday</u> 31 August, 3pm in the Church. Works by Dillon, Tann, Faure & Haydn, tickets are \$35/\$30/under 18 free. For bookings, please visit <u>www.trybooking.com/DBZHB</u>

OTHER EVENTS

- Scot's International Organ Series: Yesie Lin Viota (St Mary's relief organist) will be performing on <u>Wednesday 27 August, 1pm</u> at Scot's Church Melbourne. For info https://scotschurch.com/music-events/
- Polyphonic Voices presents Joby Talbot's 'Path of Miracles' on <u>Friday 19 September, 7.30pm</u> at St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne. Tickets are \$40/\$30/\$20/under 15 free. Please book via <u>www.polyphonicvoices.com/2025</u>

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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LITURGIES AT SAINT MARY'S

MORNING PRAYER

Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8.30am.

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THE EUCHARIST

Thursday at 12 pm.

St Mary's Roster				
	Sunday 24 August 2025	Sunday 31 August 2025		
	Ordinary Sunday 21	Ordinary Sunday 22		
8:00am Reader	Jen Langmead	Judie Bainbridge		
10:00am	John Blanch	Steph C		
Readers	Katie Holmes	Calvin Lee		
Serving Team	Alice Christofi	Alice Christofi		
_	Peter O'Donoghue	Anne Sunderland		
Welcome	Sam Miller	Anne Sunderland		
Introduction &	Alice Christofi	+1		
Intercession				
Video/AV	Fabien Nunes	Geoff Jenkins		
Kids Corner &	Harriet Jenkins	Harriet Jenkins		
Sunday School	Rosie Moloney	Rosie Moloney		
Morning Tea	Elizabeth Brookes	+2		
	Rosie Moloney			

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