



*St. Mary's*



more  
fervent in  
**PRAYER**



more  
generous  
in works of  
**CHARITY**



more  
eager in cele-  
brating the  
**MYSTERIES**  
by which we  
are reborn

# **THE EUCHARIST**

**THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

**22 MARCH 2026**

*Order of the Liturgy and Parish News*

# TODAY'S LITURGY

*Welcome to Saint Mary's! The Order of Service begins on page 9  
Calendar Dates, Liturgies and How to Donate – see p.2-8 & 30ff*

## HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

### RUBRICS

These are instructions or descriptions of what is happening, and they are printed in *italics*.

### OUR PART SINGING

These also provide prompts and guides for posture and gesture.

The congregation's (people's) parts are printed in **bold**.

Saint Augustine is reputed to have said 'those who sing pray twice'. We include the music, so it is easier for you to join in as you are able

## THE LITURGICAL ENVIRONMENT

The liturgical colour for Lent is purple symbolising preparation, sorrow, and penitence.

During Lent the liturgy and church are more subdued. There are no flowers and the music is restrained. Today we veil all statues and work of art till Easter. This act invites us to 'see beyond the veil' to trust in God's love conquering death and all evil.

*There are places to offer personal prayers after you receive communion on either side of the sanctuary. To light a candle that burns long after we leave the church reminds us that our prayers last longer than the words we utter or the thoughts in our minds or hearts.*

## CELEBRATING THE LITURGIES TODAY

22 MARCH 2026 – THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

*Year A in the Three-Year Lectionary Cycle*

### 8 AM

Presider / Homilist  
Reader

### THE EUCHARIST

Fr Stuart Soley SMMS  
Tischa-Leah Biddle

Fr Russell Goulbourne

### 10 AM

Principal Celebrant  
Homilist

### SUNG EUCHARIST

Fr Russell Goulbourne  
Fr Russell Goulbourne

Director of Music  
Mass Setting  
1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Readers  
Servers

Beverley Phillips  
Missa Pange Lingua  
Katie Holmes  
Peter O'Donoghue  
Michael Golding

Beverley Phillips  
Susan Gribben  
Chris Phillips

Welcomer  
Introduction/Intercession  
Audrey Statham

Live Stream / AV

Fabien Nunes

Kids Cnr / Sunday School

Harriet Jenkins

Morning tea

Helen McCallum

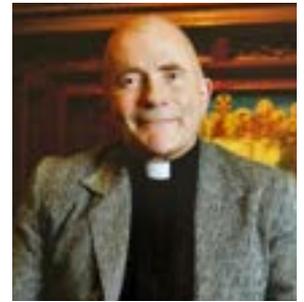
Rosie Moloney

David Keuneman

## FROM FR STUART

### TONIGHT'S LITURGY AN IDEAL START TO PASSIONTIDE

This evening's liturgy "Last Words of Love" will be an ideal way to begin the final fortnight before the Paschal Triduum. It is based on the seven last words of Jesus on the cross in the gospels with accompanying reflections in prose and poetry. Beverley Rhondda and I have worked together to provide readings, music and silence as we draw near to the most Holy Week of the Christian year.



### HOLY WEEK AND THE TRIDUUM

The full schedule of liturgies over Holy Week through the Great Octave of Easter to 12 April are on pages 7-8.

There are two things in which we need some assistance:

#### 1. HOLY SATURDAY WORKING BEE

Held on the morning of Saturday we will break the silence with Morning Prayer at 10 am followed by a working bee to prepare the church for the Easter celebration.

#### 2. PASCHAL SUPPER AFTER 8.30 PM PASCHAL VIGIL

We will need contributions to the Feast. Speak to Susan, Helen or Marion if you need suggestions of what is needed.

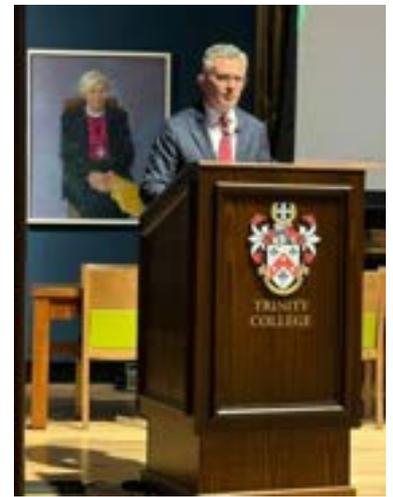
If you can assist, please sign up on the appropriate volunteer sheet at the back of the church.

### FR RUSSELL GOULBOURNE: THE NINTH WARDEN

I was honoured to be present at the Installation of Fr Russell as the ninth Warden of Trinity College on Thursday evening last. Archbishop Ric preached a fine sermon that connected the gospel passage set for Saint Joseph's Day, and the ethos and directions Russell shared later in his speech at the reception.



Our very own Fr Luke, as Chaplain, installed Fr Russell. It is good they are two of our assisting clergy here. In Fr Russell's case it follows a pattern of connection between the college warden and Saint Mary's going all the way back to Alexander Leeper and in more recent years. Wardens Evan Burge and Andrew McGowan also worshipped with this faith community.



## **SIMNEL DELIGHTS**

Thanks are due to our simnel cake bakers who provided such delicious cakes for Refreshment Sunday last week: Judie for the morning tea after the 8 am Eucharist and Anne, Harriet and Atticus for the 10 am morning tea after the 10 am Eucharist. So yummy.

I will bless mothers and those who embody maternal nature of God on Mother's Day in May.

## **LISTENING IN LENT – LAST SUNDAY'S CONSULTATION**

Thank you to all who attended and contributed great input and wisdom to the session last Sunday. Thanks to Audrey for her very clear and wise facilitation. The contributions for the parish will be very helpful as we compile the Parish Council submission.

Information about how to contribute your own to the process is below on page 30-32.

## **ARCHBISHOP SARAH ON PILGRIM PROGRESS**

During the past week Dame Sarah Mullally, the new Archbishop of Canterbury, set off on an 87-mile pilgrimage. She is walking from Saint Paul's Cathedral in London to Canterbury Cathedral in Kent, as part of her spiritual preparation for her Installation this Wednesday, 25 March.

She is accompanied by her husband, Eamonn and other pilgrims. On the steps of St Paul's, Archbishop Sarah said:

'Thank you so much for coming to be here today... Do join with me in praying over the next five to six days as I walk to Canterbury.... Do pray for me and I will continue to pray for you, that together we journey with God and into God, but most importantly with each other.'

It is significant that she is doing this as she is following the path of many pilgrims before who would walk to Canterbury to visit the Shrine of one of her predecessors, Thomas Becket till it was destroyed by Henry VIII's reformers in the sixteenth century.

She will be installed in Saint Augustine's Chair on Wednesday evening, being the Feast of the Annunciation. The last Archbishop of Canterbury to be enthroned on the Annunciation was Archbishop Robert Runcie in 1980. At that liturgy special prayers were offered for the repose of the soul of Archbishop Oscar Romero (now Saint) who was assassinated the day before.

You will be able to watch it on YouTube, no doubt on the Canterbury Cathedral YouTube channel. Archbishop Kay Goldsworthy, the first female Archbishop in the world will be attending the installation of the first female Archbishop of Canterbury. As Sarah makes her pilgrimage to that holy place of Canterbury Cathedral, which is dedicated to Jesus Christ our Saviour, she is inspiring us as she marks out her own distinctive contribution in this role in the years to come.

## **EUCCHARISTS THIS WEEK**

The intentions of each weekday Eucharist last week were for peace. Thank you to all who attended. This week we will continue that with special intention on the Feast of Saint Oscar Romero and at the Feast of the Annunciation for Archbishop Sarah as she is installed as the 106<sup>th</sup> Archbishop of Canterbury.

Let us all continue to pray for God's people all over the world and for peace. God bless you all, *Stuart* +

*At Saint Mary's This Lent:*

## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

### SUNDAYS IN LENT

8.00 am The Eucharist  
10.00 am Sung Eucharist

### WEEKDAYS IN LENT FROM 3 MARCH

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 12.00 pm The Eucharist

## REFLECTING ON OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

### LENTEN READING CIRCLE

*We will reflect on Dancing to the Heartbeat of God, foreword by Abp Sarah Mullaly*

WEDNESDAYS THE VICARAGE AT 7 - 8 pm  
MARCH 4, 11, 18, 25

## QUIET DAY AT TRINITY COLLEGE

CONDUCTED BY PAULA GOODER

*Bookings essential. Visit Trinity Website and Click on What's Happening; then full calendar: the booking link is listed there*

*Enquiries: Fr Luke Hopkins: chapel@trinity.unimelb.edu.au*

SATURDAY 14 MARCH 2026 9.00 am - 3.30 pm

## LAST WORDS OF LOVE: A Liturgy for Passiontide

SUNDAY 22 MARCH 5.00 pm

## THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

WEDNESDAY 25 MARCH ROSARY 12.00 pm  
EUCCHARIST 6.00 pm

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAY 27 MARCH 7.00 pm

## RECONCILIATION (or Confession)

*By arrangement with Fr Stuart*



SAINT MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH NORTH MELBOURNE

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# *Holy Week and Easter Week at Saint Mary's:*

## **HOLY WEEK**

**29 MARCH PALM SUNDAY**

**8.00 am HOLY EUCHARIST**

*The Blessing of Palms, Palm Gospel and Holy Eucharist*

**10.00 am SUNG EUCHARIST**

*The Blessing of and Distribution of Palms and Palm Crosses, Procession along the street and Sung Eucharist of the Day*



**30 MARCH HOLY MONDAY**

**6.00 pm Holy Eucharist**

**31 MARCH HOLY TUESDAY**

**8.30 am Morning Prayer**

**6.00 pm Holy Eucharist**

**1 APRIL HOLY WEDNESDAY –**

**6.00 pm Holy Eucharist at Saint Mary's**

**7.30 pm Tenebrae at Trinity College**

**100 Royal Parade, Parkville**

**2 APRIL MAUNDY THURSDAY**

**8.30 am Morning Prayer**

# *Holy Week and Easter Week at Saint Mary's:*

## **THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM**

**2 April MAUNDY THURSDAY**

**7.00 pm THE MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AND WATCH**

*The Mass of the Lord's Supper including the Washing of the Feet, Transfer of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose, Stripping of the Church and Watch*

**3 April GOOD FRIDAY**

**10.00 am THE LITURGY OF THE DAY**

*The Liturgy of the Word, Passion Reading, Veneration of the Cross, the Great Intercessions and Holy Communion*

**4 April HOLY SATURDAY**

**10.00 am** Morning Prayer (*breaking the Great Silence and Working Bee*)

**8.30 pm THE PASCHAL VIGIL**

*The Lighting of the New Fire and Paschal Candle, Vigil Readings, Holy Baptisms and Renewal of Baptismal Vows and First Eucharist of Easter*

**5 April THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**8.00 am HOLY EUCHARIST**

**10.00 am SUNG EUCHARIST**

*The Renewal of Baptismal Vows will take place at both Eucharists*

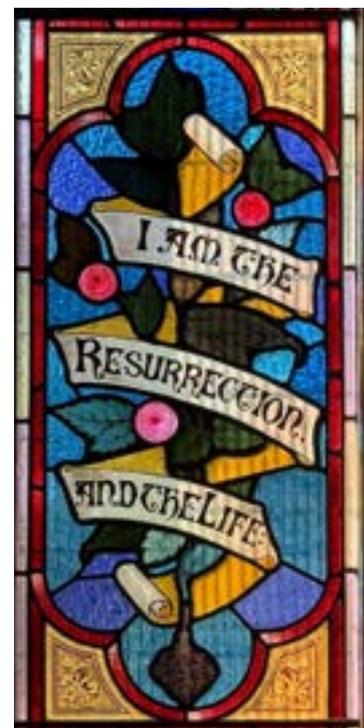
**12 April THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

*The completion of the Great Octave of Easter*

**8.00 am HOLY EUCHARIST**

**10.00 am SUNG EUCHARIST**

*Easter Time runs for 50 days till Pentecost on 24 May*



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# GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*The bell is rung and the congregation stand.*

*The priest, servers and choir enter singing the opening hymn is sung during which the altar which represents Christ is revered and censed.*

## OPENING HYMN

The musical notation is presented in four staves. The first two staves are labeled 'Refrain' and the last two are labeled 'Verses'. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The chords for the Refrain are C, Dm7, G7, C, D7, G. The chords for the first line of the Verses are C, F, Am, G, C, Dm7, G7, C. The chords for the second line of the Verses are Em, Am, D, G, C, Am, B, Em. The chords for the third line of the Verses are Am, D, G, C, D7, G. The word 'Refrain' is written at the end of the fourth staff.

***Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.***

- 1. Come, people, follow where our captain trod,  
our King victorious, Christ the Son of God:**

***Lift high the cross ....***

- 2. All newborn servants of the Crucified  
bear on their brow the seal of him who died:**

***Lift high the cross ....***

- 3. From north and south, from east and west they raise  
in growing unison their song of praise:**

***Lift high the cross ....***

**4. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
draw all to you, let all the nations see:**

***Lift high the cross ....***

**5. From farthest regions let them homage bring,  
and on the cross adore their Saviour King:**

***Lift high the cross ....***

WORDS: Michael Robert Newbolt 1874-1956

Based on George William Kitchin 1827-1912 *alt.*

MUSIC: CRUCIFER Sydney Hugo Nicholson 1875-1947 (TIS 351)

**✝ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
**whose mercy endures for ever.**

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

## THE 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.**

## THE CONFESSION

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.**

## THE ABSOLUTION

*The priest announces the absolution.*

## KYRIE ELEISON

*Said at 8 am:*

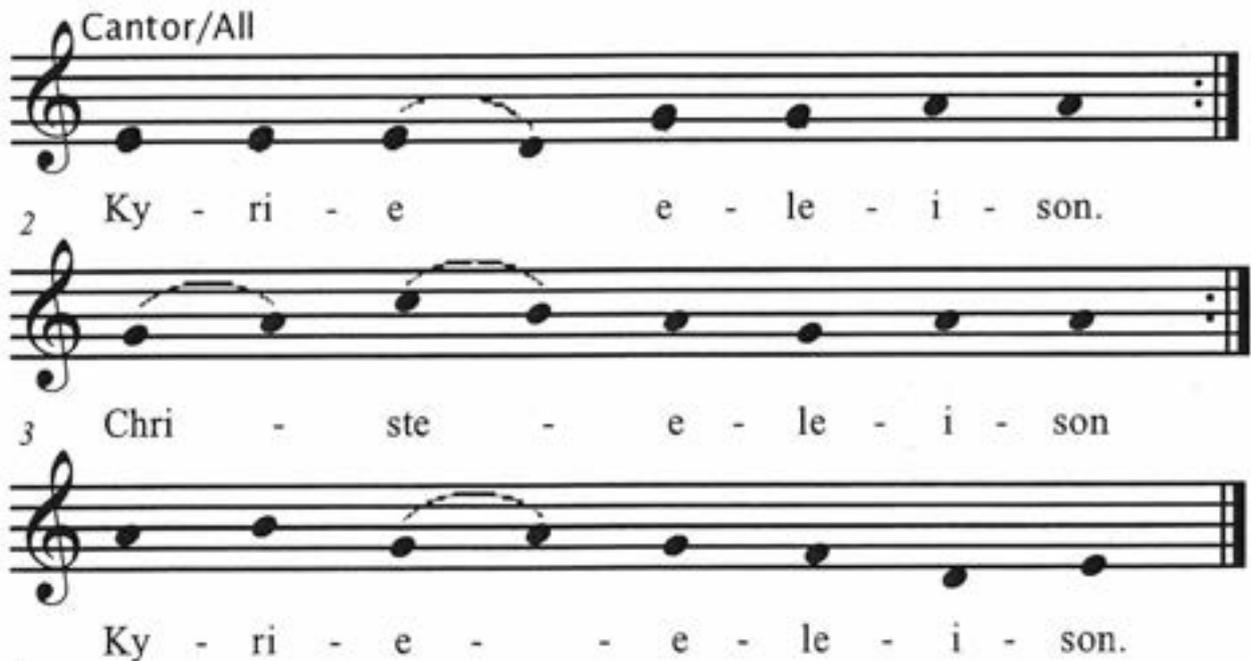
Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.

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

## KYRIE ELEISON

*Sung at 10 am:*

Cantor/All



2 Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

3 Chri - ste - e - le - i - son

Ky - ri - e - e - le - i - son.

## THE COLLECT

*The priest prays the opening prayer.*  
*Our response to the prayer is: **Amen.***

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please sit.*

## FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you and will cause flesh to come upon you and cover you with skin and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded, and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them, but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.'

Therefore prophesy and say to them: Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people, and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord when I open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.”

(Ezekiel 37:1-14)

Hear the word of the Lord,  
**thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 130

*8 am: Spoken response to the psalm:*

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

**With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

*10 am: Sung response:*

**Antiphon 1** (verse 7b) Plainsong New - Geoffrey Cox



With the Lord there is mer - cy and full - ness of re - demp - tion.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive;

to the voice of my supplications!

**With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But there is forgiveness with you,  
so that you may be revered.

**With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,  
and in his word I hope;  
my soul waits for the Lord  
more than those who watch for the morning.

**With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

O Israel, hope in the Lord!  
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,  
and with him is great power to redeem.  
It is he who will redeem Israel for all its iniquities.

**With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.**

## SECOND READING

A reading from Saint Paul's letter to the Romans:

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit<sup>[a]</sup> is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed, it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, then the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

*(Romans 8:6-11)*

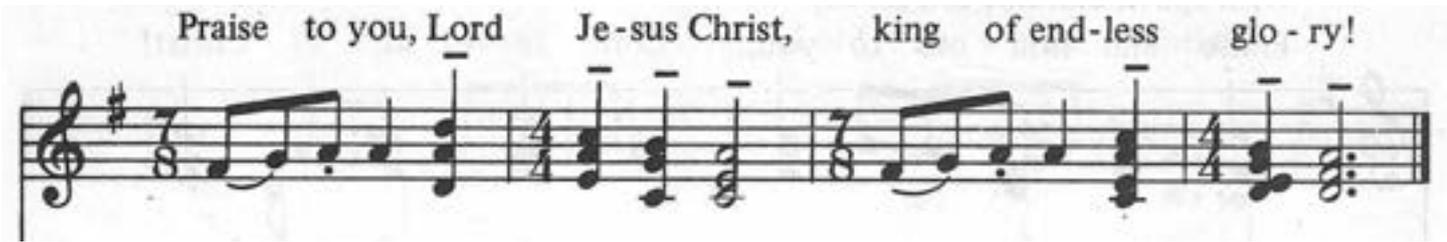
Hear the word of the Lord,  
**thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**



I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;  
whoever believes in me will never die.

*(John 11:25,26)*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

## THE GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Saint John.

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather, it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble because they see the light of this world.

But those who walk at night stumble because the light is not in them.” After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.” The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.” Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village but was still at the place where Martha had met him.

The Jews who were with her in the house consoling her saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.” Many of the Jews, therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did believed in him.

*(John 11:1-45)*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Please sit*

THE HOMILY

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

*We stand for the creed which is said by all.*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*After each section:*

Lord in your mercy

**Hear our prayer**

*After the prayers for the departed:*

✝ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.  
**And let light perpetual shine on them.**

*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

*The priest introduces the Greeting of Peace:*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS AND THE CENSING OFFERTORY HYMN



- 1. When, rising from the bed of death,  
O'erwhelmed with guilt and fear,  
I see my maker face to face,  
O how shall I appear?  
If yet, while pardon may be found,  
And mercy may be sought,  
My heart with inward horror shirns,  
And trembles at the thought;**

2. When thou, O Lord, shalt stand disclosed  
In majesty severe,  
And sit in judgment on my soul,  
O how shall I appear?  
But thou hast told the troubled mind  
Who does her sins lament,  
The timely tribute of her tears  
Shall endless woe prevent.
3. Then we see the sorrow of my heart,  
Ere yet it be too late;  
And hear my Saviour's groans,  
To give those sorrows weight.  
For never shall my soul despair  
Her pardon to procure,  
Who knows thine only Son has died  
To make her pardon sure.

WORDS: Joseph Addison 1672-1719

TUNE: THIRD MODE MELODY Thomas Tallis c.1505-1585  
as it originally appeared in Matthew Parker's *Psalter*, 1567,  
the melody in the tenor. (REH 131)

## OFFERTORY PRAYERS

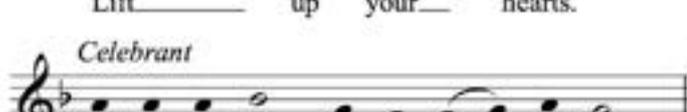
*Our response to the prayers is:* **Blessed be God for ever.**

## THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

*Our response to the prayer is:* **Amen.**

# THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

**Sursum Corda**

<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>The Lord be with you.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>And also with you.</p>
<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>Lift up your hearts.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>We lift them to the Lord.</p>
<p><i>Celebrant</i></p>  <p>Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p>  <p>It is right to give our thanks and praise.</p>

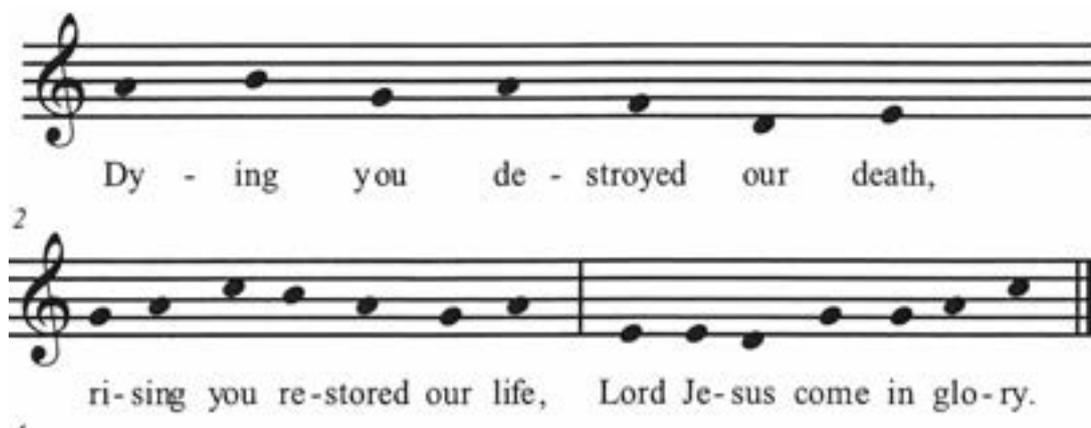
It is indeed right ...  
 ... for ever praising you and saying:



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord -  
 God of pow'r and God - of might.  
 Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
 Ho - sa - na in the high - est  
 Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Prayer continues . . . . After the elevation of the Host and the elevation of the Chalice, all may bow with the priest in adoration of real presence of Christ. . . . and all join in singing the Acclamation:*

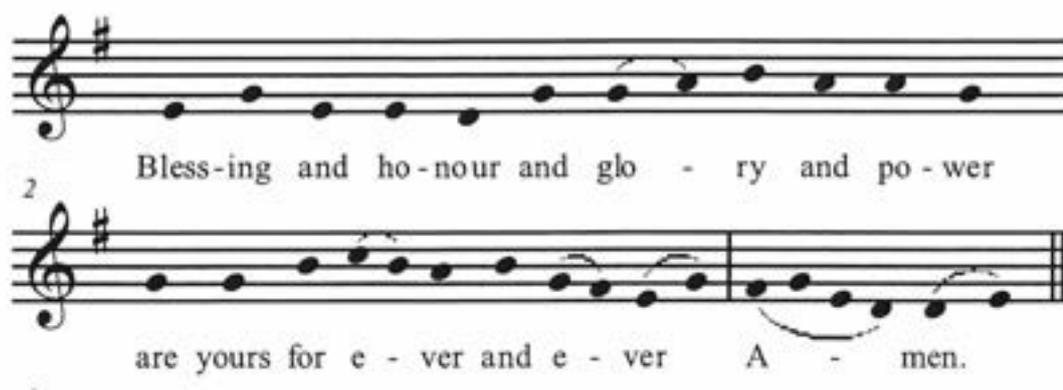
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Dy - ing you de - stroyed our death,  
ri - sing you re - stored our life, Lord Je - sus come in glo - ry.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G-clef. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The notes are simple quarter and eighth notes.

*The Prayer continues . . . . ending with the celebrant singing:  
. . . . in songs of never-ending praise:*



Bless - ing and ho - nour and glo - ry and po - wer  
are yours for e - ver and e - ver A - men.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G-clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The notes are simple quarter and eighth notes, with some phrasing slurs.

*After the Host and Chalice are placed back on the altar,  
all may bow with the priest in adoration.*

## 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.**

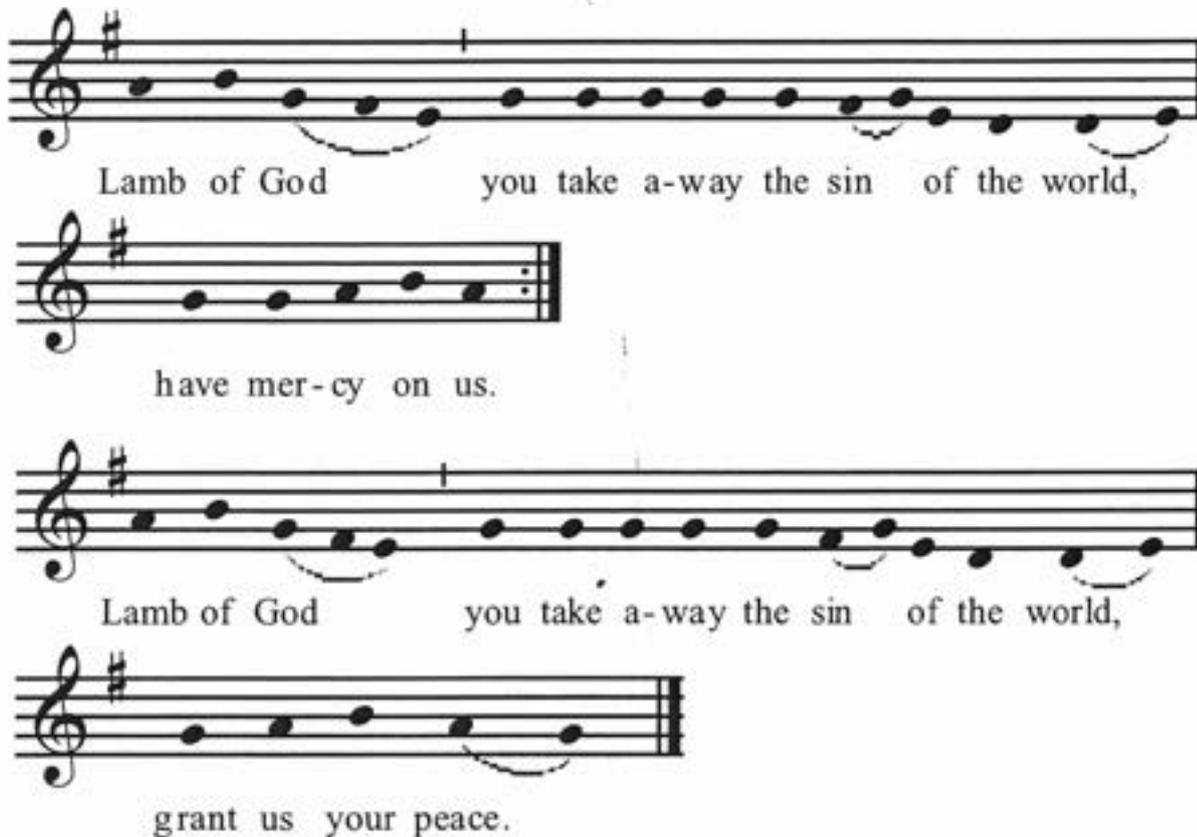
**Amen.**

## 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

*Whilst the bread is broken, the Agnus Dei is sung by all to the setting below:*



Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the world,  
have mer-cy on us.  
Lamb of God you take a-way the sin of the world,  
grant us your peace.

### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

✚ Behold the Lamb of God,  
who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to the banquet of the Lamb.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*Fr Stuart administers communion to the servers and Eucharistic Assistants.  
Feel free to sit until the following invitation to communion.*

Come! Draw near with faith,  
and receive the gifts of God for the people of God!

**Thanks be to God.**

*Christ is the host at the altar here at Saint Mary's and welcomes all,  
especially those who are communicant members of other denominations.  
If today, you prefer to receive a blessing—please ask the priest or by crossing  
your arms across your chest.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

'I am the resurrection and the life'

Gallus Dressler 1533-1584

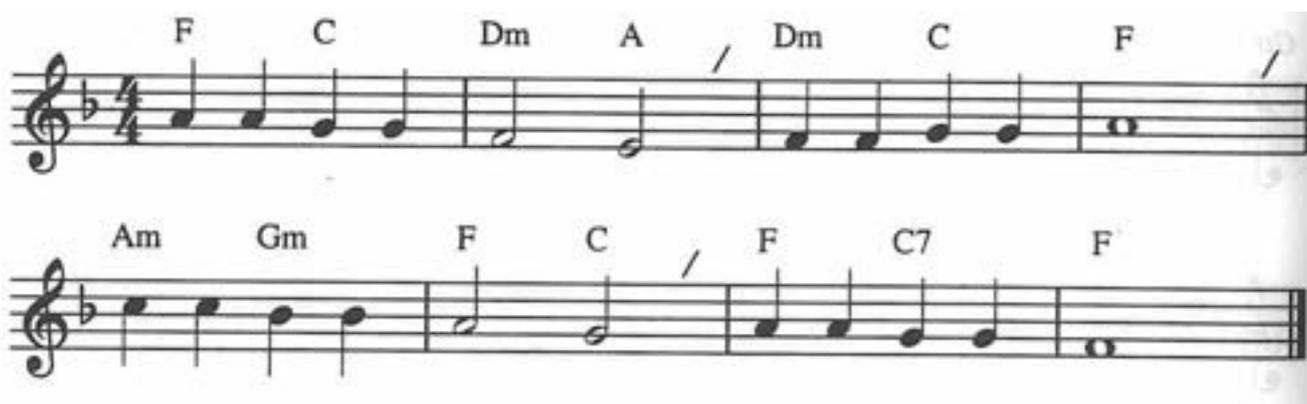
## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Please stand*

*Our response to the prayer is:*      **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.**

# COMMUNION HYMN



- 1. Glory be to Jesus,  
who in bitter pains,  
poured for me the life blood  
from his sacred veins.**
- 2. Grace and life eternal  
in that blood I find;  
blessed be his compassion,  
infinitely kind.**
- 3. Blessed through endless ages  
be the precious stream,  
which from endless torment  
did the world redeem.**
- 4. Abel's blood for vengeance  
pleaded to the skies;  
but the blood of Jesus  
for our pardon cries.**
- 5. Oft as it is sprinkled  
on our guilty hearts,  
Satan in confusion  
terror-struck departs.**
- 6. Oft as earth exulting  
wafts its praise on high  
angel hosts rejoicing  
make their glad reply.**
- 7. Let us with our voices,  
swell the mighty flood;  
louder and still and louder  
praise the precious blood.**

WORDS: Anon., Italian c.1815 *tr.* Edward Caswall 1814-18/8 *alt.*

MUSIC: CASWALL Friedrich Filitz 1804-1876 (TIS 344)

# NOTICES

*The priest may give some notices*

## THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Lord be with you,  
**and also with you.**

*After the Blessing, we reply:* **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### A PRAYER FOR PEACE

For peace in your country  
For the victims of violence everywhere  
For those struggling for peace and justice  
For churches in conflict situations  
For a world without war and violence  
Lead me from death to life, from falsehood to truth,  
Lead me from despair to hope, from fear to trust.  
Lead me from hate to love, from war to peace,  
Let peace fill our beings, our world and our universe.  
Amen.

*World Prayer for Peace from the Vancouver Assembly*

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# PARISH NEWS

## INFORMATION TO ASSIST IN RESPONDING TO ARCHBISHOP RIC'S LISTENING IN LENT

Last Sunday we held a consultation to respond to Archbishop Ric's invitation to participate in Listening in Lent facilitated by Audrey Statham. Now is the turn of each person who would like to contribute via a personal response in the survey put together for this process. Here are the links and information about the program.

Further information is available here, including the Archbishop's video: <https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/listening-in-lent>. If you can't participate in the session on 15 March, please take the time to contribute via the individual survey which you can find here [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LiL\\_publicsurvey](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LiL_publicsurvey).

Now here is some terrific prompts compiled by Audrey to assist you as you complete the survey.

### **Individual Survey – Listening in Lent:**

<https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/listening-in-lent-resources/>

### **Understanding your context**

- Are you Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- Culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) insights. [e.g. Cultural background and languages spoken that shape the community where you worship.]
- Please indicate your age range
- Do you currently attend an Anglican church?
- Is your church located in the Diocese of Melbourne?
- Which episcopate area is your church in?
- Please indicate your perspective. [e.g. Member of a congregation, Clergy etc]

## Tell us what you think

1. What do you appreciate the **most** about the Anglican Church in the Diocese of Melbourne?

- You might reflect on the **breadth and diversity** within Anglican life in the Diocese.
- Think of moments when **worship, sacraments, or common prayer** have grounded or sustained you.
- Consider how your congregation and/or the wider church's **pastoral care, hospitality, presence or engagement** in the community has witnessed to the Gospel and made a difference.

2. What do you **least** appreciate, or what do you sense that God may be inviting us to leave behind?

- You might reflect on whether there are **pressures or patterns** that feel unsustainable or a **diversion** from what matters.
- Do you see **power imbalance** or **gaps in inclusion or fairness**, and if so, where?
- Are there habits or assumptions that limit our ability to serve God and our neighbour well, or that hinder the Gospel's liberating and life-giving movement in Melbourne and Geelong?

3. What would you love to see God do in and through the Anglican Church over the next ten years?

- What signs of greater **health, sustainability, hospitality and spiritual maturity** would you love to see God bring about in our congregations and the communities they serve?
- You might reflect on what kind of **formation** would you like to see strengthened for clergy and laity (e.g. theological, liturgical, spiritual etc.) over the next decade.
- How might we grow in **justice, compassion, reconciliation, and partnership with the local community and across the diocese?**

4. What could we do now that would make a big difference?

- You might reflect on what immediate steps could support **clergy and lay wellbeing**, and make ministry more sustainable?
- What could strengthen **existing congregations** and help them feel valued?
- What practical actions would deepen **inclusion, collaborative ministry and greater equity** in how we work together as Anglicans across the diocese?

## Stories and prayers

1. Can you share a story or an example of where you have seen signs of hope or renewal in your church or community?

- You might think of a moment when you experienced or observed that **worship, prayer, or pastoral care** brought comfort, connection, or new life.
- Think of a sign of **growth or deepening in faith, relationships or spiritual maturity** (can be small, does not have to be outwardly dramatic).

2. Is there a scripture, prayer or image that captures what you sense God is saying to the church in this season?

- You might share a passage or image about **steadiness, tending, abiding, or growing in depth of faith**.
- Or a passage or image that speaks to **justice, mercy, healing, or faithful presence** in the community.
- A prayer or line from liturgy that expresses **what the Church most needs in this time**.

3. Is there anything else you would like to share?

- You might share hopes or concerns about **sustainability, renewal, and wellbeing** including how narratives within the diocese may be limiting the way these are framed and understood.
- Thoughts on **inclusion, diversity or fairness** that you feel should be heard.
- Any aspect of Anglican life that feels **important but not yet named**.

*Please feel free to approach Father Stuart, Susan Brennan or Audrey Statham if you have any questions.*

# DONATIONS TO ST MARKS COMMUNITY CENTRE

*From Jack Brookes the Team Coordinator and the Team at Saint Mark's*

We are deeply grateful for the ongoing generosity and support we receive from our community. Your compassion continues to make a meaningful difference in the lives of people experiencing hardship. At present, we are seeking **donations of essential items** to support those in need, particularly items that are often overlooked yet vitally important for dignity and wellbeing. We would greatly appreciate donations of:

- **New socks**
- **New underwear** (all sizes welcome)
- **Toiletries in small or travel-sized packaging**, such as:
  - Soap or body wash
  - Shampoo and conditioner
  - Toothpaste and toothbrushes
  - Deodorant

Small, individually packaged items are especially helpful as they are easier to distribute and more convenient for people to carry. Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity. Together, we are helping to care for the most vulnerable in our community

## GREEN TIPS FOR LENT

**PRAY:** for women & girls in water scarce regions, challenges they face.

**REFLECT:** go for a long walk and meditate on the women and girls who are walking long distances to collect water on which their thirsty communities and families depend. Imagine how they feel and that you are walking with them. Remember how Jesus quenched the literal and spiritual thirst of the woman at the well.

**GIVE:** to Water and Women programs such as: [wateraid.org.au](http://wateraid.org.au)

### **THEMES & BIBLE PASSAGES FOR THE NEXT 3 WEEKS ARE:**

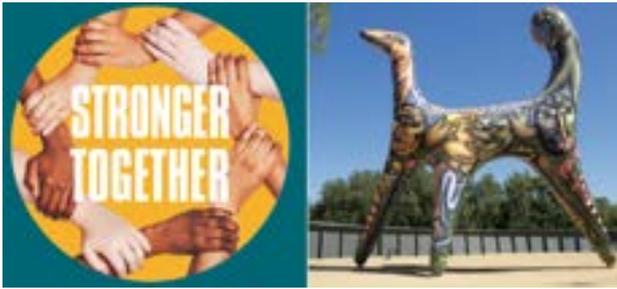
Week 5 – Water and Conflict: Accessibility in Conflict Zones (Ps 46:1–4; Mt 25:35–36)

Week 6 – Fields, Food, and Water: Gender, Agriculture, and the WASH Connection (Proverbs 31:16; Isaiah 58:10–11)

Week 7 – Climate-Resilient Sanitation (Matthew 7:24–27; Revelation 22:1–2)

# PALM SUNDAY WALK FOR JUSTICE FOR REFUGEES

Sunday 29 March, 'Stronger Together'



This Palm Sunday community event calls for justice, respect and kindness, and for communities in which everyone can feel safe and respected, including refugees and people seeking asylum. Let's stand together as Australians, with First

Nations peoples and all who have come from many lands, to affirm the strength of our multicultural and multifaith communities.

Speakers will include Alice Pung (author of "*Growing up Asian in Australia*"), and Cr Mohamed Semra, (now Mayor of Maribyrnong), a young Sudanese Australian who arrived as a child refugee. The program will also include musicians and refugee speakers.

**1.00 pm:** Gather on Princes Bridge with banners and placards

**1.30pm:** Walk to Lower Terrace, Birrarung Marr  
(near the 'Angel' sculpture, pictured above right)

**2 pm - 3.30pm:** Main program with speakers, music and stalls:  
Lower Terrace, Birrarung Marr

*If you are interested in attending let Audrey Statham know.*

## ARTICLES FOR AVE

If you are considering writing an article for AVE, Easter edition, please forward it to Rhondda Fahey as soon as possible.

## ACT FOR PEACE APPEAL FOR LEBANON

ACT FOR PEACE is the international humanitarian agency of the National Council of churches. They are appealing for funds to assist the hundreds of thousands displaced from their homes. They work with trusted partners in Lebanon to provide critical emergency support including healthcare, medical supplies, food and shelter. Go to their website: [actforpeace.org.au](http://actforpeace.org.au)

# YOU'LL NEVER WALK ALONE

*A Prayer for Archbishop Sarah  
by Fr Robert Thompson*

God of every road,  
God of every burden,  
as your servant Sarah walks  
this ancient pilgrim path,  
we remember before you  
the generations gone before:  
seeking mercy,  
pursuing truth,  
asking for renewal.

May this journey be more than symbol;  
may it be a true turning of the heart,  
a walk toward justice,  
a devotion of humility,  
a pilgrimage into truth.

Remember those who watch this walk  
and feel not pilgrim peace but piercing pain.  
Remember survivors of abuse,  
those whose voices were and are unheard.  
Remember those who carry wounds  
that have not been helped by us to heal.  
Remember those who mourn and grieve  
for loved ones who took their lives.  
Remember those whose journeys  
have been marked by loss and despair.  
Remember those with hidden suffering,  
and let their truth never be set aside.



On this ancient wanderers' way,  
once leading to Blessed Becket's bones,  
a site where truth and power had clashed,  
when swords were raised,  
where blood was spilled,  
and on all our Lenten journeys too,  
remind us  
truth is difficult to discern,  
our certainty is not your voice,  
of the distance we all still walk:  
distance from you,  
distance from one another,  
distance from the law of Love.  
But remind us too  
we never walk alone.

God of justice,  
walk with those who cannot walk this road,  
those for whom your un/holy Catholic Church  
has been a place of harm not hope.  
Give courage to speak what's right,  
integrity when we wield authority,  
inspiration to protect the vulnerable.

May Sarah's pilgrimage and ours too  
recall those ancient fears, fractures yet faith,  
lead us now into honesty, healing and hope  
that your church may admit and emit light,  
embody your steadfast solidarity in Christ, so  
the wounded are honoured,  
the grieving held,  
the truth revealed,  
none may walk alone,  
but all are gathered into Love.



## A FEW POINTERS FOR YOUR PRAYERS

### FOR THE CREATED ORDER

For those suffering in extreme weather particularly fire and flood

### FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD

For an end to violence in every land especially in Ukraine, Sudan, Iran, Israel, Palestine, Lebanon, the Gulf States

For the raising up of leaders who pursue peace

For the Royal Commissioner of the Commission into antisemitism

### FOR THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

For our parish and its ministry in North Melbourne.

For Ric, Archbishop of Melbourne, Genieve our bishop.

For Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury as she walks to Canterbury and is installed on Wednesday

For Bishop Tiffany and Archbishop Brad as they take up their roles

For those preparing for baptism or confirmation this Easter

For the safety of all holy places

### FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS

Please pray for: Peter, Susanne, Max, Graeme, Vasu, Isaiah, Heidi, Marta, Angie and Jean, Bp Kate, Edith, Susan.

### FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Pierre al-Rahi (priest), Aidan Becker, Takamitsu Muraoka,

Peter Thomas Danaher (bishop), Roger William Prowd (priest)

### FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND OCCURS THIS WEEK

Raymond Tighe, Joseph Carbone, Peg Housden, Annie May Heath, Evan Laurie Burge (priest), Harold Rogers (priest), Stephen Miles (priest), Mary Adamic, Damian Christie, Keith Peers.

### IF YOU HAVE PRAYER INTENTIONS

If you'd like a name to be included, please email Fr Stuart on:

[contactfrstuart@gmail.com](mailto:contactfrstuart@gmail.com) (Names will be listed for 1 month unless otherwise specified).

# HOW TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT THE PARISH & BEYOND

## 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.

A bequest also helps the parish into the future. You can speak in confidence with the Treasurer via [treasurer@stmarys.org.au](mailto:treasurer@stmarys.org.au)

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Acc Name: St Mary's Anglican Church North Melbourne

## TO HELP THOSE IN NEED

We donate foodstuffs to Anglicare Victoria / St Mark's Community Care.

You can make tax deductible donations also so please visit:

<https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/> - 'Melbourne Anglican Benevolent Society' - 'St Mary's North Melbourne—Relief Program'

## CELEBRATING THE LITURGY NEXT SUNDAY WHO'S DOING THINGS!

29 MARCH 2026 – PALM SUNDAY: THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT

*Year A in the Three-Year Lectionary Cycle*

Readings of the Day	First Reading	Isaiah 50:4-9a
	Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 31
	Second Reading	Philippians 2:5-11
	Gospel	Matthew 26:14-27:66

### 8 AM

### THE EUCHARIST

Reader

Jen Langmead

### 10 AM

### SUNG EUCHARIST

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Readers

Samuel Champion

John Blanch

Servers

Alice C Anne S

Peter O'D Chris P

Welcomer

Sarah Gador-Whyte

Introduction/Intercession

n/a

Live Stream / AV

Adam Wing

Kids Cnr / Sunday School

Harriet Jenkins

Rosie Moloney

Morning tea

Marion Poynter

Steph C

Flowers

No flowers during Lent

# LITURGIES & ACTIVITIES AT SAINT MARY'S

## EVERY SUNDAY

8.00 am      The Eucharist  
10.00 am      Sung Eucharist

## EUCCHARISTS DURING THE WEEK

12.00 pm      TUESDAY and THURSDAY

## MORNING PRAYER – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8.30 am

Click the link: <https://bit.ly/499l0N4>  
Meeting ID: 826 4665 0345, Passcode: 464706.

## DELTA STUDIES

Occasional series on various theological and topics concerning social justice or current affairs. These are held after the Sunday Eucharist.

## CHOIR

Our choir sings at the Sung Eucharist each Sunday. They practice on Tuesdays. Speak to Beverley Phillips if you would like to join our parish choir. Her contact details are on the back of this booklet.

## PARISH COUNCIL

Meets after Sunday Eucharist on the third Sunday of the month.

### *Want to keep in touch?*

*You can fill this form in and tear it off or this page and give to a person on the door, Fr Stuart or one of the servers. You may wish to tick an option below.*

NAME

EMAIL

PHONE

*I would like to volunteer*  *Add me to the mailing list*  *I would like a visit*

# SAINT MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

## PARISH OF NORTH MELBOURNE

*A faithful, inclusive, sacramental community in the Anglican Catholic tradition in this part of Melbourne since the 1850s.*

*We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather and worship—the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nations. We pay our respects to their Elders, past and present, who have cared for Country for generations. We are grateful for their ongoing custodianship and for their generous invitation to join them in caring for Country.*

- Vicar: The Reverend Fr Stuart Soley SMMS  
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The Reverend Fr Luke Hopkins
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Malcolm Elms  
Susan Brennan
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Andrew Barnard (Treasurer), Andrew Gador-Whyte,  
Harriet Jenkins, John Blanch
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