



**SEASON OF
CREATION**



Fifth Mark of Mission:

**'To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and
sustain and renew the life of the earth.'**



THE SUNG EUCHARIST

THE TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13 SEPTEMBER 2026

Order of the Liturgy and Parish News

TODAY'S CELEBRATION

*Welcome to Saint Mary's! The Order of Service begins on page 5
Calendar Dates, Liturgies and How to Donate – see p.2-4 & 25ff*

HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

RUBRICS	These are instructions or descriptions of what is happening, and they are printed in <i>italics</i> . These also provide prompts and guides for posture and gesture.
OUR PART	The congregation's (people's) parts are printed in bold .
SINGING	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 the Sundays in Ordinary Time is green.

It symbolises growth and potential in the new life we have in Christ. The Sundays outside the main seasons of preparation and celebration are termed 'ordinary'. They are termed ordinary because they are counted sequentially through the entire year.

Personal prayers can be made on either side of the sanctuary after receiving communion. Light a candle and pray. The light burns long after we leave as our prayers rest in the heart of God.

CELEBRATING THE LITURGIES TODAY

13 SEPTEMBER 2026 – THE TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

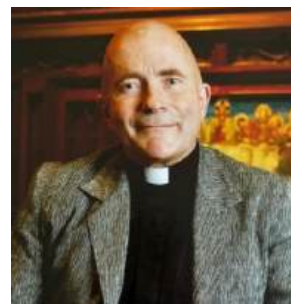
Year A in the Three-Year Lectionary Cycle

8 AM	THE EUCHARIST	
Presider / Homilist	Fr Stuart Soley SMMS	
Reader	Sue Dahn	
10 AM	SUNG EUCHARIST	
Principal Celebrant	Fr Stuart Soley SMMS	
Homilist		
Assisting Clergy		
Director of Music	Beverley Phillips	
Mass Setting	Christ Church Mass	Philip Matthias
1 st and 2 nd Readers	Susan Gribben	Steph Chapple
Servers	Anne Sunderland, Alice Christofi	
Welcomer	Michael Golding	
Introduction/Intercession	Geoff Jenkins	
Live Stream / AV	Fabien Nunes	
Kids Cnr / Sunday School	Harriet Jenkins	Rosie Moloney
Morning tea	Michael Noble	Margaret Noble

FROM FR STUART:

CARING FOR THE CREATION GOD HAS MADE – TWO

Last Sunday we prayed with the whole church for the needs of God's creation. The earth is not ours but God's.



It occurs to me that an important starting point for any sense of stewardship and urgency to care for it needs to recognise that we are stewards of God's works. It is not 'ours'. If it is God's, we are impelled to care for it rather than exploit and disrespect it.

As the work of Wendell Berry, many other environmental activists as well as sacred scripture remind us, it is also about a deep relationship with creation that we become more attuned to caring for it. If we are disconnected from it or see it as an economic resource, we will treat it as a commodity to be used and exploited. Last year, I may have quoted the words on a plaque I saw in the square where the United Nations first met in San Francisco that moved me a lot. "We borrow the earth from our children".

On the front of today's booklet, you'll see a beautiful rural picture with and the crest of the Anglican Communion! The words, referring to the Marks of Mission of the Anglican Communion, that accompany it are important. The fifth mark of mission is to "Safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth."

So, this is an important for Anglican's to place at the heart of their vision of God's mission to which we are called to give witness.

As a further expression of how important the environment is in the vision of the Anglican Communion the recent meeting in late June and early July this year, the Anglican Consultative Council put forward various actions that could be undertaken to support our action in the world. The actions suggested are represented in the following graphic.

The Anglican Consultative Council Resolution on the Communion Forest

1

Requests Member Churches to encourage every diocese of the Communion to have an expression of the Communion Forest by August 2028, whether practical, spiritual, advocacy-based or a combination of these;



2

Invites Anglicans across the Communion to take part in this shared calling through prayer, advocacy and practical action, including through the simple challenge of One Anglican, One Plant and, where possible, one act of care for creation, as a sign of commitment to the flourishing of God's creation;



3

Invites Anglicans across the Communion to advocate for the restoration and protection of the Lungs of the Earth; and



4

Asks Member Churches to collaborate with the Anglican Alliance, the Anglican Communion Environmental Network and other partners to support churches in caring for creation, protecting biodiversity, restoring ecosystems, and promoting climate justice.



SUPPORTING MUSIC AND CULTURE AT SAINT MARY'S

It is a great pleasure for me to announce that the parish has a new way for giving money assists in the enrichment of the music and culture of the parish. We have received approval for the Saint Mary's North Melbourne Music and Culture Fund. You can give money towards this fund and claim a tax deduction. The funds can be used to support music, literature, visual arts and anything to do with music and culture in the parish. You can go to the Melbourne Anglican Foundation website and scroll down the page to the "Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organisation". There is a drop-down menu there that enables you to donate to the fund. The money comes to the parish after an administration fee is charged.

CONVERSATIONS AT SAINT MARY'S

These past couple of weeks have also seen the generous donation of new outdoor benches which you'll find on the north side of the church. We are very grateful for the generosity of Susan Brennan and an anonymous donor. As the weather warms it will be nice to sit outside and talk in our beautiful grounds. God bless you all, *Stuart*

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

The bell is rung and we stand for the entrance procession which is sung during the following hymn. The altar which represents Christ is revered and censed.



- 1 All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing
alleluia, alleluia;
O burning sun with golden beam,
and silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
- 2 Swift-rushing winds that are so strong,
and clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, alleluia;
fresh rising morn, in praise rejoice,
and lights of evening, find a voice:
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

- 3 O flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for your Lord to hear,
alleluia, alleluia!**
**O fire, so masterful and bright,
providing us with warmth and light,
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
- 4 Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfold rich blessings on our way,
O praise him, alleluia!**
**All flowers and fruits that in you grow,
let them his glory also show;
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
- 5 And everyone of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part,
O praise him, alleluia!**
**All who long pain and sorrow bear
praise God, and on him cast your care;
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
- 6 And you, most kind and gentle death,
waiting to hush our latest breath,
O praise him, alleluia!**
**You lead to heaven the child of God,
and Christ our Lord the way has trod:
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**7 Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness;
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

WORDS: Based on *Laudato sia Dio mio Signore* the 'Canticle of the Sun'
of Francis of Assisi 1182-1226 by William Henry Draper, 1855-1933 *alt.*
MUSIC: LAAST UNS ERFREUEN Melody from *Geistliche Kirchengesang* Cologne 1623
arr. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams 1872-1958 (TIS 100)

INTRODUCTORY RITES

+ In the Name of God: the Father, 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.

THE CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God,
we confess that we have failed to honour you
by rightly claiming our kinship with all your creatures.
We have walked heavily on your earth,
overused and wasted its resources,
taken for granted its beauty and abundance,
and treated its inhabitants unjustly,
holding future generations hostage to our greed.
Have mercy on us and forgive us our sin.
renew in us the resolve to keep and conserve your earth
as you desire and intend,
with grateful and compassionate hearts,
through your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

ABSOLUTION

The rite concludes with the absolution.

THE KYRIE

mp
Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy Lord, have mer -
-cy. Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer -
mf dim. mp
-cy, Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.

THE GLORIA

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to God's peo - ple on earth, Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - might - y God and
 Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for_ your
 glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have
 mer - cy on us: you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Musical markings include: *f*, *mf*, *cresc.*, *f*, *mp*, *p*, *f*, *cresc.*, and *ff*.

THE OPENING PRAYER

The response to the prayer:

Amen.

We sit for the readings.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Exodus:

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and turned the sea into dry land, and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord, in the pillar of fire and cloud, looked down on the Egyptian army and threw the Egyptian army into a panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

(Exodus 14:19-31)

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

PSALM 114

Alan Collyer



When Israel went out from Egypt:
the house of Jacob from a people of strange language.
Judah became God's sanctuary:
Israel his dominion.

Tremble O earth at the presence of the Lord.

The sea looked and fled;
Jordan turned back.
The mountains skipped like rams:
the hills like lambs.

Tremble O earth at the presence of the Lord.

Why is it, O sea that you flee?
O Jordan that you turn back?
O mountains, that you skip like rams?
O hills, like lambs.

Tremble O earth at the presence of the Lord.

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord:
at the presence of the God of Jacob,
Who turns the rock into a pool of water:
the flint into a spring.

Tremble O earth at the presence of the Lord.

SECOND READING

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

Welcome those who are weak in faith but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat, for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on slaves of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it for the Lord. Also those who eat, eat for the Lord, since they give thanks to God, while those who abstain, abstain for the Lord and give thanks to God.

For we do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister?

For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,
“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God.”

So then, each one of us will be held accountable.

Let us therefore no longer pass judgment on one another, but resolve instead never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother or sister. I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself, but it is unclean for anyone who considers it unclean.

(Romans 14:1-14)

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

Please stand to welcome the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Alleluia, **alleluia!**

I give you a new commandment:
love one another just as I have loved you.

(John 13:34)

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew:

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if my brother or sister sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him,

“Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him, and, as he could not pay, the lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him by the throat he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’

Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place.

Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

(Matthew 18:21-35)

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit

THE HOMILY

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,] *all may bow to honor*
and became truly human.] *the incarnation*

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:

or:

or:

Lord in your mercy

Lord hear us

Let us pray to the Lord

Hear our prayer

Lord hear our prayer

Lord 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 At the Lamb's high feast we sing,
praise to our victorious King:
who hath washed us in the tide
flowing from his pierced side;
praise we him whose love divine
gives the guest his blood for wine,
gives his body for the feast,
Love the Victim, Love the Priest.**
- 2 Where the Paschal blood is poured,
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
through the wave that drowns the foe.
Christ the Lamb whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, Paschal bread!
With sincerity and love
eat we Manna from above.**

- 3 **Mighty Victim from on high,
powers of hell beneath thee lie;
death is broken in the fight,
thou has brought us life and light.
Now thy banner thou dost wave,
conquering Satan and the grave.
See the prince of darkness quelled;
heaven's bright gates are open held.**
- 4 **Paschal triumph, Paschal joy,
only sin can this destroy;
from sin's death do thou set free,
souls re-born, dear Lord, in thee.
Hymns of glory, songs of praise,
Father, unto thee we raise.
Risen Lord, all praise to thee,
ever with the Spirit be.**

WORDS: Latin Breviary Hymn: Translated by Robert Campbell 1814-68

TUNE: SALZBURG (NEH 104)

OFFERTORY PRAYERS

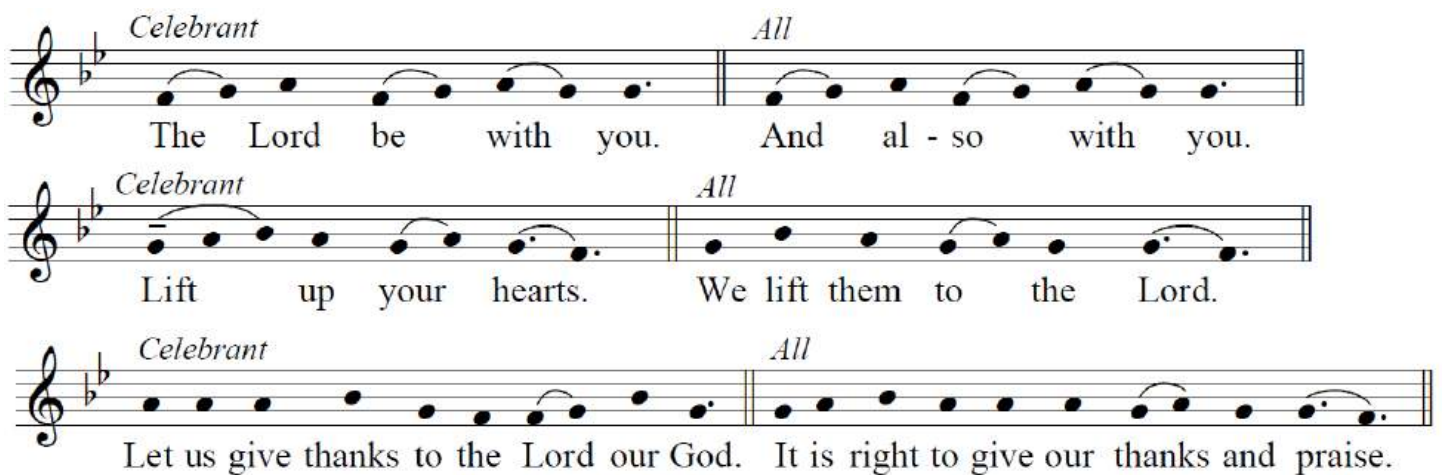
Our response to the prayers is: **Blessed be God for ever.**

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

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

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

We stand throughout the prayer.

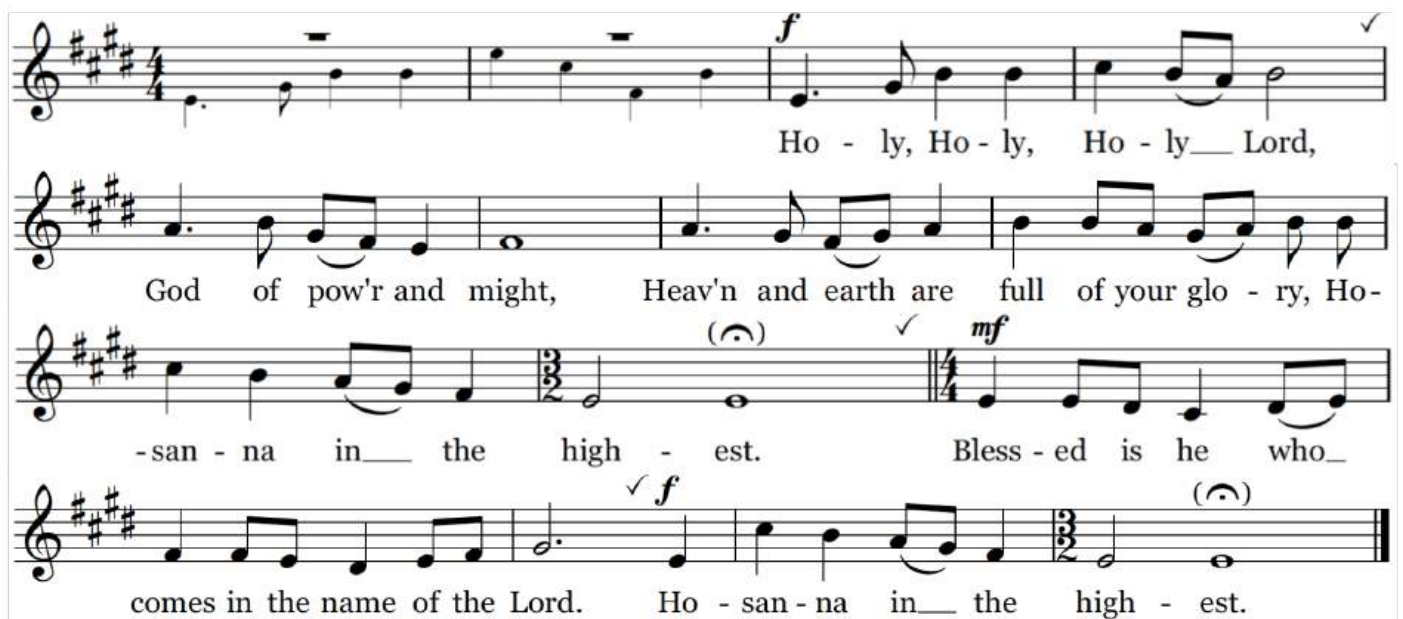


Celebrant *All*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *All*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant *All*
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*The Prayer continues to the Sanctus and Benedictus
which are sung by all to the setting below.*



f ✓
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord,

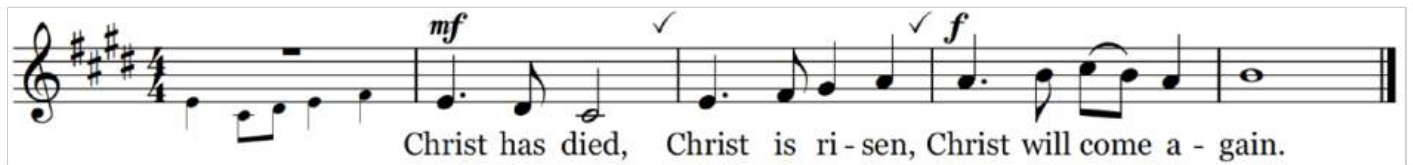
God of pow'r and might, Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho -

(☺) ✓ *mf*
-san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

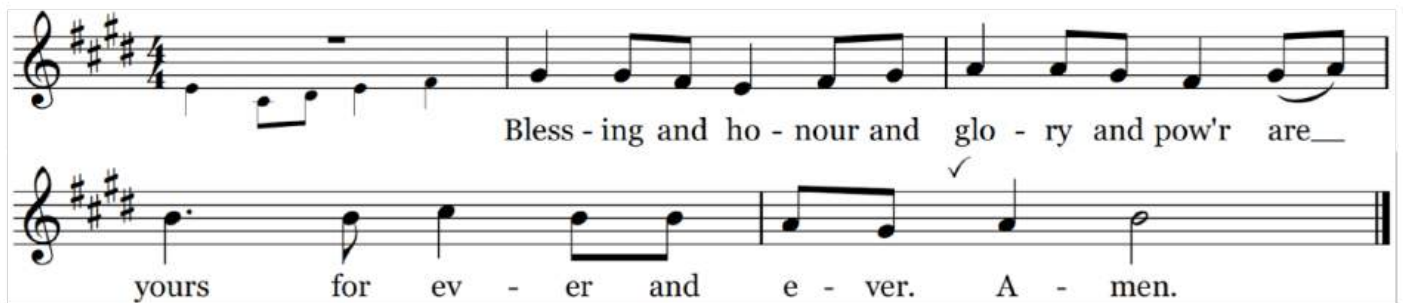
✓ *f* (☺)
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Prayer continues

After the elevation of the Host and the elevation of the Chalice, all may bow with the priest in adoration of the real presence of Christ ... and all join in singing the acclamation:



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



*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 AND THE COMMUNION

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.

The Agnus Dei is sung by all to the setting below.

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have
mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have
mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world,
grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

✚ 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

To serve is to reign
Accompaniment by Libby Brooks on violin
Music: Christopher Willcock SJ

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

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

Most loving God,
**you send us into the world you love.
Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit
Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN



- 1** **Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing
if our God our Father be.**

- 2** **Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us,
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us,
thou didst know its keenest woe;
lone and dreary, faint and weary,
through the desert thou didst go.**

- 3** **Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy;
love with every passion blending,
pleasure that can never cloy;
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.**

WORDS: James Edmeston 1791-1867

MUSIC: MANNHEIM Melody from a chorale by Friedrich Filitz 1804-1876
adaptation attrib. Lowell Mason 1792-1872 (TIS 580)

NOTICES

The priest may give some notices

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

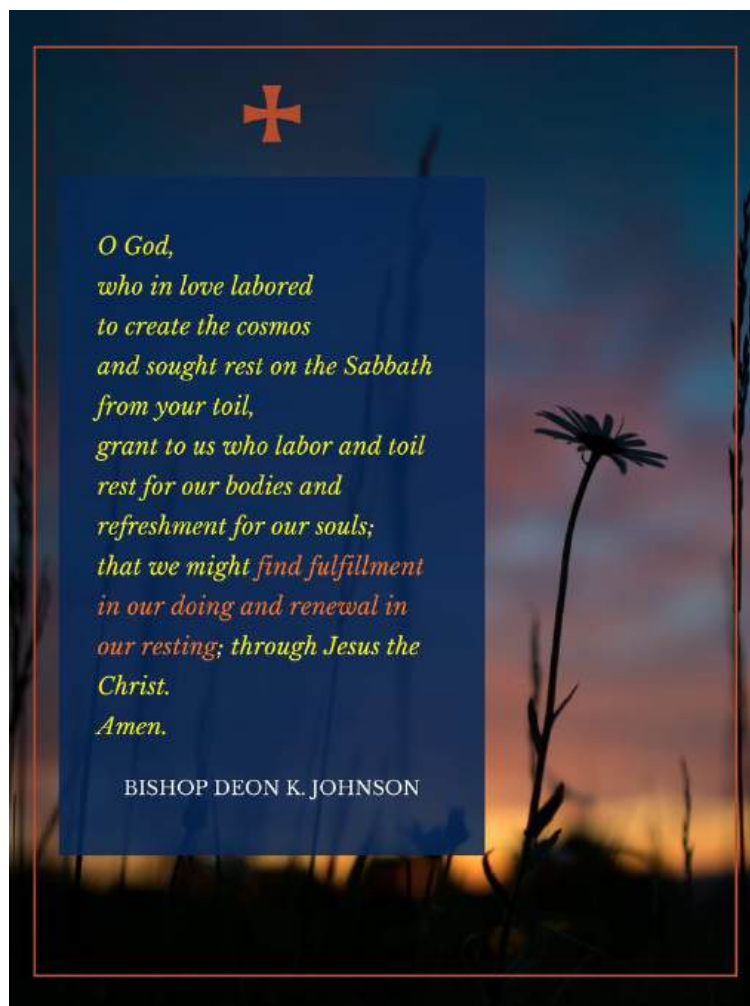
THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Priest prays for God's blessing and reply **Amen.**

The dismissal is given.

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

POSTLUDE



PARISH NEWS IN BRIEF

ANNUAL MEETING – FIRST ADVANCE NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of the Parish will be held on **Sunday, 22 November**, and preparations for the meeting and annual reports are already underway.

We are hoping to receive reports from the following office bearers or committees:

- Vicar
- Churchwardens
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Director of Music
- Children's Ministry
- Safe Ministry
- Hospitality Committee
- Climate Action Group
- Synod Representatives

Could all those who are responsible for submitting a report please email their completed report to Alice Christofi at **before Sunday, 1 November**. Please email to: achristofi@stmarys.org.au. If there are any additional reports you would like to be included, please feel free to send those in as well.

Thank you for your assistance and for helping us prepare for the Annual Meeting.

COULD YOU JOIN THOSE WHO SHOW SAINT MARY'S HOSPITALITY IN A TEAM OF VERGERS / HOSPITALLERS?

There has been increasing interest from various groups to hire the church for public musical performances, mostly on Saturday or Sunday afternoons. We welcome the interest.

However, to make it work, we are looking to establish a small team of people who may be willing, from time to time, to open up the church, be on hand should something unexpected occur and close up at the end.

In return, the person or persons will receive an orientation to the task and a modest honorarium. If you have potential interest, or know someone who may be interested - please let Father Stuart know.

ST MARY'S KIDS UPDATE

There are two engaging opportunities for all our preschool and primary school-aged children to grow in faith, build friendships, and have fun.

First Sunday of each month – Sunday School

Focused on our primary school aged children, participants will enjoy Bible stories, discussions, games, and activities that help them explore and deepen their faith.

Third Sunday of each month – Messy St Mary's

Focused on our preschoolers and inspired by the Messy Church philosophy, Messy St Mary's is a creative, hands-on experience where children and their families can explore faith through crafts, activities, celebration, and community.

Please note: Everyone is welcome at both sessions! The suggested ages are a guide to help us plan activities that are engaging and appropriate and to ensure there is something for everyone. We look forward to welcoming all children as we learn, create, and grow together!

Harriet Jenkins.

FIRST AID KITS

“For those who have first aid training, we now have two kits: one in the church for falls and faints, and one in the kitchen for various issues such as wounds and allergies. The Church kit is a white basket behind the organ, to the right of the side door. It has a pillow, blanket, an instant ice pack, dressings, tissues etc. Intended for comfort for someone who is recovering on the floor from fainting while awaiting the ambulance. The one in the kitchen contains a black bag in the servery; an epipen in the front pouch; asthma inhaler, dressings, sterile saline, bandages, and antiseptic.” Andrew Gador Whyte



ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL
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**There are More Things in Heaven and Earth:
A Renaissance Prince or a Reformation Play?
Shakespeare's *Hamlet*.**

Presented by Rev'd Dr Gregory Seach,
Vicar of St George's Malvern



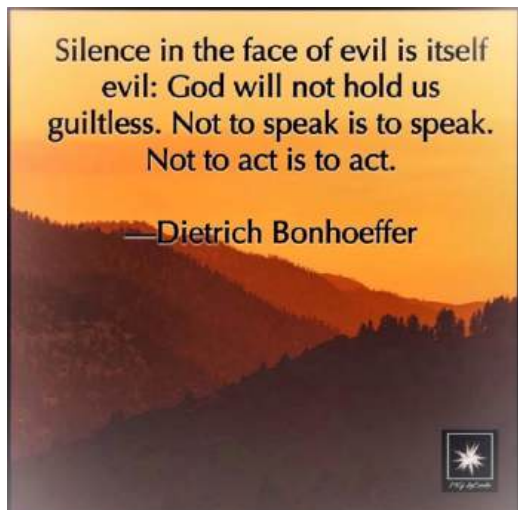
Tuesday 22nd September
St Peter's Church
15 Gisborne St
Melbourne
6 - 8pm

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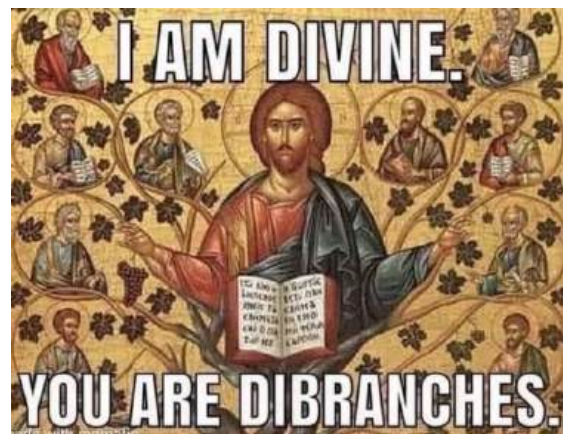
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WORDS OF WISDOM



LAUGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE



A FEW POINTERS FOR YOUR PRAYERS

FOR THE CREATED ORDER

For a right use of the resources of the bountiful earth

For a proper distribution of the wealth of the earth

For Nepal; the Caribbean; victims of wildfires; victims of 911

FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD

For an end to war and violence in every land and for the work of those who bring aid, and all who pursue peace, for all peoples.

For those who seek asylum and for compassionate responses worldwide

For those caught up in major social and technological changes

FOR THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

For our parish and its ministry in North Melbourne.

For Pope Leo, Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury

For Ric, Archbishop of Melbourne and his assistant bishops

For Megan Curlis Gibson as she prepares for ordination to the episcopate

FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS

Brenda and family, Evan, Audrey, Vasu, Les, Graham and Denise, Cecilia, Isaiah, John, Ross, Kingsley, Max

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Brian Smith, Christian Ford (priest), Sally Fitzgerald, Peter Boylan, Colin Kruse (priest), King Harald, Wendell Berry, Harry Brama, Dolly Parton

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND OCCURS THIS WEEK

Mary Ann Harrison, Robert Houghton (priest), Patrick Power (bishop), John Oliver Feetham (bishop), Marjorie McGregor (deacon), Delys Sargeant, Charlotte Phyllis Carnegie, Lawrence Jonas

IF YOU HAVE PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

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

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A bequest also helps the parish into the future. You can speak with the Treasurer in confidence about how to incorporate St Mary's into your estate planning.

THINKING OF THOSE IN GREAT 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'

CHILD SAFETY COMMITMENTS



The Anglican Diocese in conjunction with St Mary's Anglican Church North Melbourne does not tolerate abuse, harassment or other misconduct within our communities. If any person has concerns about behaviour of a church worker, past or present. The Diocese of Melbourne is committed to doing all that is possible to ensure that abuse does not occur. All complaints of abuse are taken very seriously, and we do all we can to lessen harm. We offer respect, pastoral care and ongoing long-term support to anyone who makes a complaint. St Mary's Statement of Commitment to Child Safety is on our noticeboard and can be downloaded from our website www.stmarys.org.au

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Celebrating the Liturgy Next Sunday *Who's doing things!*

20 SEPTEMBER 2026 – THE TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A in the Three-Year Lectionary Cycle

Readings of the Day	First Reading	Exodus 16:2-15
	Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45
	Second Reading	Philippians 1:21-30
	Gospel	Matthew 20:1-16

8 AM

THE EUCHARIST

Reader

Jen Langmead

10 AM

SUNG EUCHARIST

1st and 2nd Readers

Anne Sunderland

John Blanch

Servers

Peter O'Donoghue, Sam Miller

Welcomer

Adam Wing

Introduction/Intercession

Robert Gribben

Live Stream / AV

Sam Miller

Kids Cnr / Sunday School

Harriet Jenkins

Rosie Moloney

Morning tea

Katie Holmes

TBC

Flowers

Marion Poynter

Sunday 4 October – The Octocentenary of Saint Francis of Assisi

8 am – Eucharist | 10 am – Sung Eucharist – as always

11.30 am Blessing of the Animals

for the faith community and broader community – outside the church

5 pm – Choral Evensong with the Choir of Trinity College

GUEST HOMILISTS: SUNDAY 11 OCTOBER Tony Rinaudo

PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

CLIMATE ACTION

To be advised

HOSPITALITY

Friday 6 November in the vicarage

PARISH COUNCIL

Meets in person after Sunday Eucharist – Sunday 20 September

WARDENS

Monday 14 September – online

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 Thursday

MORNING PRAYER – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8.30 am

Click the link: <https://bit.ly/499lON4>

Meeting ID: 826 4665 0345, Passcode: 464706.

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.

DELTA STUDIES

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

GARDENING GROUP

A group of parishioners care for the gardens surrounding our church. If you would like to assist, please contact Margaret Noble or Helen McCallum.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

This group meets regularly to plan social and fundraising events in the parish.

SERVERS

This group of faithful parishioners assist at the altar. Talk to Fr Stuart, or Alice or Anne.

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.

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SAINT MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

PARISH OF NORTH MELBOURNE

*We are 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.*

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Parish Council:	Wardens and Alice Christofi (Secretary), Andrew Barnard (Treasurer), Andrew Gador-Whyte, Harriet Jenkins, John Blanch
Parish Administrator:	Vacant office@stmarys.org.au
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