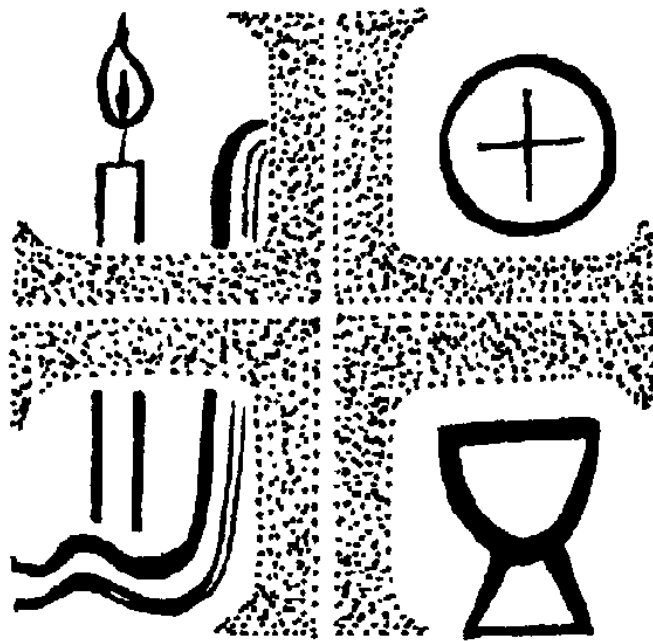




THE SUNG EUCHARIST
THE TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
11 OCTOBER 2026

Order of the Liturgy and Parish News

TODAY'S CELEBRATION

*Welcome to Saint Mary's! The Order of Service begins on page 6
Calendar Dates, Liturgies and How to Donate – see p.2-5 & 24ff*

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

11 OCTOBER 2026 – THE TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

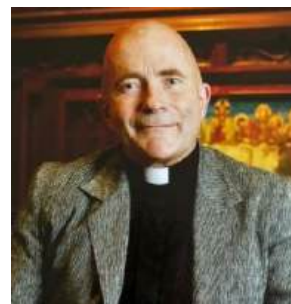
Year A in the Three-Year Lectionary Cycle

8 AM	THE EUCHARIST	
Presider / Homilist	Fr Stuart Soley SMMS	
Reader	Sue Dahn	
10 AM	SUNG EUCHARIST	
Principal Celebrant	Fr Stuart Soley SMMS	
Homilist	Tony Rinaudo AM	
Priests Assisting		
Organist	Beverley Phillips	
Mass Setting	Christ Church Mass	Philip Matthias
1 st and 2 nd Readers	John Blanch	Samuel Champion
Servers	Anne Sunderland, Peter O'Donoghue	
Welcomer	Alice Christofi	
Introduction/Intercession	Sarah Gador Whyte	
Live Stream / AV	Fabien Nunes	
Kids Cnr / Sunday School	Harriet Jenkins	Rosie Moloney
Morning tea	Susan Brennan	Steph Chapple

FROM FR STUART:

TODAYS GUEST

It is good to welcome Tony Rinaudo to our 10 am celebration this morning. He will preach on the topic of why a Christian should care about the environment. This is close to the heart of many of us here. After the Eucharist a Delta Forum will be held to explore these themes more deeply. Tony is a parishioner at St Paul's Warrugal in the Diocese of Gippsland. A brief biography of Tony says:



My life work has been in the environmental and humanitarian spheres, focusing on forest and landscape restoration and helping farmers to become self-sufficient through natural farming approaches. I am World Vision's Principal Climate Action Advisor, promoting reforestation initiatives globally.

CELEBRATING SAINT FRANCIS 800TH

What a joyful and surprised filled celebration of Francesco we had last Sunday! It was lovely to see more dogs in church than usual and to welcome quite a few neighbourhood dogs, birds and their owners on the East Lawn after the Sung Eucharist.

Since then, I have been accosted in the street by those who say that they couldn't be present. So, I have been blessing dogs in the street all week!



The day was crowned with a beautiful Choral Evensong sung by the Trinity College Choir under the direction of Andrew Lumsden. They were accompanied on organ by Peter Guy. Apart from the glorious music the late afternoon sun streamed through the west windows throughout the liturgy with photos on the next page.



SYNOD AND THE ARCHBISHOP'S STRATEGY

The Synod of the Diocese has met over the past week from Wednesday to Saturday. A key component of the agenda was the presentation of the Archbishop's Strategy for the Diocese 2027-2036 "For the Harvest".

The main item at the commencement of the agenda of each synod is the charge of the archbishop. It is their opportunity to address the affairs of the church and the world.

In this his first charge, the archbishop spoke about his strategy but also reflected on his style of leadership. He said there were five words that described it: audacity, humility, unity, generosity and tenacity. He went on to elaborate on his sense of what each meant in this way: audacity is to aim high; humility is to bow the knee; unity is to enjoy it together; generosity is to give it away; tenacity is to never give up.

I felt grateful to the archbishop sharing something of who he is and how he seeks to lead the diocese. But my first thought was that these are five very good qualities, not just for him or for us as individuals. These five qualities are also components about a vital church community of faith.

So, as we think about our life together let us be audacious, humble, united, generous and tenacious! I wonder what you think about these qualities? I see them in many of you.

I want to ponder them a bit more before being definitive about them and making connections. Whilst that goes on, may Christ give us wisdom as we seek to show God's love in this place and in all we do and say.

WALL OF IDEAS

As I wrote in my e-letter to the parish during the week. There is some butchers paper in the baptistry for you to contribute your ideas about what Saint Mary's means to you and what you'd like to see as I prepare my report for the Annual Meeting.

EMAILS

If you have not received this email this past week, do let me know. There is a page for putting your email address on in the church porch. I will get someone who knows about these things to ensure you are on the list.

JOYS AND DELIGHTS, CHALLENGES AND FRAGILITIES IN COMMUNITY

Last week I reflected on prayers and prayers for healing and wholeness. Prayer is answered, even if the destination of complete good health is a way off. Often the answer is in the continuing of strength and progress with treatment. So, please keep praying for all in sickness and in health.

Many are grateful. Deepa when she was away for a long while, Audrey who is doing well, and Dawn is absent and we will pray for her recovery. Those who have had surgery this year all speak to the power of prayer in recovery. Then there is joy such as the impending nuptials in January of Lewis and Kitty. Alice has become an Australian citizen this week.

Beverley has been well rested and stimulated by a liturgy conference whilst on leave. We have been richly blessed by Elijah's organ playing the past two weeks and his and Jacks presence among us. Please pray for Andrew Barnard and his family as they mourn the death of Judith.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Next Sunday, 18 October, we will have a Stewardship Sunday with prayer and reflections on these things to refresh our minds about this important topic. This is about what is in our heart and soul as we live in community and how we respond to God's call to us to share what we have for the good of the whole community as a reflection of the kingdom of God.

Finally, be assured of my prayers for you all each week, and please, do pray for me also. 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 O Lord of every shining constellation,
that wheels in splendour through the midnight sky,
grant us your Spirit's true illumination
to read the secrets of your work on high.**
- 2 You, Lord, have made the atom's hidden forces,
your laws its mighty energies fulfil;
teach us, to whom you give such rich resources,
in all we use, to serve your holy will.**
- 3 O Life, awaking life in cell and tissue,
from flower to bird, from beast to brain of man;
help us to trace, from birth to final issue,
the sure unfolding of your age-long plan.**

**4 You, Lord, have stamped your image on your creatures,
and, though they mar that image, love them still;
lift up our eyes to Christ, that in his features
we may discern the beauty of your will.**

**5 Great Lord of nature, shaping and renewing,
you made us more than nature's sons to be;
you help us tread, with grace our souls enduing
the road to life and immortality.**

WORDS: Albert Frederick Bayly, 1901-1984 (AM 547)

MUSIC: HIGHWOOD Richard Runciman Terry 1865-1938 (AM 547)

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

God of compassion, have mercy on us.

Heal our relationship with all creation.

Forgive us for our mistreatment

and neglect of the creatures who share the earth with us.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent

for what we have done to harm them,

and for what we have not done to help them.

Fill us with your Spirit,

that we may care for one another and for all creatures,

according to your will and in the fullness of your love;

through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

Amen.

ABSOLUTION

The rite concludes with the absolution.

THE KYRIE

Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy Lord, have mer -
-cy. Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer -
-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 Job:

“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

when the morning stars sang together

and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

(Job 38:4-7)

A reading from the book of Proverbs:

“The Lord created me at the beginning of his work,

the first of his acts of long ago.

Then I was beside him, like a master worker,

and I was daily his delight,

playing before him always,

playing in his inhabited world

and delighting in the human race.

(Proverbs 8:22, 30-31)

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

PSALM 24



The Lord is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm.

Seek the face of the Lord, and yearn for him.

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
Those with clean hands and pure heart,
who desire not worthless things.

Seek the face of the Lord, and yearn for him.

They shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves them.
These are the ones who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Seek the face of the Lord, and yearn for him.

SECOND READING

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

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord.

Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.

Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

(Philippians 4:1-9)

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

Please stand to welcome the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Alleluia, **alleluia!**

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might know the hope to which we are called.

(see Ephesians 1:17-18)

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew:

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad, so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

(Matthew 22:1-14)

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

UNISON G Bm Em Am7 D / G Em

1 A - mong us and be - fore us, Lord, you stand with_ arms out-stretched and_

bread and wine at hand. Con - front-ing those un - worth - y of a

crumb, you_ ask that to your_ ta - ble we should come.

- 1 Among us and before us, Lord, you stand
with arms outstretched and bread and wine at hand.
Confronting those unworthy of a crumb,
you ask that to your table we should come.
- 2 Who dare say No, when such is your resolve
Our worst to witness, suffer and absolve,
our best to raise in lives by God forgiven,
our souls to fill on earth with food from heaven?
- 3 Who dare say No, when such is your intent
to love the selves we famish and resent,
to cradle our uncertainties and fear,
to kindle hope as you in faith draw near?

- 4 Who dare say No, when such is your request
that each around your table should be guest,
that here the ancient word should live as new,
‘Take, eat and drink – all this is meant for you.’?
- 5 No more we hesitate and wonder why;
no more we stand indifferent, scared or shy.
your invitation leads us to say Yes,
to meet you where you nourish, heal and bless.

WORDS: John L Bell 1949 –

TUNE: GATEHOUSE John Bell 1949 – (TIS 259)

OFFERTORY PRAYERS

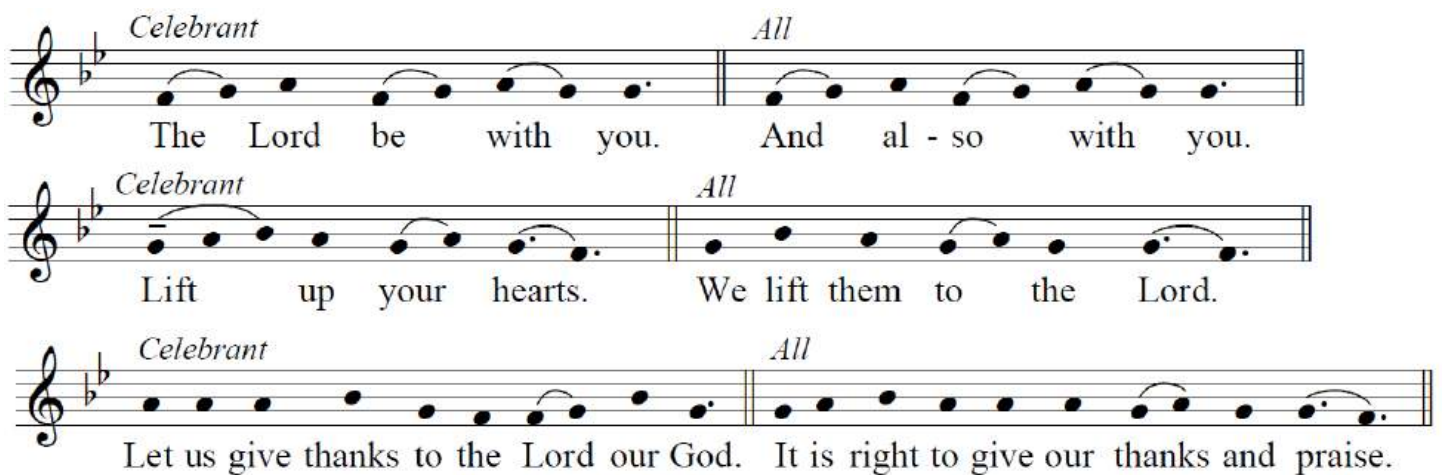
Our response to the prayers is: **Blessed be God for ever.**

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

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

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

We stand throughout the prayer.

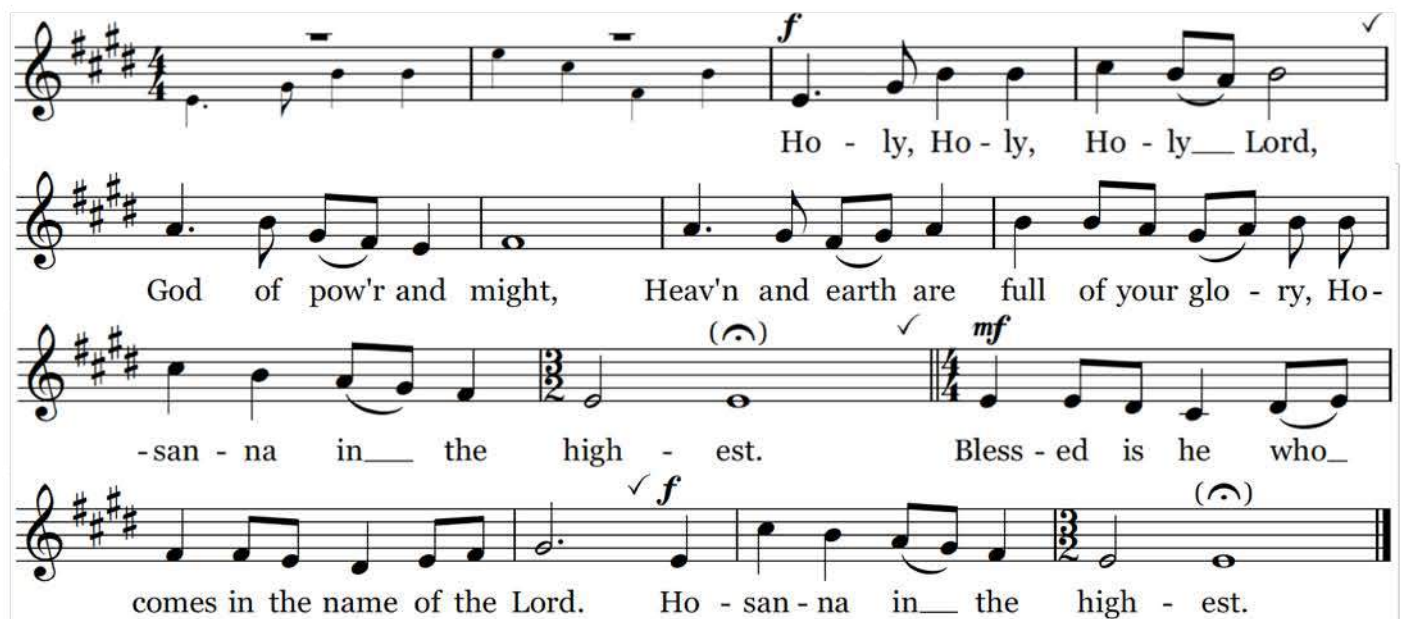


Celebrant *All*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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.*



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Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord,

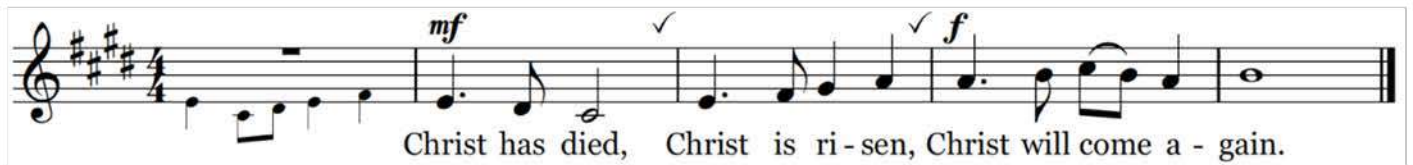
God of pow'r and might, Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho -

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

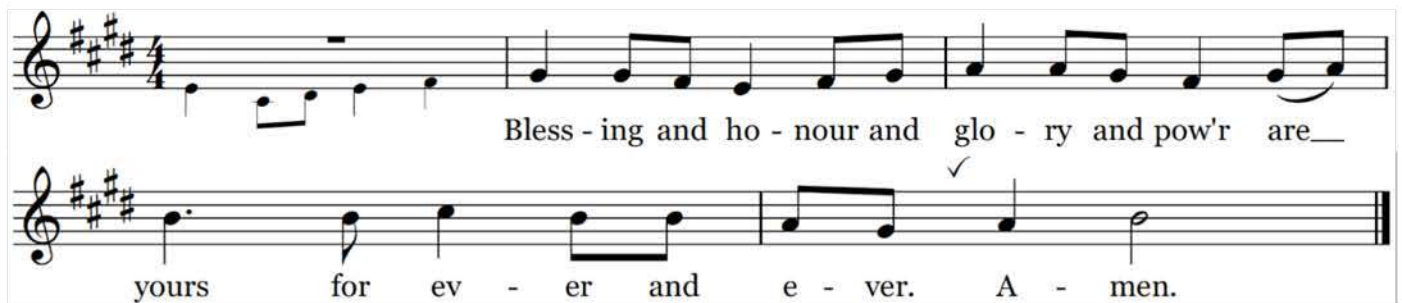
comes in the name of the Lord. ✓ *f* (^)
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

O Sacrum Convivium
Giovanni Croce 1557-1607

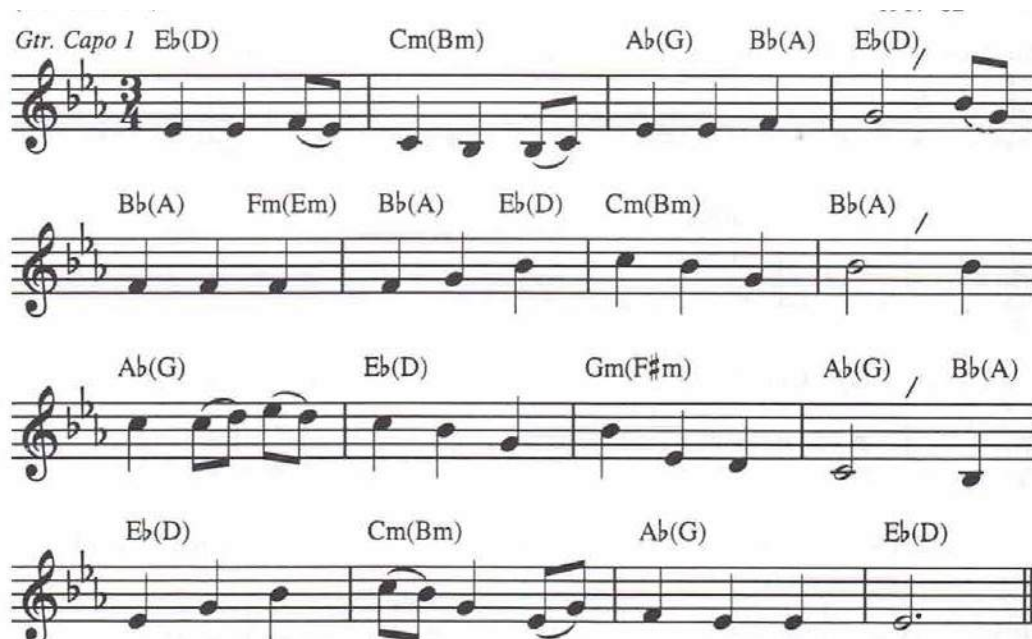
THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

WORDS: Joyce Paczek ("Jan Struther") 1901-1953

MUSIC: SLANE (2) Irish traditional melody *harm.* from Erik Reginald Routley 1917-1982 (TIS 613)

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

ST MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

NORTH MELBOURNE TRIVIA NIGHT

FUNDRAISER

Gather your team, test your knowledge, and support our church community

TEAMWORK KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY

QUESTION
Which Australian city is known as "The Garden City"?

TEAM ANSWERS
1. 2. 3. 4. 5.

\$10 per person

Friday 16th October at 7pm

St Mary's Church Hall
430 Queensberry Street,
North Melbourne

Bring cash for other games and the opportunity to bribe your host!

PARISH NEWS

ANNUAL MEETING – SUNDAY 22 NOVEMBER

Preparations for the Annual Meeting and annual reports are underway. Reports from the following office bearers or committees will be included:

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.

ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER

Wednesday 18 November 2026

Each year a joyful band of Saint Mary's parishioners make the trek up the road for this fundraiser for the Theological College. There is a discount for a table of 8 which we will enquire as to the value of that. It is a fun night with good food and wine, silent auction and so on. It would be good to support the College as we have always had a strong link with it. The evening's program is:

6.00 pm – 6.30 pm Evensong in the Chapel

6.45 pm – 10.30 pm Dinner in the ACC Farran Hall

\$120 per person

Bookings for singles, or for a discount for tables of 8

RSVP 11 November

AVE REFRESH

Saint Mary's parish magazine, AVE, is getting a refresh After many years of faithful editorial work, Rhondda Fahey has handed on the baton to Katie Holmes and we are introducing some new sections. From the next edition, AVE will be organised under the themes of:

In Depth: for longer pieces that explore a topic, or perhaps a sermon to share more widely. Guide: 2000-3000 words.

Spiritual Journeys: reflections on your journey of faith, your understanding of it, or questions about the mystery of God in your life. Guide: 2000 words (a little more if it has been a long and winding road!)

Parish Life: have you been to a parish event or involved in an aspect of parish life or service? Tell us about it. Guide 800 - 1000 words.

Further Afield: Travel stories have long been a feature of AVE and now a home of their own. Guide: 1000-2000 words.

Read, Watch, Listen: Read a good book, listened to a podcast or seen a film that you'd like to tell us about? Guide: 800 words.

Creative Voice: A place for poems and short stories up to 2000 words. We know there is plenty of talent in the parish.

Word counts are a guide only. To keep the layout clean, we ask for only one photo per article, so please choose the one that best conveys your experience.

If you have any questions, an idea for a piece or just want to talk through a possible contribution, please email Katie Holmes or catch her after the 10am Sunday service. k.holmes@latrobe.edu.au The deadline for our end of year edition is **Friday 4 December**. Please note that Katie will be away for 4 weeks from 9/11-7/12 but will be checking and answering emails.

JOIN A HOSPITALITY 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 are looking to establish a small team of people who may be willing, to open the church, be on hand should something unexpected occur and close at the end. We will provide orientation for the task and a modest honorarium.

If you have interest - 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

For primary school aged children. Bible stories, discussions, games, and activities that help them explore and deepen their faith.

Third Sunday of each month – Messy St Mary's

For preschoolers and inspired by the Messy Church philosophy. Hands-on, creative experience for children and their families to 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. We look forward to welcoming all children as we learn, create, and grow together!

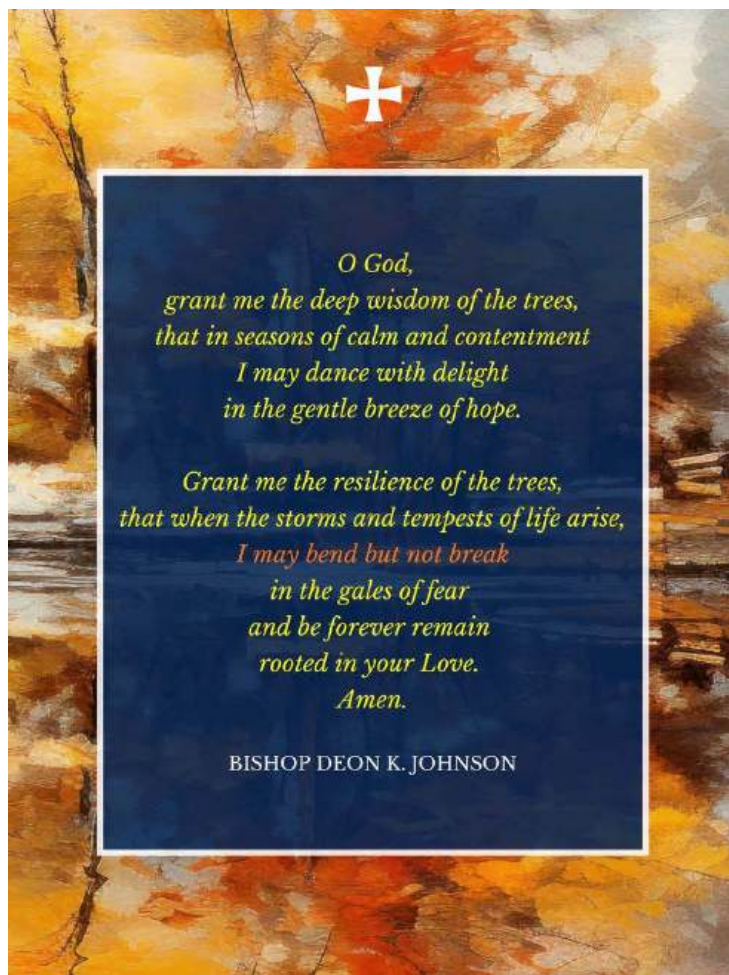
Harriet Jenkins.

ST MARY'S MUSIC AND CULTURE FUND

You can give money to enrich the music and culture of the parish via the Saint Mary's North Melbourne Music and Culture Fund. Gifts to this fund enable a tax deduction to be made.

Go to the Melbourne Anglican Foundation website and scroll down the page to the "Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organisation". Use the drop-down menu to select our fund.

LAUGHTER IS THE BEST
MEDICINE, THEY SAY...



MELBOURNE
FRINGE
FESTIVAL

BLAK N BLUES
by Uncle Glenn Loughrey
& Fiona Boyes
Music, Poetry, Yarning...

'The pairing of blues and indigenous poetry works like a spiritual romance. You're not just entertained; you're asked to listen, learn, and witness the collision of two distinct but echoing oral traditions.'
— Mary Sinanidis, 'On the House' ★★★★★

Tues 13 - Sun 18 Oct 2026
WHEAT WINE & WHISKY 284 Smith St, Collingwood 7 - 8pm

A FEW POINTERS FOR YOUR PRAYERS

FOR THE CREATED ORDER

For right use of the resources of the bountiful earth in changing climates
For a proper distribution of the wealth of the earth

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 the United Nations and a renewal of international cooperation and justice

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, Ben and Nigel newly ordained as bishops

FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS

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

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Judith Barnard, Margaret Rizza, David Conolly (priest)

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND OCCURS THIS WEEK

Thomas Dudley Shearer, Alexander James Craig, Ada Judd, Mabel Woodman, Glad Kavanagh, Margaret Burt (priest), Jenifer St John, Alex Reid (priest), Timothy Conigrave, Eduardo Moreno

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).

FINANCIALLY SUPPORT SAINT MARY'S LIFE & MINISTRY

Your continuing financial support of the Parish is greatly appreciated.

There are two ways to donate to Saint Mary's:

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THINKING OF THE FUTURE: BEQUESTS

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 NOW: 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!*

18 OCTOBER 2026 – STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

Year A in the Three-Year Lectionary Cycle

Readings of the Day	First Reading	Exodus 33:12-23
	Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 99
	Second Reading	1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
	Gospel	Matthew 22:15-33

8 AM

THE EUCHARIST

Reader

Jen Langmead

10 AM

SUNG EUCHARIST

1st and 2nd Readers

Helen McCallum

Katie Holmes

Servers

Peter O'Donoghue, Chris Phillips

Welcomer

Anne Sunderland

Introduction/Intercession

Sam Miller

Live Stream / AV

Sam Miller

Kids Cnr / Sunday School

Harriet Jenkins

Rosie Moloney

Morning tea

Michael Noble

Margaret Noble

Flowers

Malcolm Elms

Sunday 18 October – Stewardship Sunday

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

Contemplating our giving to God through God's Church

Sunday 1 November – All Saints' and All Souls' Sunday

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

PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

CLIMATE ACTION

To be advised

HOSPITALITY

Friday 6 November in the vicarage

PARISH COUNCIL

Meets in person after Sunday Eucharist – Sunday 18 October

WARDENS

TBC

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/499l0N4>

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

A group of 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.

NAME

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☐ *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

*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
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