

St Mary's



*Season of Creation 4
25th September 2022*



8am Presiding & Preaching: Rev. Prof Dorothy Lee

10am Preaching: Rev. Prof Robert Gribben

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*Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne.
Thank you for joining us in worship.
Please join in saying the text marked in **bold**
and singing the musical responses and hymns.*

INTRODUCTION

This is now week 4 in our series on creation. This time we hear the story of the burning bush from Exodus where God is revealed first to Moses, and also the parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus from Luke's Gospel. The New Testament reading from Hebrews emphasises Christ as the 'firstborn of all creation,' the source and goal of our lives and of the life of creation.

TIS 238

The musical notation for TIS 238 is presented in four staves, each with a treble clef and a 4/4 time signature. The notes are as follows:

- Staff 1: G4, A4, B4, C5, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F5, G5, A5, B5, C6.
- Staff 2: C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F5, G5, A5, B5, C6.
- Staff 3: C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F5, G5, A5, B5, C6.
- Staff 4: F4, G4, A4, B4, C5, D5, E5, F5, G5, A5, B5, C6.

The guitar chords are indicated above the notes:

- Staff 1: G, C, F, Dm, G, C, Am.
- Staff 2: C, G, C, Am, Em, D, G.
- Staff 3: C, C7, F, D, D7, G.
- Staff 4: F, Dm, Am, F, G7, C.

- 1. Christ is the world's true light,
its captain of salvation,
the day-star clear and bright,
desire of every nation;
new life, new hope awakes
for all who own his sway:
freedom her bondage breaks,
and night is turned to day.**

**2. In Christ all races meet,
their ancient feuds forgetting,
the whole round world complete,
from sunrise to its setting:
when Christ is throned as Lord
all shall forsake their fear,
to ploughshare beat the sword,
to pruning-hook the spear.**

**3. One Lord, in one great name
unite us all who own you;
cast out our pride and shame
that hinder to enthrone you;
the world has waited long,
has travailed long in pain;
to heal its ancient wrong,
come, Prince of Peace, and reign.**

*George Wallace Briggs 1875–1959 alt.
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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you:
And also with you.

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.

Lord have mercy; **Lord have mercy**
Christ have mercy; **Christ have mercy**
Lord have mercy; **Lord have mercy**

Kyrie 2

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.

From Christ Church Mass - Philip Matthias (b. 1954)

The deacon introduces the confession:

God's whole creation groans. The land produces thorns and thistle and longs to be set free. Our sin affects all around us. We confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Creator God, we confess that we have not honoured and obeyed you. We have broken our relationships with one another, abused your fragile creation, wounded your love and marred your holy image in us. We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins. Father, forgive us. Lead us from apathy to love. Strengthen us as stewards of your precious people and of your glorious creation for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us. Amen.

The celebrant pronounces the absolution:

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed: forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of the kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA

Gloria 2

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty 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.

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THE COLLECT

O God, from whom light rises in darkness for those who seek you: grant us, in all our uncertainties and doubts, the grace to ask what you would have us do, that in your light we may see light, and in your narrow path may not stumble; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please sit for the reading

A reading from Exodus:

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it

was not consumed. Then Moses said, I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up. When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, Moses, Moses! And he said, Here I am. Then God said, Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground. God said further, I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the LORD said, I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt. But Moses said to God, Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt? God said, I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.

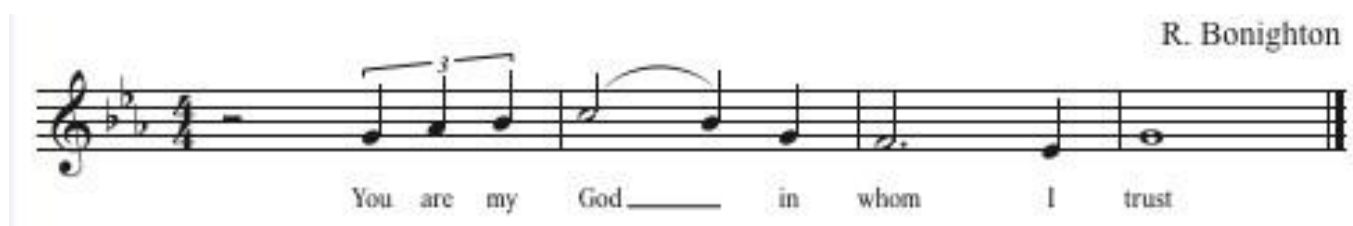
Exodus 3:1-12

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 91 (v1-6, 14-16)

Response:



The image shows a musical staff with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of the following notes: a whole rest, a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a half note B4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note F4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note D4, and a whole note C4. The lyrics 'You are my God in whom I trust' are written below the staff, with a long horizontal line under 'God' indicating a sustained note. The composer's name 'R. Bonighton' is written in the top right corner.

You are my God in whom I trust.

1. Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides under the shadow of the Almighty, Shall say to the Lord, ‘My refuge and my stronghold, my God, in whom I put my trust.’ **Response**

2. For he shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence. He shall cover you with his wings and you shall be safe under his feathers; his faithfulness shall be your shield and buckler. **Response**

3. You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, nor of the arrow that flies by day; Of the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor of the sickness that destroys at noonday. **Response**

4. Because they have set their love upon me, therefore will I deliver them; I will lift them up, because they know my name. They will call upon me and I will answer them; I am with them in trouble, I will deliver them and bring them to honour. With long life will I satisfy them and show them my salvation. **Response**

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews:

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God’s glory and the exact imprint of God’s very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty

on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Hebrew 1:1-4

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 564

The musical notation consists of three staves in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The first staff begins with a D chord and contains the notes G4, A4, B4, G4, A4, B4, G4, A4. The second staff begins with a G chord and contains the notes G4, A4, B4, G4, A4, B4, G4, A4. The third staff begins with a G chord and contains the notes G4, A4, B4, G4, A4, B4, G4, A4. Chords are indicated above the notes: D, G, A7, Bm, G, Em, A7, G, D, G, D, G, A7, D.

- 1. O God of Bethel, by whose hand
your people still are fed,
who through this earthly pilgrimage
have all our forebears led:**
- 2. our vows, our prayers, we now present
before your throne of grace;
God of our people, be the God
of each succeeding race.**
- 3. Through each perplexing path of life
our wandering footsteps guide;
give us each day our daily bread,
for all our needs provide.**

**4. O spread your covering wings around,
till all our wanderings cease,
and at our Father's loved abode
our souls arrive in peace.**

*Philip Doddridge 1702–51 and others based on Genesis 28:19–22
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THE GOSPEL

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Alleluia, **Alleluia**

Christ is the firstborn of all creation;
all things have been created through him and for him.

Alleluia

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Saint Luke:

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus said: There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames. But Abraham said, Child, remember that during your lifetime you

received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us. He said, Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment. Abraham replied, They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them. He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent. He said to him, If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.

Luke 16:19–31

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

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 and became truly human. 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.

INTERCESSIONS

8 am:

Caring God, we thank you for your gifts in creation:

The heavens tell of your glory;

For our land, its beauty and its resources,

For the rich heritage we enjoy.

We pray: For those who make decisions about the resources of the earth,

that we may use your gifts responsibly;

For those who work on the land and sea, in city and in industry,
that all may enjoy the fruits of their labours and marvel at your creation;

For artists, scientists and visionaries,

That through their work we may see creation afresh.

We thank you for giving us life;

for all who enrich our experience.

We pray for all who are deprived of fullness of life,

For prisoners, refugees, the handicapped, and all who are sick;

For those in politics, medical science, relief work, and for your Church,
for all who seek to bring life to others.

We thank you that you have called us to celebrate your creation.

Give us reverence for life in your world.

We thank you for your redeeming love;

may your word and sacrament strengthen us to love as you love us.

God, Source of all being, bring us new life.

Jesus, Redeemer, renew us.

Holy Spirit, strengthen and guide us.

God of peace, let us your people know, that at the heart of turbulence there is an inner calm that comes from faith in you. Keep us from being content with things as they are, that from this central peace there may come a creative compassion, a thirst for justice, and a willingness to give of ourselves in the spirit of Christ. **Amen.**

10 am:

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

...

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 PEACE

We are the body of Christ: **his Spirit is with us.**

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

HYMN SPIRITUS VITAE TIS 409

D F#m G A7 D G

D E7 A Bm F#m G F#7

A7/G D7/F# G Em D A7 D

- 1. Come, living God, when least expected,
when minds are dull and hearts are cold,
through sharpening word and warm affection
revealing truths as yet untold.**
- 2. Break from the tomb in which we hide you
to speak again in startling ways;
break through the words in which we bind you
to resurrect our lifeless praise.**
- 3. Come now, as once you came to Moses
within the bush alive with flame,
or to Elijah on the mountain,
by silence pressing home your claim.**
- 4. So, let our minds be sharp to read you
in sight or sound or printed page,
and let us greet you in our neighbours,
in ardent youth or mellow age**
- 5. Then, through our gloom, your Son will meet us
as vivid truth and living Lord,
exploding doubt and disillusion
to scatter hope and joy abroad**
- 6. Then we will share his radiant brightness
and, blazing through the dread of night,
illuminate by love and reason,
for those in darkness, faith's delight.**

Alan Gaunt (b.1935)

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Blessèd are you, Lord God of all creation, through your goodness we have this bread to offer, fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.







Blessèd be God for ever.

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

Blessèd be God for ever.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Sursum Corda

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

O God, eternal Wisdom, all you have made is beautiful and good. We thank you for darkness and light, for this earth and for our bodies, for growth and change and all that lies beyond our knowledge and imagination. In every generation you befriend your people. You gave us your holy Law, sent the prophets, and called us back to the truth whenever we turned away. You were vindicated in your Son Jesus who came with forgiveness, feasting, and stories of your grace. Though we rejected him, death on a cross could not quench the fire of his love. You raised him up for us, the firstborn from the dead, to build a new community of hope where all are honoured as Christ's equal friends. And so we praise you with Mary, mother of the living Word, and with all your faithful friends in heaven and on earth, as we join the angels' song:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

God of the feast, your household is hungry for the bread of heaven and the cup of life. Send your Spirit on us and on our celebration, so that we may eat at this table and be satisfied with the sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

On the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with the people he loved. He took the bread, gave you thanks, broke it to share with them, and said: Take and eat this: it is my body. Do this in remembrance of me.

Then he took a cup of wine. Again he thanked you and said: Drink this, all of you: it is my blood, shed for you and for many so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me.”

So we delight to remember Jesus: the faithfulness of his life, the victory of his cross, the glory of his resurrection, the joy of the Holy Spirit poured out for the Church.


We proclaim the mystery of faith:



O God, holy Father, merciful and generous, accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Make us good stewards of creation, with justice in our hearts, courage in our actions and power in our speech to bear witness to the truth. Protect us with your glory, unite your church in loyalty and love, and bring us home with all your saints to feast with you for ever. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, and in the Spirit's

grace, with heart and soul and mind and strength we love and worship
you alone, O God:

Acclamation



Bless - ing and hon - our and glo - ry and pow'r are... yours, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:

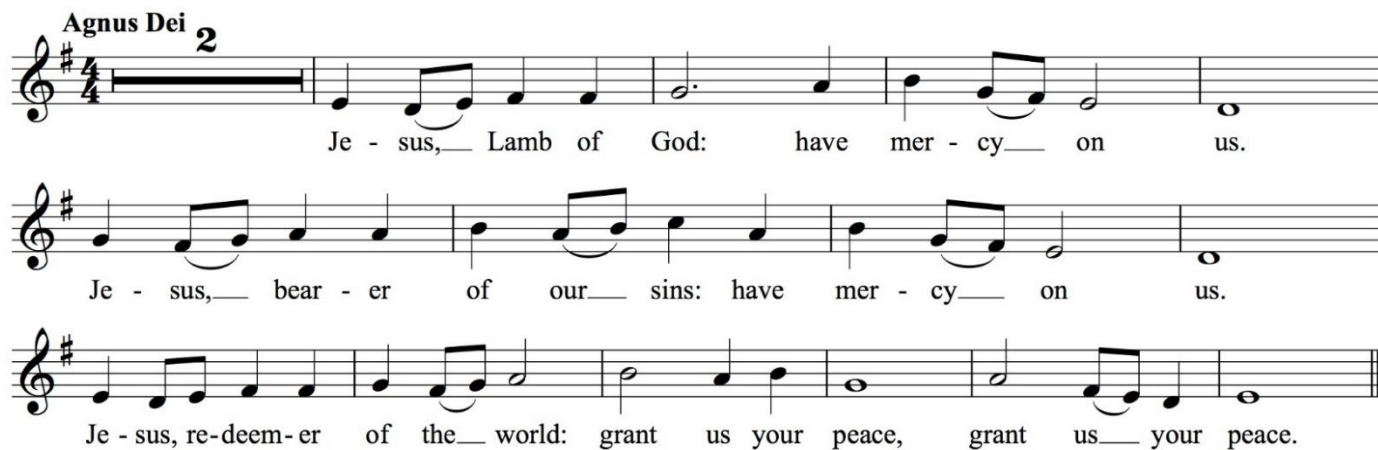
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

As this broken bread was once many grains, which have been gathered
together and made one bread:
**so may your whole Church be gathered from the ends of the earth
into your kingdom. Amen.**

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei 2



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.

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THE INVITATION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

ANTHEM:

“Jesu, meine Freude”

J S Bach

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN TIS 571

The musical score is written on three staves in G major. The first staff is in 4/4 time and contains the first four measures: F (quarter), C (quarter), F (quarter), and Gm (quarter) with a fermata over the F. A double bar line follows. The second staff is in 3/4 time and contains the next four measures: F (quarter), G (quarter), C (quarter), F (quarter), Bb (quarter), and Gm (quarter). The third staff is in 4/4 time and contains the final four measures: C (quarter), F (quarter), C (quarter), Dm (quarter), C (quarter), and F (quarter).

- 1. Forth in your name, O Lord, I go,
my daily labour to pursue,
you, Lord, alone resolved to know,
in all I think, or speak, or do.**
- 2. Each task your wisdom has assigned
still let me cheerfully fulfil,
in all my works your presence find,
and prove your good and perfect will.**
- 3. You may I set at my right hand,
whose eyes my inmost substance view,
and labour on at your command,
and offer all my works to you.**
- 4. Give me to bear your easy yoke,
and every moment watch and pray,
and still to things eternal look,
and hasten to your glorious day;**
- 5. for you delightfully employ
all that your bounteous grace has given,
and run my course with even joy,
and closely walk with you to heaven.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love.

Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of the Spirit.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge of God and of God's Son, Jesus Christ. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and always. **Amen**

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS

Please pray for those in need: including Gerard, Ben and Annie, Calvin, Andrew, Susan, Jocelyn, Jenny, Sasha, Martin, Pamela, Mavis, John, Tricia and Neil, Paul, and Father Rob.

And whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Stanley Keith Dean, Frances Hartshorn, Damon O'Keeffe, Vera Dettman, Jean Austin, and Elisabeth Coldicutt.

If there is a name that should be included please advise the Parish Office by email office@stmarys.org.au

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Roster – Who’s doing what?
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	September 25th	
8:00am Reader	Judie Bainbridge	
10:00am Readers	Helen McCallum Josephine Snowdon	
Serving Team	Peter O’Donoghue Andrew Murray	
Welcome	Michael Golding	
Introduction & Intercessions	Audrey Statham	
Video/AV	Paul Eikelboom	
Kids Corner & Sunday School	School holidays	
Morning Tea	Marion Poynter Elizabeth Brookes	
Collection Counting	Parish Council +1	
Flowers	Helen McCallum	

Animal Blessings Next Sunday

For our last week of this series of creation, we will have an animal blessing in celebration of St Francis at the 10 am Service. You are most welcome to bring your pets to church and they will be given a blessing.

Food Donations for St Marks

It's very cold and many of our neighbours don't have enough food to keep warm. In the past we have attended to this in two ways: first by contributing through the office to the Benevolent Fund; this provides meat to the kitchens at St Mark's Fitzroy, where people are provided with a hot meal; second by providing non-perishable items like noodles or canned beans and soup or toiletries.

Leave them in the Baptistery on Sunday mornings and they will be taken to Anglicare at Fitzroy. Please buy an extra article or two when you do your own shopping. Thanks.

Giving to Support St Marys

We value your financial support. This helps us keep our doors open and fulfil our mission. *You can donate by following this link or scanning the QR code:*

<http://st-marys-anglican-north-melbourne.square.site/>



Or make a direct transfer to:

Account Name: St Marys Anglican Church North Melbourne

Bank: Westpac

BSB: 033 132 **Account Number:** 264412

STEWARDSHIP AT ST MARY'S – PLEDGE YOUR REGULAR SUPPORT

In order to plan our parish finances, we welcome pledges of support from parishioners. Forms are available from the Parish Office or the Stewardship Secretary (role shared by Andrew Murray and Darrell Pitt). Please note that pledges are confidential. Your identity will not be revealed to the Wardens, Parish Council or Vicar.

Annual General Meeting and Electoral Roll

In preparation for the Annual Meeting on 20 November 2022 we are required to consider revisions to the Electoral Roll. Only those on the Electoral Roll have the right to attend and vote at the Annual Meeting or to be elected to office, such as Warden or Council Member.

Part of the revision process is removing the names of those who have died or who no longer meet the eligibility criteria (for example if they have relocated, often to another country or State).

It also gives us a welcome opportunity to add the names of those who wish to join the Electoral Roll and are eligible to do so. If you are not on the Roll please do consider applying. If anyone wants to join the Electoral Roll there are forms in the narthex or you can contact Darrell who will send you the form: office@stmarys.org.au.

If you would like to discuss joining the Roll please speak to Mother Dorothy, to our Parish Secretary, Andrew Murray, or to one of the wardens, Anne, Sam or Michael (contact details in the pew sheet).

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PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS
DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

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 behavior 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.

PLEASE REPORT ABUSE CALL 1800 135 246

MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

St Mary's Anglican Church, North Melbourne is an inner-city Christian community that strives to be faithful, inclusive and sacramental.

God inspires us to worship in daily celebration; to be caring, thoughtful and inviting.

In response to God's call, in the next three to five years we aim:

- *To grow substantially in faith and numbers*
- *To create an inter-generational culture that values all age groups - children and adults - equally*
- *To express our faith in active engagement within and beyond our own community*
- *To deploy our property and financial assets in strategic support of the ministry needs of the parish for the long term*
- *To become more open to change as we learn to grow*

