

Ordinary Sunday 11 16 June 2024



8 am and 10am Rev'd Canon Jan Joustra Christ Church Mass—Philip Matthias (b. 1954) TiS 757

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.

Prelude

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

The growth of the kingdom of God cannot be measured by the yardstick of human success – high public profile, political influence and cultural dominance. God's kingdom will grow silently and steadily according to God's design. Today's parables encourage us to allow our God to be God, and to be confident that in God's mysterious and surprising ways, God's silent action in the world will eventually bear fruit.

The Processional Hymn TiS 457



- is Jesus Christ her Lord:
- she is his new creation

by water and the word; from heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

- 2. Elect from every nation yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth: one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses with every grace endued.
- 3. Though with a scornful wonder the world sees her oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed, yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, 'How long?' and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
- 4. Through toil and tribulation and tumult of her war she waits the consummation of peace for evermore, till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.
- 5. Yet she on earth has union with God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
 O happy ones and holy! Lord, give to us the grace like them, the meek and lowly, in heaven to seek your face.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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

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 deacon introduces the confession:

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Let us therefore bring our sins before the one true God, in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our Maker and our Judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The celebrant pronounces the absolution:

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



THE COLLECT

Almighty God, without you we are unable to please you: mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit for the readings

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of the prophet Samuel:

Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the Lord said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the Lord." Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.' Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, 'Do you come peaceably?' He said, 'Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.' And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord 's

anointed is now before the Lord.' But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.' Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the Lord chosen this one.' Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen any of these.' Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.' He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.' Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah. (1 Samuel 15.34-16.13)

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

Psalm 20



May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble, the name of the God of Jacob defend you. Send you help from his sanctuary and strengthen you out of Zion; *Response*

Remember all your offerings and accept your burnt sacrifice; Grant you your heart's desire and fulfil all your mind. May we rejoice in your salvation and triumph in the name of our God; may the Lord perform all your petitions; *Response*

Now I know that the Lord will save his anointed; he will answer him from his holy heaven,

with the mighty strength of his right hand. Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, but we will call on the name of the Lord our God; *Response*

They are brought down and fallen, but we are risen and stand upright. O Lord, save the king and answer us when we call upon you; *Response*

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians:

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! (2 Corinthians 5.6-10, 5.14-17)

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual Hymn TiS 459



1. In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

2. In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find, his service is the golden cord close-binding humankind.

3. Join hands, then, people of the faith, whate'er your race may be; who serves my Father as his child is surely kin to me.

4. In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north, all Christlike souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth. The Gospel



Alleluia, Alleluia!

The prince of this world will now be cast out,

and when I an lifted up from the earth I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Mark

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.' He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples. (Mark 4.26-34)

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.

The Prayers of the People

After each section: Lord in your mercy. Hear our prayer. And at the end: Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers. Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE PEACE

Please stand. We are the body of Christ. His Spirit is with us. The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The Offertory Hymn TiS 143



- Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes, most blessèd, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, your great name we praise.
- 2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, but ruling in might; your justice like mountains high soaring above, your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3. You give life to all, Lord, to both great and small, in all life now living, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on a tree, then wither: but ever unchanged you will be.
- 4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, your angels adore you, all veiling their sight; of all your rich graces this grace, Lord, impart take the veil from our faces, the veil from our heart.
- 5. All praise we would render: reveal to our sight what hides you is only the splendour of light; and so let your glory, Almighty, impart, through Christ in the story, your Christ to the heart.

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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



Let us give thanks to the Lord_ our God. It is right to give our thanks. and praise._

All thanks and praise, glory and honour, be yours at all times and in all places, holy and loving Father, true and living God.

We praise you that through your eternal word you brought the universe into being and made us in your own image. You have given us this earth to care for and delight in, and with its bounty you preserve our life.

We thank you that you bound yourself to the human race with the promises of a gracious covenant and called us to serve you in love and peace.

Above all, we give you thanks for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ: born as one of us, he lived our common life and offered his life to you in perfect obedience and trust. By his death he delivered us from sin, brought us new life, and reconciled us to you and to one another.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:



Merciful God,

we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Therefore, we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:



THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:



The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

AGNUS DEI



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: 'Teach me, O Lord' by Thomas Atwood

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen. THE RECESSIONAL HYMN TIS 168



- For the fruits of all creation, thanks be to God; for his gifts to every nation, thanks be to God; for the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safe keeping, thanks be to God.
- In the just reward of labour, God's will is done; in the help we give our neighbour God's will is done; in our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.
- 3. For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God; for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God; for the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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

May the God of all grace who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, confirm you and make you strong and sure in your faith, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen

THE 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 Fr Shane and Peter Heath. For the recently departed Barbara Sherko (Andrea) and Patricia Gladwell-Storey (Elsdon and Christine), as well as little Poppy (Mthr Robyn).

Also, those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Peter Tulloch, Ethel Barrett, Rose Barnes.

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

Funeral Notice

Barbara Sherko on Monday 17 June 2024, 10am, at Christ Church Essendon (corner of Mt Alexander Road and Marco Polo Street).

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- Messy St Mary's is back: Sunday 16 June 2024, 9.30am—10am in the Hall. Designed for ages 2-5, please contact Harriet for queries harriet. jenkins@live.com
- 'From the Bach Family' featuring Helen Duggan (flute) and Beverley Phillips (keyboard): Wednesday 19 June, Lunchtime Concert 1-1.30pm.
- 'Ung Klang' Danish Choir will be performing at St Mary's Church: Tuesday 23 July 2024, 8-9.30pm. Tickets: \$30 (Standard), \$20 (Concession). Please visit www.ungklang.dk as well as on Instagram and Spotify.

	Sunday 16 June 2024 Ordinary 11	Sunday 23 June 2024 Ordinary 12	
8:00am Reader	Jenny Langmead	Rhondda Fahey	
10:00am Read-	Gladys Asitewa	John Blanch	
ers	Libby Brookes	Andrea O'Donoghue	
Serving Team	Anne Sunderland	Anne Sunderland	
	Peter O'Donoghue	Lewis Gurr-Stephen	
	Alice Christofi		
Welcome	Marion Poynter	Alice Christofi	
Introduction &Intercession	Geoff Jenkins	Audrey Statham	
Video/AV	Adam Wing	Geoff Jenkins	
Kids Corner &	Harriet Jenkins	N/A	
Sunday School	(Messy Church)		
Morning Tea	Rosie Moloney	Michael & Margaret No-	
	Lewis Gurr- Stephen	ble	

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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

