

Advent Sunday 1 1 December 2024 8am &10am The Rev'd Prof Emer Robert Gribben (10am only) Missa Emmanuel - Richard Proulx Setting

Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne.

Thank you for joining us in worship.

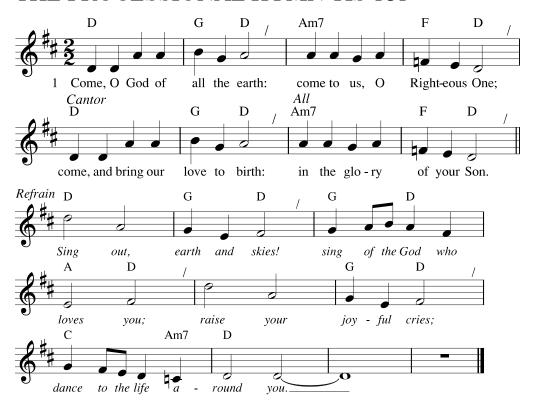
Please join in saying the text marked in bold and joining in the music.

Prelude

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

Today we begin the Church's year, turning our eyes towards God's future and the Coming of Christ. Our Advent Wreath has four purple candles, each of the four Sundays reminding us of those who prepared for the coming of Christ. Advent 1 reflects the theme of the patriarchs, with its focus on Abraham and Sarah, our parents in faith, and David, the ancestor in whose city Jesus was born. Let us worship God.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN TIS 181



- 2. Come, O God of wind and flame: fill the earth with righteousness; teach us all to sing your name: may our lives your love confess. *Refrain*
- 3. Come, O God of flashing light: twinkling star and burning sun; God of day and God of night: in your light we all are one. *Refrain*
- 4. Come, O God of snow and rain: shower down upon the earth; come, O God of joy and pain: God of sorrow, God of mirth. *Refrain*
- 5. Come, O Justice, come, O Peace: come and shape our hearts anew; come and make oppression cease: bring us all to life in you. *Refrain*

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you:

And also with you.

Remain standing for the lighting of the Advent wreath.

Blessed are you, sovereign Lord,

God of Abraham and Sarah:

to you be praise and glory for ever.

You called the patriarchs to live by the light of faith and to journey in the hope of your promised fulfilment.

Help us to be obedient to your call and be ready and watchful to receive your Christ, a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for you are our light and our salvation. Blessed be God for ever.

Remain standing for the Confession

When the Lord comes, he will bring to light things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. In that light we confess our sins:

Heavenly Father, you have created a universe of light: forgive us when we return to darkness.



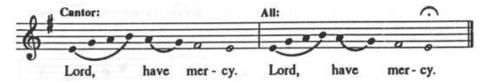
Lord Jesus, you are the light of the world: cleanse and heal our blinded sight.



Holy Spirit,

you give us light in our hearts:

renew us in faith and love.



The celebrant pronounces the absolution.

THE COLLECT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

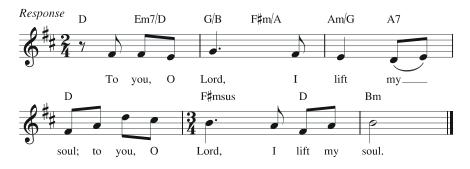
Please be seated

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah:

The days are coming, says the Lord, when I shall bestow on Israel and Judah all the blessings I have promised them. In those days, at that time, I shall make a righteous Branch spring from David's line; he will maintain law and justice in the land. In those days Judah will be kept safe and Jerusalem will live undisturbed. This will be the name given to him: The Lord our Righteousness. (Jeremiah 33:14-16, Revised English Bible)

For the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 25, TIS 14



- 1. O Lord, make me know your ways.
 - O Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth and teach me:

for you are God my saviour. Response

- 2. The Lord is good and upright, and shows the path to those who stray. The Lord guides the humble in the right path, and teaches God's way to the poor. *Response*
- 3. The Lord's ways are faithfulness and love for those who keep God's will.

 The Lord's friendship is for those who are faithful, to them God's love has been revealed. *Response*

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SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians:

What thanks can we give to God in return for you? What thanks for all the joy you have brought us, making us rejoice before our God while we pray most earnestly night and day to be allowed to see you again and to make good whatever is lacking in your faith? May our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, open the way for us to come to you; and may the Lord make your love increase and overflow to one another and to everyone, as our love does to you. May he make your hearts firm, so that you may stand before our God and Father holy and faultless when our Lord Jesus comes with all those who are his own.

(1 Thessalonians 3:9-13, REB)

For the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL Please stand



Alleluia, Alleluia

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia

The Lord be with you:

And also with you.

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

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus said: 'Portents will appear in sun and moon and stars. On earth nations will stand helpless, not knowing which way to turn from the roar and surge of the sea. People will faint with terror at the thought of all that is coming upon the world; for the celestial powers will be shaken. Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When all this begins to happen, stand upright and hold your heads high, because your liberation is near.' He told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree, or at any other tree. As soon as it buds, you can see for yourselves that summer is near. In the same way, when you see all this happening, you may know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you: the present generation will live to see it all. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. Be on your guard; do not let your minds be dulled by dissipation and drunkenness and worldly cares so that the great day catches you suddenly like a trap; for that day will come on everyone, the whole world over. Be on the alert, praying at all times for strength to pass safely through all that is coming and to stand in the presence of the Son of Man.' His days were given to teaching in the temple; every evening he would leave the city and spend the night on the hill called Olivet. And in the early morning the people flocked to listen to him in the temple. (Luke 21:25-38, REB)

For the Gospel of the Lord: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON Please be seated

NICENE CREED

Please stand

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

Please sit or kneel

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.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN TIS 266



2. Zion hears the watchmen singing, and in her heart new joy is springing; she wakes, she rises from her gloom. For her Lord now comes all-glorious, and strong in grace, in truth victorious; her star has risen, her light has come. Now come, O precious crown, Lord Jesus, God's own Son. Hail, hosanna! O lead us all

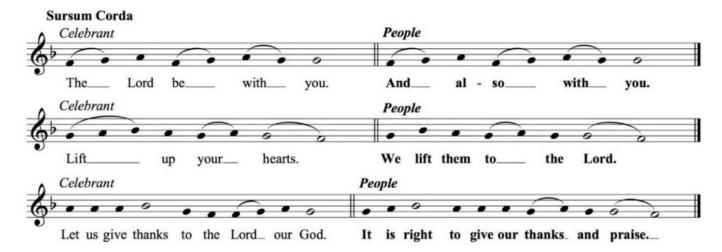
into the hall where you provide your joyful meal.

3. Now let all the heavens adore you, and saints and angels sing before you with harp and cymbal's joyful tone. Gates of pearl in heaven are shining; there, with the angel-choir combining, we gather round your radiant throne. No eye has seen that sight, no ear heard such delight. What rejoicing! Yet there will we eternally with songs acclaim your majesty

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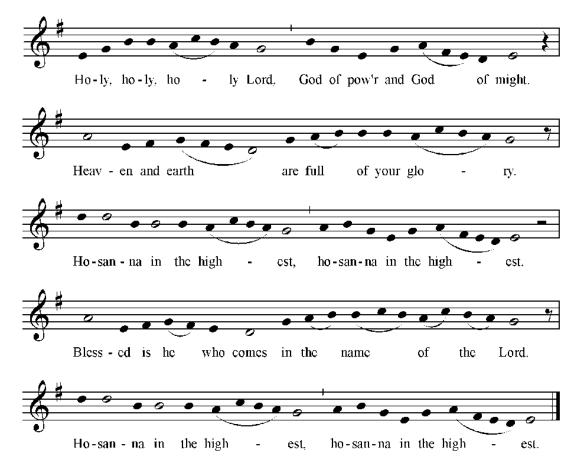
PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS Blessèd be God for ever.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



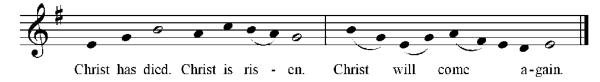
All glory and honour ...

... for every praising you and singing:



Merciful God, we thank you ...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:

... in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are your for ever and ever.



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 this day our daily bread.

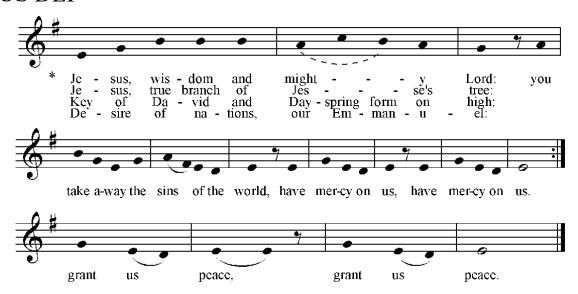
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

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 church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

AGNUS DEI



The gifts of God for the people of God.

COMMUNION

Anthem: 'Zion at thy shining gates' by George Guest.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

FINAL HYMN TIS 273



- 1. Lo! he comes with clouds descending, once for favoured sinners slain; thousand thousand saints attending swell the sound of this refrain: Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

 God appears on earth to reign.
- 2. Every eye shall now behold him robed in awesome majesty; those who have betrayed and sold him, pierced and nailed him to the tree, deeply shamed before him, deeply shamed before him, deeply shamed before him shall the true Messiah see.
- 3. Those dear tokens of his passion still his dazzling body bears, cause of endless exultation to his ransomed worshippers: with what rapture, with what rapture, with what rapture gaze we on those glorious scars!
- 4. Sing amen! let all adore you, high on your eternal throne; Saviour, take the power and glory, claim the kingdom for your own;
 O come quickly, O come quickly,
 O come quickly; hallelujah! Come, Lord, come.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING

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, Barbara, Martin, Janet, Dawn, Joel McNae & family, Daisy, Suzanne, Elsdon and Michael.

Pray also for those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Emily Guy and Graeme Harper.

If there is a name to be included, please email office@stmarys.org.au

NEW TIME & ZOOM DETAILS from Mond 2 Dec: Morning Prayer held on Mond/Wed/Fri, 8.30am. Click the link below https://bit.ly/49910N4 Meeting ID: 826 4665 0345, Passcode: 464706 Weekday Eucharist every Thurs 12pm.

Prayer for a New Incumbent:

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

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St Mary's Parish Notices

- Advent Calendar Year C begins this Sund 1 Dec, for other 2024 Advent & Christmas Services:
 - Sund 1 Dec, 7pm: Advent Carol Service
 - Sund 22 Dec, 2pm: Children's Christmas Service
 - Tues 24 Dec, 11pm: Carols by the Crib & 11.30pm: Midnight Mass
 - Wed 25 Dec, 9am: Sung Eucharist
- 'Climate Fresk Workshop' Mond 2 Dec, 6-9pm in the Hall. Collaborative learning workshop co-led by Tim Pilbrow. Registration a must via http://bit.ly/40siOOb
- Submission date for AVE Advent Christmas edition is approaching, please send to David or office@stmarys.org.au by Tues 3 Dec. Christmas Season theme encouraged, other contributions welcome including the Season of Creation.
- VOX Ballarat back at St Mary's: Sund 8 Dec, 3pm for 'Part I: The Christ Child' (Handel's Messiah). Tickets \$40/\$35/\$15/free for primary age children, please book via www.trybooking.com/CVFRM
- Head to https://musicatthebasilica.org.au/ for upcoming concerts including 'Christmas Concert' on Sund 15 Dec, 5pm (tickets \$50/\$45/\$40 from www.trybooking.com/CQYBA) and Free Advent Organ Recital Series on Mond 2/9/16/23 Dec, 12.30pm.
- Christmas at Anglicare: Please donate Christmas gifts/food items to Mission House in Fitzroy. They need not be wrapped and will be made up into hampers, so they request that you donate early.
- Thank you for your food donations to Anglicare Victoria/St Mark's Community Care. For tax deductible donations please visit https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/ 'Melbourne Anglican Benevolent Society' 'St Mary's North Melbourne—Relief Program'.

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St Mary's Roster				
	Sunday 1 Dec 2024 Advent 1	Sunday 1 Dec 2024 7pm, Advent Carols	Sunday 8 Dec 2024 Advent 2	
8:00am Reader	Jen Langmead	 Anne Sunderland John Blanch Katie Holmes Andrew Gador-Whyte Libby Brookes Michael Golding Peter O'Donoghue Marion Poynter 	Judie Bainbridge	
10:00am Readers	Fabien Nunes Susan Gribben (C)		Calvin Lee Marion Poynter	
Serving Team	Alice Christofi (C) Peter O'Donoghue		Alice Christofi (C) Lewis Gurr- Stephen	
Welcome	Michael Golding	Helen McCallum	Anne Sunderland (C)	
Introduction & Intercession	Alice Christofi	N/A	Audrey Statham	
Video/AV	Adam Wing	Geoff Jenkins	Sam Miller	
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Rosie Moloney/ Harriet jenkins	Hospitality Committee	Rosie Moloney/ Harriet Jenkins	
Morning Tea	Marion Poynter Libby Brookes		Helen McCallum (C) David Keuneman	

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