

Ordinary Sunday 32 10 November 2024 8am and 10am Christ Church Mass—Philip Matthias (b. 1954) TiS 757

Welcome to St Mary's North Melbourne.

Thank you for joining us in worship.

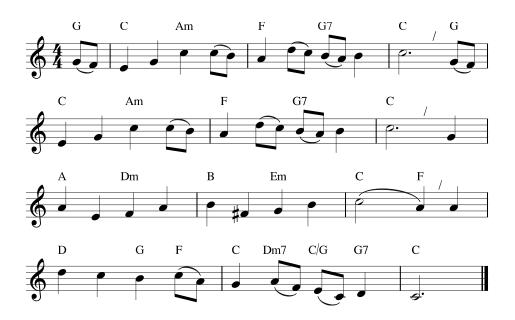
Please join in saying the text marked in bold and singing the musical responses and hymns.

Prelude

INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

Being poor and needy is a concern of all our readings today. We have the stories of two widows who are poor and generous. And Hebrews speaks of our need for forgiveness and the once-for-all sacrifice of Christ for the sins of the whole world.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN TIS 282



- The voice of God goes out to all the world; his glory speaks across the universe.
 The great King's herald cries from star to star: 'With power, with justice, he will walk his way.'
- 2. The Lord has said, 'Receive my messenger, my promise to the world, my pledge made flesh, a lamp to every nation, light from light': with power, with justice, he will walk his way.
- 3. The broken reed he will not trample down, nor set his heel upon the dying flame.

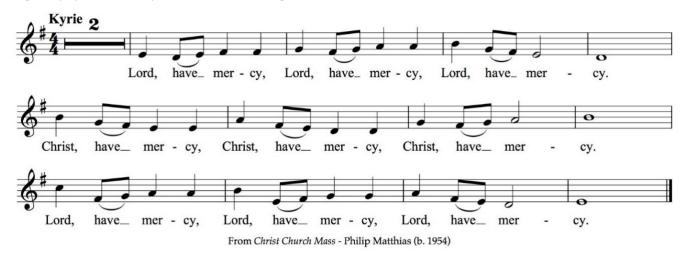
 He binds the wounds, and health is in his hand: with power, with justice, he will walk his way.
- 4. Anointed with the Spirit and with power, he comes to crown with comfort all the weak, to show the face of justice to the poor: with power, with justice, he will walk his way.
- 5. His touch will bless the eyes that darkness held, the lame shall run, the halting tongue shall sing, and prisoners laugh in light and liberty: with power, with justice, he will walk his way.

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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Blessed by God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit: **Blessed by God's kingdom, now and for ever.** 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.



Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

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.

Gloria in excelsis



THE COLLECT

SCRIPTURE READINGS

FIRST READING

Please be seated

A reading from the First Book of Kings:

Then the word of the LORD came to Elijah, saying, Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there, for I have commanded a widow there to feed you. So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink. As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand. But she said, As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks so that I may go home and prepare it for

myself and my son, that we may eat it and die. Elijah said to her, Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said, but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth. She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

(1 Kings 17:8-16)

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

PSALM 127, THE PSALTER 132



The Lord pro-tects and bless-es; give thanks for-ev-er - more.

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- If the Lord does not build the house, its builders will have toiled in vain.
 If the Lord does not watch over the city, in vain do the sentries watch. Response
- 2. It is in vain that you rise so early and go so late to rest, you who toil for food to eat; while you sleep, the Lord provides all you need. *Response*
- 3. Yes, children are a gift from the Lord; your descendants are a blessing from age to age, Like the arrow in the victor's hand are children born in one's youth. *Response*
- 4. Blessed are you to whom children are given, yes, many, like a quiver full.

 For you shall be dealt justice at the city gate; it is there that the court defends you from your enemies. *Response*

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SECOND READING

A reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews:

For when every commandment had been told to all the people by Moses, he took the blood of calves and goats ... and sprinkled ... all the people, saying, This is the blood of the covenant that God has ordained for you. ... Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins. Thus it was necessary for the sketches of the heavenly things to be purified with these rites, but the heavenly things themselves need better sacrifices than these. For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the holy place year after year with blood that is not his own, for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him. (Hebrews 9:23-28)

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

THE GOSPEL Please stand



Alleluia, Alleluia

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St Mark:

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

As Jesus taught, he said, Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation. He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.

(Mark 12: 38-44)

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.

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

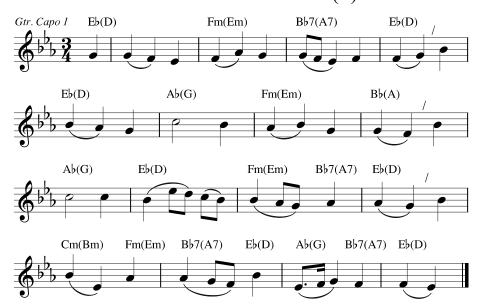
We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

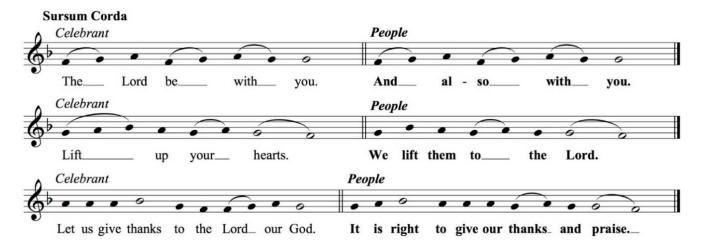
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THE OFFERTORY HYMN TIS 572 (ii)

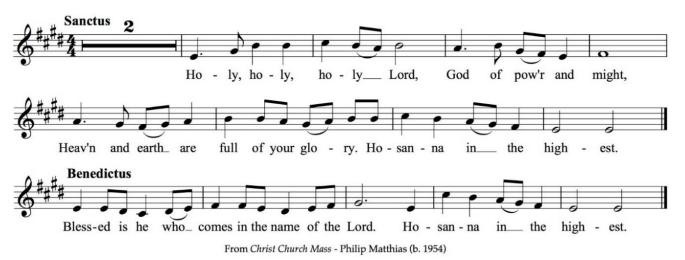


- 1. O thou who camest from above the pure celestial fire to impart, kindle a flame of sacred love on the mean altar of my heart.
- 2. There let it for thy glory burn with inextinguishable blaze, and trembling to its source return, in humble prayer and fervent praise.
- 3. Jesus, confirm my heart's desire to work, and speak, and think for thee; still let me guard the holy fire, and still stir up thy gift in me,
- 4. ready for all thy perfect will, my acts of faith and love repeat, till death thy endless mercies seal, and make the sacrifice complete.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy ... for ever praising you and saying:

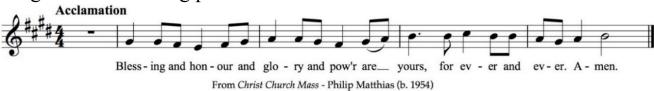


Holy and gracious God ...

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



In songs of never-ending praise:



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.

And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

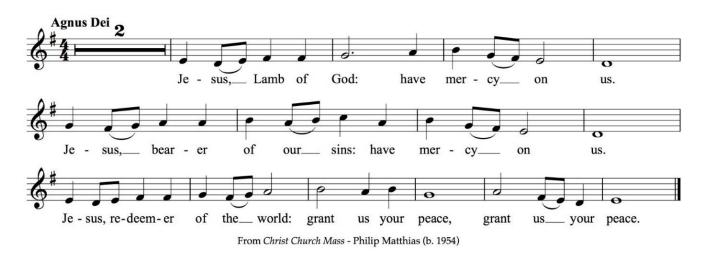
For the kingdom the power and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

The priest breaks the consecrated bread, saying:

We who are many are one body:

For we all share in the one bread.

AGNUS DEI



COMMUNION

Anthem: 'A Prayer of St Richard of Chichester' by LJ White.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

FINAL HYMN TIS 595



- 2. Still let me feel you near me: the world is ever near; I see the sights that dazzle, and tempting sounds I hear; my foes are ever near me, around me and within; but, Jesus, draw me nearer, and shield my soul from sin.
- 3. O let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will;

- Lord, speak to reassure me, to chasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, true guardian of my soul.
- 4. Lord, let me see your footmarks and in them plant my own; that I may follow boldly and in your strength alone; O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end; and then in heaven receive me, my Saviour and my friend.

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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 and Joel McNae & family; and the recently departed, Ann Brady. Pray also for those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Olive Nichols, Athol Keith Blaubaum, Ethel Proctor, Lola Gleeson and George Petrie. If there is a name that should be included, please advise the Parish Office by emailing office@stmarys.org.au

Morning Prayer is held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9am. Click the link below to be taken to the site https://bit.ly/stmary-mp

Meeting ID: 869 2175 7848 (Passcode: 003238)

Weekday Eucharist is on Thursday at 12pm.

Readings for next week (Ordinary 33): 1 Samuel 1:4-20; Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25. Mark 13:1-11.

The presider and preacher next week will be Mthr Robyn Boyd, as Mthr Dorothy will be preaching at Cara Greenham Hancock's first Eucharist at St Stephen's and St Mary's, Mount Waverley.

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

- Choir is meeting today for a run through in preparation for the 'Advent Carol Liturgy'. If anyone is interested, please meet in the Church at 11.30am or speak to Beverley.
- 'RSCM Choral Celebration: Jane Nixon AM and Christopher Willcock SJ' on Sat 16 Nov, 5-7pm at St Peter's Church, Eastern Hill. See flyers for details, available from the porch. For bookings https://www.trybooking.com/CVWWR or call 0412 806 034.
- St Mary's will host a piano-4-hands evening concert on Sat 23 Nov at 5pm: 'The Rite of Spring' by Sonoka Miyake and Regina Thomae. Programme will also include Schubert Fantasy. Flyers available in the Church, tickets \$30 via https://www.trybooking.com/1315369
- 'Climate Fresk Workshop' will be held on Mond 2 Dec, 6-9pm in the Church. This collaborative learning workshop (co-led by parishioner Tim Pilbrow) will transform your understanding of the complex factors underlying climate change and empower you to take action. Please find printed flyers in the Church, and registration is **a must** via http://bit.ly/40siOOb
- In preparation for the next AVE Advent Christmas edition, please send in your submissions to either David or office@stmarys.org.au by Tues 3 Dec. Theme for the Christmas Season is encouraged, but other contributions are welcome, including the Season of Creation.
- VOX Vocal Ensemble Ballarat will be back at St Mary's on Sund 8 Dec with 'Part I: The Christ Child' from the Handel's Messiah. It will be at 3pm and tickets are \$40 (Adult), \$35 (Concession), \$15 (Student) and free for primary age children. Flyers available at the porch and bookings for via www.trybooking.com/CVFRM
- Music at the Basilica will host their 'Christmas Concert' on Sund 15 Dec,
 5pm at the Basilica of St Mary of the Angels in Geelong. Windfire Choir
 will be joined by soloists, Vox Angelica Geelong Chamber Choir &
 Orchestra and the Geelong Youth Choir. Works include Rutter's Magnificat
 and Finzi's In terra pax, tickets \$50/\$45/\$40 from
 www.trybooking.com/CQYBA For information please visit
 https://musicatthebasilica.org.au/

- Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Anglicare Victoria food donations through St Mark's Community Care. For tax deductible donations please visit https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/ choose 'Melbourne Anglican Benevolent Society' and select 'St Mary's North Melbourne—Relief Program'.
- Your support of the Parish is greatly appreciated. To establish a direct debit authorisation contact Parish Treasurer by emailing treasurer@stmarys.org.au For occasional or regular giving, please direct funds to the Parish Giving account with the Anglican Development Fund below:

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St Mary's Roster		
	Sunday 10 Nov 2024 Ordinary 32	Sunday 17 Nov 2024 Ordinary 33
8:00am Reader	Judie Bainbridge	Andrew McKinley
10:00am Readers	John Blanch Katie Holmes	Libby Brookes Lewis Gurr-Stephen
Serving Team	Alice Christofi Anne Sunderland	Peter O'Donoghue Sam Miller
Welcome	Adam Wing	Alice Christofi
Introduction & Intercession	Robert Gribben	Audrey Statham
Video/AV	Geoff Jenkins	Adam Wing
Kids Corner & Sunday School	N/A	N/A
Morning Tea	Rosie Moloney Libby Brookes	Michael and Margaret Noble

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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

