



**Candlemas (4<sup>th</sup> After Epiphany)  
Sunday 2 February 2025  
8am & 10am  
(10am Preacher: Rev'd Prof Russell Goulbourne)**

*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 joining in the music.*

## **Prelude**

### INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple. It is a very ancient feast day, based on the Lukan story in our Gospel reading in which Jesus is presented in the temple by Mary and Joseph and welcomed and acclaimed by two prophets, Simeon and Anna. Today is also known as Candlemas, as traditionally on this day all the church's candles for the coming year were blessed. For many Christians, this feast represents the end of the Christmas season. Let us worship God.

# THE PROCESSIONAL TIS 290/NEHRev 28

*Gtr. Capo 2* E(D) A(G) B(A) E(D) /

E(D) C#m(Bm) B(A) / A(G) E(D) G#m(F#m)

C#m(Bm) / F#m(Em) B7(A7) E(D) / A(G)

A(G) E(D) C#m(Bm) B(A) / E(D) A(G)

E(D) B(A) A(G) E(D) C#m(Bm) B(A) E(D)

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| <p>1. Of the Father's love begotten,<br/>Ere the worlds began to be,<br/>He is Alpha and Omega<br/>He the source, the ending He,<br/>Of the things that are, that have been,<br/>And that future years shall see,<br/>Evermore and evermore.</p> <p>2. At his word the worlds were framed;<br/>He commanded it was done:<br/>Heav'n and earth and depths of<br/>ocean,<br/>In their threefold order one;<br/>All that grows beneath the shining<br/>Of the and burning sun<br/>Evermore and evermore.</p> <p>3. He was found in human fashion,<br/>Death and sorrow here to know,<br/>That the race of Adam's Children,<br/>Doomed by law to endless woe,</p> | <p>May not henceforth die and perish<br/>In the dreadful gulf below<br/>Evermore and evermore.</p> <p>4. O ye heights of Heav'n adore him!<br/>Angel hosts his praises sing!<br/>All dominions bow before him<br/>And exalt our God and King.<br/>Let no tongue on Earth be silent,<br/>Every voice in concert ring<br/>Evermore and evermore.</p> <p>5. Christ! To thee with God the Father,<br/>And O Holy Ghost, to thee,<br/>Hymn and chant and high<br/>thanksgiving<br/>And unwearied praises be,<br/>Honor, glory, and dominion,<br/>And eternal victory<br/>Evermore and evermore.</p> |
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## GREETING

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.**

## 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.**

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.

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## CONFESSION

Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins 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.**

## ABSOLUTION

## 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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## COLLECT

Righteous God, you confound the world's wisdom by giving your blessing to the lowly and pure in heart: give us such a hunger and thirst for justice and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the promise of your kingdom, which has been revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord, who live and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING

*Please be seated*

### **A reading from the Book of Malachi:**

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

*(Malachi 3:1-4)*

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

## PSALM 24/TIS 13

*Response 2* (♩ = ♪ of psalm)

Joseph Gelineau

O - pen wide, O you gates e - ter - nal, and  
let the King of glo - ry en - ter.

4. O gates, lift high your heads;  
grow higher, ancient doors.  
Let him enter, the King of glory

*Response*

5. Who is the King of glory?  
The Lord, the mighty, the valiant,  
the Lord, the valiant in war.

*Response*

6. O gates, lift high your heads;  
grow higher, ancient doors.  
Let him enter, the King of glory.

*Response*

7. Who is the King of glory?  
He, the Lord of armies,  
he is the King of glory. *Response*

## SECOND READING

### A reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews:

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

*(Hebrews 2:14-18)*

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### THE GRADUAL HYMN TIS 324

The musical notation is for a gradual hymn in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff has chords F, C, Bb, and F. The second staff has chords Dm, C, F, C, Dm, C, Dm, and Am. The third staff has chords Bb, F, Bb, C7, and F.

1. Lord, bid your servant go in peace,  
your word is now fulfilled.  
These eyes have seen salvation's  
dawn,  
this child so long foretold.
2. This is the Saviour of the world,  
the Gentiles' promised light,  
God's glory dwelling in our midst,  
the joy of Israel.
3. This child shall see in Israel  
so many rise or fall;  
God's sign raised high for all to see,  
which yet shall be denied.
4. His mother's soul a sword shall  
pierce  
of sorrow keen and deep.  
From many hearts their secret  
thoughts  
through him shall be revealed.

5. Bless'd be the Father, who has given  
his Son to be our Lord,  
blessed too that Son, and with them both  
the Spirit of their love.

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## GOSPEL READING

*Please stand*



### Alleluia, **Alleluia**

This is the light of revelation to the nations,  
and the glory of your people, Israel,

### **Alleluia**

The Lord be with you: **And also with you.**

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

### **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, ‘Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord’), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, ‘a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.’ Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, ‘Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in

the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.’ And the child’s father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, ‘This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.’ There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him. (Luke 2:22-40)

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

SERMON

*Please be seated*

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.**

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

*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**

PEACE

*Please stand*

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

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

# THE OFFERTORY HYMN TIS 134/CWB II 427

*Gtr. Capo 2* D(C) A7(G7) D(C) G(F) D(C) G(F)

G(F) Em(Dm) A(G) F#(E) F#7(E7) Bm(Am)

E7(D7) A(G) Bm(Am) E(D) A(G) Bm(Am)

A(G) D(C) A(G) B7(A7) Em(Dm) A7(G7) D(C)

1. In his temple now behold him,  
see the long expected Lord;  
ancient prophets had foretold him;  
god has now fulfilled his word.  
Now to praise him, his redeemed  
shall break forth with one accord.
2. In the arms of her who bore him,  
virgin pure, behold him lie,  
while his aged saints adore him  
e'er in faith and hope they die.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Lo, the incarnate God most high.
3. Jesus, by your presentation,  
when they blest you, weak and  
poor,  
make us see our great salvation,  
seal us with your promise sure,  
And present us in your glory  
to your Father, cleansed and pure.
4. Prince and author of salvation,  
Be your boundless love our theme!  
Jesus, praise to you begiven,  
By the world you did redeem,  
With the Father and the Spirit,  
Lord of majesty supreme.



Text: Luke 2:22-24; Vv 1-3, Henry John Pye 1825-1903; v4 William Cooke 1821-1894  
Tune: Praise My Soul (Lauda Anima) 87.87.87: John Goss 1800-1880. Catholic Workshop Book II Peoples Edition

## PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

... **Blessèd be God for ever.**

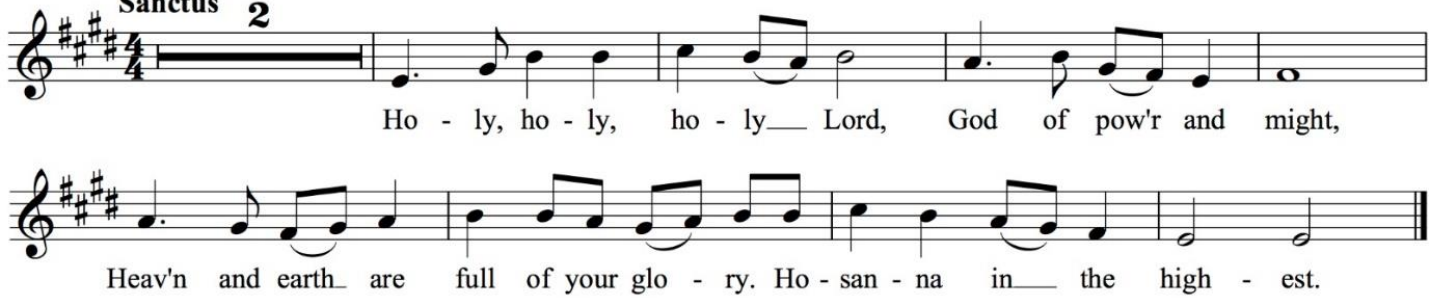
## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

**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.

*The prayer continues*

**Sanctus** 2



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**Benedictus**



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*The prayer continues*

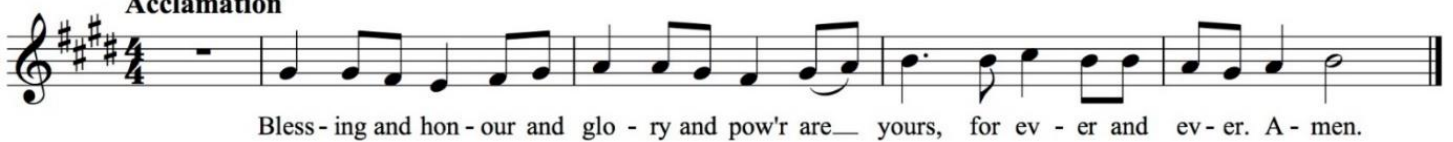
**Acclamation**



Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

*The prayer continues*

**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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**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.**

## BREAKING OF BREAD

*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

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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## COMMUNION

**Anthem:** *'Prayer for the blessing of light'* by M Archer.

## 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 161/A&MRev 112

1. New light has dawned, the Son of God is here,  
a holy light no earthly light outshines:  
the light has dawned, the light that casts out fear,  
the light that evil dreads and love defined.
2. The light of glory shines to angels' song,  
the shepherds run to where a baby lies;  
a servant of the Lord, who waited long,  
acclaims the light to lighten Gentile eyes.
3. And priestly men sit listening to a boy,  
they see the dawning light within his face,  
Such words the hear those Christ-child lips employ!  
Amazing words of wisdom, truth and grace.
4. O Christ, the light who came to us on earth,  
Shine through the shadow cast by human sin;  
Renew the faith you grace at our new birth.  
Destroy the dark, and let your light come in.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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 Isaiah , Kerry & family and Fr Frank Moloney.

Pray also for those whose anniversaries of death fall this week: Ruth Lavinia Houghton and Myrtle Judd.

If there is a name to be included, please email [office@stmarys.org.au](mailto:office@stmarys.org.au)  
(Names will be listed for 1 month unless otherwise specified)

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 **\*\*RESUMES ON THURS 6 FEB 2025\*\*** at 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.

## *St Mary's Parish Notices*

- St Mary's Choir meets on Tues evenings, new members welcome. Please contact [office@stmarys.org.au](mailto:office@stmarys.org.au) or the Director of Music or a chorister.
- Call to preserve summer fruits/vegetables for Autumn Produce Store, date TBC. Please speak to Marion Poynter for details.
- MtE Quarterly Conversations: Minority Report, The New Shape of Australian Politics, George Megalogenis will be held on Fri 7 Feb and Fri 4 April, 11am in the library at the Center for Theology and Ministry. Please register <https://marktheevangelist.unitingchurch.org.au/quarterly-conversations/>
- Registration for 2025 Australian Heritage Festival closes on Mon 10 Feb, for inclusion in Digital Program. Free fundraising opportunity for restoration appeal & boost donations. Please visit <https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/ahf/vic/> or contact [festival@nattrust.com.au](mailto:festival@nattrust.com.au)

- OMSV Function to celebrate retirement of Bishop Andrew St John: Sun 16 Feb, 5pm Grand Evensong, Christ Church South Yarra. Printed flyers at the front porch, please book via <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1340400>
- The ADM is hosting ‘Governance Briefing for Appointees to Boards and Councils’ on Sat 22 Feb & 1 March, 9am-4.30pm at Trinity College Parkville. For those within the Church who have been/will be appointed to boards & councils in the Diocese. \$45, please register <https://www.trybooking.com/CXZCC> or enquire [tcts@trinity.edu.au](mailto:tcts@trinity.edu.au) printed flyers available on the porch.
- Various theatre workshops by Thursday Group & ImPermanence Productions will run across Jan & Feb at St Mary’s Hall. For details <https://www.butohout.com/events/workshop-2025-workshop-1> as well as <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1253834>
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## *St Mary's Roster*

	Sunday 2 Feb 2025 Candlemas/4 <sup>th</sup> After Epiphany	Sunday 9 Feb 2025 5 <sup>th</sup> After Epiphany
8:00am Reader	Judie Bainbridge	Andrew McKinley
10:00am Readers	Peter O'Donoghue Susan Gribben	John Blanch Libby Brookes
Serving Team	Sam Miller (Subdeacon) Alice Christofi Anne Sunderland	Peter O'Donoghue Alice Christofi (C)
Welcome	Adam Wing	Sam Miller (C)
Introduction & Intercession	Alice Christofi	Audrey Statham
Video/AV	Geoff Jenkins	Adam Wing
Kids Corner & Sunday School	Harriet Jenkins/ Rosie Moloney	TBC
Morning Tea	Michael Noble Margaret Noble	Katie Holmes Marion Poynter

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