

Transfiguration Sunday 11 February 2024, 9am

WELCOME to St Peter's Church today. I am delighted that you can join us in worship.

If you are a newcomer or visiting, I especially look forward to meeting you and hope that you feel welcome. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask one of the greeters at the door, or someone in the pew next to you.

I hope you can stay and enjoy morning tea after the service. Rev Mark Wormell.

TODAY'S SERVICE

 SUNG EUCHARIST

 CELEBRANT & PREACHER
 REV. MARK WORMELL

 ORGANIST
 GLENN AMER

CANTOR WARREN FISHER SETTING SHALOM

A Hearing Loop is available in the pews on the left-hand side of the church. Toilets are available in the Lower Hall and a mobility access toilet in the David Armstrong Room.



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

INTROIT

Then shall the righteous shine forth from Elijah

F Mendelssohn

Please stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

- 1 Awake, my soul, and with the sun thy daily stage of duty run; shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise to pay thy morning sacrifice.
- 2 Redeem thy mis-spent time that's past,. Live this day as if 'twere thy last: Improve thy talent with due care; For the great day thyself prepare.
- Let all thy converse be sincere, Thy conscience as the noon-day clear; Think how all-seeing God thy ways And all thy secret thoughts surveys.
- Awake, awake, ye heavenly choir, May your devotion me inspire, That I like you my age may spend, Like you may on my God attend.
- 5 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Thomas Ken, 1637 - 1711

Tune: Morning Hymn

The Lord's Table is censed with the prayer that God will spiritually 'feed' us through our service today, that we may be equipped to follow Christ in obedience and faith. Incense is a symbol of the prayers of God's people. The Celebrant welcomes the people with a greeting.

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

SENTENCE

Celebrant

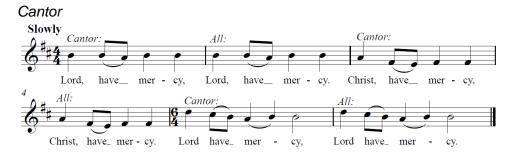
It is God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 4.6

Celebrant

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 ELEISON



THE CONFESSION

Senior Server

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

Silence may be kept.

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.

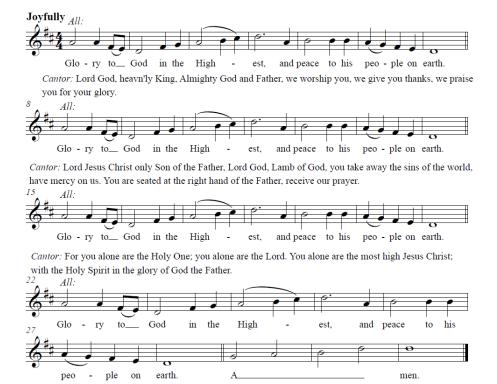
Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant

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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

Everliving God, your Son, Jesus Christ, healed the lepers and brought good news to the despised and outcast: grant us your gifts of compassion and self-control, that in serving others in their need we may strive for the imperishable wreath that you bestow on all who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

CATECHISM

1. WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY GRACE?

Grace is the loving kindness of God towards us, completely undeserved by us. (Joel 2:13) It is especially shown in that mercy by which he forgives us, not because of what we do, but through our faith in Christ. (Ephesians 2:8, 9) By his grace he prepares good works for us to walk in and enables us by the leading of his Spirit to do them. (Ephesians 2:10)

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD Please sit

FIRST READING

A reading from the second book of Kings 5: 1-14

¹ Now Naaman was commander of the army of the king of Aram. He was a great man in the sight of his master and highly regarded, because through him the Lord had given victory to Aram. He was a valiant soldier, but he had leprosv.² Now bands of raiders from Aram had gone out and had taken captive a young girl from Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, 'If only my master would see the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.' ⁴ Naaman went to his master and told him what the girl from Israel had said. ⁵ 'By all means, go,' the king of Aram replied. 'I will send a letter to the king of Israel.' So Naaman left, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold and ten sets of clothing. ⁶ The letter that he took to the king of Israel read: 'With this letter I am sending my servant Naaman to you so that you may cure him of his leprosy.' 7 As soon as the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his robes and said, 'Am I God? Can I kill and bring back to life? Why does this fellow send someone to me to be cured of his leprosy? See how he is trying to pick a guarrel with me!' ⁸ When Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his robes, he sent him this message: 'Why have you torn your robes? Make the man come to me and he will know that there is a prophet in Israel.' 9 So Naaman went with his horses and chariots and stopped at the door of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to say to him, 'Go, wash yourself seven times in the Jordan, and your flesh will be

restored and you will be cleansed.' ¹¹ But Naaman went away angry and said, 'I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, wave his hand over the spot and cure me of my leprosy. ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Couldn't I wash in them and be cleansed?' So he turned and went off in a rage. ¹³ Naaman's servants went to him and said, 'My father, if the prophet had told you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much more, then, when he tells you, "Wash and be cleansed"!' ¹⁴ So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy.

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



- I will exalt you O Lord for you have drawn me | up from the | depths:
 and have not suffered my | foes to | triumph | over me.
- 2 O Lord my | God I | cried to you: and | you have | made me | whole.
- 3 You brought me back O Lord from the | land of | silence: you saved my life from among | those that • go | down • to the | Pit.
- 4 Sing praises to the Lord all | you his | faithful ones: and give | thanks • to his | holy | name.
- 5 For if in his anger is havoc in his good | favour is | life: heaviness may endure for a night but | joy comes | in the | morning.

6	In my prosperity I said 'I shall never • be moved: your goodness O Lord has set me • on so firm a hill.'	
7	Then you hid your face from me: and I was greatly • dis mayed	
8	I cried to you O God: and made my petition humbly to my Lord.	
9	'What profit is there in my blood if I go down • to the Pit: can the dust give you thanks _ or de clare your faithfulness?	
10	'Hear O Lord • and be merciful: O Lord be my helper.'	
11	You have turned my lamentation into dancing: you have put off my sackcloth and girded me with joy,	
12	That my heart may sing your praise and never • be silent:	

O Lord my God I will | give you | thanks for|ever.

SECOND READING

A reading from the First letter of Paul to the Corinthians 9:24 - 27

²⁴ Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. ²⁵ Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last for ever. ²⁶ Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air. ²⁷ No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is my delight, listen to him. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Celebrant The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark 9:2 - 9

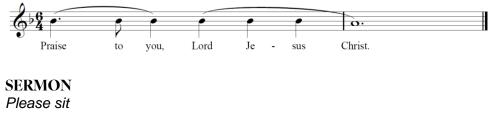


The gospel is censed with the prayer that God will place his word in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts.

After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. ³ His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. ⁴ And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

⁵ Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." ⁶ (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.) ⁷ Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" ⁸ Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus. ⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

This is the gospel of the Lord.



Tune: Binchester

HYMN Please stand

- 1 Happy are they, they that love God, Whose hearts have Christ confest, Who by his Cross have found their life, And 'neath his yoke their rest.
- 2 Glad is the praise, sweet are the songs, When they together sing; And strong the prayers that bow the ear Of heaven's eternal King.
- 3 Christ to their homes giveth his peace, And makes their loves his own: But ah, what tares the evil one Hath in his garden sown!
- 4 Sad were our lot, evil this earth, Did not its sorrows prove The path whereby the sheep may find The fold of Jesu's love.
- 5 Then shall they know, they that love him, How all their pain is good; And death itself cannot unbind Their happy brotherhood.

Charles Coffin 1676 - 1749

THE NICENE CREED

Senior Server Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

All 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

Senior Server Let us pray for the world and for the Church. *Please sit/kneel*

Each petition ends with this response: Lord, transfigure and heal. **Lord hear our prayer**

As our Saviour 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

PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

All stand

Celebrant

Jesus said: 'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest'. *Matthew 11:28*

- We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.
- We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore gracious Lord,

so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Celebrant We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

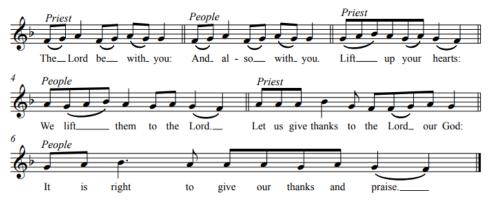
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace with a handshake and greeting, "Peace be with you".

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Cantor



Celebrant

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, ever living God.

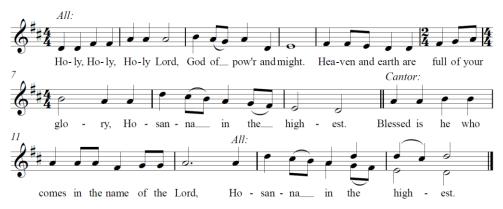
We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

You anointed him Messiah, the light of the nations, and revealed him as the hope of all who thirst for righteousness and peace.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

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:

Cantor



Celebrant

And now, gracious God, we thank you for these gifts of bread and wine, and pray that we who receive them, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, according to our Saviour's word, in remembrance of his suffering and death, may share his body and blood.

On the night before he died, 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.'

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.

Cantor

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith,

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring with us 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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

The celebrant breaks the bread.

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



INVITATION

Celebrant

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.

As the sacrament is received the communicant responds. Amen.

All baptised Christians who love and serve the Lord Jesus are welcome to join in the sharing of Holy Communion. If you are not yet ready to receive Communion, we encourage you to come forward for a prayer of blessing. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by holding your hands behind your back.

Alcoholic wine is available in the Common Cup, and both alcoholic and non-alcoholic wine is available in individual cups. If you prefer an individual cup, please take one on your way to the Communion Rail and wait until chalice bearer says the Words for the Giving of Communion before drinking.

As the sacrament is received the communicant responds. Amen. After receiving communion, the congregation sits or kneels. Silence for prayerful reflection may be kept.

Cantor

Jesu, joy of man's desiring Text M Jahn, Music J. S. Bach.

SENTENCE

Celebrant

Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" Mark 9:7

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand

Let us pray.

God of the nations, we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament. Guide us by your presence, that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness and establish your justice in the earth. **Amen**

NOTICES Please sit

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Celebrant

Gracious God, all things come from you, and you teach us to be generous with what we have. We pray that our gifts may be wisely used for the ministry of the gospel and the relief of those in need, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

GOD'S BLESSING

Celebrant

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the P blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with your always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN Please stand

Tune: Monks Gate

- He who would valiant be 'Gainst all disaster, Let him in constancy Follow the Master. There's no discouragement Shall make him once relent His first avowed intent To be a pilgrim.
- 2 Who so beset him round With dismal stories, Do but themselves confound--His strength the more is. No foes shall stay his might, Though he with giants fight: He will make good his right To be a pilgrim.
- Since, Lord, thou dost defend Us with thy Spirit, We know we at the end Shall life inherit. Then fancies flee away! I'll fear not what men say, I'll labor night and day To be a pilgrim.

Percy Dearmer 1867 - 1936

ORGAN POSTLUDE

As a courtesy to those who remain in the church to listen to the organ postlude in its entirety, you are encouraged to enjoy conversation and fellowship outside the building.

PARISH BULLETIN WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

FOR GOD'S KINGDOM

Lord our God, giver of all grace, have mercy on your Church throughout the world. Renew its life; restore its unity; sanctify its worship; empower its witness; and make it a fit instrument for the furtherance of Christ's kingdom among all people, to the glory of his great name. Amen.

THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

We pray for the Anglican Communion, for Justin of Canterbury, Geoffrey, Primate of Australia, Kanishka our Archbishop and Bishop Chris and Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH AND LOCAL CHURCHES

For our Locum Rev'd Mark Wormell and our Honorary Associate Minister Peter Watson. We pray for Mosman Uniting Church.

PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY

Local, State, and Federal Governments and Leaders; Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition, our Federal Member for North Sydney; State Premier and Leader of the Opposition, State Member for Willoughby; Mayor of North Sydney and local Councillors.

PRAY FOR MINISTRY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS

We pray for Nungalinya College and for its students and teachers.

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

International, National, and local charities and organisations that seek to alleviate suffering among the world's poorest, most needy, or most vulnerable.

OUR PARISHIONERS

Lynette Scott, Peter Smith, Graham & Lizzie St Quintin, Gill Stemp and Kate Taubman.

THE SICK

Those requiring on-going prayer.

Anna Fung, Sofia Awad, Anne Blake, Bobbie Dee Deal, Robin Dodd, Edwina Lambkin, Marty McCallum, Michael Pollak, Gill Stemp, Susan Upton, Anne Vernon, Gigi, Helen, Janne, JJ, Pamela, Margie & Rein, Jane, Jenny and Sally, Louise, Lyn, Russ McLean

Those in residential care

Fr Robert Alexander, Judy Chapman, Kathy Moss, Patricia Reuben, Stan Thomas, Helen Ramsay.

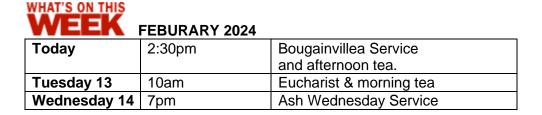
Faithful departed

We praise God for his faithful servants in every age. We pray that we, with all who have died in the faith of Christ, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of God's eternal kingdom.

We remember the recently deceased and we also remember those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

SEARCH FOR A NEW RECTOR

Please remember the parish nominators and diocesan nominators as we look for a new shepherd for St Peter's. Patience, Wisdom and Unity are significant needs before, during and after our deliberations, undergirded with prayer. Helen, Bronwyn, John, Bruce and Edwina



ASH WEDNESDAY – 14 FEBRUARY AT 7PM

This year Ash Wednesday falls on 14 February. The service will be held at 7pm.

EASTER WEEK SERVICES - ASSISTANCE NEEDED PLEASE

We need assistance with the Easter week services. If you will be around and able to assist can you please let Anna Reed-Stephenson know (reed_stephenson@hotmail.com). The following volunteers are required:

Maundy Thursday - 28 March 7pm

- Welcomer
- Sidesperson
- Readers
- Chalice
- Sacristy Linen

Good Friday, Stations of the Cross - 29 March - 10am

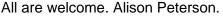
- Welcomer
- Sidesperson

Good Friday, Passion, 29 March - 3pm

- Welcomer
- Sidesperson
- Readers

CRAFTERS - TUESDAY 20 FEBRUARY

The first meeting of the Crafter's Group will be held in the DA Room on Tuesday 20 February, 11am – 12:30pm. We will be choosing ABM mission for this year and the proposed fundraising events.





TWO CONCERTS - FEATURING GLENN AMER - ALL WELCOME

Hear Glenn tell the story of his musical life: Glen St Theatre Monday 4 March 2024 at 11am. Bookings through the box office, 9470 5913.



"Organ at the Opera" on the four manual pipe organ. St Andrew's Cathedral in Sydney Thursday 7 March 2024 at 1pm Bookings not required! \$10 donation at the door.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The Memorial Flower calendar for 2024 is now on the wall with the rosters in the David Armstrong Room.

If you would like a bowl of flowers done to remember a member of your family or a friend who has died, or perhaps some other significant occasion, please write

your name in the square showing the week of the month you have chosen and the name/s of the person/s to be remembered.

A bowl of flowers will be done and will rest on the table near the offertory basket near the West Door. There will be a notice on the vase and a notice in the pew sheet that week.

The cost of the flowers for this year is \$60.00. We ask you to put this sum in cash in an envelope and either:

- · leave it in the office with the Parish Manager clearly marked,
- · give it to Cheryl or Edwina personally, or
- · give it to a warden

and it will be given to the person arranging the flowers.

Reminder: It is a custom at St Peter's that Lent and Advent are flower free weeks. Cheryl Dunn and Edwina Waddy Flower Ministry



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 17 MARCH

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish will be held on Sunday 17 March 2024 after the 9am service. Thank you. Wardens.



VOLUNTEERS - FIRST AID CERTIFICATION

We are looking for volunteers who have First Aid certification. We need to have trained volunteers at services and events who would be willing to assist should there be an incident. If you are certified and willing to assist in this area please contact the Wardens at wardens@stpeterscremorne.org.au. Thank you.

SUNDAY ROSTERS

	This week	Ash Wednesday	Next Week
	11 February	14 February	18 February 2024
First Reading	2 Kings 5: 1-4	Joel 2:1-2, 12-17	Genesis 9:8-17
Psalm	Psalm 30	Psalm 51	Psalm 25: 1-10
Second	1 Corinthians	Corinthians 5:20	1 Peter 3: 18 - 22
Reading	9:24 - 27	- 6:10	
Gospel	Mark 1:40 - 45	Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21	Mark 1: 9 - 15
Preacher	Rev Mark Wormell	Rev Mark Wormell	Rev Mark Wormell
Celebrant	Rev Mark	Rev Mark	Rev Mark Wormell
	Wormell	Wormell	
Senior Server	Roy Bartlett		Gordon Heathcote
Crucifer	John Halford		Laura Mock
Thurifer	Roy Bartlett		
Acolyte			
Welcomer	Noreen Bernie	Anna Reed- Stephensen	Margaret MacNabb
Sideperson	Peter Watson		Bronwyn Lihou
Readers	Margaret MacNabb Phillip Wood	Margaret MacNabb Barbara Gordon	Suzanne Paul Audrey Bradshaw
Intercessor	Edwina Waddy		Ruth Cohen
Chalice	Bronwyn Lihou		Bronwyn Lihou
Livestream	Prabhu Boddu	Taylor Mock	Enzo Macchiavelli
Morning tea	Graham St		Anna Reed-
-	Quintin		Stephenson
	Lizzie St Quintin		Audrey Bradshaw
Sacristy Linen	Edwina Waddy	Anna Reed- Stephensen	Audrey Bradshaw