

17 August 2025 | 9am Mary, Mother of Our Lord

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, Acting Rector.

Today's Service

Solemn Eucharist

CELEBRANT & PREACHER REV. MARK WORMELL

ORGANIST GLENN AMER

CANTOR WARREN FISHER

SETTING SHALOM

Rejoicing Together In Christ

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.

Blessed has believed that the Lord yould fulfill His promises to her! Luke 1:45

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

INTROIT

All stand

Cantor

O glorious maid, exalted far (plainchant)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Please stand Tune: Woodlands

- Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
 Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
 tender to me the promise of his word;
 in God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.
- Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!
 Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
 his mercy sure, from age to age to same;
 his holy Name--the Lord, the Mighty One.
- Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
 Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
 Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight, the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
- 4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
 Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord to children's children and for evermore!

Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1926 - 2024

The Celebrant greets the people with a welcome.

♣ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you.

And also with you.

SENTENCE

The Lord said: "I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

Genisis 3:15

Let us pray.

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

God shows great love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

Silence

Let us then confess 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.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech you, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah 61:10 – 62:3

I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God. For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of his righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. ¹¹ For as the soil makes the young plant come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations.62 ¹ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her vindication shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch. ² The nations will see your vindication, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will bestow. ³ You will be a crown of splendour in the Lord 's hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Hear the Word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

SONG OF MARY

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord: my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, Who has looked with favour on his lowly servant: from this day all generations will call me blessed. The Almighty has done great things for me: and holy is his name. God has mercy on those who fear him: from generation to generation. The Lord has shown strength with his arm: and scattered the proud in their conceit. Casting down the mighty from their thrones: and lifting up the lowly. God has filled the hungry with good things: and sent the rich away empty. He has come to the aid of his servant Israel: to remember the promise of mercy. The promise made to our forebears: to Abraham and his children for ever.

THE SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians 4:4 - 7

But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. ⁶ Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, 'Abba, Father.' ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.

Hear the Word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

All stand

Cantor

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

When they went to the city of David to be registered, Mary gave birth to her firstborn son, and laid him in a manger.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 2:1 - 17



In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. ² (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) ³ And everyone went to their own town to register. ⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON Please sit

HYMN Tune: Stabat Mater

Please stand

At the Cross her station keeping,
 Stood the mournful Mother weeping,
 Close to Jesus at the last.
 Through her soul, of joy bereaved,
 Bowed with anguish, deeply grieved,
 Now at lengthy the sword hath passed.

- Who on Christ's dear Mother gazing, In her trouble so amazing, Born of woman, would not weep? Who on Christ's dear Mother thinking, Such a cup of sorrow drinking, Would not share her sorrow deep?
- For his people's sins, in anguish,
 There she saw the victim languish,
 Bleed in torments, bleed and die:
 Saw the Lord's anointed taken;
 Saw her Child in death forsaken,
 Heard his last expiring cry.
- In the Passion of my Maker,
 Be my sinful soul partaker,
 May I bear with her my part;
 Of his Passion bear the token,
 In a spirit bowed and broken
 Bear his death within my heart.
- Jesu, may thy Cross defend me, And thy saving death befriend me, Cherished by thy deathless grace; When to dust my dust returneth, Grant a soul that to thee yearneth In thy Paradise a place.

13th century Latin

THE NICENE CREED

Senior Server

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

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.

he suffered death and was buried.

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;

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.

All sit/kneel

Periods of silence may be briefly kept for personal prayer. Each petition ends with this response: Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord. As Christ has taught us, we 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

Hear the words of assurance for those who truly turn to Christ:

Jesus said: Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11.28

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3.16

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

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 are invited to greet those immediately around them with the words, "Peace be with you" "And also with you".

OFFERTORY HYMN

Please stand

Sing we of the blessèd Mother who received the angel's word, and obedient to his summons bore in love the infant Lord; sing we of the joys of Mary at whose breast that child was fed who is Son of God eternal and the everlasting Bread.

- 2 Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows, of the sword that pierced her through, when beneath the cross of Jesus she his weight of suffering knew, looked upon her Son and Saviour reigning high on Calvary's tree, saw the price of man's redemption paid to set the sinner free.
- 3 Sing again the joys of Mary when she saw the risen Lord, and in prayer with Christ's apostles, waited on his promised word: from on high the blazing glory of the Spirit's presence came, heavenly breath of God's own being, manifest through wind and flame.
- 4 Sing the chiefest joy of Mary when on earth her work was done, and the Lord of all creation brought her to his heavenly home:
 Virgin Mother, Mary blessèd, raised on high and crowned with grace, may your Son, the world's redeemer, grant us all to see his face.

G. B. Timms, 1910 - 1997

Tune: Hyfrydol

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Celebrant: Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

Response: Blessed be God for ever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

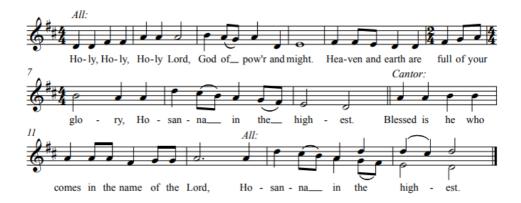


All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, ever living God.

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

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:



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 when 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.'

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 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.



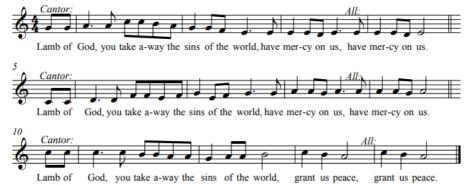
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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.





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.

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.

After receiving communion, the congregation sits or kneels. Silence for prayerful reflection may be kept.

Song from Cantor Ave Maria (1825) (Franz Schubert, 1797-1828)

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Ave Maria, gratia plena,	Hail Mary, full of grace,	
Maria, gratia plena,	Mary, full of grace,	
Maria, gratia plena,	Mary, full of grace,	
Ave, Ave, Dominus,	Hail, Hail, the Lord	
Dominus tecum.	The Lord is with thee.	
Benedicta tu in mulieribus, et	Blessed art thou among women, and	
benedictus,	blessed,	
Et benedictus fructus ventris (tui),	Blessed is the fruit of thy womb,	
Ventris tui, Jesus.	Thy womb, Jesus.	
Ave Maria!	Hail Mary!	
Sancta Maria, Mater Dei,	Holy Mary, Mother of God,	
Ora pro nobis peccatoribus,	Pray for us sinners,	
Ora, ora pro nobis;	Pray, pray for us;	
Ora, ora pro nobis peccatoribus,	Pray for us sinners	
Nunc et in hora mortis,	Now, and at the hour of our death,	
In hora mortis nostrae.	The hour of our death.	
In hora, hora mortis nostrae	The hour, the hour of our death,	
In hora mortis nostrae.	The hour of our death.	
Ave Maria!	Hail Mary!	

SENTENCE

But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship.

Galatians 4:4 - 5

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand

Let us pray.

Gracious God, we thank you that in this sacrament you assure us of your goodness and love. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and help us grow in love and obedience that we may serve you in the world and finally be brought to that table where all your saints feast with you for ever.

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.

NOTICES

Please be seated

GOD'S BLESSING

Please stand

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Senior Server

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ, Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

1 Father of heaven, whose love profound A ransom for our souls hath found, Before thy throne we sinners bend: To us thy pardoning love extend.

- Almighty Son, incarnate Word,
 Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,
 Before thy throne we sinners bend:
 To us thy saving grace extend.
- 3 Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
 The soul is raised from sin and death,
 Before thy throne we sinners bend:
 To us thy quickening power extend.
- 4 Thrice Holy! Father, Spirit, Son,
 Mysterious Godhead, Three in One,
 Before thy throne we sinners bend:
 Grace, pardon, life to us extend. Amen.

Edward Cooper, 1770 - 1833

Tune: Rievaulx

ORGAN POSTLUDE

The sanctuary party leaves and the congregation sits. 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.

OFFERTORY

On the table at the entrance to the church building there is a basket for financial gifts, and also an electronic card reader to accept donations by credit or debit card.

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 the Church of England as it chooses a new Archbishop of Canterbury, Geoffrey, Primate of Australia, Kanishka our Archbishop and Bishop Chris and The Scottish Episcopal Church.

PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH AND LOCAL CHURCHES

For our Acting Rector Rev'd Mark Wormell and our Honorary Associate Minister Bishop Peter Watson. We also pray for the staff and parishioners of Mosman Uniting Church.

PRAY FOR MINISTRY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Taldumande Youth Services.

PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY

State Member for Willoughby; Tim James.

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

Persecuted Christians, especially those in the most dangerous countries for Christians: North Korea, Syria, Somalia, Yemen, Eritrea, Libya, Nigeria, Pakistan, Iran, Afghanistan, Sudan, and India.

OUR PARISHIONERS

John Halford, Neil and Pamela Hardie, Gordon Heathcote, Dyson Heydon and Thos Hodgson.

THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR ONGOING PRAYER

Janne, Pamela, Margie & Rein, Russ McLean, Bobbie Dee Deal, Val and Lynette.

THOSE IN RESIDENTIAL CARE - Fr Robert Alexander, Judy Chapman, Kathy Moss, Patricia Reuben, Stan Thomas, Anne Blake, Sofia Awad, Ivonne Awad, Gill Stemp and those who attend our monthly services at Bougainvillea, Neutral Bay and BUPA Mosman.

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.

Today we remember those whose anniversary occurs at this time, and the recently deceased.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

August 2025

Sun 17 Aug	2:30pm	Service at Bougainvillea
Tues 19 Aug	10am	Eucharist & morning tea
	10am	Bible Study – Café Laon
	11:15am	Crafters
Wed 20 Aug	10am	Men's Bible Study – Parish Meeting
		Room
	7:30pm	Bible Study at a home in Cremorne

CRAFTERS

The next Crafter's meeting will be on Tuesday 19 August at 11:15am in the DA Room. All are welcome to join us. Alison Peterson



CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF THE PNG MARTYRS.

Date: Saturday 6 September

Time: 11:00am

Where: St Luke's Anglican Church, 19 Burton Street, Concord.

Followed by Refreshments in the parish hall. Parking in the grounds. All are welcome.

THIRTY NINE ARTICLES - ARTICLE 3

As we continue with our review of the 39
Articles of religion of the Anglican Church, here is article 3 (the article we called article 3 last week was article 4).

If you have any questions, please contact Father Mark



Of the going down of Christ into Hell. As Christ died for us, and was buried, so also is it to be believed, that he went down into Hell.

SUNDAY ROSTERS

	This week	Next Week
	17 August	24 August
	Mary Mother of our	Pentecost 11
	Lord	
First Reading	Isaiah 61:10 – 62:3	Jeremiah 1.4-10
Psalm	Song of Mary APBA	Psalm 71.1-6
	page 31	
Second Reading	Galatians 4:4-7	Hebrews 12.18-29
Gospel	Luke 2:1 - 17	Luke 13.10-17
Preacher	Rev Mark Wormell	Rev Mark Wormell
Celebrant	Rev Mark Wormell	Rev Mark Wormell
Senior Server	Laura Mock	Gordon Heathcote
Crucifer	Margaret MacNabb	Prabhu Boddu
Thurifer	Roy Bartlett	
Acolyte	Gordon Heathcote	
	Taylor Mock	
Welcomer	Peter Watson	Laura Mock
Sideperson	Margo Watson	Philip Wood
Readers	Margo Watson	Strephon Billinghurst
	Anna Reed-Stephenson	Margo Watson
Intercessor	Cheryl Dunn	Edwina Waddy
Chalice	Kah Lin Wormell	Stefan Trofimovs
Livestream	Prabhu Boddu	Enzo Macciavelli
Morning tea	Anna Reed-Stephenson	Helen Fordham
	Fran Woolley	Noreen Bernie
Sacristy Linen	Cheryl Dunn	Kerrie Trofimovs