The 3rd Sunday in Lent

20 March 2022

Acknowledgement of Country. As a community, we recognise that the church is built and our worship is offered on the traditional lands of the Kaurna people, and close to Tarntanyangga (Victoria Square), which is still an important meeting place for the Kaurna people today. We express our gratitude in the sharing of this land; our sorrow for the personal, spiritual and cultural costs of that sharing; and our hope that we may walk together in harmony, in the spirit of Reconciliation.

COVID Safety and Face Masks. The Emergency Management (Activities—General No 3) (COVID-19) Direction 2021 and the Emergency Management (Activities—Associated Direction No 20) (COVID-19) Direction 2021 provide that face masks must be worn at all times other than when a person is reading or otherwise leading worship.

A ministry of prayer for healing and wholeness will be offered in the Holy Innocents Chapel during the Communion of the People. If you would like to make a note of prayer points or special intentions for prayer, please use the card which is available at the rear of the church.

When the bell rings, all stand and sing the hymn



Rock of ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in thee; Let the water and the blood, From thy riven side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure, Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

- 2 Not the labours of my hands Can fulfil thy law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears for ever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and thou alone.
- 3 Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to thy cross I cling; Naked, come to thee for dress; Helpless, look to thee for grace; Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Saviour, or I die.

4 While I draw this fleeting breath,
When mine eyes are closed in death,
When I soar through tracts unknown,
See thee on thy judgement throne;
Rock of ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in thee.

Augustus Toplady 1740-78

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 25.15-16

The choir sings the Entrance Antiphon.

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

Invocation and Greeting

¥ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The grace and peace of God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Penitential Act

The choir sings

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie Eleison.

The priest, deacon, or another minister, says

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

Silence

Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

All say

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 priest says:

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

Let us pray.

O God, the fountain of life, to a humanity parched with thirst you offer the living water that springs from the Rock, our Saviour Jesus Christ: stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit, that we may profess our faith with freshness and announce with joy the wonder of your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55.1-9

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The LORD says this:

Everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.

For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 63.1-8

- 1 O God, you are my God, and eagerly will I seek you.
- 2 My soul thirsts for you, my flesh longs for you, as in a barren and dry land where no water is.
- 3 Therefore I have looked for you in the sanctuary, that I might behold your power and glory.
- 4 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself: my lips shall give you praise.
- 5 So will I bless you as long as I live, and lift up my hands in your name.
- 6 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
- 7 When I remember you upon my bed, and meditate upon you in the night watches.
- 8 For you have been my helper, and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 10.1–13

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptised into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 4.17

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the word of God!

Repent, says the Lord,

for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the word of God!

Gospel Reading Luke 13.1-9

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

₩ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

There were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them – do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."

For the Gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily Fr Steven Ogden

Profession of Faith

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. 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 for the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The priest may say

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

The prayers may conclude

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.

Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.

God's Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

All stand to sing the chant. Please note that there will be no Collection taken up: offerings of money can be left in the Collection plates at the front and rear of the pews.

During the preparation of the gifts, the chant is sung.



John Bell b.1949

When all is prepared, the priest says,

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Father almighty.

May the Lord accept our sacrifice for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good, and the good of all God's holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

Gracious God, we know your power to triumph over weakness. May we who ask forgiveness be ready to forgive one another, in the name of Jesus the Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

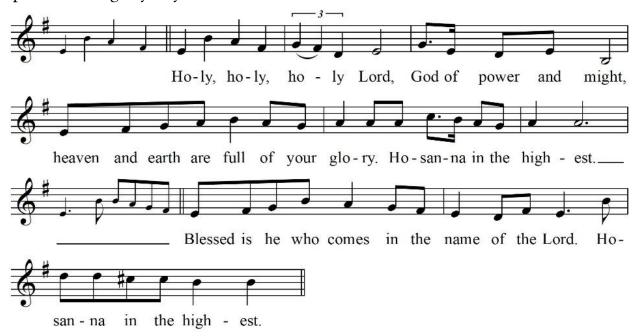
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth, because you bid your faithful people to cleanse their hearts and to prepare with joy for the paschal feast; that reborn through the waters of baptism and renewed in the eucharistic mystery, we may be more fervent in prayer and more generous in the works of your love.

Therefore we raise our voices to you in praise to proclaim the glory of your name.



We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, Father, according to his command, we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection we await his coming in glory; and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen**.

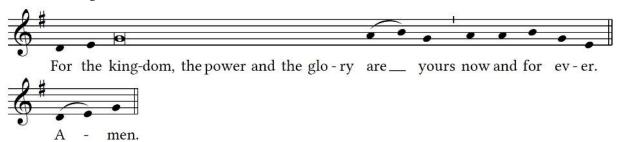
THE COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:



Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.



The Breaking of the Bread

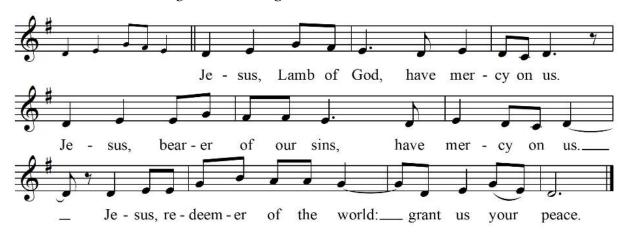
The priest breaks the bread, saying

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.

While the bread is broken Agnus Dei is sung.



Invitation to Communion

The priest says

Behold the Lamb of God,

behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

All receive Holy Communion. Communion will be administered in one kind only. Communicants should approach in single file, maintaining physical distance, returning via the side aisles. Communicants should remove face masks immediately prior to receiving Holy Communion, replacing them afterwards.

Those who are not to receive the Blessed Sacrament are invited to unite themselves with Jesus by making a Spiritual Communion.

Act of Spiritual Communion

St Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there, and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Healing ministry will be offered in the Holy Innocents chapel. Please enter the chapel one at a time. You may wish to record prayer points or remembrances on a piece of paper prior to Mass.

During Communion, the choir sings.

Communion Antiphon

Psalm 84.3-4

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. God of mercy and forgiveness may we who share this sacrament live together in unity and peace, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Postcommunion Hymn



Christian, dost thou see them On the holy ground, How the hosts of Midian Prowl and prowl around? Christian, up and smite them, Counting gain but loss; Smite them by the merit Of the Holy Cross.

- 2 Christian, dost thou feel them.
 How they work within,
 Striving, tempting, luring,
 Goading into sin?
 Christian, never tremble;
 Never be down-cast;
 Smite them by the virtue
 Of the Lenten fast.
- 3 Christian, dost thou hear them,
 How they speak thee fair?
 'Always fast and vigil?
 Always watch and prayer?'
 Christian, answer boldly,
 'While I breathe, I pray:'
 Peace shall follow battle,
 Night shall end in day.
- 4 Well I know thy trouble,
 O my servant true;
 Thou art very weary,-I was weary too;
 But that toil shall make thee
 Some day all mine own,-And the end of sorrow
 Shall be near my throne.'

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Prayer over the People and Blessing

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

As we receive the pledge of things yet hidden in heaven and are nourished while still on earth with the Bread that comes from on high, we humbly entreat you, O Lord, that what is being brought about in us in mystery may come to true completion.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself, that you may find in him crucified a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sin forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, ♣ and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The priest, deacon or another minister says,

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

NOTICES

EVENSONG FOR THE SISTERS OF THE INCARNATION – TODAY AT 5 PM

Anglican religious orders are organisations of laity and/or clergy in the Anglican Communion who live under a common rule. They are distinct from Holy Orders, the sacrament which bishops, priests, and deacons receive, though many members of religious orders are also ordained. Members of religious orders voluntarily commit themselves for life, or a term of years, to holding their possessions in common or in trust; to a celibate life in community; and obedience to their Rule and Constitution.

As members of the community will be aware, Sister Juliana is a member of the Sisters of the Incarnation, an Anglican religious order based in the Diocese of Adelaide. SI was founded in 1981 as a contemporary expression of the Religious Life for women in the Anglican Church. In 1988, the two original sisters made their Profession of Life Intention within the Sisters of the Incarnation, before the Archbishop of Adelaide, who was Visitor of the community.

The Community keeps its annual festival on the Feast of the Annunciation to the Blessed Virgin Mary (25 March), and this year the 40th anniversary of the order will be celebrated at Evensong today at 5 pm. The guest preacher will be the Ven Sam Goodes.

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING, SUNDAY 27 MARCH

The **Annual Vestry Meeting for 2022 will be held after Mass next Sunday 27 March**. This will include the election of a new Parish Council. Might you feel called to share in this ministry? It is also an election year for representatives to the Diocesan Synod (for a three year term). Nomination papers are available today, and should be returned by Sunday 20 March.

Please speak to Fr Steven or either of the Churchwardens if you would like to know more.

Next Sunday is also Refreshment Sunday, the middle Sunday in Lent when The Refreshment Sundays or Rose Sundays are Sundays within the two major fasts observed in the Western church, Lent and Advent. On these days, the fast was allowed to be relaxed, hence the name "Refreshment Sunday". One of the customs on this day is to bless simnel cake, a light fruitcake filled with marzipan or almond paste, widely eaten in the United Kingdom, Ireland and other countries with patterns of migration from them, associated with Lent and Easter. Another custom is for the violet vestments of the season to be replaced with rose vestments, and in some places, for modest displays of flowers to be used for decoration.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

The Wardens are delighted to announce that we have been informed that the process for appointing a permanent priest to the Parish has been given the green light. Bishop Denise Ferguson will chair the committee, which comprises the Wardens (Alison McAllister and Peter Burdon), the current members of the Nomination Committee (John Dow, Ashley Durham and Annmarie van Putten), the area Archdeacon (David Bassett) and two representatives of the Synod of the Diocese. Please pray for all those who are involved, and for our parish community, as we embark on this process.

SPECIAL SERVICES IN LENT

Each **Wednesday** in Lent, prayers will be said in the Church at 7.30 am. The format will be a short reading, 20 minutes of silent prayer/meditation, and a song to conclude, finishing promptly at 8 am. All welcome. If you would like to join "remotely" from home, please let Alison McAllister or Leonie Zadow know.

On **Thursday**, Fr Steven will offer a Lenten study, in person at 10 am, and by Zoom at 7 pm. See the item elsewhere in this newsletter. The regular Thursday Mass will also be said at 12.10 pm, following the Angelus at 12 noon.

On **Friday**, the Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at 6.15 pm.

LENTEN STUDY

Fr Steven's Lenten Study *In love, in hope, in freedom* will be delivered in person and online each Thursday in March.

- Thursday morning: 10am at Bocelli's Caffe, Hutt Street (cr Wakefield Street): free parking in Angas Street. COVID-wise, there are outside tables at Bocelli, under cover.
- Thursday evening: 7pm on Zoom. Please email Fr Steven for an online invitation.

There is still an opportunity to join the study for the remainder of the month, or for individual sessions. Please let Fr Steven know.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Service times in Holy Week and Easter have now been set and are advertised on the rear of these notes and a separately flyer. A few things to note:

- On **Palm Sunday**, everyone is reminded that Mass begins at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at the later time of 10.30 am with the Blessing and Procession of Palms. The procession moves into the streets, and our community then returns to St Mary Magdalene's for Mass. We are delighted that Bishop Denise Ferguson will again be with us on this day, and has been invited to deliver a brief homily at the Cathedral.
- After the 7.30 pm Mass on Maundy Thursday we begin the Watch of the Passion, which is kept throughout the night until the liturgies of Good Friday. If you would like to keep watch for a period of 1 hour during this period, there is a roster at the back of the church when you can nominate a time. During the night hours, security arrangements are in place.

During the week we learnt of the death of **Ossy Grotto**, who with his late wife Joan were stalwart members of the St Mary Magdalene's community for many years. A number of members of the parish will be involved in Ossy's Requiem Mass, which will be offered at St Peter's Cathedral on Friday 25 March at 2 pm.

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Wednesday 7.30 am, Prayer and Meditation

Thursday 12 noon Angelus; 12.10 pm Mass (traditional rite)

Friday 6.15 pm Stations of the Cross

Sunday 10 am Sung Mass with children's ministry and choir

Mass is also offered at St Peter's Cathedral Monday to Friday at 7.30 am, and on Wednesday at 10 am.

Inquiries about Baptisms and Weddings to the Locum Priest.

Confessions or confidential personal time with a priest are always available on request.

Regular Giving and Donations

Financial support for our mission and ministry through electronic funds transfer (EFT) is an efficient way of making regular contributions to your congregation. Regular giving helps us plan for the future and ensures you continue offering support when you can't make it to Church.

Our Details: Bank: Bankwest, 8 Rundle Mall, Adelaide 5000 BSB 305 122, account no 0324654. Reference: Your name

The Magdalene Centre

A partnership in mission between St Mary Magdalene's, St John's Halifax Street, St Peter's Cathedral, and Anglicare SA

82 Gilbert Street, Adelaide Tel (08) 8305 9389

Non-perishable food for those in need can be left in the baskets at the back of the church or delivered to the Magdalene Centre from 12 noon to 3 pm, Monday to Friday.

Donations of cash are welcome via https://anglicaresa.com.au/cause/magdalene-centre/.

The Collective of St Magdalene (Drop-In Centre)

Pray for all those who receive the Collective's weekly support, and who are seeking meals and companionship at other times during the week.

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Next Sunday, 27 March, at 10 am - The 4th Sunday in Lent

Readings: Joshua 5.2–12 • Psalm 32 • 2 Corinthians 5.16–21 • Luke 15.11-32

For Your Prayers

Pray for responsible leadership among the nations as the Covid-19 pandemic continues; pray for an end to racist violence and oppression; pray for peace and justice, especially for refugees, asylum seekers, and those seeking places of safety and security.

Pray for all those who are troubled in body, mind or spirit, especially Paull, Sim, Clarice, Dulcie, Jasmin, Henry, John Edwards (priest), Peter Garland (priest), Mark, and Olivia.

For those who have died. Those who have worked and worshipped in this place before us; those who have died as a result of COVID-19 and in other tragic circumstances; those who have died recently, esecially Ossy Grotto, and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. Rest # eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.



St Mary Magdalene's Adelaide

Join us for Holy Week and Easter

Palm Sunday 10 April

10.30 am Solemn Mass with the St Mark Passion
* beginning at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral *
Bishop Denise Ferguson will preside



Holy Wednesday 13 April

7.30 pm, Tenebrae



Maundy Thursday 14 April

7.30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Transfer of the Blessed Sacrament, Stripping of the Altars

The Watch of the Passion



Good Friday 15 April

10 am The Liturgy of the Day
Solemn Prayers, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion
3 pm Solemn Liturgy
with singing of the St John Passion



Easter Eve 16 April

8 pm The Easter Vigil and the First Mass of Easter Followed by an Easter Cocktail Reception



Easter Sunday 17 April

10 am, Procession and Solemn Mass

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