7th Sunday of Easter

29 May 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.

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.



Hail the day that sees him rise Alleluya! Glorious to his native skies; Alleluya! Christ, awhile to mortals given, Enters now the highest heaven! Alleluya!

- 2 There the glorious triumph waits; Alleluya!, Lift your heads, eternal gates! Alleluya! Christ hath vanquished death and sin; Take the King of glory in. Alleluya!
- 3 Lord, though parted from our sight, Alleluya! Far above yon azure height, Alleluya! Grant our hearts may thither rise, Seeking thee beyond the skies. Alleluya!
- 4 There we shall with thee remain, Alleluya! Partners of thine endless reign; Alleluya! There thy face unclouded see, Find our heaven of heavens in thee. Alleluya!

Charles Wesley, 1707-88

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 27.9-11

The choir sings the Entrance Antiphon.

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face; hide not your face from me, alleluia.

Greeting

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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Christ is risen, alleluia!

He is risen indeed, alleluia!

Penitential Act

The choir sings

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

The priest, deacon, or another minister says

Christ has entered heaven itself there to appear before God on our behalf.

Silence.

Let us therefore draw near in full assurance of faith, and confess our sins to the God of grace.

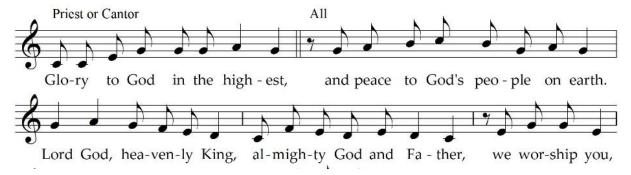
Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love 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.

Hymn of Praise





Collect

Let us pray.

Almighty God,

whose blessed Son before his passion prayed for his disciples

that they might be one, as you and he are one:

grant that your Church,

being bound together in love and obedience to you,

may be united in one body by the one Spirit,

that the world may believe in him whom you have sent,

your Son Jesus Christ our Lord;

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Acts 16.16–34

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.'

The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

For the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 97



The Lord is king: let the earth rejoice;

let the multitude of the isles be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about him;

justice and righteousness are the foundation of his throne. R

His lightnings light up the world;

the earth sees it and is afraid.

The heavens declare his righteousness,

and all the peoples have seen his glory. R

Zion hears and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice,

because of your judgements, O Lord.

For you are the Lord, most high over all the earth:

you deliver your saints from the hand of the ungodly. R

Slight has sprung up for the righteous,

and joyful gladness for such as are true-hearted.

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous,

and give thanks to his holy name. R

Second Reading

Revelation 22.12–21

A reading from the book of Revelation.

I, John, heard a voice saying to me: 'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.'

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and fornicators and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.'

The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.'

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to that person the plagues described in this book; if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away that person's share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.'

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

For the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 14.18

Alleluia, alleluia!

I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;

I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel John 17.20–26

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

▲ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed: 'Holy Father, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

For the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Silence may be kept.

Let us profess the faith of the church:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The priest may say

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

A Prayer in Reconciliation Week

Tahlia Smith, Gureng Gureng and South Sea Islander Woman

Creator God, First and foremost we acknowledge and declare Your Sovereignty. We come before You with thanks and praise for who You are; steadfast, mighty to save, true, merciful, and above all, You are Love.

Jesus, You are our focus and the centre of everything we do. Thank You for being our greatest example of what 'Reconciliation as Love in Action' looks like, through the finished work of the Cross. Justice is part of Your very nature and so we reconcile ourselves with You first so that we can reconcile with others. We put our trust in You afresh, and in all our ways acknowledge You for who You are.

Holy Spirit, we call upon You as we continue our journey of being led by our Aboriginal Christian Leaders, we're pursuing friendship and reconciliation in our lifetime. Comfort us in times of hardship and heartache. When conversations with loved ones around Reconciliation become difficult, speak to us to remind us You're with us and You are love. Cover us and counsel us when decisions seem overwhelming, when we're unsure of the next step to take. Make Your presence known to us Your children as the Prince of Peace.

Continue to guide us as the Good Shepherd, as we continue to seek Your face and not just Your hand.

When the things of Earth are unjust, we exalt You Lord and ask for Heaven and Earth to collide. May Justice roll down and the High King of Heaven have His way among us. We

acknowledge our incessant need for a Saviour, and so we come to You Jesus. We know You are in the business of Reconciliation. True and whole Reconciliation; mind, body and spirit. For Yours is the Kingdom, the power, and in advance, we give You all the glory.

We love You Lord and pray this in Your Name, Amen.

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.

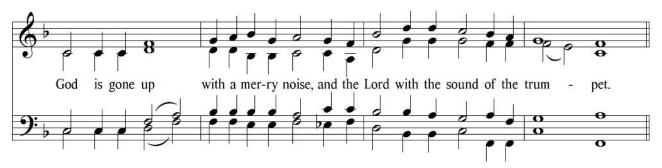
God's Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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



Orlando Gibbons 1583-1625 adapt.

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

Source of all joy, receive our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Keep us in the love of Christ and bring us to the vision of his glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The 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 our thanks and praise.

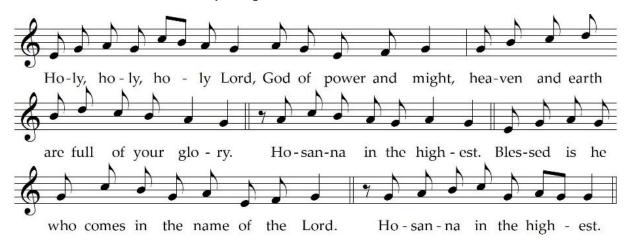
God of majesty, Lord of life and love, Jesus Christ has ascended to heaven, uniting us in the destiny we share.

Today we sing a song for all nations, a new song, the equal music that you promise in your kingdom.

Today we preach the good news, inspired and inspiring, boldly declared, a living witness to our Redeemer.

Today we dance with joy and thanksgiving, a way we find, through neither speech nor language, to realise the Spirit's power.

And so we follow Christ our Light, advancing with all the host of heaven beyond the height of the heavenly powers, and joined by ranks of angels, as we celebrate the wonder of your power:



Lord, you are holy indeed; you enlighten our path with the light of Christ, who has scattered the darkness of heart and mind.

Send your Spirit of truth, the Advocate who pleads our cause, that these gifts, which earth has given and human hands have made, may become for us the body and blood of Jesus Christ, truly human, truly risen, our companion on the road. On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, God of loving-kindness, we gather together, sharing in your passion and resurrection, clothed with the power promised us from on high, our eyes opened in the breaking of the bread.

Great is the mystery of faith:



Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come a - gain.

God of earth and all creation, Breath of life and Fire of love, increase your gifts of grace within us that we may imitate your compassion and build up the body of Christ.

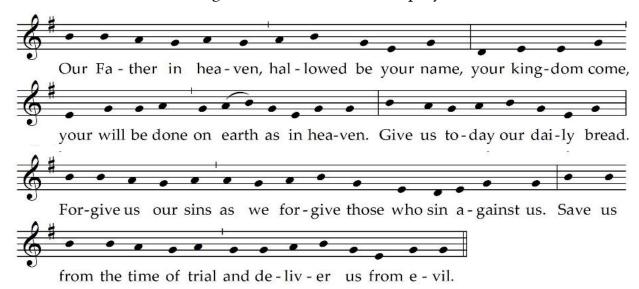
Give us a constant faith and a firm hope, that we may walk with the disciples as heralds and witnesses of justice and peace, enlightened with the flame of faith and inspired by the life you give to the world.

Call us in hope to the glory of heaven, where, with all who praise your name whose records bear witness, and whose art is their prayer, we praise you, many members, one body, in Jesus Christ our Lord; through whom, and with whom, and in whom, O God, almighty Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit all glory and honour is yours for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

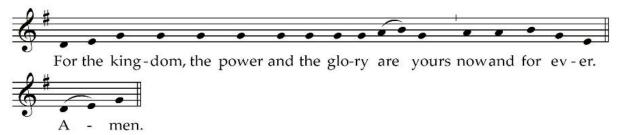
As our Saviour Christ has taught us we are confident to pray:



The Priest continues alone

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.

And all make the prayer their own, singing



The Breaking of the Bread

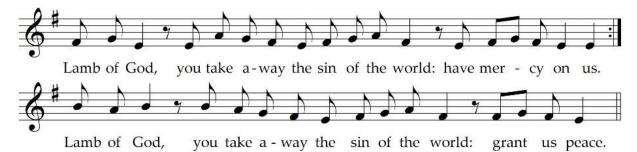
The priest breaks the bread, saying

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 gifts of God for the people of God.

May we who share these gifts be found in Christ, and Christ in us.

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.

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.

Communion Antiphon

John 17.22

Father, I pray that they may be one as we also are one, alleluia.

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, may we who share Christ's banquet be one with him as he is one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, the risen and ascended Lord. **Amen.**

Postcommunion Hymn



The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glory now; a royal diadem adorns the mighty Victor's brow.

- 2 The highest place that heaven affords is his, is his by right, the King of kings and Lord of lords, and heaven's eternal Light:
- 3 The joy of all who dwell above, the joy of all below, to whom he manifests his love, and grants his name to know.
- 4 To them the cross, with all its shame, with all its grace, is given; their name an everlasting name, their joy the joy of heaven.
- 5 They suffer with the Lord below, they reign with him above; their profit and their joy to know the mystery of his love.
- 6 The cross he bore is life and health, though shame and death to him; his people's hope, his people's wealth, their everlasting theme.

A Benediction in Reconciliation Week

With the love of God in our hearts, May we go and be brave.

With the Spirit of life weaving us together, May we seek to make change.

With the dawning of the sun, May hope and healing rise.

With the still water stream, May our eyes be opened wide.

As we go forth, carrying the ministry of Reconciliation, May we be compelled to love, in truth and with action. **Amen.**

Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Christ our exalted king pour upon you his abundant gifts and bring you to reign with him in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, ♣ and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

The Priest, deacon or another minister sings



All respond



While Regina cœli is sung, the priest and ministers move to the Shrine of Our Lady.

Joy to thee, O Queen of heaven, alleluia! He whom thou was meet to bear, alleluia! As he promised hath arisen, alleluia! Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we pray, that with his mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life.
Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

RECONCILIATION WEEK 2022: 26 MAY - 4 JUNE

NATIONAL SORRY DAY

Every May 26 in Australia, National Sorry Day reminds the colonist-descended people of the nation to remember the mistreatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. During the 20th century, Indigenous children were forcibly removed from their families to be "assimilated" into white Australian culture: they are known as the "Stolen Generations." It took several Australian government administrations coming and going before an apology was officially offered to the Indigenous Australians, but it finally was made official, and actions are still being undertaken to this day to repair the damage caused by tearing native families apart.

For the pain, suffering and hurt of these Stolen Generations, their descendants and for their families left behind, we say sorry.

To the mothers and the fathers, the brothers and the sisters, for the breaking up of families and communities, we say sorry.

And for the indignity and degradation thus inflicted on a proud people and a proud culture, we say sorry.

Prime Minister Kevin Rudd, Wednesday, 13 February 2008

This week we are invited to reflect on the continuing injustice that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people experience in Australia today. Indigenous people are 17.3 times more likely to be arrested than non-Indigenous people. Indigenous people are 14.7 times more likely to be imprisoned than non-Indigenous people.

We are invited to pray today for the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement, South Australia's Aboriginal legal practice. ALRM is an Aboriginal community-controlled practice that offers free legal aid specifically to First Nations communities.

Within our parish community, Christopher Charles is the ALRM's principal legal officer. Please pray for Chris and all those who are engaged in and support this vital work.

COMMON GRACE

Common Grace is an online Australian Christian movement for justice. It exists to inspire and organise Australian Christians to think, speak and act like Jesus for a more just world. Common Grace seeks to be a gracious public Christian voice that is both provocative and compassionate, and one that helps to reframe public attitudes toward Christianity.

Coming alongside the theme for National Reconciliation Week 2022, *Be Brave. Make Change.*, Common Grace will be exploring *Reconciliation as Love in Action*. It is important that we commit to pray for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander brothers and sisters - for healing, justice and Reconciliation. Some of the resources prepared for 2022 are included in the Mass today.

Reconciliation SA will host **Nguyanguya muri wamangka**: **Reconciliation in the Park** on Friday 3 June from 4 pm. This is a free, outdoor, family friendly event for all to enjoy on the final day of National Reconciliation Week

When: Friday 3 June 2022

Where: Pinky Flat, Tarntanya Wama, War Memorial Drive, North Adelaide

Gates Open: 4pm

ULURU STATEMENT FROM THE HEART

The *Uluru Statement from the Heart* is a 2017 petition by Australian Aboriginal leaders to change the constitution of Australia to improve the representation of Indigenous Australians.

The statement was released on 26 May 2017, and calls for a First Nations Voice in the Australian Constitution and a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of "agreement-making" and truth-telling between the Australian Government and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The statement references the second part of the 1967 referendum, which brought about changes to the Constitution of Australia to include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in population counts, and gave the Federal Government the power to make laws for Indigenous Australians in the states.

In May 2022 the *Uluru Statement* was endorsed by Labor leader Anthony Albanese on the occasion of his 2022 election victory.

We, gathered at the 2017 National Constitutional Convention, coming from all points of the southern sky, make this statement from the heart:

Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tribes were the first sovereign Nations of the Australian continent and its adjacent islands, and possessed it under our own laws and customs. This our ancestors did, according to the reckoning of our culture, from the Creation, according to the common law from 'time immemorial', and according to science more than 60,000 years ago.

This sovereignty is a spiritual notion: the ancestral tie between the land, or 'mother nature', and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who were born therefrom, remain attached thereto, and must one day return thither to be united with our ancestors. This link is the basis of the ownership of the soil, or better, of sovereignty. It has never been ceded or extinguished, and co-exists with the sovereignty of the Crown.

How could it be otherwise? That peoples possessed a land for sixty millennia and this sacred link disappears from world history in merely the last two hundred years?

With substantive constitutional change and structural reform, we believe this ancient sovereignty can shine through as a fuller expression of Australia's nationhood.

Proportionally, we are the most incarcerated people on the planet. We are not an innately criminal people. Our children are aliened from their families at unprecedented rates. This cannot be because we have no love for them. And our youth languish in detention in obscene numbers. They should be our hope for the future.

These dimensions of our crisis tell plainly the structural nature of our problem. This is the torment of our powerlessness.

We seek constitutional reforms to empower our people and take *a rightful place* in our own country. When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish. They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their country.

We call for the establishment of a First Nations Voice enshrined in the Constitution.

Makarrata is the culmination of our agenda: *the coming together after a struggle*. It captures our aspirations for a fair and truthful relationship with the people of Australia and a better future for our children based on justice and self-determination.

We seek a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of agreement-making between governments and First Nations and truth-telling about our history.

In 1967 we were counted, in 2017 we seek to be heard. We leave base camp and start our trek across this vast country. We invite you to walk with us in a movement of the Australian people for a better future.

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

ThursdaySunday12 noon Regina Coeli; 12.10 pm Mass (traditional rite)Sunday10 am Sung Mass with children's ministry and choir

Mass is 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.

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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 Mary Magdalene (Mary Mags Dinner)

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, 6 June, at 10 am - Pentecost

Readings: Acts 2.1-12 • Psalm 104.26-36 • Romans 8.14-17 • John 14.8-17, 25-27

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, Dulcie, Jasmin, Henry, John Edwards (priest), Peter Garland (priest), Robert Whalley (priest), Mark, Olivia, Nance, Neil, Elaine, and David.