The 15th Sunday after Pentecost 10 September 2023



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.

When the bell rings, all stand and sing the hymn

GAELIC



Jesus calls us here to meet him as, through word and song and prayer, we affirm God's promised presence where his people live and care. Praise the God who keeps his promise; praise the Son who calls us friends; praise the Spirit who, among us, to our hopes and fears attends.

- 2 Jesus calls us to confess him Word of life and Lord of all, sharer of our flesh and frailness, saving all who fail or fall. Tell his holy human story; tell his tales that all may hear; tell the world that Christ in glory came to earth to meet us here.
- 3 Jesus calls us to each other, found in him are no divides.
 Race and class and sex and language such are barriers he derides.
 Join the hand of friend and stranger; join the hands of age and youth; join the faithful and the doubter in their common search for truth.

The choir sings

You are righteous, O Lord; your judgments are upright; treat your servant with merciful love, and teach me your statutes.

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

Mass for 3 Voices (William Byrd)

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

The priest, deacon, or another minister says

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Silence. Then 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:

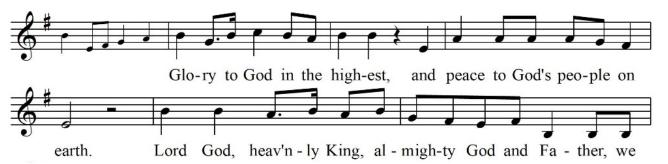
pardon ▶ you and set you free from all your sins,

strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in eternal life,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn of Praise





Collect

Let us pray.

Go before us, O Lord, and further us with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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

Exodus 12.1-14

A reading from the book of Exodus.

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, "This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of

this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn with fire. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the Passover of the LORD. I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, from human to animal, on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

"This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance."

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 149

- 1 Alleluia! Sing to the LORD a new song; his praise in the assembly of the faithful.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in its Maker; let Zion's children exult in their king.
- 3 Let them praise his name with dancing, and make music with timbrel and lyre.
- 4 For the LORD takes delight in his people; and adorns the poor with salvation.
- 5 Let the faithful exult in glory, and rejoice as they take rest.
- 6 Let the praises of God be in their mouths and a two-edged sword in their hand,
- 7 to deal out vengeance to the nations and punishment upon the peoples;
- 8 to bind their kings in chains and their nobles in fetters of iron;
- 9 to carry out the judgement decreed. This is an honour for all his faithful. Alleluia!

New Testament Reading

Romans 13.11-14

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

You know what time it is, how it is already the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone; the day is near. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us walk decently as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled.

Alleluia.

Gospel Reading Matthew 18.10-20

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

▼ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples.

"Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven. What do you think? If a shepherd has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should be lost.

"If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

For the Gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily Fr Steven Ogden

Profession of Faith

All stand.

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.

Daniel 9.4, 17, 19

The choir sings

I prayed to my God, and said: "Hearken, O Lord, unto the prayer of your servant, and cause your face to shine upon your sanctuary; look with forgiveness upon this nation over whom your name has been invoked, O God.

All stand to sing the chant, during which a Collection will be taken up.



John L. 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

Great and holy God, accept our offering of labour and love. May we bring you true and spiritual worship and be one with you.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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.

O God, eternal Wisdom,

all you have made is beautiful and good.

We thank you for darkness and light,

for this earth and for our bodies,

for growth and change

and all that lies beyond our knowledge and imagination.

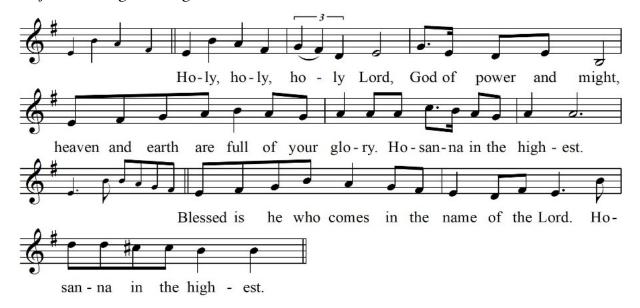
In every generation you befriend your people.

You gave us your holy Law, sent the prophets,

and called us back to the truth whenever we turned away.

You were vindicated in your servant Jesus who came with forgiveness, feasting, and stories of your grace. Though we rejected him, death on a cross could not quench the fire of his love. You raised him up for us, the firstborn from the dead, to build a new community of hope where all are honoured as Christ's equal friends.

And so we praise you with Mary, mother of the living Word, and with all your faithful friends, as we join the angels' song:



God of the feast, your household is hungry for the bread of heaven and the cup of life. Send your Spirit on us and on our celebration, so that we may eat at this table and be satisfied with the sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

On the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with the people he loved. He took the bread, gave you thanks, broke it to share with them, and said: "Take and eat this: it is my body."

Then he took a cup of wine.
Again he thanked you and told them:
"Drink this, all of you: it is my blood, shed for you and for many so that sins may be forgiven.
Whenever you do this, do it in memory of me."

So we delight to remember Jesus: the faithfulness of his life, the victory of his cross, the glory of his resurrection, the joy of the Holy Spirit poured out for the Church. Great is the mystery of faith:



O God, holy Wisdom, merciful and generous, accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Make us good stewards of creation, with justice in our hearts, courage in our actions and power in our speech to bear witness to the truth.

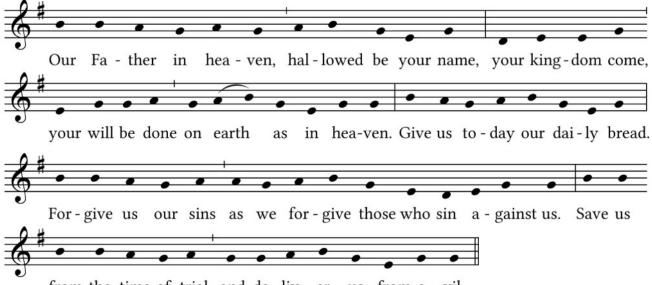
Protect us with your glory, unite your church in loyalty and love, and bring us home with Mary Magdalene and all your saints to feast with you for ever.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, and in the Spirit's grace, with heart and soul and mind and strength we love and worship you alone, O God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

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



from the time of trial and de-liv-er us from e-vil.

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.



For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

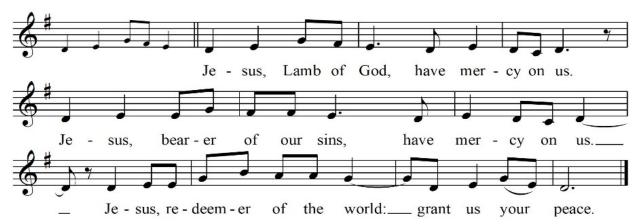
The priest breaks the bread, saying

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, or a blessing, as they prefer. Please approach in single file, returning via the side aisles.

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.

Communion Antiphon

Psalm 76.1, 4

The choir sings

God is renowned in Judah; in Israel his name is great.

Resplendent are you, more majestic than the everlasting mountains.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Father,

your word and sacrament give us food and life.

May we who have shared in holy things

bear fruit to your honour and glory,

in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**



- 1 Holy Spirit, Truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine.Voice of God, and inward Light, wake my spirit, clear my sight.
- 2 Holy Spirit, Love divine, glow within this heart of mine. Kindle ev'ry high desire, purify me with your fire.
- 3 Holy Spirit, Pow'r divine, fill and nerve this will of mine.Boldly may I always live, bravely serve and gladly give.
- 4 Holy Spirit, Joy divine, gladden now this heart of mine. In the desert ways I sing, spring, O living Water, spring!

Samuel Longfellow 1819-92

Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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 upon 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.

Fr Steven writes ... "Mystery, Community, Creativity"

The **Season of Creation** is an annual global movement where Christian communities pray and act to care for God's creation. It arose out of a proclamation in 1989 by the Ecumenical Patriarch that September 1 would be the "Orthodox Day of Prayer for Creation".

Subsequently, the World Council of Churches extended the celebration until October 4, the feast day of St Francis of Assisi. Then in 2015 Pope Francis formalised the observance of the "Season of Creation" in the Roman Catholic Church, particularly in the light of his Encyclical Letter *Laudato si'* "on care for our common home."



We will reflect on the themes of the Season of Creation throughout September. As Chair of the Diocesan Climate Action Working Group, I will be preaching in the Cathedral at the morning Masses today. Then on Sundays 10, 17 and 24 September, I will present a three-part series of reflections at St Mary Magdalene's during the 10 am Mass.

"Mystery, Community, Creativity" - Developing a theology and practice of adaptation

We are over doom-saying climate statistics. We need new ways of thinking and living. In challenging times, then, we need to be grounded in the mystery of love, building compassionate communities, and working together with creativity. This series of reflections on mystery, community and creativity will be based on the following themes

- 10 September Grounded in mystery
- 17 September In Community: Lone heroes do not apply
- 24 September With Creativity: A spirituality about love, curiosity, and trees

Fr Steven

Royal School of Church Music SA Spring Festival - Saturday 14 October

The RSCM Spring Festival will be held on **Saturday 14 October** and will celebrate the 400th anniversary of the Tudor composer William Byrd. We have agreed to host this event which will consist of an all day workshop followed by Evensong at 5 pm. The collection plate will be offered to the Parish.

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Thursday12 noon Angelus; 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 Fr Steven Ogden.

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

Regular Giving and Donations

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The Magdalene Centre

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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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Fr Steven's appointment is part-time. His days on duty are Tuesday to Thursday and Sunday.

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Next Sunday, 17 September, at 10 am - The 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Exodus 14.19-31 • Canticle: from Exodus 15 • Romans 14.1-14 • Matthew 18.21-35

For Your Prayers

Pray for responsible leadership among the nations; pray for an end to 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, Jasmin, John Edwards (priest), Peter Garland (priest), John Parkes (bishop), Stephan Clark (priest), Mark, Nance, Neil, Elaine, Edward, Neil, Hugh, Bart O'Donovan (priest) and Prue O'Donovan (Priest).

Pray for those who have died: those who have worked and worshipped in this place before us; those who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. † Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.