

The 3rd Sunday in Lent

12 March 2023

St Mary Magdalene's
Anglican Church



Founded 1886

Acknowledgement of Country. As a community, we recognise that the church is built and our worship is offered on the traditional lands of the Kurna people, and close to Tarntanyangga (Victoria Square), which is still an important meeting place for the Kurna 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.

When the bell rings, all stand and sing the hymn

PETRA



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

Exodus 17.1–7

A reading from the book of Exodus.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 95

- 1 O come, let us sing unto the LORD; let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving; and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.
- 3 For the LORD is a great God; and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are all the corners of the earth; and the strength of the hills is his also.
- 5 The sea is his, and he made it; and his hands prepared the dry land.
- 6 O come, let us worship and fall down, and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- 7 For he is the Lord our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
- 8 To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;
- 9 When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works.
- 10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said, It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways:
- 11 Unto whom I swear in my wrath, that they should not enter into my rest.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely, therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ through whom we have now received reconciliation.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Cf John 4.42, 15

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

Lord, you really are the Saviour of the world;
give me the living water, so that I may never get thirsty.

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

Gospel Reading

John 4.5–42

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

✠ **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband,' for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have

said is true!” The woman said to him, “Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.” Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.” Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.”

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you want?” or, “Why are you speaking with her?” Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, “Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?” They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, “Rabbi, eat something.” But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” So the disciples said to one another, “Surely no one has brought him something to eat?” Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, ‘Four months more, then comes the harvest’? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.”

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there for two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.”

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

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.

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call up - on - him while he is near.

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.

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.____

_____ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-

san - na in the high - est.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics. The second staff contains the melody for the second line of lyrics. The third staff contains the melody for the third line of lyrics. The lyrics are: "heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.____", "_____ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-", and "san - na in the high - est.".

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.

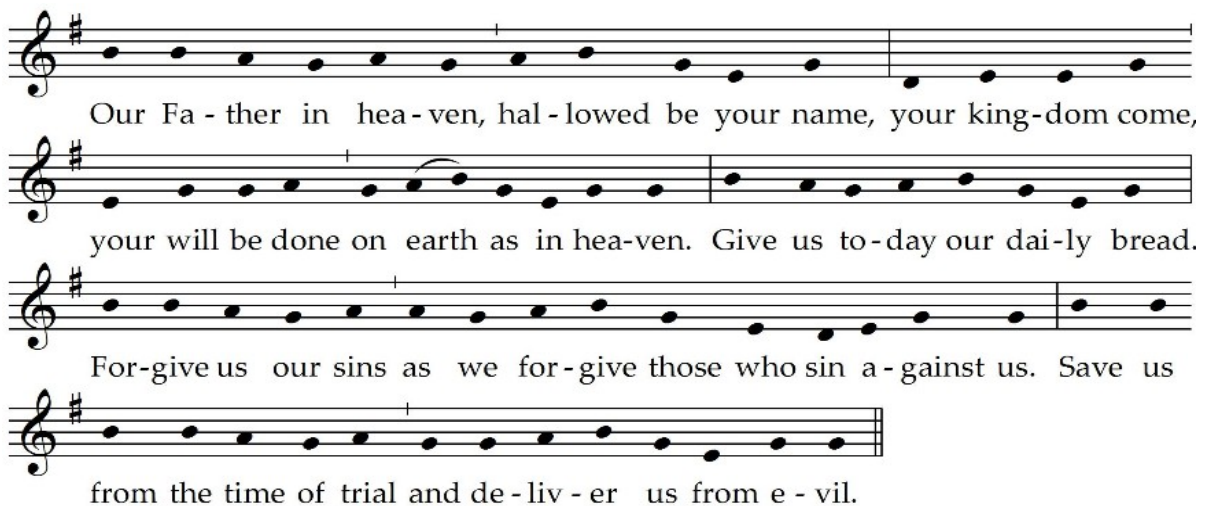
We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

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

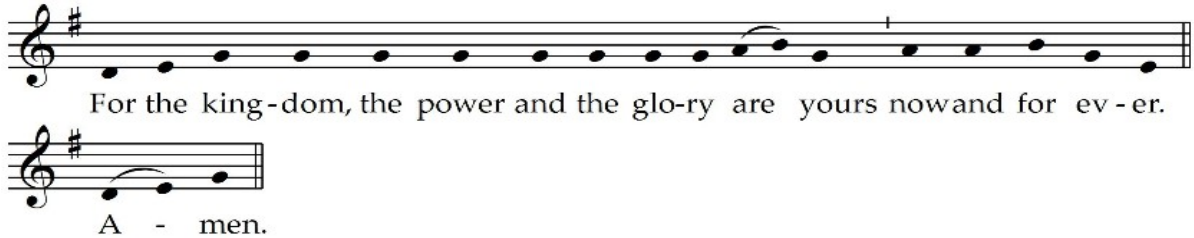
The Lord's Prayer

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



Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come,
your will be done on earth as in hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us
from the time of trial and de - liv - er us from e - vil.

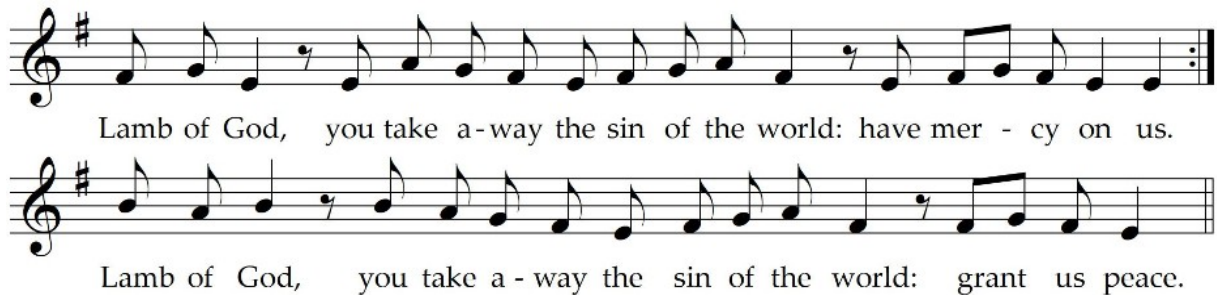
Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.



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 their face masks prior to receiving Holy Communion, replacing them afterwards.

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

KINGS LYNN



**No weight of gold or silver
can measure human worth;
no soul secures its ransom
with all the wealth of earth;
no sinners find their freedom
but by the gift unpriced,
the Lamb of God unblemished,
the precious blood of Christ.**

**2 Our sins, our griefs and troubles,
he bore and made his own;
we hid our faces from him,
rejected and alone.**

**His wounds are for our healing,
our peace is by his pain:
behold, the Man of sorrows,
the Lamb for sinners slain!**

**3 In Christ the past is over,
a new world now begins;
with him we rise to freedom
who saves us from our sins.
We live by faith in Jesus
to make his glory known:
behold the Man of sorrows,
the Lamb upon his 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.**

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.

ADELAIDE FRINGE CONCERTS, 2023 – CONCERT 3 TODAY

The Parish has again registered as a venue in the 2023 Adelaide Fringe and will host three concerts under the title “Marvellous Music at Mary Mags” on Sundays at 2.30 pm.

The first two concerts have been very well attended and received. This afternoon at 2.30 pm some singers from “St Mary Magdalene’s and Friends” will present the “Song of Ascents”, the fifteen Psalms 120–134, sung to classic Anglican chant by South Australian composers.

Tickets at \$23 (\$18 concession) will be available at the door

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING NEXT SUNDAY

The Annual Vestry Meeting will be held after Mass next Sunday. If you wish to nominate for any of the elected positions that are available, please complete a form today and return it to Fr Steven or either of the Churchwardens.

THELMA ZIMMERMAN

We were sad to hear that our long-time worshipper Thelma Zimmerman died on Thursday morning at the grand age of 100 (and a half). Thelma worshipped at St Mary Magdalene’s for many years until old age and failing sight made it difficult for her to get about. She served as a volunteer in the Magdalene Bargain Centre well into her mid 90s. Her enthusiasm for everything to which she made a commitment was her hallmark – in particular, her love of well-polished brass! There is general agreement that St Peter, Our Lady, and the whole company of heaven are presently being instructed on the correct manner of polishing – in Thelma’s own inimitable way.

Funeral arrangements are not yet known, but will be communicated via the weekly newsletter and by other means.

May Thelma rest in peace, and rise in glory. Amen.

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE IN LENT

The customs of **fasting** and **abstinence** have been observed from the earliest times. **Fasting** is understood, these days, to consist of one substantial meal a day, or for small meals to be taken in the morning and evening. **Abstinence** includes not consuming meat, and avoiding luxurious foods generally.

These acts of discipline are especially appropriate in Lent, setting the tone for the season through the call to turn away from sin and to be faithful to the gospel.

Archbishop Geoff invites the people of the diocese to join him, this year, in fasting and prayer on the Wednesdays during Lent. His prayers will focus on two aspects of the “Calls” that arose from the recent Lambeth Conference of Bishops. The Archbishop’s prayer, which he invites us to join, is that we as a Diocesan community, and as individual members of it, might discern **how to bear faithful witness to Christ** and **authentically proclaim the gospel** in our Adelaide context.

Archbishop Geoff reminds us, “The point of fasting with prayer is not to change God’s mind about something (or to lose weight) but to sharpen our awareness of God and our openness to God and to prompt us to pray.”

WORSHIP DURING LENT

During Lent we make additional opportunities for worship available as part of our Lenten discipline. This year, the regular weekly pattern will include

Sunday 10 am, Sung Mass
Wednesday 8 am, Reflection and Prayer
Thursday 12 noon Angelus, 12.10 pm Mass
Friday 6.15 pm, Stations of the Cross

The **Reflection on Wednesday mornings** will be based on Fr Philip Carter's series called "Thin Places" that will also be the blog content for Lent. You can see these reflections on the blog at stmarymagdalenesadelaide.org.

The **Stations of the Cross on Friday** is a 14-step devotion that commemorates Jesus's last day on earth, beginning with the condemnation before Pontius Pilate. The stations are commonly used as a pilgrimage as the individual moves from station to station. At each station, we recall and meditate on a specific event from Christ's last day. Specific prayers are recited, then we move to the next station until all 14 are complete.

The Stations of the Cross are usually in the form of a series of 14 icons or images, such as those hanging in St Mary Magdalene's which are typical of the mid-20th century. The stations are most commonly prayed during Lent on Wednesdays and Fridays.

The text of the Stations is on our web page at <https://stmarymagdalenes.weebly.com/the-stations-of-the-cross.html>

LENTEN STUDY: TRANSFORMATION: THE STORY OF NICODEMUS: 16 - 23 - 30 MARCH

Three-part Lenten study in two groups (Thursday 10am (Parco, 259 Hutt Street) or 7pm on Zoom)

Thu 16 "How can anyone be born after having grown old?" (Jn 3:1-17)

Thu 23 "Never has anyone spoken like this" (Jn 8:45-52)

Thu 30 "They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with spices in linen cloths" (Jn 19:38-42)

A sheet for enrolment in our Lenten Study is available at the back of the church. Please put your name down for either the in-person or on-line offering, as you prefer.

St Mary Magdalene's Anglican Church
Moore Street, Adelaide

Join us for Holy Week and Easter

Palm Sunday 2 April

10.30 am Solemn Mass with the St Matthew Passion
** beginning at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral **
Archbishop Geoff Smith will preside



Holy Wednesday 5 April

7.30 pm, Tenebrae



Maundy Thursday 6 April

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

The Watch of the Passion throughout the night



Good Friday 7 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 8 April

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



Easter Sunday 9 April

10 am, Procession and Solemn Mass

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SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Wednesday	8 am Reflection and Prayer
Thursday	12 noon Angelus; 12.10 pm Mass (traditional rite)
Friday	6.15 pm Stations of the Cross
Sunday	10 am Sung Mass with choir

Mass is offered at St Peter's Cathedral from 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

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 • BSB 305 122 • account no 0324654 • Reference: Your name

The Magdalene Centre

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, 19 March, at 10 am – The 4th Sunday in Lent

Readings: 1 Samuel 16.1-13 • Psalm 23 • Ephesians 5.8-14 • John 9.1-41

For Your Prayers

Pray for responsible leadership among the nations as the COVID-19 pandemic continues; 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, Henry, John Edwards (priest), Peter Garland (priest), Robert Whalley (priest), John Parkes (bishop), Stephan Clark (priest), Mark, Olivia, Nance, Neil, Elaine, Edward, Neil and Joan.

Pray 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, especially Thelma Zimmerman, and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. † *Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*