

The 21st Sunday after Pentecost

22 October 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.

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

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

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 17.6, 8

The choir sings

I have called out because you answer me, O God; incline your ear and hear my words; keep me, O Lord, like the apple of your eye; protect me under the shadow of your wings.

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

William Byrd, Mass for 3 Voices

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

The priest, deacon, or another minister says

Dear friends, to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

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

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on
earth. Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al - migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you

take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are

seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re-ceive our prayer. For

you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone

are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi-rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God,
 in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations:
 grant that your Church throughout the world
 may persevere with steadfast faith
 in proclaiming the cross to be the way that leads to life eternal;
 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

First Reading

Exodus 33.12-23

A reading from the first book of Exodus.

Moses said to the LORD, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favour in my sight.' Now if I have found favour in your sight, please show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favour in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not bring us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favour in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

The LORD said to Moses, "I will do this thing that you have asked, for you have found favour in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Please show me your glory." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you the name, 'The LORD,' and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one shall see me and live." And the LORD continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock, and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back, but my face shall not be seen."

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 99



R The Lord spoke out of the pil - lar of cloud.

- 1 The LORD is king; let the people tremble;
he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
- 2 The LORD is great in Zion;
he is high above all peoples.
- 3 Let them confess his name, which is great and awesome;
he is the Holy One. **R**
- 4 'O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.'
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool;
he is the Holy One. **R**
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his name,
they called upon the LORD and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them. **R**
- 8 'O LORD our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.'
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and worship him upon his holy hill;
for the LORD our God is the Holy One. **R**

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 1.1-10

The beginning of the letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in

word only but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy from the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For they report about us what kind of welcome we had among you and how you turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 17.17

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Your word is truth, O Lord,
consecrate us in the truth.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22.15-33

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Pharisees plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this and whose title?” They answered, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the Caesar the things that are Caesar’s and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and went away.

The same day some Sadducees came to him saying there is no resurrection, and they asked him a question: “Teacher, Moses said, ‘If a man dies childless, his brother shall marry the widow, and raise up children for his brother.’ Now there were seven brothers among us; the first married and died childless, leaving the widow to his brother. The second did the same, so also the third, down to the seventh. Last of all, the woman herself died. In the resurrection, then, whose wife of the seven will she be? For all of them had married her.”

Jesus answered them, “You are wrong because you know neither the scriptures nor the power of God. For in the resurrection people neither marry nor are given in marriage but are like angels of God in heaven. And as for the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was said to you by God, ‘I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob’? He is God not of the dead but of the living.” And when the crowds heard it, they were astounded at his teaching.

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.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Antiphon

Ps 119.47, 48

The choir sings

I shall meditate upon your commandments which I greatly love;
I will extend my hands towards your commandments which I love.

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



Glo - ri - ous in ma - jes - ty, ho - ly in his prais - es, Je - sus, our Sa - viour and our King,
born in time, yet God of old, let us all a - dore him, Filled with the Spi - rit let us sing.

Jeff Cothran 1948-92

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

Eternal God,
your word inspires our faith.
May we who offer you our praise
trust you in all things.
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.

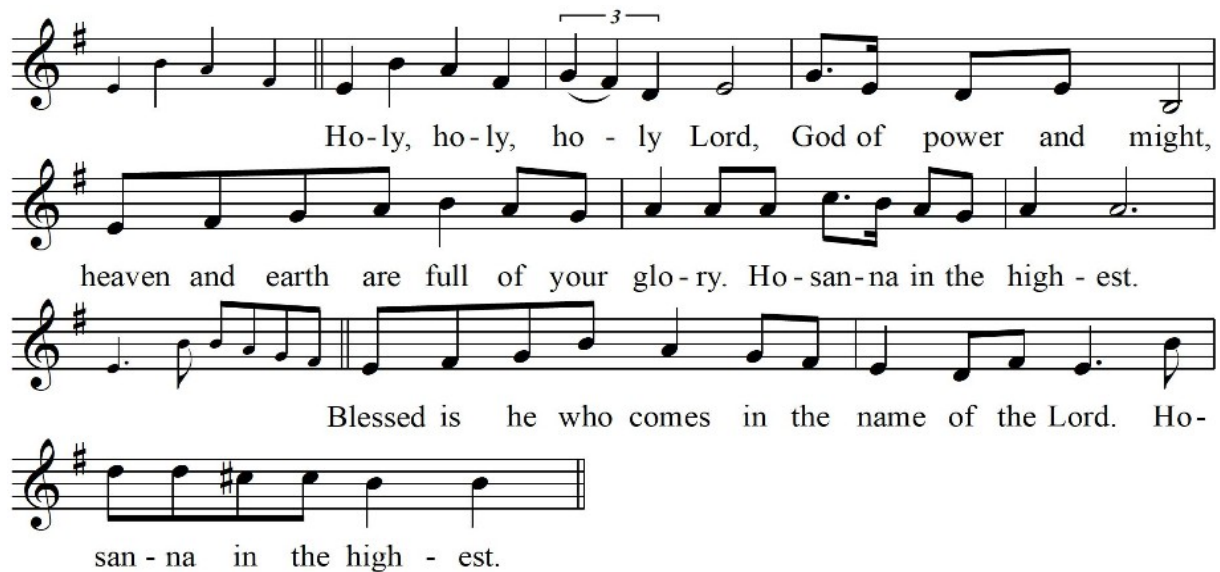
O God, eternal Wisdom,
all you have made is beautiful and good.

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:



The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody starts with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. A double bar line follows. The second staff continues with quarter notes D5, E5, and F#5, then a triplet of quarter notes G5, A5, and B5. The third staff continues with quarter notes C6, B5, A5, and G5. The fourth staff continues with quarter notes F#5, E5, D5, and C5. The fifth staff continues with quarter notes B4, A4, G4, and F#4. The sixth staff continues with quarter notes E4, D4, C4, and B3. The seventh staff continues with quarter notes A3, G3, F#3, and E3. The eighth staff continues with quarter notes D3, C3, B2, and A2. The ninth staff continues with quarter notes G2, F#2, E2, and D2. The tenth staff continues with quarter notes C2, B1, A1, and G1. The eleventh staff continues with quarter notes F#1, E1, D1, and C1. The twelfth staff continues with quarter notes B0, A0, G0, and F#0. The thirteenth staff continues with quarter notes E0, D0, C0, and B0. The fourteenth staff continues with quarter notes A0, G0, F#0, and E0. The fifteenth staff continues with quarter notes D0, C0, B0, and A0. The sixteenth staff continues with quarter notes G0, F#0, E0, and D0. The seventeenth staff continues with quarter notes C0, B0, A0, and G0. The eighteenth staff continues with quarter notes B0, A0, G0, and F#0. The nineteenth staff continues with quarter notes E0, D0, C0, and B0. The twentieth staff continues with quarter notes A0, G0, F#0, and E0. The twenty-first staff continues with quarter notes D0, C0, B0, and A0. The twenty-second staff continues with quarter notes G0, F#0, E0, and D0. The twenty-third staff continues with quarter notes C0, B0, A0, and G0. The twenty-fourth staff continues with quarter notes B0, A0, G0, and F#0. The twenty-fifth staff continues with quarter notes E0, D0, C0, and B0. 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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.

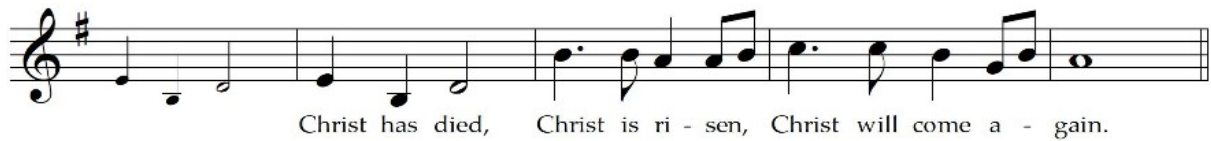
God of the feast, your household is hungry
for the bread of heaven and the cup of life.
Send your Spirit on us and on our celebration,
so that we may eat at this table and be satisfied
with the sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

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:

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.



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.



Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us. —



— Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: — grant us your peace.

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.

During Communion, the choir sings

Communion Antiphon

Ps 8.2

The choir sings

O Lord our governor, how admirable is your name in all the earth.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

God of peace,
you have nourished us in this sacrament
with the body and blood of Christ.
May we who have taken holy things
keep faith in our hearts and lives,
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

All stand to sing the Postcommunion hymn.

CAITHNESS



- O for a closer walk with God,
A calm and heavenly frame;
A light to shine upon the road
That leads me to the Lamb!
- 2 Return, O holy Dove, return,
Sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,
And drove thee from my breast.
- 3 The dearest idol I have known,
Whate'er that idol be,
Help me to tear it from thy throne,
And worship only thee.
- 4 So shall my walk be close with God,
Calm and serene my frame;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads me to the Lamb.

William Cowper 1721-1800

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 ... Adult Inquirers – the Practice of Hope

The response to the initial promotion about a group for those who are interested in exploring opportunities for sacramental expressions of Christian initiation – baptism, confirmation for those who have been baptised, whether as Anglicans or in other Christian churches, or reception of those who are full members of other denominations, has been very heartening. We have now developed a program that will take us through to the Easter season next year, when we will celebrate the rites of Christian Initiation – baptism, confirmation and reception.

Adult Enquirers, The practice of hope

Thursdays 6 – 7.15 pm, in the front room of the Mission Hall.

This group is about connecting our journey with the faith journey. We want to know the grounds for faith. So, the course will involve engagement between our questions, the world, and the tradition. None of us want simple answers or dogmatic pronouncements. We want a robust discussion about the big issues. It is about discovery, transparency, honesty, and hope. To that end, some people have come for the discussion alone, others are interested in exploring more formal options. Ironically, many longstanding Christians have not had an opportunity to wrestle with these issues or learnt what contemporary theology has to offer. In the end, we must find our own sense of calling.

An evolving program

- ◆ October 19 – In the group, there is variety in terms of experience and expectations. We agreed, there is no set outcome. Two themes were change and hope. So, I introduced the idea of stages of faith, that is, as we evolve, so do our values, our perspectives, and our faith.
- ◆ November 2 – Change is normal: Exploring the stages of faith
- ◆ November 16 – Powerlessness, uncertainty, and the rise of fundamentalism
- ◆ January 11 – Rethinking God: Start with mystery and wonder (4 models of the divine)
- ◆ January 25 – We are symbol makers. Reflect on the film *The Mission*. And the importance of Granny's mantelpiece. What is a sacrament?
- ◆ February 8 – Who is Jesus? What happens to our portrait of him as we critique the bible.
- ◆ February 22 – What is church? The radical notion of ecclesia. The problem of power
- ◆ March 7 – A critique of Anglicanism
- ◆ March 21 – What is my work?
- ◆ April 11 – The practice of hope as a shared practice
- ◆ April 14 – Sunday confirmation service, reception into Anglicanism, reaffirmation of faith, or simply supporting other group members

Fr Steven

Chants Encounters – this afternoon at 5 pm

The “Chants Encounters” plainsong group has been learning the history and practice of the church’s ancient chant over the past few months. The group will sing a plainsong setting of Compline today at 5 pm following the final workshop in the afternoon. This will be a public service, and all are welcome.

ADVENT IS COMING ...

The four weeks leading up to Christmas are a time of preparation. To assist us in this journey, there are a number of opportunities for reflection on the season, including a Study series and a Sunday sermon (reflection) series. A flyer developed to appeal to the wider community is included in the pew sheet today.

ALL SOULS DAY, THURSDAY 2 NOVEMBER

All Souls Day is the day each year on which we especially remember, and pray for, those who have died. Like All Saints’ Day, this commemoration is tied to the profession in the Apostles’ Creed of the communion of saints, which former Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams broadly interprets as the “sharing between holy people” or the “sharing of holy things.” Based on the spiritual unity of all Christians, those living this earthly life and those who have gone before—the communion is a mystical bond in Christ not broken by death.

The liturgies of this day are very distinctive. In the Daily Office, there are special prayers and readings, and at Mass, the antiphons and readings are those that would be offered at a funeral Mass. In some places—St Mary Magdalene’s included—we read out the names of many people associated with the Parish: past bishops of the Diocese and clergy of the Parish, past parishioners who are still remembered here today, and those among our families and friends who are important to us personally.

Requiem Mass will be said at 12.10 pm (as usual on Thursday), then at 7.30 pm—note the time, it is later than the usual evening Mass time—there will be a sung Requiem, also using the traditional rite, which features solemn music and chant sung only on these occasions.

A list of those whom we have remembered by name in the past is at the back of the church. If you have any amendments to make, please do so. And of course, please add the names of people to be remembered.

WE ARE MOVING OUR BANKING!

As advised last Sunday, our current bank will be ending its business banking services on 23 November, so it is necessary for those who currently give by direct debit or credit to change the details for their regular transactions.

The Parish Council has decided to transfer its banking to Anglican Funds SA. AFSA now has around 80% of Parishes and other church organisations among its customers, and utilising those services provides direct benefit to the wider church with up to 80% of surpluses generated that are not required for the future capital needs of the fund being distributed back to nominated Anglican entities.

The Bank Account Details (and sorry about the 6 zeros in the account number!) are:

- BSB 705-077 (Anglican Funds SA)
- Account No. 00000052 (Anglican Parish of St Mary Magdalene's)
- Reference: Your Name (Regular Giving)

Our Treasurer Heather Carter will be emailing all those who give regularly by this means to advise them of these arrangements, but this comes by way of a reminder.

If you have any questions, or if you are not yet making your regular contributions in this convenient way, please speak to Heather.

The AnglicareSA 2023 Christmas hamper and toy drive has officially kicked off with a mission of helping those in need this Christmas.

With thousands of South Australians facing poverty every day, AnglicareSA will this year provide more than 1000 hampers to bring festive cheer to those in need.

By providing food hampers, essentials, financial and emotional support, Anglicare aims to not only support people in need during the festive season but to help them to get their lives back on track.

We will again be participating in the drive this year, and Heather Carter has kindly agreed to coordinate our participation. Information will be supplied shortly about where to bring your donations.

In the mean time, many people find it convenient to buy a few extra food items in the course of their regular shopping. A list of the items sought is given below.

Hamper Items

- Long life milk 1L
- Spread (peanut butter, jam, vegemite) 400g
- Can of fruit 825g
- Can of vegetables (corn, peas, mix) 420g
- Jar of pasta sauce 500g
- Pasta or rice 500g
- Breakfast cereal 375g
- Coffee or tea
- Sugar 1kg
- 1 x 5 Pack of 2 min instant noodles
- Christmas pudding
- Pkt of sweet biscuits
- Pkt savoury biscuits (Jatz, shapes or rice crackers)
- Chips (crisps, pretzels, nuts)
- Bag of lollies

Toy Items

- Footballs, basketballs or soccer balls
- Tennis and cricket sets
- Lego for both boys and girls
- Cars, planes, trains
- Construction sets
- Board games, jigsaws
- Dolls, prams, cradles, tea sets
- Arts and craft sets
- Batteries for children's toys (AAA, AA, C, D size, 9v)
- Books, educational toys
- Back to school kits - pencils, pencil cases, back packs
- Musical instruments
- Remote control toys
- Makeup, nail polish, perfume or aftershave sets

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

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

Sunday 10 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

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.

Directory

Parish Priest: The Revd Dr Steven Ogden

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

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Next Sunday, 29 October, at 10 am - The 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Deuteronomy 34.1-12 • Psalm 90.1-6, 13-17 • 1 Thessalonians 2.1-13 • Matthew 22.34-46

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), 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, especially Jane Littleton, Rhiannon Henry-Edwards and Barry Cooper, and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. † *Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.*