

# The 4th Sunday after Pentecost

## 25 June 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. 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

VENANTIUS

*Refrain*

Seek, O seek the Lord, while he is near;  
Trust him, speak to him in prayer, and he will hear.

1 God be with us in our lives, di - rect us in our call - ing;  
2 God, in - crease in us the life that Christ by dy - ing gave us.  
3 Streng - then in our hearts the love we owe to one an - oth - er.

break the snares the world con - trives, keep us from fall - ing.  
Though we faint with mor - tal strife, His blood will save us.  
How can we love God a - bove and not each oth - er?

James Phillip McAuley 1917-76 alt.

### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps. 28.8-9

The choir sings

The Lord is our help and strength, a saving refuge for the redeemed.  
Save your people and bless your heritage. Shepherd them and carry them for ever.

### 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

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

Priest or Cantor All

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, hea-ven-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.

Gracious God,  
 we who were baptised into Christ Jesus  
 were baptised into his death:  
 we pray that, as you raised him from death,  
 so by the power of the Holy Spirit  
 we may live the new life to your glory,  
 knowing ourselves to be dead in sin  
 but alive for you in Jesus Christ;  
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### Old Testament Reading

Genesis 21.8–21

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The child Isaac grew and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, “Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.” The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, “Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named after you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.” So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot, for she said, “Do not let me look on the death of the child.” And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy, and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven and said to her, “What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.” Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran, and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16ab



Lord, you are good and for - giv - ing.

O LORD, you are good and forgiving,  
full of mercy to all who call to you.  
Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer,  
and attend to my voice in supplication. **R**

All the nations you have made shall come;  
they will bow down before you, O LORD,  
and glorify your name,  
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,  
you who alone are God. **R**

You, O God, are compassionate and gracious,  
slow to anger, O LORD,  
abundant in mercy and fidelity;  
turn and take pity on me.  
O give your strength to your servant. **R**

## New Testament Reading

Romans 6.1-11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

John 15.26, 27

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Spirit of truth will be my witness;  
and you too will be my witnesses.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## Gospel Reading

Matthew 10.24–39

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 instructed the twelve disciples:

“A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

“So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

“Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven, but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law,  
and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

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 17:5, 6, 7

The choir sings

You will surely heed me, O God. Turn your ear to me; hear my words. Display your merciful love, you who deliver from their foes those who trust in your right hand.

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

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call an-swer me. O

Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis-ten to me.

Jacques Berthier 1923-94

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,  
you have made our Saviour Jesus Christ  
the head of all creation.  
Receive all we offer you this day  
and renew us in his risen life,  
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.

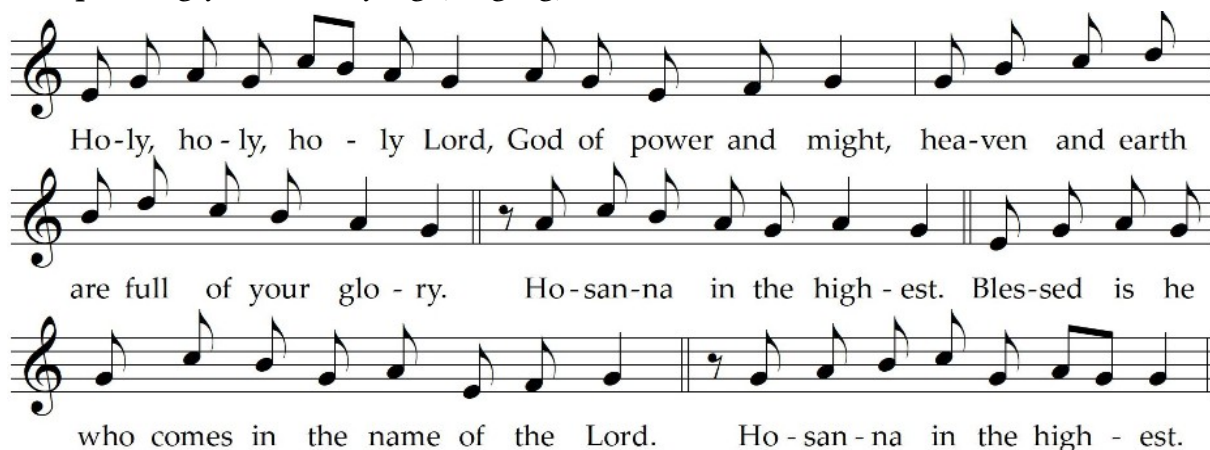
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Eternal God, Source of all being,  
we give you thanks and praise  
for your faithful love.

You call us into friendship  
with you and one another  
to be your holy people,  
a sign of your presence in the world.

When those we trust betray us,  
unfailingly you remain with us.  
When we injure others,  
you confront us in your love  
and call us to the paths of righteousness.  
You stand with the weak,  
and those, broken and alone,  
whom you have always welcomed home,  
making the first last, and the last first.

Therefore we raise our voices  
with angels and archangels,  
forever praising you and saying (singing):



Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea-ven and earth  
are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bles-sed is he  
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed are you, O Holy One:  
when Hagar was driven into the wilderness  
you followed her and gave her hope.  
When Joseph was sold into bondage,  
you turned malice to your people's good.  
When you called Israel out of slavery,  
you brought them through the wilderness  
into the promised land.  
When your people were taken into exile  
you wept with them by the river of Babylon  
and carried them home.



At the right time you sent your Anointed One  
to stand with the poor,  
the outcast, and the oppressed.  
Christ knew the desolation of the cross  
and opened the way for all humanity  
into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed,  
Jesus, at supper with his friends,  
took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread,  
gave it to them, and said, "Take and 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."

Loving and Holy One,  
recalling Christ's death and resurrection,  
we offer you these gifts,  
longing for the bread of tomorrow  
and the wine of the age to come.

Therefore we proclaim our hope.



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

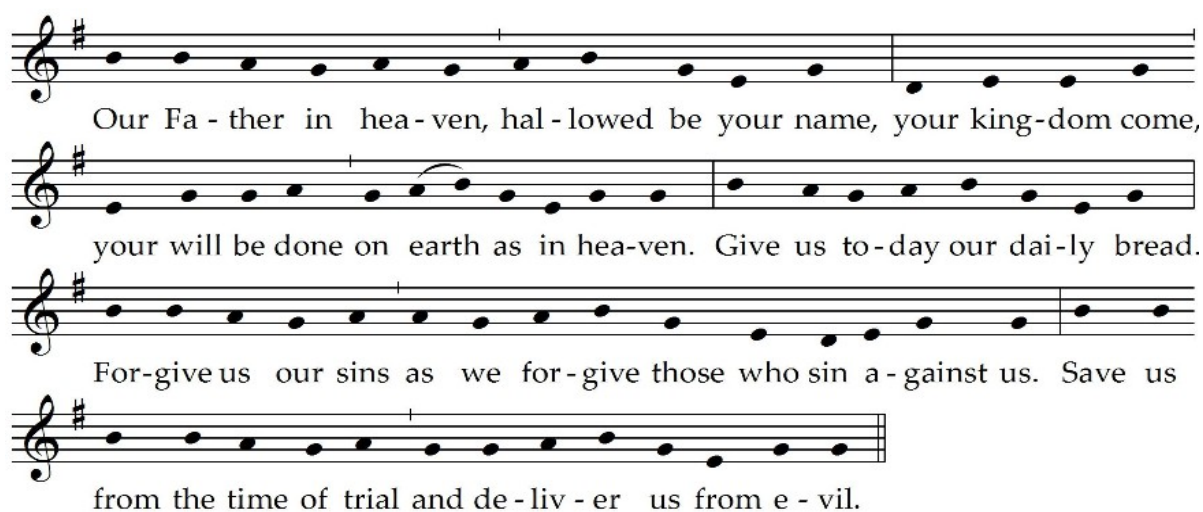
Pour out your Spirit on these gifts  
that through them you may sustain us  
in our hunger for your peace.  
We hold before you  
all whose lives are marked by suffering,  
our sisters and brothers.  
When we are broken and cast aside,  
embrace us in your love.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours,  
O Source of all life,  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE COMMUNION RITE

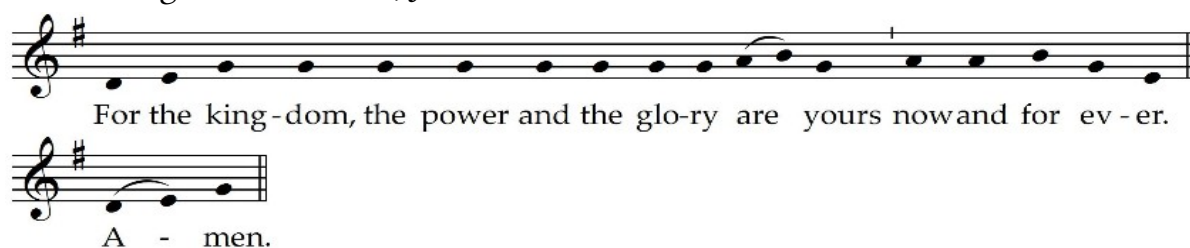
### The Lord's Prayer

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.



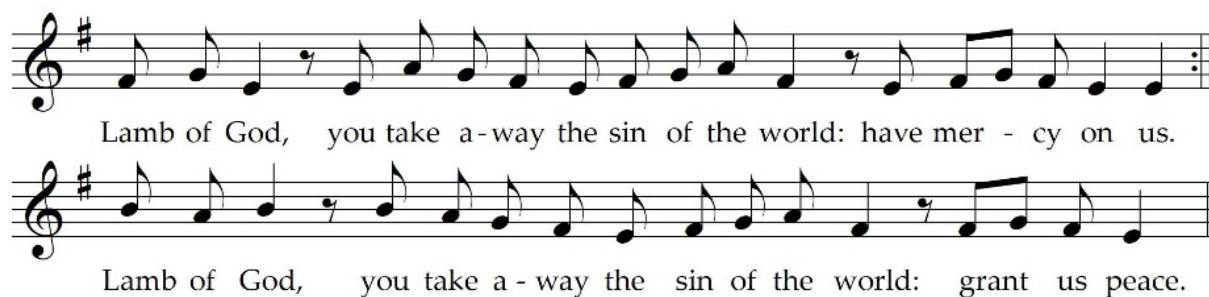
For the king - dom, the power and the glo - ry are yours now and for ev - er.  
A - men.

### 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.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: grant us 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.

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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.

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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.

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During Communion, the choir sings.

The All-seeing God.

As Hagar in the desert Thrust forth by blows and strife,  
Sat lonely by the well-side A-weary of her life,  
There came an angel message, Arise and homeward fare;  
For, though the wild seem empty, The Mighty God was there.

When secret sins beset me, And temptings snare my feet,  
Till hid from human vision I think their fruits are sweet;  
Thy presence hovers o'er me, I cannot hide or flee—  
O thought how dread and awful, That Thou, God, seest me.

When turned from paths of evil, I dare not seek Thy face,  
But kneel in deep abasement Before the throne of grace;  
When only tears are telling The prayers I bring to Thee,  
O thought how sweet and tender, That Thou, God, seest me.

When, lost in life's great desert, Worn out by sin and strife,  
I sit beside the fountain Where springs the stream of life,  
Send Thou the angel message; Let my one comfort be,  
Still, still, where'er I wander, That Thou, God, seest me.

Florence Sidney Smith (1854-1934)

### Communion Antiphon

Matthew 10:27

The choir sings

That which I tell you in the dark, utter in the light, says the Lord;  
and that which you hear whispered into your ear, proclaim upon the house-tops.

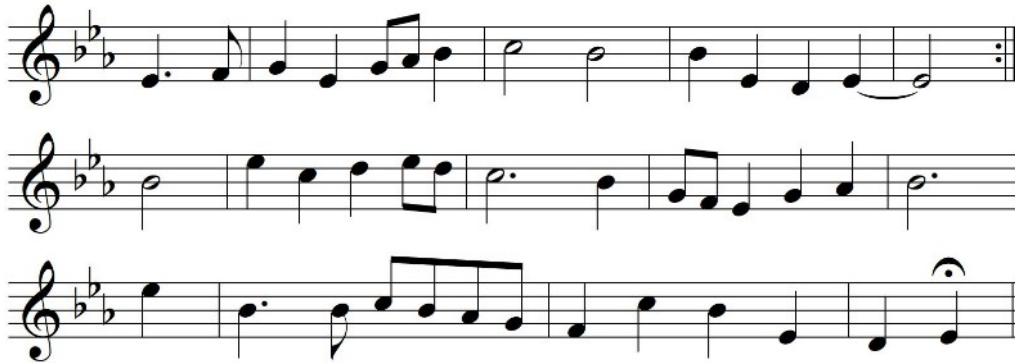
## Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Almighty God,  
guide and protect your people  
who share in this sacred mystery,  
and keep us always in your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All stand to sing the Postcommunion hymn.

MONKS GATE



Who would true valour see,  
Let them come hither;  
We here will constant be  
Come wind, come weather;  
There's no discouragement  
Shall make us once relent  
That first avowed intent  
To be a pilgrim.

2 Who so beset us round  
With dismal stories  
Do but themselves confound;  
Our strength the more is.  
No lion can us fright,  
We'll with a giant fight,  
And we will have a right  
To be a pilgrim.

3 Hobgoblin nor foul fiend  
Can daunt our spirit;  
We know we at the end  
Shall life inherit.  
Then fancies fly away:  
Fear not what others say,  
But labour night and day  
To be a pilgrim.

John Bunyan 1626-88 alt.

## **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 ... THE CONVERSATION

As social beings, we need to belong. And to belong, we need welcoming spaces to be ourselves, ask the big questions, and glean new wisdom for living compassionately and courageously. This is the impetus behind *The Conversation*.

So, following the success of our recent Thursday morning discussion group, we have come up with a new version called *The Conversation*. It begins on **Thursday 6 July at 10 am and runs for 5 weeks finishing Thursday 3 August**. The venue will again be the Mission Hall.

At the first session, we will discuss and choose topics of interest. Successive sessions will be led by a volunteer, who will present a ten-minute overview on the topic as a discussion starter. So far, suggestions for discussion include:

- What is salvation? What does it mean?
- Rethinking hope. Rethinking community.
- All life is suffering. What more can we say?
- There is no such thing as the perfect family.

So, welcome to *The Conversation*.

Fr Steven

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## Current Maintenance Matters

The hot water service in the Hall has reached the end of its useful life—it is some 14 years old—and has been replaced. The cost ... \$3,205! Our thanks for a generous donation of \$1,000 towards this project.

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## SPECIAL VESTRY MEETING, SUNDAY 9 JULY: Values, theology, and engagement

In the second half of 2022, we held two Special Vestry Meetings at which we considered some options and opportunities for ministry this year. The suggestion that such meetings be held two or three times a year was well received, so in consultation with Parish Council it has been agreed that our next special vestry meeting will be held on **Sunday 9 July, after Mass**. These meetings are relatively informal, allowing us time to discuss matters of interest.

The last twelve months have been busy. So, it seems a good time to pause, and do some reflection. It is good to do this every so often, and you may well have done something like this before. However, this time it will be a little different.

Before addressing issues like vision, priorities, and strategies, it is good to ask “what do we believe in passionately?” By this, I mean, what do we value the most? What do we feel deeply about? So, then, in relation to our faith, what are the three most important values for you?

As an example, I am passionate about sacramentality, justice, and inclusion. These values ring true for me. They reflect something of the core values of Anglicanism, and the radical ministry of Jesus, Mary Magdalene, and their friends from Galilee. So, what do you cherish? What would you like to see included in the ethos and future practice of our parish? In order to encourage creative discussion, please think about your core values. At this stage, the emphasis will be on sharing and listening in order to identify key values. The details will come later.

So, what will happen after the special vestry? I will gather your insights, from the vestry, and produce a draft discussion paper on “the theology of the parish of St Mary Magdalene” for distribution and further discussion. In the process, I will set your insights within a framework developed by the brilliant Anglo-Catholic theologian John Macquarrie. Specifically, it is more like a



recipe than a framework, as Macquarrie identified six ingredients for theological reflection. They were experience, revelation, scripture, tradition, culture, and reason.

Be assured, the process will be enjoyable, and productive. In many ways, it will be like the feast of Pentecost. That is, a celebration of diversity, where there was hearing and understanding.

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### **Rosters - are you interested?**

There are many opportunities for service—ministries, in every sense—that make a parish tick. There are some very visible ministries – those who lead and assist in Sunday and weekday worship, for example, and those who preside over hospitality in the hall after Mass. But there are the less visible things as well. Finance and book-keeping, maintenance, cleaning (and maintaining supplies of cleaning products), and so on.

We are blessed in our community that we have no shortage of volunteers to undertake most of the tasks that need attention, but there is always room for more.

- In worship – lay assistants, readers, intercessors, musicians
- In hospitality – assisting with morning tea after Mass; organisation and delivery of occasional special events
- During the week – finance and book-keeping, assisting with planned and emergency maintenance (especially the ability to drop in to the church or hall to assist with entry of trades during the week), cleaning – both the church and the grounds.

And more! If you have an interest, or would like more information, please speak to either of the Churchwardens or to Fr Steven.

## 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 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.

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### 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

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### 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/>.

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### 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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### 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, 2 July, at 10 am - The 5th Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Genesis 22.1-14 • Psalm 13 • Romans 6.12-23 • Matthew 10.40-42

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### 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, Hugh and James.

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