

The 3rd Sunday in Lent

3 March 2024

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

Ezekiel 36.23, 24

The choir sings the Entrance Antiphon.

I will sanctify my great name, and the nations shall know that I am the Lord, says the Lord God. I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land.

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

Thomas Tallis 1505-85

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

Lord our God,
by your Holy Spirit
write your commandments upon our hearts
and grant us the wisdom and power of the cross,
so that, cleansed from greed and selfishness,
we may become a living temple of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 20.1-17

A reading from the book of Exodus.

God spoke all these words:

‘I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

‘You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

‘You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

‘Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. Six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and consecrated it.

‘Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

‘You shall not murder.

‘You shall not commit adultery.

‘You shall not steal.

‘You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

‘You shall not covet your neighbour’s house; you shall not covet your neighbour’s wife, male or female slave, ox, donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 19

Chant: Jeff Ostrowski



℞ Lord, you have the words of ev - er - last - ing life.

The law of the Lord is perfect;
it revives the soul.

The decrees of the Lord are steadfast;
they give wisdom to the simple. ℞

The precepts of the Lord are right;
they gladden the heart.

The command of the Lord is clear;
it gives light to the eyes. ℞

The fear of the Lord is pure,
abiding forever.

The judgments of the Lord are true;
they are, all of them, just. ℞

They are more to be desired than gold,
than very much gold.

And sweeter are they than honey,
than honey flowing from the comb. ℞

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 1.18-25

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scholar? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of the proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 3.16

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son;
everyone who believes in him has eternal life.

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

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.

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' They then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

Offertory Antiphon

Psalm 19.8

The precepts of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, and gives light to the eyes.

During the preparation of the gifts, the chant is sung, and a Collection is taken up.



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.

Flowing

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Ho - - ly, ho - - - ly,
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ho - ly Lord. God of power and might, — heav'n and earth are
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full — of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
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Bless - ed is he who comes in the
f
name of the Lord. Ho-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.

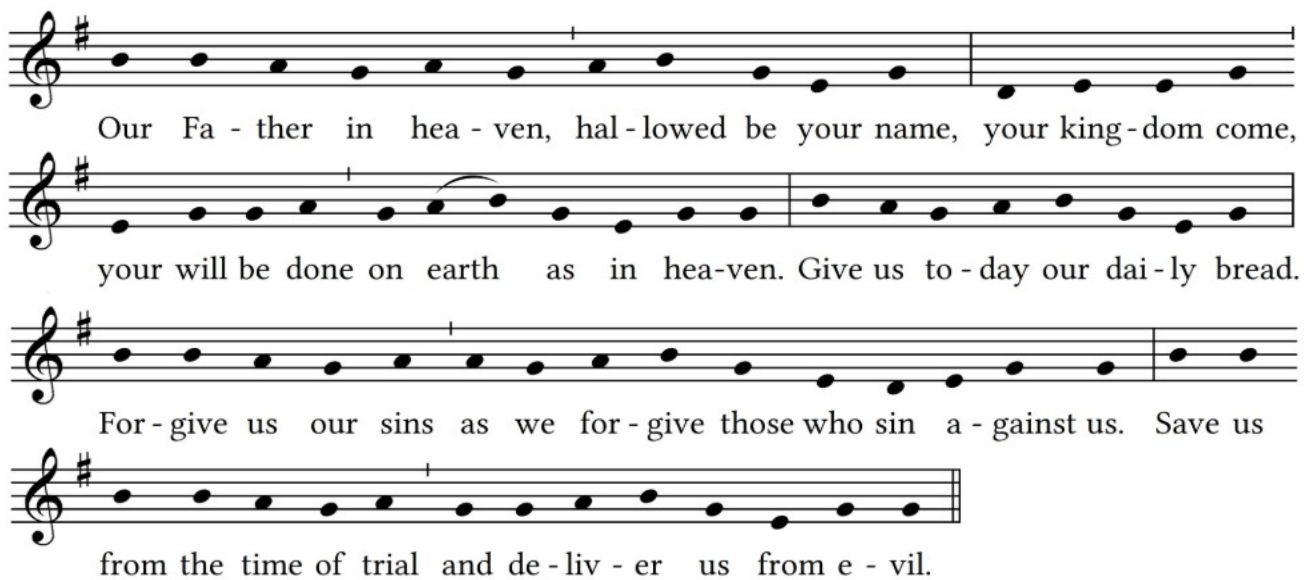
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

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

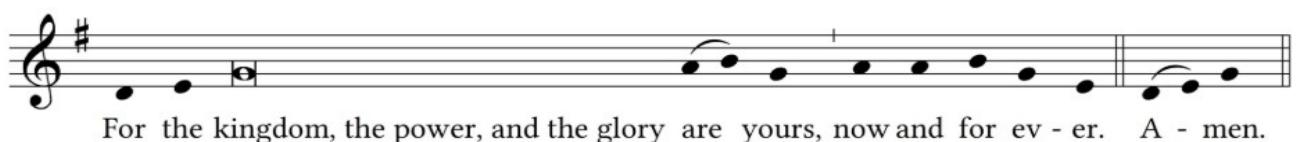
The Lord's Prayer

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



Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lored 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.

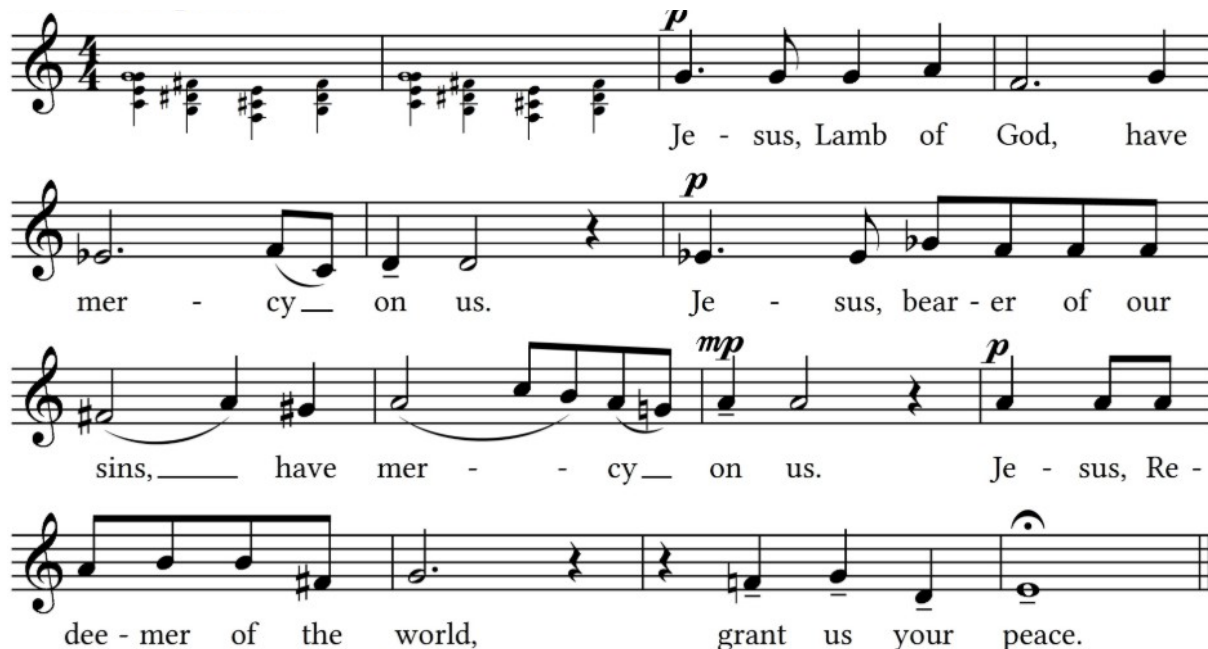


For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

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 -
dee - mer 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. Communicants should approach in single file, maintaining physical distance, returning via the side aisles.

Healing ministry will be offered in the Holy Innocents chapel. Please enter the chapel one at a time. You may wish to record prayer points or remembrances on a piece of paper prior to Mass.

During Communion, the choir sings.

Communion Antiphon

Psalm 84.4, 5

The sparrow has found herself a home, and the turtle-dove a nest in which to lay her young: at you altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God! Blessed are they who dwell in your house, they shall praise you for ever and ever.

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.**



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.

"Learning to let go: Meister Eckhart's life, thought, and faith" Our parish Lenten Study. All welcome.



A philosopher and mystic from the Middle Ages who offers an enlivening and contemporary approach to life, and faith. Admittedly, Meister Eckhart is not an easy read, but together we will discover some gems for modern living. So, we will use his material selectively, and along the way I will provide some clues for interpreting this genius of the Middle Ages. Here is a sample:

"Now noble soul, consider yourself and the nobility that is in you, for you have been honoured in that you have received the image of God beyond all other creatures. Do not pursue mean things then since you have been created for greatness. This is how we should understand the soul to be the Kingdom of God."

Thursday 10am-11:15 (March 7, 14, 21, 28)

(The proposed Tuesday meeting will not proceed – the demand is for Thursday!)

The course text is the Penguin Classic Edition of Meister Eckhart's Selected Writings which is available at Dymocks and other book stores for \$20-\$25, or on [Amazon.com.au](https://www.amazon.com.au) for \$17.70.

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING NEXT SUNDAY 10 MARCH

The Annual Vestry Meeting will be held after Mass on Sunday 10 March. In addition to reports from the Parish Priest and Office Bearers, there will be financial reports and elections. Nominations are called for the following positions

- Churchwarden (1)
- Parish Council (3 or more)
- Nomination Committee (3)

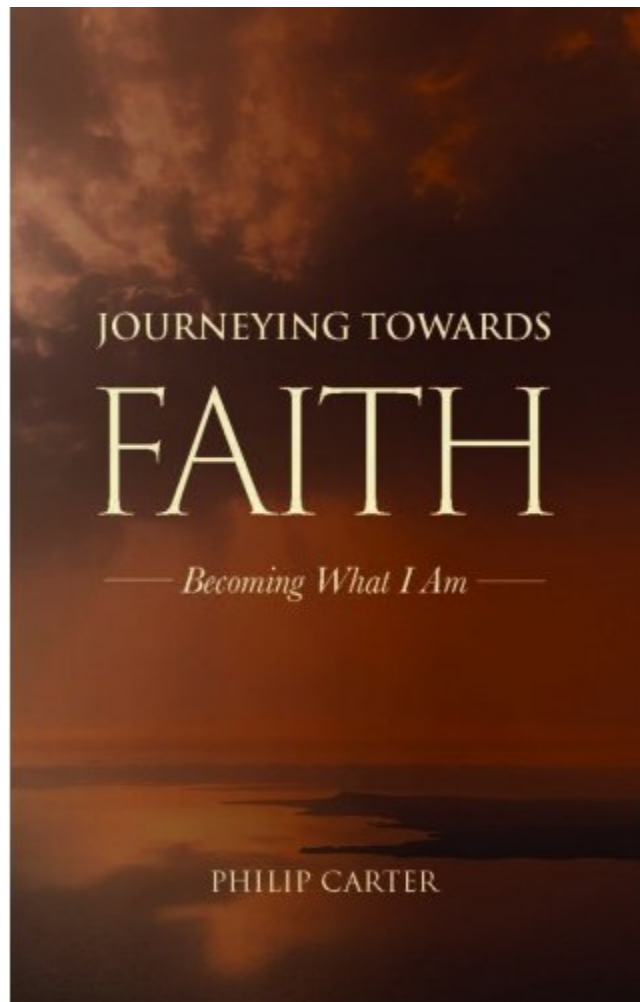
Nomination forms are available today. These should be returned to Fr Steven, Peter Burdon or Alison McAllister by 5 pm on Monday 4 March.

NEXT SUNDAY IS ALSO REFRESHMENT SUNDAY

The 4th Sunday in Lent is known by many names. It is called Laetare, for the first word of the (Latin) Entrance Antiphon. It is also called Mid-Lent Sunday or Refreshment Sunday, with a focus on the easing of the rigorous discipline of the season at its mid-point. This is thought to be associated with the "lightening" of the liturgical colour violet to rose.

In England, since at least the Middle Ages, it has been known as "Mothering Sunday", honouring "mother churches", that is, the church where one is baptised and becomes "a child of the church". On Mothering Sunday, people would traditionally visit the church in which they received the sacrament of baptism. This observance waned over time, but was revived in 1913 by Constance Adelaide Smith, and gained popularity in response to the American secular celebration of "Mother's Day." It is still observed in this way in the UK.

Among the other traditions associated with the day, Simnel Cake may be blessed and eaten. Our thanks to Chris Bright, Catherine Freriks and others who support this delicious ministry!



Congratulations to Fr Philip Carter whose book *Journeying Towards Faith: Become What I Am* has recently been published by Coventry Press. The seven chapters in this book take seriously these celebrated words of Irenaeus. Confessing the Incarnation of Jesus of Nazareth, their underlying assumption is that Jesus did not come to offer us a particular way of being religious, but a universal way of being human.

The book is an invitation to become more fully alive and more fully human. It is out of the reality of our everyday lives – and in the context of our wounded and wounding world – where we can hear, through the questions Jesus asks, the call and challenge to have our thinking about ourselves, prayer, and our relationship with God, utterly transformed.

The book was launched yesterday at St Peter's Cathedral, and is available from the Cathedral shop (10.30 – 1 pm Monday, 10.30 – 3.30 pm Tuesday to Friday) for \$19.95. (Autographs are free!)

MARVELLOUS MUSIC AT MARY MAGS 2024

Sunday 3 March 2.30 pm

CHANTS ENCOUNTERS



Singers from St Mary Magdalene's and friends present the medieval monastic offices of Terce, Sext and None sung to the plainsong, the church's ancient chant.

Tickets \$25 & \$20. Air-conditioned. Accessible.

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SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Wednesday 8 am Lent Prayers
Thursday 12 noon Angelus; **12.10 pm** Mass (traditional rite)
Friday 6.15 pm Stations of the Cross
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.

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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/>.

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

Readings: Numbers 21.4-9 • Psalm 107.1-3, 17-22 • Ephesians 2.1-10 • John 3.14-21

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 Sim, Jasmin, John Edwards (priest), Peter Garland (priest), John Parkes (bishop), Stephan Clark (priest), Nance, Graeme, Neil, Elaine, Hugh and Bart 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.*