

# The 2nd Sunday in Lent

## 25 February 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

ABERYSTWYTH



**Jesu, Lover of my soul,  
Let me to thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll,  
While the tempest still is high:  
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide  
Till the storm of life is past;  
Safe into the haven guide,  
O receive my soul at last.**

- 2 Other refuge have I none,  
Hangs my helpless soul on thee;  
Leave, ah, leave me not alone,  
Still support and comfort me.  
All my trust on thee is stayed,  
All my help from thee I bring;  
Cover my defenceless head  
With the shadow of thy wing.**
- 3 Plenteous grace with thee is found,  
Grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound,  
Make and keep me pure within.  
Thou of life the fountain art,  
Freely let me take of thee,  
Spring thou up within my heart,  
Rise to all eternity.**

Charles Wesley 1707-88

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 25.5-6

The choir sings the Entrance Antiphon.

In you have I hoped all the day long: because of your goodness, O Lord.  
Call to mind your compassion and your loving-kindness: for they are from of old.

### 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

Johann Crüger (1598-1662)

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.

God of all times and places,  
in Jesus Christ, who was lifted up on the cross,  
you opened for us the path to eternal life:  
grant that we, being born again of water and the Spirit,  
may joyfully serve you in newness of life  
and faithfully walk in your holy ways;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### Old Testament Reading

Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16

A reading from the book of Genesis.

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."

God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and also give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 22:23-32

Chant: Samuel Wesley 1810-76

- 23 O praise the Lord, ye that fear him:  
magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob; and fear him, all ye seed of Israel.
- 24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the low estate of the poor;  
he hath not hid his face from him; but when he called unto him he heard him.
- 25 My praise is of thee in the great congregation;  
my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.
- 26 The poor shall eat, and be satisfied;  
they that seek after the Lord shall praise him: your heart shall live for ever.
- 27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord;  
and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.
- 28 For the kingdom is the Lord's,  
and he is the Governor among the people.
- 29 All such as be fat upon earth  
have eaten, and worshipped.
- 30 All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him;  
and no man hath quickened his own soul.

- 31 My seed shall serve him:  
they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.
- 32 They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness  
unto a people that shall be born whom the Lord hath made.

### **New Testament Reading**

Romans 4.13-25

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

The promise that Abraham would inherit the world did not come to him or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations'), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations,' according to what was said, 'So shall your descendants be.' He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore 'it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him,' were written not for his sake alone but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in God who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

For the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Cf. John 6.63, 68

**Glory and praise to you, O Christ!**

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life:  
you have the message of eternal life.

**Glory and praise to you, O Christ!**

### **Gospel Reading**

Mark 8.31-38

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

Jesus he began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes and be killed and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their

life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

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 119:47-48

My delight shall be in your commandments: which I have greatly loved;  
I shall worship you with outstretched hands: and I shall meditate on your statutes.

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



Lord Je - sus Christ, your light shines with-in us. Let not my doubts nor my  
dark-ness speak to me. Lord Je - sus Christ, your light shines with-in us.  
Let my heart al - ways wel - come your love.

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

God of wisdom,  
may the light of the eternal Word,  
our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
guide us to your glory.  
We ask this in his name. **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.

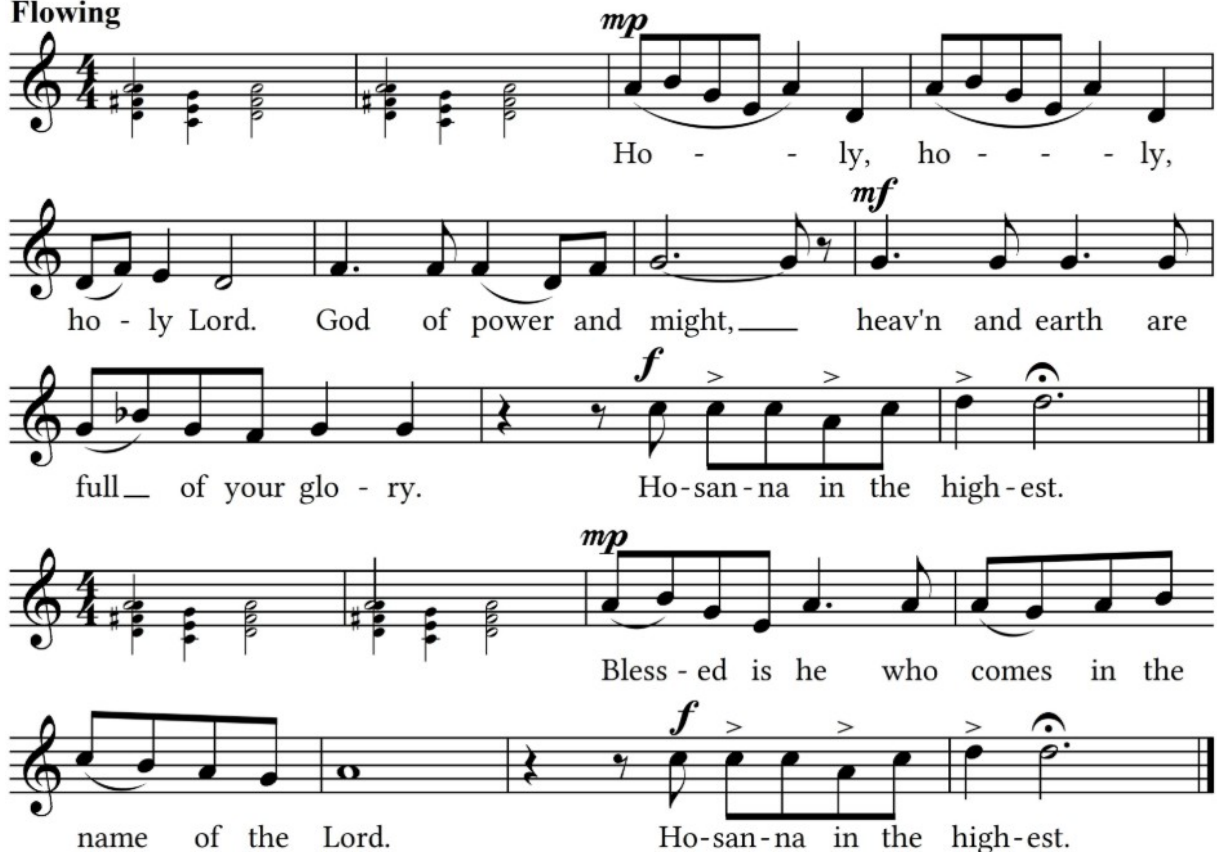
**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Christ our Lord.

For by your gracious gift each year  
your faithful await the paschal feasts  
with the joy of minds made pure,  
so that, more eagerly intent on prayer  
and on the works of charity,  
and participating in the mysteries  
by which they have been reborn,  
they may be led to the fullness of grace  
that you bestow on your sons and daughters.

And so, with Angels and Archangels,  
with Thrones and Dominions,  
and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven,  
we sing the hymn of your glory,  
as without end we acclaim:

**Flowing**



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

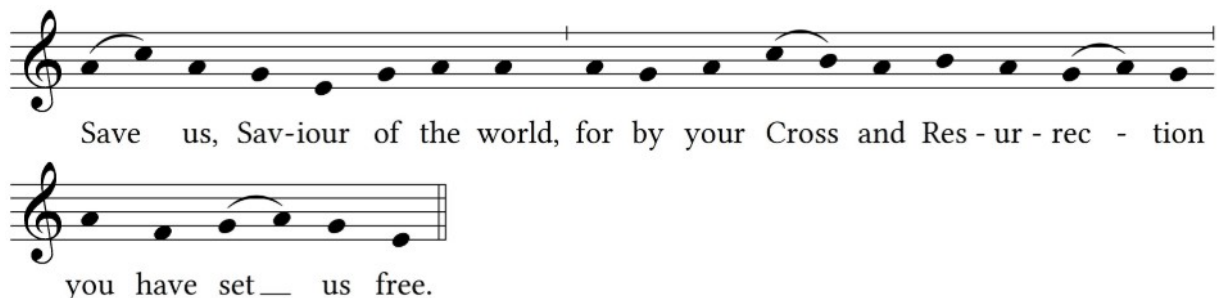
You are indeed Holy, O Lord,  
the fount of all holiness.

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,  
by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall,  
so that they may become for us  
the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed  
and entered willingly into his Passion,  
he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take this, all of you, and eat of it,  
for this is my body  
which will be given up for you.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,  
he took the cup  
and, once more giving thanks,  
he gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take this, all of you, and drink from it,  
for this is the cup of my blood,  
the blood of the new and eternal covenant,  
which will be poured out for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this in memory of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Save us, Sav-iour of the world, for by your Cross and Res - ur - rec - tion  
you have set — us free.

Therefore, as we celebrate  
the memorial of his Death and Resurrection,  
we offer you, Lord,  
the Bread of life and the Cup of salvation,  
giving thanks that you have held us worthy  
to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray  
that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ,  
we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.  
Remember, Lord, your Church,  
spread throughout the world,  
and bring her to the fullness of charity,  
together with Geoffrey our Bishop  
and all those whose lives bring hope to this world.



Remember also our brothers and sisters  
who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection,  
and all who have died in your mercy:  
welcome them into the light of your presence.


Have mercy on us all, we pray,  
that with the blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God,  
Mary Magdalene and all the Saints  
who have pleased you throughout the ages,  
we may be worthy to stand in your presence  
and may praise and glorify you  
through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
O God, Father almighty, in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
is all honour and glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### THE COMMUNION RITE

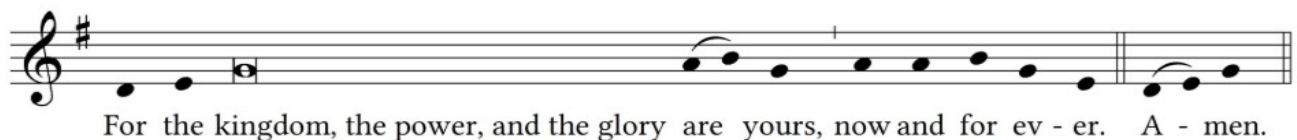
#### The Lord's Prayer

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.

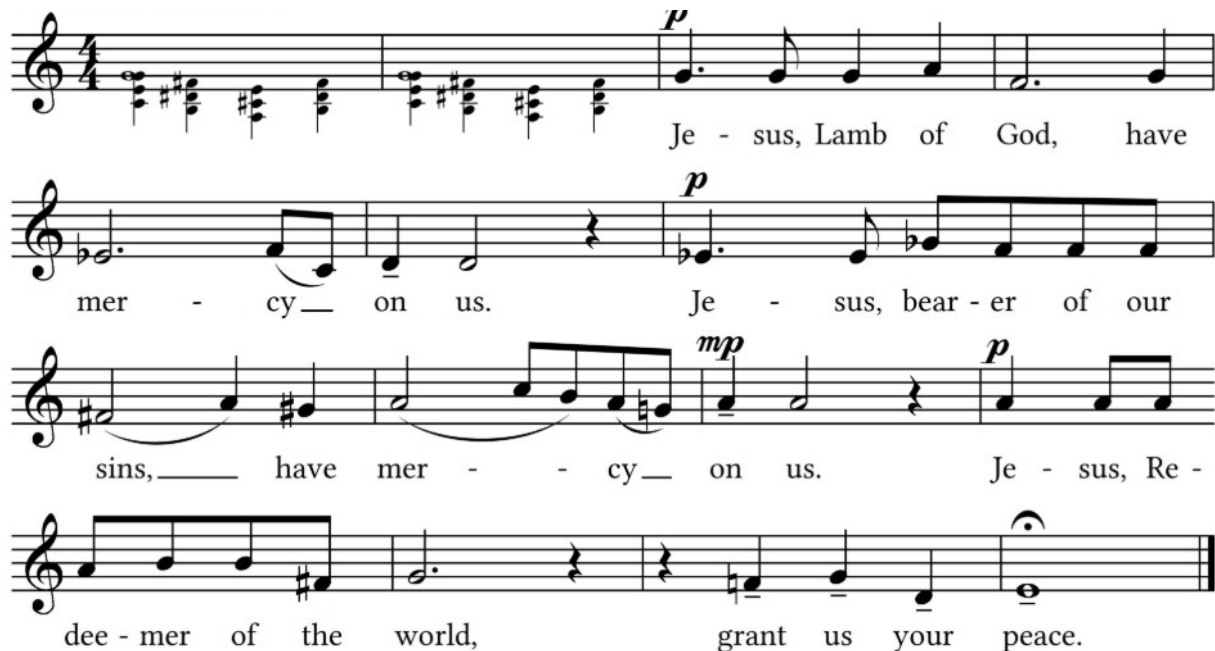


For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

## 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 -  
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.

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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.

## Communion Antiphon

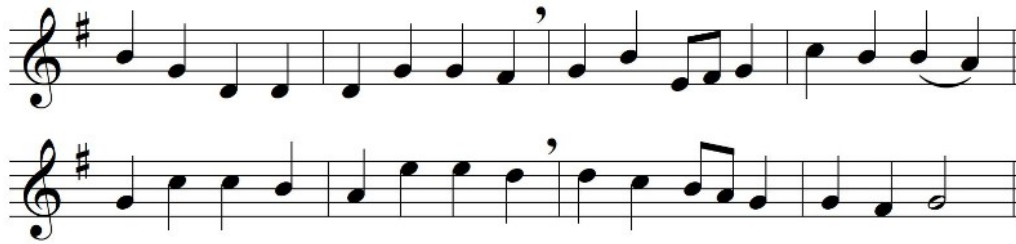
Psalm 91.9, 11

The Lord himself is your refuge: you have made the Most High your stronghold.  
For he will command his angels: to keep you in all your ways.

## Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Creator of heaven and earth,  
we thank you for these holy mysteries,  
which bring us now a share in the life to come,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



There's a wideness in God's mercy,  
Like the wideness of the sea;  
There's a kindness in his justice,  
Which is more than liberty.

2 There is no place where earth's sorrows  
Are more felt than up in heaven;  
There is no place where earth's failings  
Have such kindly judgement given.

3 For the love of God is broader  
Than the measure of our mind;  
And the heart of the Eternal  
Is most wonderfully kind.

4 But we make his love too narrow  
By false limits of our own;  
And we magnify his strictness  
With a zeal he will not own.

5 There is plentiful redemption  
In the blood that has been shed;  
There is joy for all the members  
In the sorrows of the Head.

6 If our love were but more simple,  
We should take him at his word:  
And our lives would be all sunshine  
In the joy of Christ our Lord.

F W Faber 1814-63 *alt.*

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Prayer over the People and Blessing

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

May the blessing for which they have longed  
strengthen your faithful, O Lord,  
so that, never straying from your will,  
they may always rejoice in your benefits.  
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.

**The Rest**

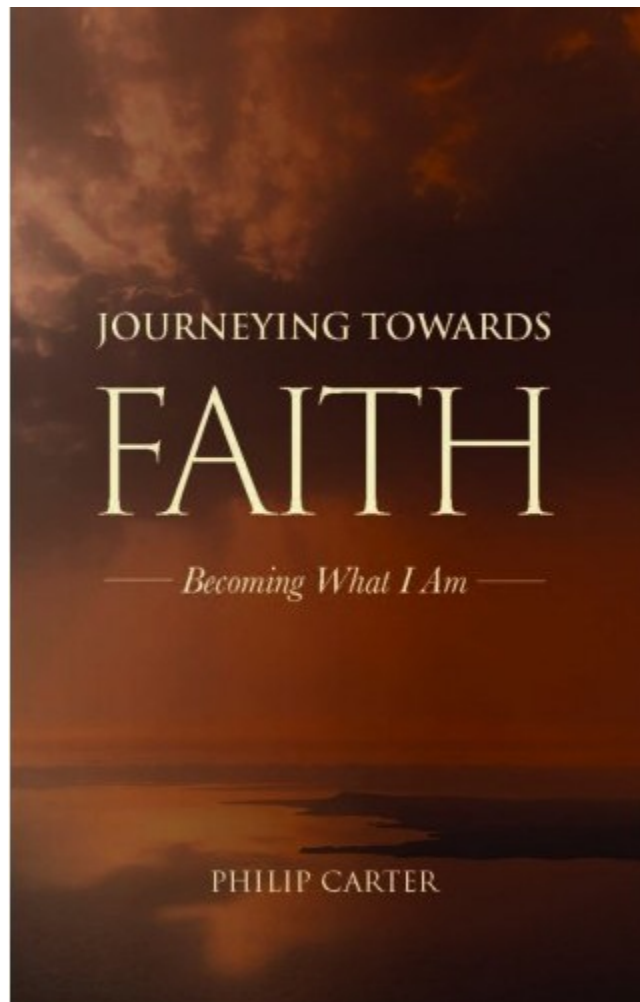
*Don't try to find God.  
Simplify your scattered life,  
and become one  
in yourself.  
Then God will  
find you. The rest  
will follow.*

**ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING ON 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.



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 will be launched at St Peter's Cathedral this week, 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!)

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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.

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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.

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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, 3 March, at 10 am** – The 3rd Sunday in Lent

Readings: Exodus 20.1-17 • Psalm 19 • 1 Corinthians 1.18-25 • John 2.13-22

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### 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.*