

The 13th Sunday after Pentecost

22 August 2021

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

The reintroduction of restrictions to public activities to minimise the risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19 mean that there will be no congregational or choral singing in churches while the directions remain in force. A single cantor will offer some music on behalf of the worshipping community, but in the main our worship today will be said.

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. A cantor sings

O praise the Lord, ye servants of the Lord,
Into his courts your joyful homage bring,
Ye that within his holy temple stand
Lift up your hands, lift up your voice and sing:
So shall ye have the blessing from your King.

2 He that hath made all heaven and all the worlds,
Shall from that Sion where his saints adore
Look down with favour, sanctify his Church,
Bless them that tread his sanctuary floor,
And keep them in his ways for evermore.

3 All glory now to God the Father's name;
Son everlasting, glory unto thee;
And, Holy Spirit, glory thine the same;
One God eternal, blessed Trinity,
As ever was, and evermore shall be.

From a 19th-century pamphlet
at St Oswald's, Durham

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.

The priest or another minister may briefly introduce the Mass of the day.

Penitential Act

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.**

And the Kyrie is said.

Lord, have mercy.	Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.	Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.	Lord, have mercy.

Collect

Let us pray.

Everliving God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church
is governed and sanctified:
hear the prayers we offer for all your faithful people,
that in the ministry to which you have called them
each may serve you in holiness and truth;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

1 Kings 8.1, 6, 10–11, 22–30, 41–43

A reading from the first book of Kings.

Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the leaders of the ancestral houses of the Israelites, before King Solomon in Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the city of David, which is Zion.

Then the priests brought the ark of the covenant of the LORD to its place, in the inner sanctuary of the house, in the most holy place, underneath the wings of the cherubim.

And when the priests came out of the holy place, a cloud filled the house of the LORD, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud; for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD.

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, ‘O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day

fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O LORD, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, “There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me. Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David. But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Have regard to your servant’s prayer and his plea, O LORD my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day towards this house, the place of which you said, “My name shall be there,” that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray towards this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling-place; heed and forgive.

Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name – for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm – when a foreigner comes and prays toward this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built.’

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

Psalm

From Psalm 84

The cantor sings

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| How lovely is your dwelling-place,
O Lord of hosts, to me;
my thirsting soul longs eagerly
within your courts to be. | 3 And happy those whose hearts are set
upon the pilgrim ways:
you are the water when they thirst,
their guide towards your face. |
| 2 Beside your altars, Lord of all,
the swallows find a nest;
happy are those who dwell with you
and praise you without rest; | 4 How blest are they that in your house
for ever give you praise:
one day with you is better spent
than thousands in dark ways. |
| 5 The Lord will hold back no good thing
from those who justly live;
to all who trust, the Lord of hosts
will all his blessings give. | |

Based on the Scottish Psalter 1650

Second Reading

Ephesians 6.10-20

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Cf. John 6.63, 68

A cantor sings:

Alleluia!
Your words are Spirit, Lord, and they are life;
you have the message of eternal life.
Alleluia!

Gospel

John 6.56-69

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to the crowd: 'Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.'

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

For the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Fr Gwilym Henry-Edwards

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

Pray for the world and for the church. The prayers may conclude

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

**Grant that what we have asked in faith
we may by your grace receive,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.

God's Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

During the preparation of the gifts, the cantor sings the chant. Please note that there will be no Collection taken up: offerings of money can be left in the Collection plates at the front and rear of the pews.

Ave verum corpus, natum
de Maria Virgine,
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine
cuius latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine:
esto nobis praegustatum
in mortis examine.

O Iesu dulcis, O Iesu pie,
O Iesu, fili Mariae.

*Hail, true Body, born
of the Virgin Mary,
having truly suffered, sacrificed
on the cross for mankind,
from whose pierced side
water and blood flowed:
Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet]
in the trial of death!*

*O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus,
O Jesus, son of Mary.*

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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 glory,
receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love,
and increase in us that true and perfect gift.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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 him thanks and praise.

All glory and honour, be yours now and always,
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross
and rising to new life,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine,
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread;
and when he had given you thanks
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Take, eat. This is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup,
and again giving thanks
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
'Drink from this, all of you.
This is my blood of the new covenant
shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded:
proclaiming his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross,
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming again,
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,
his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice
for the sins of the whole world.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,

with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

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 ever. Amen.**

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 said.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

Invitation to Communion

The priest says

The gifts of God for the people of God.

May we who share these gifts be found in Christ, and Christ in us.

All receive Holy Communion. Communion will be administered in one kind only. Communicants should approach in single file, maintaining physical distance, returning to their places 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.

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 cantor will sing.

Communion Antiphon

John 6.54

Whoever eat my flesh and drink my blood
have eternal life, says the Lord,
and I will raise them up on the last day.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.
Living God,
increase in us the healing power of your love.
Guide and direct us
that we may please you in all things,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

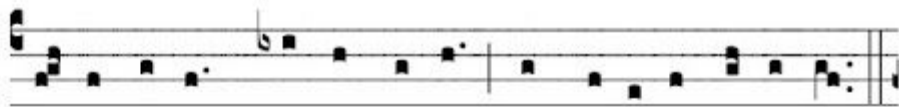
The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The priest, deacon, or another minister says

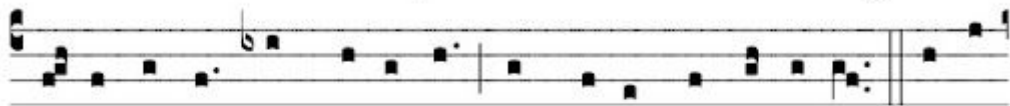
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

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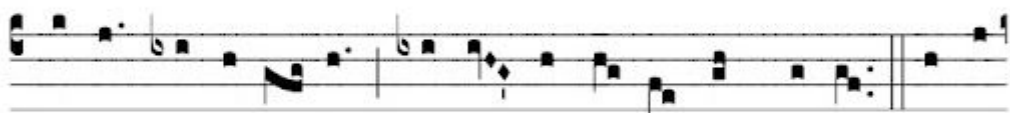
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- ve ve-rum Corpus na-tum de Ma-rí- a Vírgi-ne:



Ve-re passum, immo-lá-tum in cruce pro hómi-ne: Cu-jus



la-tus perfo-rá- tum flu-xit aqua et sán-gui-ne: Esto



no-bis prægustá- tum mortis in ex-á-mi-ne. O Je-su



dul- cis! O Je- su pi- e! O Je- su fi-li Ma-rí- æ.

Ave Verum – a classic Eucharistic hymn

Today during the Offertory, the cantor sings the ancient eucharistic hymn Ave Verum. It is one of the most beautiful pieces of medieval religious poetry, composed by an anonymous author – or so it seems – of the XIV century. It is a short poem, composed of only five verses, but theologically speaking it is of great density, celebrating the mysteries of the Incarnation of the Word, the Passion and the Eucharist.

Ave verum corpus, natum
de Maria Virgine,
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine
cuius latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine:
esto nobis praegustatum
in mortis examine.

O Iesu dulcis, O Iesu pie,
O Iesu, fili Mariae.

*Hail, true Body, born
of the Virgin Mary,
having truly suffered, sacrificed
on the cross for mankind,
from whose pierced side
water and blood flowed:
Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet]
in the trial of death!*

*O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus,
O Jesus, son of Mary.*

Pope John Paul, on the Feast of Corpus Christi in 1983, spoke about the hymn in his address at the Angelus after Sunday Mass:

On the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, our "thank you" rose gratefully to the Father, who gave us the divine Word, living Bread which came down from heaven, and is raised with joy to the Virgin, who offered the Lord the Flesh innocent and the precious Blood that we receive at the Altar. "Ave, verum Corpus": True body, truly conceived by the work of the Holy Spirit, carried in the womb with ineffable love, born for us of the Virgin Mary: "natum de Maria Virgine".

That divine Body and Blood, which after the Consecration is present on the Altar, and is offered to the Father and becomes a communion of love for all, strengthening us in the unity of the Spirit to found the Church, preserves its original matrix from Mary. She prepared that Flesh and that Blood, before offering them to the Word as a gift of the whole human family, so that he would put on them becoming our Redeemer, High Priest and Victim.

At the root of the Eucharist there is therefore the maternal life of Mary, her overflowing experience of God, her journey of faith and love, which made, through the work of the Holy Spirit, a temple of her flesh, of her heart an altar: since he conceived not according to nature, but through faith, with a free and conscious act: an act of obedience. And if the Body we eat and the Blood we drink is the inestimable gift of the Risen Lord to us travelers, it still carries within itself, like fragrant Bread, the flavor and perfume of the Virgin Mother.

"Vere passum, immolatum in Cruce pro homine". That Body really suffered, and was sacrificed on the Cross for man.

Born of the Virgin to be a pure, holy and immaculate oblation, Christ made the unique and perfect sacrifice on the altar of the Cross, which every Mass, in a bloodless way, renews and makes actual. Mary, the first redeemed, the Mother of the Church, played an active part in that one sacrifice. He stood beside the Crucifix, suffering deeply with his Only Begotten; she associated herself with maternal spirit in his sacrifice; he consented with love to his immolation: he offered it and offered himself to the Father.

Each Eucharist is a memorial of that Sacrifice and of the Passover which gave life back to the world; every Mass places us in intimate communion with her, the Mother, whose sacrifice "returns present" as the sacrifice of the Son "returns present" to the words of the Consecration of the bread and wine pronounced by the priest,

Pope John Paul II
5 June 1983

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 on Monday to Friday at 7.30 am, and on Wednesday at 10 am.

Inquiries about Baptisms and Weddings to the Locum Priest. 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

*A partnership in mission between St Mary Magdalene's, St John's Halifax Street,
St Peter's Cathedral, and Anglicare SA*

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.

Goods for the Bargain Centre are not able to be accepted at the present time.

Donations of cash are welcome via <https://anglicaresa.com.au/cause/magdalene-centre/>.

The Collective of St Magdalene (Drop-In Centre)

Pray for all those who receive the Collective's weekly support,
and who are seeking meals and companionship at other times during the week.

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Next Sunday, 29 August, at 10 am – The 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Song of Solomon 2.8–13 • James 1.17–27 • Mark 7.1–8, 14–15, 21–23

For Your Prayers

Pray for responsible leadership among the nations as the Covid-19 pandemic continues; pray for an end to racist violence and oppression; pray for peace and justice, especially for refugees and asylum seekers.

Pray for all those who are sick in body, mind or spirit, especially Paull, Valerie, Sim, Clarice, Dulcie, Jasmin, Henry, Fr Gary Priest, Fr Bart O'Donovan, Beth, Linda, and Fr Peter Garland.

Pray for 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.*