

The 13th Sunday after Pentecost

30 August 2020

Hymn



The God of Abraham praise
who reigns enthroned above;
the ancient of eternal days
and God of love!
The Lord, the great I AM,
by earth and heaven confessed
we bow before his holy name
for ever blessed.

To God we lift our voice
at whose supreme command
from death we rise to gain the joys
at God's right hand:
we all on earth forsake
its wisdom, fame, and power;
the God of Israel we shall make
our shield and tower.

Triumphant hosts on high
give thanks eternally
and 'Holy, holy, holy' cry,
'great Trinity!'
Hail Abraham's God and ours!
one mighty hymn we raise,
all power and majesty be yours
and endless praise!

*Thomas Olivers 1725 – 1799
adapt. Jubilate Hymns*

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 85.3-5

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.
O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you

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 priest, deacon, or another minister says

Let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows.

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You came to call sinners:
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Collect

Let us pray. O God,
whose Son has shown the way of the cross to be the way of life:
transform and renew our minds
that we may not be conformed to this world
but may offer ourselves wholly to you as a living sacrifice
through Jesus Christ our Saviour;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Exodus 3.1-15

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, 'I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.' But Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?' He said, 'I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.'

But Moses said to God, 'If I come to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your ancestors has sent me to you," and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?' God said to Moses, 'I AM WHO I AM.' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "I AM has sent me to you."' God also said to Moses, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you": This is my name for ever, and this my title for all generations.'

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

Psalm

Psalm 105.1-6, 23-26, 45b

- O give thanks to the LORD and call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 Sing to him, O sing praises,
and speak of all his wondrous works.
- 3 Rejoice in his holy name;
let all that seek the LORD rejoice in heart.
- 4 Seek the LORD and his strength;
for ever seek his face.
- 5 Call to mind the wonders he has done,
and the judgements of his mouth,
- 6 O seed of Abraham his servant,
O children of Jacob his chosen one.

- 23 Israel came into Egypt,
and Jacob dwelt in the land of Ham.
24 The LORD made his people fruitful;
and made them stronger than their enemies;
- 25 Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people,
and dealt unjustly with his servants.
26 Then he sent Moses his servant,
and Aaron whom he had chosen. Alleluia!

Second Reading

Romans 12.9-21

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Cf. Ephesians 1.17-18

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind,
so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 16.21-28

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, 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 will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life?

Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

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

Homily

Fr Graeme Kaines

Christ's Glory and Suffering

You may recall last Sunday's Gospel reading in which St Peter proclaimed that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of the living God. Today's Gospel reading is in sharp contrast to this yet it has the same people – in particular, both Jesus and Peter – in the accounts of what took place.

Before I take this any further it is worth thinking about the fact that the ministry of Jesus consists of two distinct parts. The first is about Jesus gathering a new circle of followers whom he teaches about God's new kingdom; and he illustrates this with healings and various teachings. So this first part is full of the power, blessings, glory and success with which Jesus is surrounded as he goes about his work.

The second part of Jesus' ministry is very different – in fact in contrast. Potentially this second part will be just as enriching for the disciples as the first part, but it is not as easy to embrace. Jesus begins to teach by word and example his way of discipleship in its fullness which will culminate in his saving death on the cross, then resurrection. There will be suffering. Peter, last week, was able to say that Jesus was the Christ and Son of God and here there was honour, glory and success to be celebrated. But in this second part of ministry both Peter and we need to face up the fact that Jesus is also the Son of Man who will be rejected by his fellow men and women; and Jesus is also a prophet on a very difficult mission like the prophets of old in the Old Testament. What he says to people will not always be welcomed.

It is this other part of Jesus' identity and sense of purpose which Peter rejects completely and Jesus is forced to be firm with him over his protests. Suffering and misery are part of following Christ.

How can we relate all this to ourselves and our faith in Jesus? It seems to me that we all pass through times of euphoria and depression with our faith. When our life is good, we are entirely ready to give thanks and attest to the validity of what we believe as Christian people. When life is very demoralising and we feel let down by others we are apt to question our faith and wonder about its legitimacy. We and St Peter are very much alike in this sense. It has been said very correctly that if we want to be at the empty tomb, the scene of the resurrection, and we aspire to share the crown of Jesus we need to stand with Jesus at Calvary and shoulder the cross in life. Jesus has promised to be with us in all circumstances.

At present we are passing through one of St Mary Magdalene's more difficult seasons. It is not a time for despondency or, worse still, giving up. It is a time to continue our journey with Christ and to walk with him with confidence and hope and embrace whatever the future holds for us.

Silence may be kept.

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.


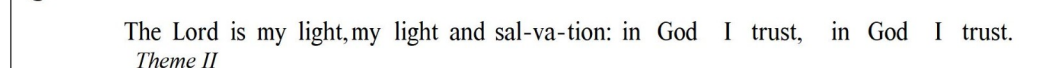
Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.
God's Spirit is with us.


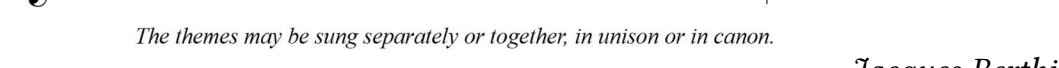
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

During the preparation of the gifts, the chant is sung. 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.

Theme I
1.  2. 

The Lord is my light, my light and sal-va-tion: in God I trust, in God I trust.

Theme II
1.  2. 

The themes may be sung separately or together, in unison or in canon.

Jacques Berthier 1923-1994

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

Merciful God,
receive all we offer you this day.
Give us grace to love one another
that your love may be made perfect in us.
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.

O God, eternal Wisdom,
all you have made is beautiful and good.
We thank you for darkness and light,
for this earth and for our bodies,
for growth and change
and all that lies beyond our knowledge and imagination.

In every generation you befriend your people.
You gave us your holy Law, sent the prophets,
and called us back to the truth whenever we turned away.

You were vindicated in your servant Jesus
who came with forgiveness, feasting, and stories of your grace.

Though we rejected him,
death on a cross could not quench the fire of his love.
You raised him up for us,
the firstborn from the dead,
to build a new community of hope
where all are honoured as Christ's equal friends.

And so we praise you
with Mary, mother of the living Word,
and with all your faithful friends,
as we join the angels' song:

**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.**

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

On the night before he died,
Jesus shared a meal with the people he loved.
He took the bread, gave you thanks,
broke it to share with them, and said:
"Take and eat this: it is my body."

Then he took a cup of wine.
Again he thanked you and told them:
"Drink this, all of you: it is my blood,
shed for you and for many
so that sins may be forgiven.
Whenever you do this, do it in memory of me."

So we delight to remember Jesus:
the faithfulness of his life,
the victory of his cross,
the glory of his resurrection,
the joy of the Holy Spirit poured out for the Church.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

O God, holy Wisdom, merciful and generous,
accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.
Make us good stewards of creation,
with justice in our hearts,
courage in our actions and power in our speech
to bear witness to the truth.

Protect us with your glory,
unite your church in loyalty and love,
and bring us home with Mary Magdalene and all your saints
to feast with you for ever.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
and in the Spirit's grace,
with heart and soul and mind and strength
we love and worship you alone, O God,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence to the Father
in the words our Saviour against us:

**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 sung –

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, Redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

All receive Holy Communion.

Communion will be administered in one kind only.

Communicants are asked to approach the priest 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.

Communion Antiphon

Ps 31.20

How great is the goodness, Lord,
that you keep for those who fear you.

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God,
you renew us at your table with the bread of life.
May your holy food strengthen us in love
and help us to serve you in each other.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn



Will you come and follow me
If I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
And never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
Will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown
In you and you in me?

3 Will you love the 'you' you hide
If I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
And never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
To reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound
In you and you in me?

2 Will you let the blinded see
If I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
And never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
And do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean
In you and you in me?

4 Lord, your summons echoes true
When you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
And never be the same.
In your company I'll go
Where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
In you and you in me.

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 and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday	12 noon	Angelus; 12.10 Mass (Church open 11.30 am – 1 pm)
Thursday	12 noon	Angelus; 12.10 pm Mass <i>in the language of the BCP</i> (Church open 11.30 am – 1 pm)
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.

Inquiries about Baptisms and Weddings to Fr Graeme. Confessions or confidential personal time with a priest are always available on request.

Regular Giving and Donations

Financial support for our mission and ministry through electronic funds transfer (EFT) is an efficient way of making regular contributions to your congregation. Regular giving helps us plan for the future and ensures you continue offering support when you can't make it to Church.

Our Details: Bank: Bankwest, Shop 8 Rundle Mall, Adelaide 5000
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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 owing to Covid-19 restrictions.

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 throughout the week.

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In addition to being present at times when the Church is open, Fr Graeme is also available to speak by phone on Tuesday & Thursday between 2 and 3 pm; and on Wednesday & Friday between 11 am and 3 pm. Phone 8357 6799.

In an emergency, please contact Fr Graeme on 0411 693 472

Next Sunday, 6 September, at 10 am – The 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Exodus 12.1-14 • Romans 13.1-10 • Matthew 18.10-20

NOTICE OF ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

The Annual Vestry Meeting (postponed from March 2020 owing to the Covid-19 shutdown) will be held **today following the 10 am Mass**. In addition to reports from office bearers, there will be elections for the offices of Churchwarden, members of Parish Council, and members of the Nomination Committee.

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 Paul, Valerie, David, Sim, Rebecca, and Chris.

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.