

The 22nd Sunday after Pentecost 24 October 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 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.

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. The cantor sings the hymn, and the Entrance Antiphon.

- God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform.
He plants his footsteps in the sea
And rides upon the storm.
- 2 Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take,
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy, and shall break
In blessings on your head.
- 3 His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.
- 4 Blind unbelief is sure to err,
And scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter,
And he will make it plain.

William Cowper 1731-1800

Cf. Psalm 105.3-4

Entrance Antiphon

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

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

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.
O God,
you give light to the blind and comfort to the sorrowing,
and in your Son you have given us
a High Priest who has offered the true sacrifice for us
and yet can sympathise with us in our weakness:
hear the cry of your people
and lead us home to our true country,
where with your Son and the Holy Spirit
you live and reign, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

First Reading

Job 42.1–6, 10–17

A reading from the book of Job.

Job answered the LORD:

‘I know that you can do all things,
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.
“Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?”
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.
“Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me.”
I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,
but now my eye sees you;
therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes.’

And the LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job’s daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children’s children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

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

PSALM

from Psalm 34

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times,
with praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.
- 2 Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise God's name.
I sought the Lord and was answered;
from my terrors God set me free.
- 3 Look towards the Lord and shine in light;
let your faces be not ashamed.
When the poor cry out the Lord hears them
and rescues them from all their distress.
- 4 The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere God.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
They are happy who seek refuge in God.

Second Reading

Hebrews 7.21–28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

This priest became one with an oath, because of the one who said to him,

“The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind,
‘You are a priest forever’”—

accordingly Jesus has also become the guarantee of a better covenant.

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Cf. 2 Tim 1.10

The cantor sings:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ destroyed death
and brought life to light through the Gospel.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 10.46b–52

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, ‘Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!’ Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, ‘Son of David, have mercy on me!’ Jesus stood still and said, ‘Call him here.’ And they called the blind man, saying to him, ‘Take heart; get up, he is calling you.’ So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, ‘What do you want me to do for you?’ The blind man said to him, ‘My teacher, let me see again.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Go; your faith has made you well.’ Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

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

The priest may say

Let us pray for the world and 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. 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.

Blind Bartimaeus at the gates
Of Jericho in darkness waits:
He hears the crowd; he hears a breath
say "It is Christ of Nazareth!"
And calls in tones of agony,
"O Jesus, Jesus pity me!"

2 The thronging multitudes increase
"Blind Bartimaeus, hold thy peace!"
But still, above the noisy crowd,
The blind man's cry is shrill and loud:
Until they say, "He calleth thee;
Courage! arise! He calleth thee!"

3 Then saith the Christ, as silent stands
The crowd, "What wilt thou at My hands?"
And he replies, "O give me light!
Rabbi, restore the blind man's sight."
And Jesus answers, "Go thy way,
Thy faith, thy faith hath savèd thee."

4 Ye that hath eyes and cannot see,
In darkness and in misery,
Recall those mighty voices three—
"O Jesus, Jesus pity me!"
"Courage! arise! He calleth thee!"
"Thy faith, thy faith hath savèd thee."

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow 1807-82 alt.

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 constant love,
you have guided your people
in all times and ages.
May we who offer you our praise today
always be ready to follow where you lead;
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

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.**

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ
in remembrance that he died for us,
and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

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

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon my breast:”
I came to Jesus as I was,
Weary, and worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
And he has made me glad.

2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Behold, I freely give
The living water, thirsty one;
Stoop down, and drink, and live”:
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in him.

3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“I am this dark world’s Light;
Look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
And all thy day be bright:”
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In him my Star, my Sun;
And in that light of life I’ll walk
Till travelling days are done.

Horatius Bonar, 1808-89

Communion Antiphon

Psalm 17.6

The cantor sings

I have called upon thee, O God, for thou shalt hear me:
incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

God our guide,
you have fed us with bread from heaven
as you fed the people of Israel.
May we who have been inwardly nourished
be ready to follow you all our days;
we ask this in the name 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 assistant, or the priest or deacon, says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

NOTICES

ALL SOULS DAY, TUESDAY 2 NOVEMBER

On Tuesday 2 November the church celebrates All Souls Day, when the souls of the faithful departed are especially remembered in the Church's worship. There will be a Sung Requiem Mass at 6.15 pm.

We have a long-standing custom of reading out the names of all those whom members of the Parish nominate to be remembered, especially from among their family and friends. A copy of the list prepared in 2020 is available at the back of the church. If you would like to add or otherwise amend the names you may have offered in past years, please make a suitable annotation on the list.

WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY

We have reported in the weekly newsletters and elsewhere about some important new policies governing Workplace Health and Safety that have been implemented in Parishes in recent months. This has become necessary in response to State and Federal legislation which imposes a duty of care at many levels, not only at the level of the Synod, but filtering down to the Parish, where the Parish Priest and members of the Parish Council have a responsibility by virtue of their office.

At the meeting of Parish Council last week, our Work Health and Safety Management Plan was approved, for forwarding to the Diocese.

As part of the management plan, we have now undertaken audits of our electrical and plumbing fixtures and fittings, and have identified a number of items which require urgent attention. Accordingly, at its last meeting, Parish Council approved the following expenditure.

Electrical

• Hall: supply and install 6 x 10 yr lithium battery smoke alarms	\$1254
• Hall: Supply and replace 6 x faulty RCDs with safety switches in electricity sub-boards	\$890
• Hall kitchen: Replace 15A power outlet (dishwasher) with 15A WP isolation switch	\$285
• Church: Install conduit over exposed cable (south west corner)	\$155
TOTAL	\$2584

The quote also included a recommendation to upgrade non-protected light and AC circuits (x5) to individual safety switches for compliance and safety at a cost of \$2,147. It was agreed not to proceed with this work at the present time, but to review the matter when lighting works are undertaken.

Plumbing

• Supply and install new ZIP boiler filter	\$573
• Small hot water service - major service	\$786
• Large hot water service - Supply and install safety tray, major service	\$2068
TOTAL	\$3427

In the coming week, we will complete this round of work with the inspection and tagging of all electrical equipment, as well as checking and servicing fire extinguishers and the fire hose in the hall.

ONGOING MAINTENANCE

Pest Control

The Parish Council has contracted with Murray Pest Control for supply and servicing of tamper proof lockable bait stations for rodent and insect control.

Urgent Plumbing

An ongoing leak in the mixer tap at the kitchen sink made it necessary to replace the fitting. These taps, which are essential in commercial settings and include an extendable and flexible fitting for pre-rinsing pots and pans, has been replaced at a character-building cost of \$1,200.

The stewardship of our buildings is an ongoing, expensive and time-consuming task!

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.

Our Details: Bank: Bankwest, 8 Rundle Mall, Adelaide 5000
BSB 305 122, account no 0324654. Reference: Your name

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.

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, 31 October, at 10 am – All Saints Sunday

Readings: Isaiah 25.6–9 • Psalm 24 • Revelation 21.1–6a • John 11.32-44

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 troubled in body, mind or spirit, especially Paull, Valerie, Sim, Clarice, Dulcie, Jasmin, Henry, Gary Priest (priest), John Edwards (priest), Peter Garland (priest), Linda and Alex.

For those who have died. Those who have worked and worshipped in this place before us; those who have died as a result of COVID-19 and in other tragic circumstances; those who have died recently, especially Rosemary Scrutton, and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

Rest ✠ eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.