The 17th Sunday after Pentecost

27 September 2020

The Archbishop has directed that in order to minimise the risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19, there should be no congregational singing in Anglican churches in the Diocese of Adelaide until further notice. For the time being, our parish musicians, physically distanced and observing the other requirements of our COVID-Safe Plan, will offer worship in song for the whole community.

When familiar music is used, the congregation may wish to make the offering their own by humming or vocalising quietly, as may be found helpful or devotional.

Offering a Sunday Mass without congregational singing is new for us all: this is a work in progress, and we will be considering the options in the coming weeks: please let us have your suggestions.

The Archbishop has undertaken to maintain a watching brief on advice about singing by SA Health with a view to announcing when it is possible to resume congregational singing.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon

Mass for Ordinary Time III

The choir sings the Entrance Antiphon.

Turn to your people, Lord, have pity on us.

Psalm 25

- In you, O Lord my God, have I put my hope: in you have I trusted, let me not be ashamed, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who wait for you be put to shame:
- but let those that break faith be confounded and gain nothing.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord: and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in the ways of your truth, and teach me: for you are the God of my salvation.
- 5 In you have I hoped all the day long: because of your goodness, O Lord.
- 8 Good and upright is the Lord: therefore will he direct sinners in the way.
- 9 The meek he will guide in the path of justice: and teach the humble his ways.
- 10 All the paths of the Lord are faithful and true: for those who keep his covenant and his commandments.
- 15 My eyes are ever looking to the Lord: for he will bring my feet out of the net.
- 16 Turn your face toward me and be gracious: for I am alone and in misery.

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.

The priest says

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.

Grant, O merciful God, that your people may have that mind that was in Christ Jesus, who emptied himself, and took the form of a servant, and in humility became obedient even to death. For you have highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, Jesus Christ, the Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in everlasting glory. **Amen.**

First Reading

A reading from the book of Exodus.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the LORD, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The LORD said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the LORD, saying, 'Is the LORD among us or not?'

For the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

Psalm

We will recount the works of the Lord.



- Hear my teaching, O my people; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable, and declare the mysteries of past times. R.
- 2 What we have heard and known, and what our forebears have told us, we will not hide from their children, but tell the generations to come: the praiseworthy acts of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works. **R**.
- 3 The Lord worked marvels in the sight of their forebears, in the land of Egypt, in the country of Zoan.
 He divided the sea and let them pass through; he made the waters stand like a heap.
 He led them with a cloud by day, and all night long with the light of fire. R.
- 4 The Lord split the hard rocks in the wilderness and gave them drink in abundance.
 He brought streams out of the rock, and the waters gushed out like rivers. R.

Psalm 78.1-4, 12-16

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! If any love me they will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we shall come to them. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

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

♥ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven," he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin," we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not

John 14.23

Matthew 21.23-32

believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.'

For the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

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.

Fr Bill Goodes

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.

All may offer a greeting of peace and friendship to those nearby.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

During the preparation of the gifts, the choir sings the chant. The congregation may wish to make the offering their own by humming or singing quietly, as may be found helpful or devotional. 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.

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

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

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory. Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same 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.

God of holy dreaming, Great Creator Spirit, from the dawn of creation you have given your children the good things of mother earth.

You spoke and the gum tree grew. In the vast desert and dense forest and in cities at the water's edge, creation sings your praise. The Season of Creation

Your presence endures as the rock at the heart of our Land.

When Jesus hung on the tree you heart the cries of all your people and became one with your wounded ones: the convicts, the hunted, and the dispossessed.

The sunrise of your Son coloured the earth anew, and bathed it in glorious hope.

In Jesus we have been reconciled to you, to each other and to your whole creation.

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 you 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 offer this bread and this cup, as we celebrate 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, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, 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 said

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.

Invitation to Communion

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.

or

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 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.

During Communion the choir sings the hymn

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that holy things have taken; let ears that now have heard thy songs to clamour never waken.

Lord, may the tongues which 'Holy' sang keep free from all deceiving; the eyes which saw thy love be bright, thy blessèd hope perceiving.

The feet that tread thy holy courts from light do thou not banish; the bodies by thy Body fed with thy new life replenish.

> *St Ephraim the Syrian, 4th cent. Trans. Percy Dearmer 1867-1936*

> > Cf. Psalm 118.49-50

Communion Antiphon

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Father in heaven, strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfil your will in the world. 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.

May God who established the dance of creation, who marvelled at the flowers of the field, who transforms chaos to order, and darkness into light, lead us to transform our lives and the Church to reflect God's glory in creation. ; 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.

NOTICES

Today after Mass there will be a **Picnic in the Parklands** from 11.30 am. Gourmet Sandwiches will be supplied, with everyone invited to bring their own drinks, chairs, rugs, and the like. Information including a map showing parking and other information is available at the back of the church, as is a sheet to indicate your attendance.

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Fr Graeme is on leave until Monday 5 October. Fr Bill Goodes will be with us on Sunday and Thursday during his absence. Please note that the Tuesday Mass is in recess until 6 October.

During Fr Graeme's absence, and urgent matters can be advised to Peter Burdon (0414 471 894).

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The Season of Creation

In 2015 Pope Francis issued the letter "Laudato Si'", titled for the first words of the "Canticle of the Sun" of St Francis of Assisi. Subtitled "On Care for our Common Home", *Laudato Si'* is a call for swift and unified global action to counter environmental degradation and global warming – along with consumerism and irresponsible development.

Reflection on and response to *Laudato Si'* has given rise to the Season of Creation, spanning five weeks between the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation (September 1) and the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi (October 4). This "time for creation" offers, in the words of Pope Francis, "individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."

Today we utilise some of the liturgical resources that are available for use during the season.

Among the sick, we are invited to pray especially for our former parishioner Ossy Grotto, who is seriously ill at this time. Ossy and his late wife Joan were an active part of our community for more than 20 years, and we remember them fondly.

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Among those who have died in recent days, we remember especially the Revd Caroline Pearce. Although Caroline was not the first Australian woman ordained, she was the first to specifically leave Australia to seek ordination in America. After training at the General Theological Seminary, she was ordained deacon and priest in the Diocese of Newark in 1988. She returned to Australia and held parish appointments in Melbourne and Adelaide, and maintained a long-standing involvement with Education for Ministry, Christian meditation and spiritual direction. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

Pray especially this week for Lauren Crowley, whose funeral will be held at St Mary Magdalene's on Tuesday at 1 pm. Lauren died on 11 September at the age of 41 after a life overshadowed by disability and illness, but with great stoicism and courage. Lauren's family are close friends of our parishioner Chris Dixon, and were very moved by the Requiem Mass for our friend Libby Austin in October 2018, and asked if Lauren's funeral might be celebrated here.

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SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

 Tuesday
 1 pm
 Funeral (RIP Lauren Crowley)

Thursday12 noonAngelus; 12.10 pm Mass in the language of the BCP (Church open 11.30 am - 1 pm)Sunday10 amSung Mass with children's ministry and choir

The Tuesday Mass is in recess until 6 October.

Mass is offered at St Peter's Cathedral from Monday to Friday at 7.30 am.

Inquiries about Baptisms and Weddings to the Parish 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.

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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Locum Priest: Fr Graeme Kaines

Fr Graeme is on leave from 14 September to 5 October. In an emergency during this time, please contact Peter Burdon on 0414 471 894

Next Sunday, 4 October, at 10 am - The 134th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Church

Readings: 1 Kings 8.22-30 • 1 Peter 2.4-10 • Matthew 21.12-16

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, David, Sim, Chris and Clarice.

Pray for those who have died recently, especially Caroline Pearce (priest) and Lauren Crowley,

and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

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