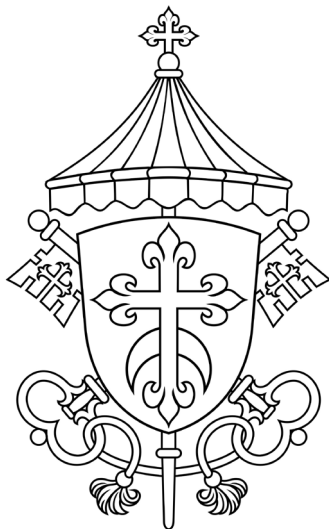


ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



Solemn Mass

SOLEMNITY OF
SAINT PATRICK

17 March 2021
10.30am

WELCOME

to St Mary's Cathedral which stands in the centre of Sydney as a Christian statement of grace and beauty. Generations of artists have bequeathed to it their magnificent gifts in stone and glass, designing a unique space of solace and prayer within this vibrant city. This Cathedral represents the spiritual origins of the Catholic Church in Australia. It is one of Sydney's most treasured historic buildings and one of the finest examples of English-style gothic churches in the world. William Wilkinson Wardell, the 19th century architect, dreamed of a gothic structure shaped from the local yellow-block sandstone on which this city is built. The building was finally completed 100 years after the architect's death. The Cathedral is dedicated to Mary, Immaculate Mother of God, Help of Christians.

The Mass is celebrated by the Most Reverend Terence Brady, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney.

The Mass is sung by the Choristers of Saint Mary's Cathedral, directed by Thomas Wilson, Director of Music.

The organ is played by Simon Niemiński, Assistant Director of Music.

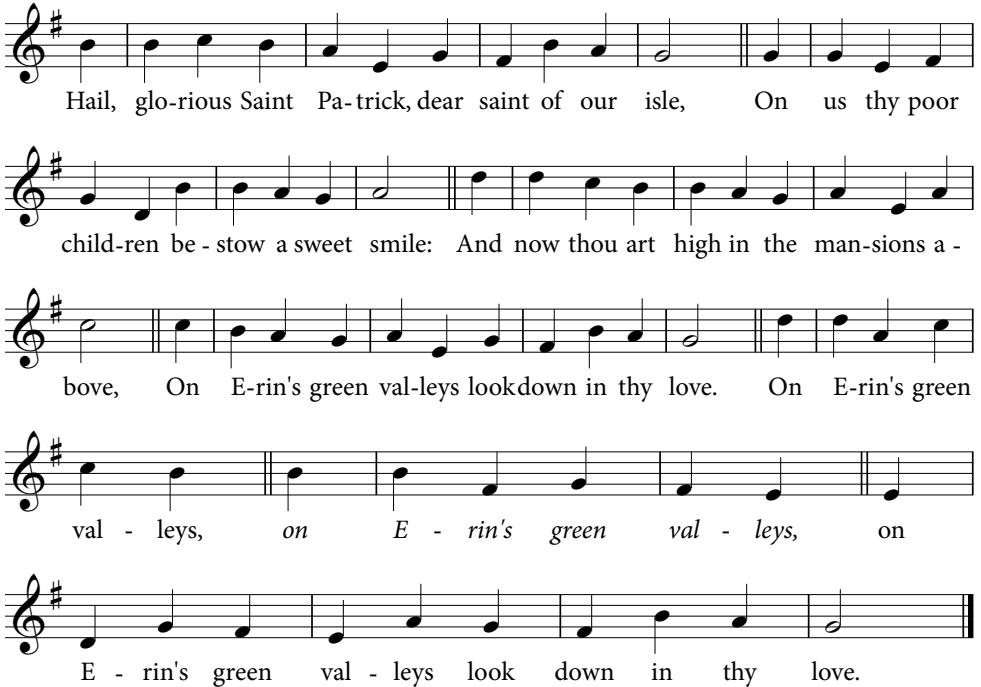
Before Mass begins a Welcome to Country is given.

**TO MAINTAIN A SPIRIT OF REVERENCE AND SOLEMNITY,
PLEASE TURN OFF AND REFRAIN FROM USING ALL MOBILE TELEPHONES
AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES.**

ORDER OF MASS

At the sound of the Sacristy bell all stand while the Choir sings

THE HYMN



Hail, glo-rious Saint Pa-trick, dear saint of our isle, On us thy poor
child-ren be - stow a sweet smile: And now thou art high in the man-sions a -
bove, On E-rin's green val-leys lookdown in thy love. On E-rin's green
val - leys, on E - rin's green val - leys, on
E - rin's green val - leys look down in thy love.

**In the war against sin, in the fight for the faith,
Dear saint, may thy children resist unto death;
May their strength be in meekness, in penance, in prayer,
Their banner the Cross Which they glory to bear,
Their banner the Cross Which they glory to bear.**

**Ever bless and defend the sweet land of our birth,
Where the shamrock still blooms as when thou wert on earth,
And our hearts shall yet burn, wheresoever we roam,
For God and Saint Patrick, and our native home,
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THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

All make the Sign of the Cross as the Bishop says

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

℟: **Amen.**

Peace be with you.

℟: **And with your spirit.**

The Bishop welcomes the congregation, and then begins

THE PENITENTIAL ACT

Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

After a brief silence all say

I CONFESS to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

All strike their breast thrice, saying

**through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

The Bishop gives the absolution, saying

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

℟: **Amen.**

The Choir sings the KYRIE and GLORIA

from Mass VIII

Plainchant

Kyrie, eleison. Christe, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.

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

Gloria in excelsis Deo
et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis.

Laudamus te,
benedicimus te,
adoramus te,
glorificamus te,
gratias agimus tibi

propter magnam gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus, Rex cælestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili Unigenite, Iesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis;

qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus,

Iesu Christe,
cum Sancto Spiritu:
in gloria Dei Patris.
Amen.

*Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.*

*We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks*

*for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;*

*you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.*

*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.*

The Bishop says the COLLECT

℟. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

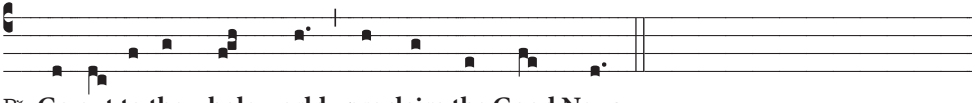
Jeremiah 1:4-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

THE word of the Lord was addressed to me, saying, ‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you came to birth I consecrated you; I have appointed you as prophet to the nations.’ I said, ‘Ah, Lord; look, I do not know how to speak: I am a child!’ But the Lord replied, ‘Do not say, “I am a child.” Go now to those to whom I send you and, say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to protect you – it is the Lord who speaks!’ Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me: ‘There! I am putting my words into your mouth.’

The word of the Lord.

℟️ **Thanks be to God.**



℟. **Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News.**

O praise the Lord, all you nations,
acclaim him all you peoples! ℟.

Strong is his love for us;
he is faithful for ever. ℟.

SECOND READING

Acts 13:46-49

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

PAUL and Barnabas spoke out boldly. ‘We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.’ It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

The word of the Lord.

℟. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



℟. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

The Lord has sent me to bring the Good News to the poor,
to proclaim liberty to captives. ℟.

The Lord be with you.

℟. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

℟. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

THE Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. 'Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. 'Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.' The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

℟. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE HOMILY

is given by

Fr Joseph Murphy

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

The Bishop says

AS we honour St Patrick, let us imitate his example by opening our hearts to God in prayer.

Let us thank God for the ways in which the ministry of St Patrick and his spiritual descendents have blessed the universal Church. May the light of faith burn brightly before the men and women of today.

Let us pray to the Lord:

℟: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the Church in Ireland, that she may bravely and wisely face the challenges of the day, and that the flame of faith St Patrick lit at Tara may be rekindled.

Let us pray to the Lord:

℟: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our many emigrants. May the Lord bless and watch over them; may they seek and find God; may they be a blessing to their adopted communities and their places of work.

Let us pray to the Lord:

℟: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for parents of young children. We ask God that those who have ceased to practice their faith may see that it is a treasure, the pearl of a great price, and that they may rejoice in the task of forming their children in the faith.

Let us pray to the Lord:

℟: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all our faithful departed, especially for deceased missionaries. May they rest from their labours and enter the joy of their Master.

Let us pray to the Lord:

℟: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Bishop concludes

WE thank you, Father, for the faith brought to us by Saint Patrick; we ask for the grace of perseverance as we make these prayers. Through Christ our Lord.

℟: **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The choir sings the OFFERTORY MOTET

arr. Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

I BIND unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three in One and, One in Three. I bind this day to me for ever by power of faith, Christ's incarnation; his baptism in the Jordan river; his death on Cross for my salvation; his bursting from the spiced tomb; his riding up the heavenly way; his coming at the day of doom; I bind unto myself today. Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me. Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger. I bind unto myself the name, the strong name of the Trinity, by invocation of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three. Of whom all nature hath creation; eternal Father, Spirit, Word; praise to the Lord of my salvation, salvation is of Christ the Lord. Amen.

The Bishop says

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

℟. **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

The Bishop says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

℟. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. **And with your spirit.**

℣. Lift up your hearts.

℟. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

℣. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

℟. **It is right and just.**

THE PREFACE

The Choir sings the SANCTUS

from Mass VIII

Plainchant

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt cæli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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.*

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

∿ The mystery of faith.

℟: **We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.**

At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer:

∿ Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

℟: **Amen.**

COMMUNION RITE

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

℟: **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but 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.**

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

℟: **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

℟: **And with your spirit.**

The Choir sings the AGNUS DEI

from Mass VIII

Plainchant

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona nobis pacem.

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

The Bishop shows the host to the congregation, saying

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 that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

***Catholics who have made the proper spiritual and sacramental preparation
may come forward in the procession to receive Holy Communion.
The sacred host must be consumed in the presence of the communion minister.***

The choir sings the COMMUNION MOTET

Richard Dering (1580–1630)

GAUDENT in cælis animæ sanctorum, qui Christi vestigia sunt secuti; et quia pro eius amore sanguinem suum fuderunt, ideo cum Christo exsultant sine fine.
The souls of the saints are rejoicing in the heavens, they followed the footsteps of Christ; and because they shed their blood for love of him, so with Christ they exult without end.

The Choir sings

THE HYMN

Faith of our fa- thers, li - ving still In spite of dun- geon, fire and
sword: Oh how our hearts beat high with joy_ When- e'er we hear that glo- rious

Refrain

word!_ Faith of our fa - thers! Ho - ly Faith! We
will be true to thee till death. We will be true to thee till death.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves. The first two staves contain the main body of the hymn. The third staff is the refrain, starting with a double bar line. The fourth staff concludes the piece with a double bar line.

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,
Were still in heart and conscience free:
How sweet would be their children's fate,
If they, like them, could die for thee!

*Faith of our fathers! Holy Faith!
We will be true to thee till death,
We will be true to thee till death.*

Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife;
And preach thee too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life.

Sawston
Traditional

Fr Frederick William Faber (1814–1863)

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The Bishop says the PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

℟: **Amen.**

THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.

℟: **And with your spirit.**

The blessing of God upon you all, men of Erin, sons, women, and daughters: prince blessing.

℟: **Amen.**

Meal-blessing, blessing of long life, health-blessing, blessing of excellence, eternal-blessing, heaven blessing.

℟: **Amen.**

Cloud-blessing, sea-blessing, fruit-blessing, land-blessing, crop-blessing, dew-blessing.

℟: **Amen.**

Blessing of happiness be upon you all, laity, clergy, while I command the blessing of the men of heaven: it is my bequest, as it is a personal blessing.

℟: **Amen.**

Patrick, son of Calphronn, son of Potaide, Archbishop and Chief Apostle of Ireland.

℟: **Amen.**

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

℟: **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Postlude (Op. 101, No. 5)

Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

The organisers of this Mass wish to acknowledge with thanks the Saint Patrick's Day Mass Committee, and all those who have contributed to the Mass, especially Bishop Terry Brady, and the concelebrating priests.

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