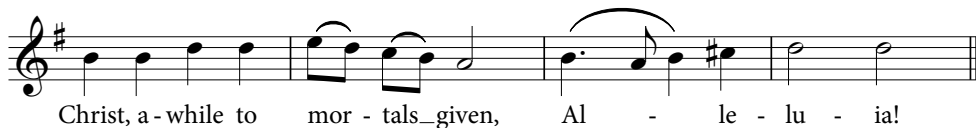


MUSIC AT THE
SUNDAY 9.00am
MASS



THE ASCENSION
OF THE LORD

All sing the PROCESSIONAL HYMN



There the glorious triumph waits; Alleluia!
Lift your heads, eternal gates! Alleluia!
Christ hath vanquished death and sin; Alleluia!
Take the King of Glory in. Alleluia!

Lord, though parted from our sight, Alleluia!
Far above yon azure height, Alleluia!
Grant our hearts may thither rise, Alleluia!
Seeking thee beyond the skies. Alleluia!

There we shall with thee remain, Alleluia!
Partners of thine endless reign; Alleluia!
There thy face unclouded see, Alleluia!
Find our heaven of heavens in thee. Alleluia!

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

All make the Sign of the Cross as the Celebrant says

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

℟. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

℟. **And with your spirit.**

The Celebrant lights a candle placed before the image of Our Lady.

READING

Luke 18:1-8

THEN Jesus told them a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary. He said, "There was a judge in a certain town who neither feared God nor respected any human being. And a widow in that town used to come to him and say, 'Render a just decision for me against my adversary.' For a long time the judge was unwilling, but eventually he thought, 'While it is true that I neither fear God nor respect any human being, because this widow keeps bothering me I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me.'" The Lord said, "Pay attention to what the dishonest judge says. Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The word of the Lord.

℟. **Thanks be to God.**

The Celebrant says

Dear brothers and sisters, the time of pandemic has deeply affected our lives. This trial is an opportunity to witness to our faith, to nurture hope and to make gestures of charity through corporal and spiritual works of charity. So many are marked by grief because they have lost a loved one or have been unable to accompany them at the time of their passing and burial. Family and social relationships have been severely tested; the economic crisis and the lack of work cause fear due to the increasingly uncertain future of one's family. In this experience, we feel like the first Christian community, which the text of the Acts of the Apostles describes with this beautiful expression: "Prayer by the Church was fervently being made to God" (Acts 12:5). We, too, wish to join together in raising our prayers to God so that He may hear our petitions. In this month of May we gather around the Holy Father, who asks the entire Church, to raise together with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, supplications for the end of this trial. The candle that has just been lit will remind our community that we have been called to pray for the end of the pandemic and in particular for all victims of violence and human trafficking. We ask you to keep vigil in this Shrine

and invite those throughout our nation, who cannot be present, to join us in prayer, for the duration of this day, from their homes, workplaces, and parish communities.

Let us pray together:

WE fly to thy protection,
O holy Mother of God.
Despise not our petitions in our necessities,
but deliver us always from all dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

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 Celebrant gives the absolution, saying

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

℟: **Amen.**

All repeat each line of the KYRIE, after it has been sung by the Cantor.



Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer-cy.



Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer-cy.



Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer-cy.

Celebrant

All

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.
We_ praise you, we_ bless you, we a - dore you, we glo-ri - fy you,
we give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, O God,
al-migh-ty Fa - ther. Lord Je - sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the sins of the world,
have mer-cy on us; you take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer;
you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us.
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi rit
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men...

COLLECT

℞ **Amen.**

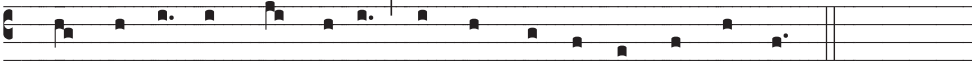
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 1:1-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 46:2-3,6-9 *℟. v.6*



℟. God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:1-13

ALLELUIA



℟. Al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia.

GOSPEL

Mark 16:15-20

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I BELIEVE in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow during the following line:

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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. I 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 adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

All sing the OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Psalm 46:6



℟. **God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast, al-le-lu-ia.**

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. ℟.

He subdues peoples under us and nations under our feet. Our inheritance, our glory, is from him, given to Jacob out of love. ℟.

God is king of all the earth, sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. ℟.

The princes of the people are assembled with the people of Abraham's God. The rulers of the earth belong to God, to God who reigns over all. ℟.

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.**

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

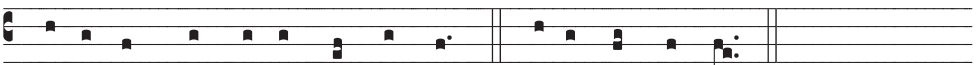
℟. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

T HE Lord be with you. ℟. **And with your spi-rit.**



Lift up your hearts. ℟. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

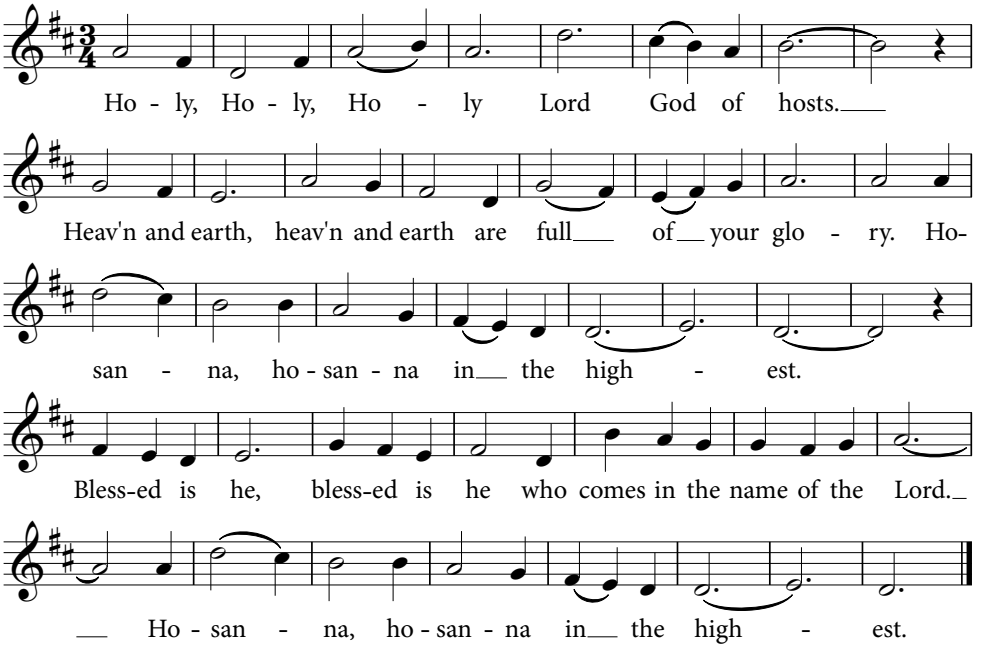


Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ℟. **It is right and just.**

THE PREFACE

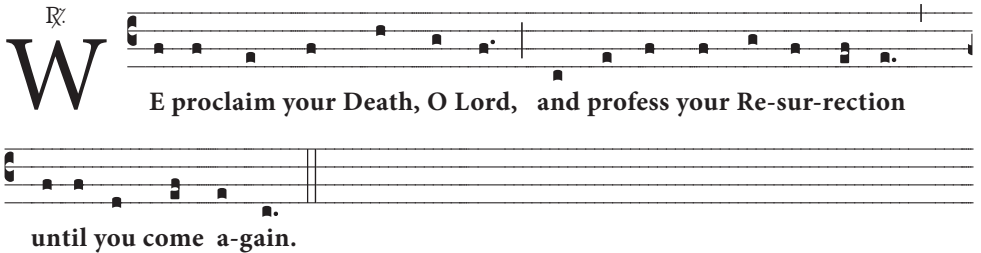
All sing the SANCTUS

Mass of Perpetual Help



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. —
Heav'n and earth, heav'n and earth are full — of — your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na in — the high - est.
Bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. —
— Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in — the high - est.

All sing the MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

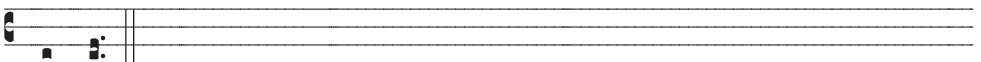


W E proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Re-sur-rection
until you come a-gain.

When the Celebrant sings

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.

All respond



✠ A-men.

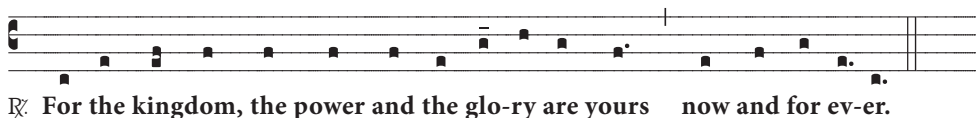
COMMUNION RITE

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 dai-ly bread,
and forgive us our trespasses, as we for-give those who trespass a-gainst us;
and lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e- vil.

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 glo-ry are yours now and for ev-er.**

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.

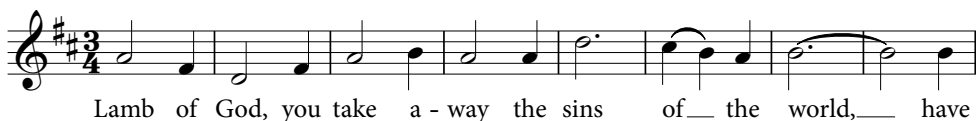
✠ **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

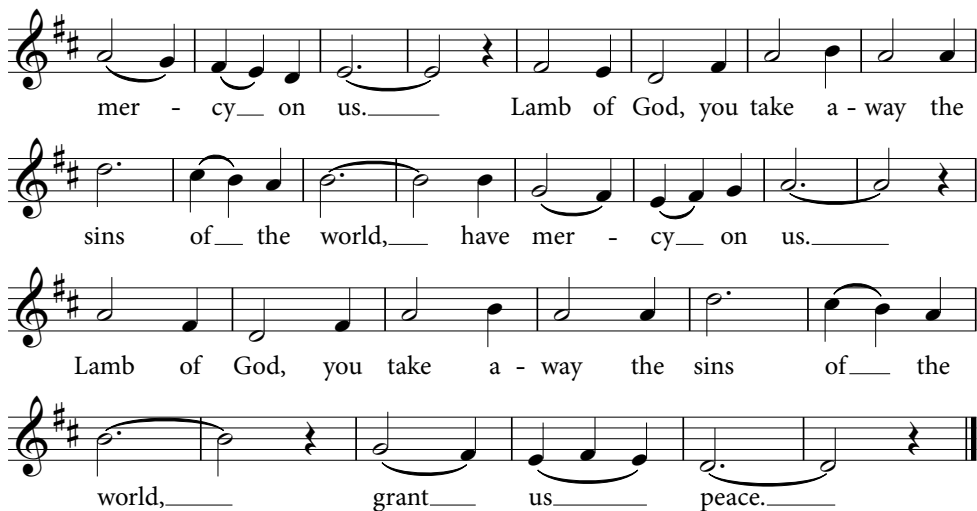
✠ **And with your spirit.**

All sing the AGNUS DEI

Mass of Perpetual Help



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have



mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the
world, grant us peace.

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.**

All sing the COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Mark 16:17-18



℟. **Those who believe in me will cast out demons and cure the sick, al-le-lu-ia.**

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. ℟

Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us praise his name. I sought the Lord and he answered me; from all my terrors he set me free. ℟

Look towards him and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed. This poor man called, the Lord heard him and rescued him from all his distress. ℟

The angel of the Lord is encamped around those who revere him, to rescue them. They call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. ℟

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

℟. **Amen.**

THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.

℟: **And with your spirit.**

Bow down for the blessing.

May almighty God bless you, for on this very day his Only Begotten Son pierced the heights of heaven and unlocked for you the way to ascend to where he is.

℟: **Amen.**

May he grant that, as Christ after his Resurrection was seen plainly by his disciples, so when he comes as Judge he may show himself merciful to you for all eternity.

℟: **Amen.**

And may you, who believe he is seated with the Father in his majesty, know with joy the fulfilment of his promise to stay with you until the end of time.

℟: **Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

℟: **Amen.**

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

℟: **Thanks be to God.**

PROCESSION FOR THE FEAST OF

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

PATRONESS OF AUSTRALIA

Praying for the protection of our nation

SUNDAY 23 MAY 2021

3PM | ST PETER'S SURRY HILLS

Pilgrim blessing from Fr John Macdonald

5PM | ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

Solemn Choral 1st Vespers, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament with Fr Don Richardson followed by 6pm Mass



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16 MAY | 6PM

St Mary's Cathedral

Led by Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP

