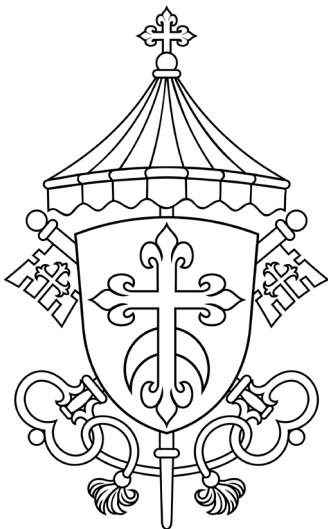


ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



Solemn Mass
for
Life, Marriage & Family
Sunday

Twenty ninth Sunday
of the Year

22 October 2023
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 CATHEDRAL CHOIR

St Mary's Cathedral Choir is the oldest musical institution in Australia. In 1818 a group of choristers was formed to sing Vespers before the Blessed Sacrament in the Dempsey household, the centre of Catholic worship in the penal colony. After the establishment of St Mary's Cathedral in 1833 the successors of these choristers formed the permanent Cathedral Choir. In faithfulness to the Benedictine English tradition from which the Cathedral's founders came, the Choir is formed of men and boys, preserving the historical character of Catholic liturgical and musical heritage. St Mary's is the only Catholic Cathedral in Australia to have an on-site Choir School where the twenty-four boy choristers are educated. The other parts of the Choir are provided by lay clerks who are professional singers. The Choir's primary function is to sing Vespers and Mass in the Cathedral which it does almost daily, but it has also undertaken several international tours, recordings and concert projects.

REGULAR CHORAL SERVICES

Sunday	1030	Solemn Mass <i>Full Choir</i>
	1700	Solemn Vespers and Benediction <i>Men's voices</i>
Monday	1700	Vespers <i>Men's voices</i>
	1730	Mass <i>Full Choir</i>
Tuesday	1700	Vespers <i>Cantor</i>
	1730	Mass <i>Boys' voices</i>
Wednesday	1700	Vespers <i>Cathedral Scholars</i>
	1730	Mass <i>Cathedral Scholars</i>
Thursday	1700	Vespers <i>Men's voices</i>
	1730	Mass <i>Men's voices</i>

Download the weekly Music List at <http://musiclists.cathedralchoir.sydney>

**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 and sing

THE HYMN

1. O thou_ who cam - est from_ a - bove, The fire_ ce -
les - tial to_ im - part, Kin - dle a flame_ of_
sa - cred love_ on the_ mean al - tar of_ my heart_.

**There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze,
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer and fervent praise.**

**Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
To work, and speak, and think for thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire,
And still stir up thy gift in me.**

**Ready for all thy perfect will,
My acts of faith and love repeat;
Till death thy endless mercies seal,
And make my sacrifice complete.**

Hereford
Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-76)

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

The Choir sings the INTROIT

Psalm 16:6, 8, 1

EGO clamavi, quoniam exaudisti me, Deus: inclina aurem tuam, et exaudi verba mea: custodi me, Domine, ut pupillam oculi: sub umbra alarum tuarum protege me. *℣.* Exaudi Domine iustitiam meam: intende deprecationem meam.

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me. ℣. Lord, hear a cause that is just, pay heed to my cry.

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.**

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 Missa brevis in F (KV 192)

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)

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.**

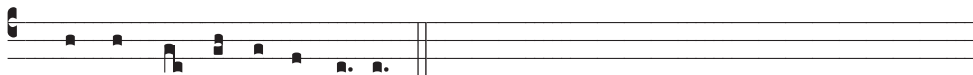
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 45:1,4-6

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 95:1,3-5,7-10 ℟. v.7



℟. **Give the Lord glo-ry and honour.**

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. ℟

The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens. ℟

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power;
give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts. ℟

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. ℟

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

The Choir sings the ALLELUIA

∿ *Psalm 145:2*

Alleluia.

∿ *Lauda, anima mea, Dominum: laudabo Dominum in vita mea: psallam Deo meo, quamdiu ero.*

My soul, give praise to the Lord; I will praise the Lord all my days, make music to my God while I live.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-21

The Lord be with you.

∿ **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

∿ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

At the conclusion of the Gospel:

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

HOMILY

BLESSING OF MARRIED COUPLES

The married couples stand.

The Bishop says

Dear married couples, on the anniversary of that celebration at which you joined your lives in an unbreakable bond through the Sacrament of Matrimony, you now intend to renew before the Lord the promises you made to one another. Turn to the Lord in prayer, that these vows may be strengthened by divine grace.

The husbands say

Blessed are you, Lord,
for by your goodness I took N. as my wife.

The wives say

Blessed are you, Lord,
for by your goodness I took N. as my husband.

Both say

Blessed are you, Lord,
for in the good and the bad times of our life
you have stood lovingly by our side.
Help us, we pray,
to remain faithful in our love for one another,
so that we may be true witnesses
to the covenant you have made with humankind.

The Bishop says

MAY the Lord keep you safe all the days of your life.
May he be your comfort in adversity
and your support in prosperity.
May he fill your home with his blessings.
Through Christ our Lord.

℟: **Amen.**

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

The Choir sings the OFFERTORY MOTET

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

LET all the world in every corner sing, My God and King! The heavens are not too high, his praise may thither fly: the earth is not too low, his praises there may grow. Let all the world in every corner sing, My God, and King! The Church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out; but above all, the heart must bear the longest part. Let all the world in every corner sing, My God and King!

The Bishop says

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

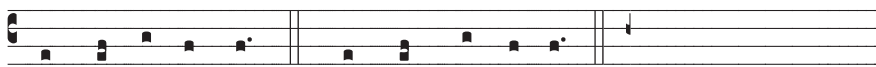
℟: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

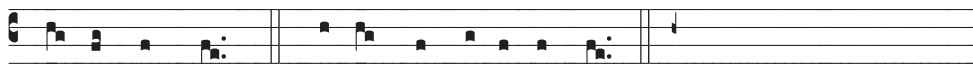
The Bishop says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

℟: **Amen.**


THE PREFACE


THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

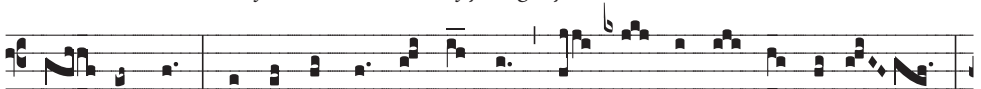
T HE Lord be with you. ℟: **And with your spi-rit.**

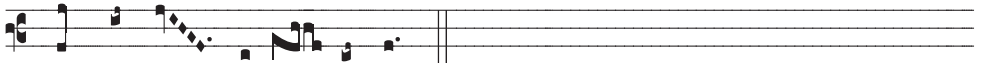
 Lift up your hearts. ℟: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

S  An-ctus, * San-ctus, San-ctus Dó-mi-nus De-us Sá-ba-oth.
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

 Ple-ni sunt cæ-li et ter-ra gló-ri-a tu-a. Ho-sán-na in
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in



 ex-cél-sis. Be-ne-díc-tus qui ve-nit in nó-mi-ne Dó-mi-ni.
the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

 Ho-sán-na in ex-cél-sis.
Hosanna in the highest.

When the Bishop sings

The mystery of faith.

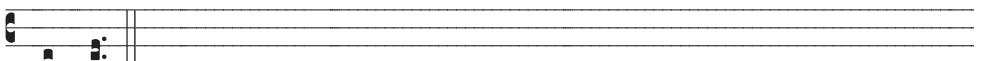
All sing

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

When the Bishop 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:

All sing

O UR 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.

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.

For Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

For And with your spirit.

The Choir sings the AGNUS DEI

from Missa brevis in F (KV 192)

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

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 Celebrant 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 ANTIPHON

Psalms 8:2

Domine Dominus noster, quam admirabile est nomen tuum in universa terra!

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name over all the earth.

The Choir sings the COMMUNION MOTET

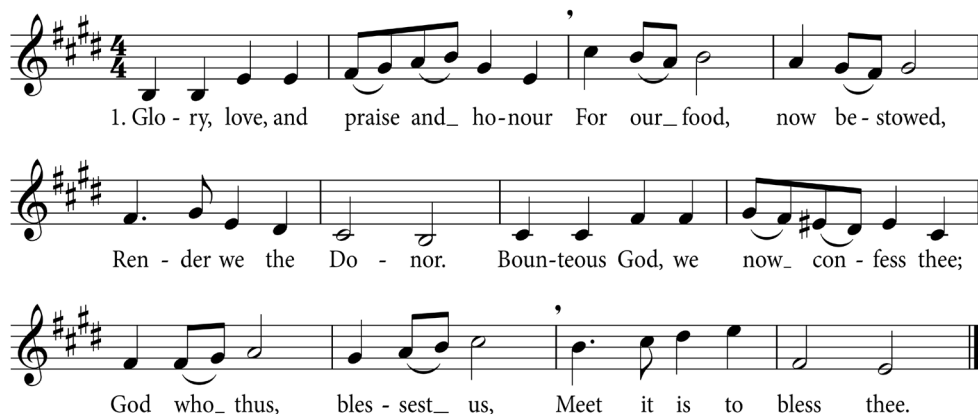
George Henschel(1850–1934)

TANTUM ergo Sacramentum veneremur cernui; et antiquum documentum novo cedat ritui: præstet fides supplementum sensuum defectui. Genitori Genitoque laus et iubilatio, salus, honor, virtus quoque sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque compar sit laudatio. Amen.

Therefore we, before him bending, this great Sacrament revere; types and shadows have their ending, for the newer rite is here; faith, our outward sense befriending, makes the inward vision clear. Glory let us give, and blessing to the Father, and the Son; honour, might, and praise addressing, while eternal ages run; ever too his love confessing, who, from both, with both is one. Amen.

All sing

THE HYMN



1. Glo - ry, love, and praise and ho-nour For our food, now be - stowed,
Ren - der we the Do - nor. Boun-teous God, we now con - fess thee;
God who thus, bles - sest us, Meet it is to bless thee.

**Thankful for our ev'ry blessing,
Let us sing Christ the Spring,
Never, never ceasing.
Source of all our gifts and graces,
Christ we own; Christ alone
Calls for all our praises.**

**He dispels our sin and sadness,
Life imparts, cheers our hearts,
Fills with food and gladness.
Who himself for all hath given,
Us he feeds, us he leads
To a feast in heaven.**

*Benifold
Francis Westbrook (1903–1975)*

Charles Wesley (1707–1788)

The Bishop says the PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

℟: **Amen.**

The Bishop prays the BLESSING OF FAMILIES

O God, you have created us in love and saved us in mercy, and through the bond of marriage you have established the family and willed that it should become a sign of Christ's love for his Church. Shower your blessings ✠ upon these families gathered here in your name. Enable those who are joined by one love to support one another by their fervour of spirit and devotion to prayer. Make them responsive to the needs of others and witnesses to the faith in all they say and do. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

℟: **Amen.**

THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.

℟: **And with your spirit.**

May God the all-powerful Father grant you his joy.

℟: **Amen.**

May the Only Begotten Son of God stand by you with compassion in good times and bad.

℟: **Amen.**

May the Holy Spirit always pour forth his love into your hearts

℟: **Amen.**

And may almighty God bless all of you, who are gathered here, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

℟: **Amen.**

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

℟: **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Final (Symphonie VI)

Louis Vierne (1870–1937)

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