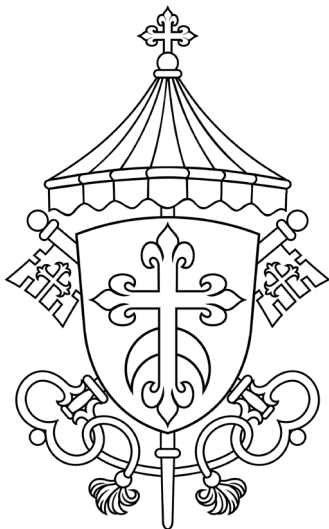


# ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



## Solemn Mass

Thirty first Sunday  
of the Year

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

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



**No photography or videography  
permitted while Mass is in progress.**

The Principal Celebrant of this Mass will be the Most Reverend Paul Richard Gallagher.

Archbishop Gallagher is the Holy See's Secretary for Relations with States and is making an official visit to Australia.

Concelebrating will be the Archbishop of Sydney, the Most Reverend Anthony Fisher OP; the Apostolic Nuncio to Australia, the Most Reverend Charles D. Balvo; the Reverend Monsignor Jan Thomas Limchua of the Secretariat of State; and the Reverend Monsignor Alfred Dsouza, First Secretary of the Nunciature.

**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

How shall I sing that ma - jes - ty Which an - gels do\_\_ ad - mire?  
Let dust in dust and si - lence lie; Sing, sing, ye heav'n - ly choir.  
Thou - sands of thou - sands stand a - round Thy throne, O God most high; \_\_  
Ten thou - sand times ten thou - sand sound Thy praise; but who am I?

**Thy brightness unto them appears,  
Whilst I thy footsteps trace;  
A sound of God comes to my ears,  
But they behold thy face.  
They sing because thou art their Sun;  
Lord, send a beam on me;  
For where heaven is but once begun  
There alleluias be.**

**How great a being, Lord, is thine,  
Which doth all beings keep!  
Thy knowledge is the only line  
To sound so vast a deep.  
Thou art a sea without a shore,  
A sun without a sphere;  
Thy time is now and evermore,  
Thy place is everywhere.**

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

*The Choir sings the* INTROIT

*Psalm 37:22. 23, 2*

**N**E derelinquas me, Domine Deus meus, ne discedas a me; intende in adiutorium meum, Domine virtus salutis meae. *℣.* Domine, ne in furore tuo arguas me: neque in ira tua corripas me.

*Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation! ℣. O Lord, do not rebuke me in your anger; do not punish me, Lord, in your rage.*

*All make the Sign of the Cross as the Archbishop 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.**

### BLESSING AND SPRINKLING OF WATER


Dear brethren (brothers and sisters), let us humbly beseech the Lord our God to bless this water he has created, which will be sprinkled on us as a memorial of our Baptism. May he help us by his grace to remain faithful to the Spirit we have received.

**A**Lmighty ever-living God, who willed that through water, the fountain of life and the source of purification, even souls should be cleansed and receive the gift of eternal life; be pleased, we pray, to bless this water, by which we seek protection on this your day, O Lord. Renew the living spring of your grace within us and grant that by this water we may be defended from all ills of spirit and body, and so approach you with hearts made clean and worthily receive your salvation. Through Christ our Lord.


℟: **Amen.**

**W**E humbly ask you, almighty God: be pleased in your faithful love to bless this salt you have created, for it was you who commanded the prophet Elisha to cast salt into water, that impure water might be purified. Grant, O Lord, we pray, that, wherever this mixture of salt and water is sprinkled, every attack of the enemy may be repulsed and your Holy Spirit may be present to keep us safe at all times. Through Christ our Lord.

℟: **Amen.**



**A** -SPERGES me, \* **Dómi-ne, hyssó-po; et mundá-bor: lavá-bis me,**  
*Sprinkle me with hyssop, O Lord, and I shall be cleansed; wash me*



**et su-per ni-vem de-al-bá-bor.**  
*and I shall be whiter than snow.*

*The Cantor sings the verse*

*Psalm 50:1*

Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam. ℣.

*Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.*

May almighty God cleanse us of our sins, and through the celebration of this Eucharist make us worthy to share at the table of his Kingdom.

℟: **Amen.**

*The Choir sings the GLORIA*

*from Mass in D*

*Antonín Dvorák (1841–1904)*

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 Celebrant says the COLLECT*

℟: **Amen.**

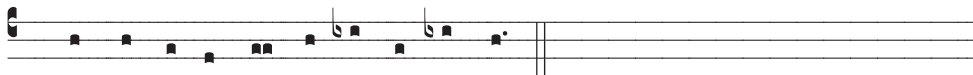
# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

*Malachi 1:14-2:2,8-10*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 130* ☩



☩ **Keep my soul in peace be-fore you, O Lord.**

O Lord, my heart is not proud  
nor haughty my eyes.  
I have not gone after things too great  
nor marvels beyond me. ☩

Truly I have set my soul  
in silence and peace.  
A weaned child on its mother's breast,  
even so is my soul. ☩

O Israel, hope in the Lord  
both now and for ever. ☩

SECOND READING

*1 Thessalonians 2:7-9,13*

*The Choir sings the ALLELUIA*

☩ *Psalm 32:6*

Alleluia.

☩ Verbo Domini caeli firmati sunt, et Spiritu oris eius omnis virtus eorum.

*By his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars.*

Alleluia.

GOSPEL

*Matthew 23:1-12*

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

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*

*Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)*

**W**IE lieblich sind deine Wohnungen, Herr Zebaoth! Meine Seele verlanget und sehnet sich nach den Vorhöfen des Herrn; mein Leib und Seele freuen sich in dem lebendigen Gott. Wohl denen, die in deinem Hause wohnen, die loben dich immerdar.

*How lovely are your dwellings, O Lord of Hosts. My soul longs and faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and flesh rejoice in the living God. Blest are they that dwell in your house; they praise you, O Lord, for evermore.*

*The Archbishop says*

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

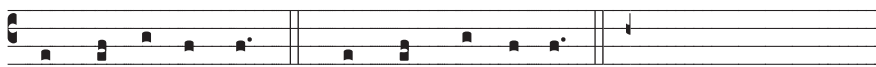
℟: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**


*The Archbishop says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS*

℟: **Amen.**


THE PREFACE


## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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

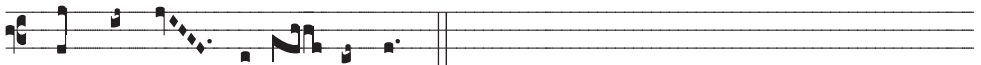
  
Lift up your hearts. ℟: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

  
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*

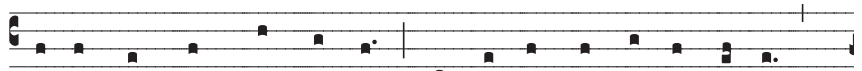

 ex-cél-sis. Be-ne-díc-tus qui ve-nit in nó-mi-ne Dó-mi-ni.  
*the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

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

*When the Archbishop sings*

The mystery of faith.

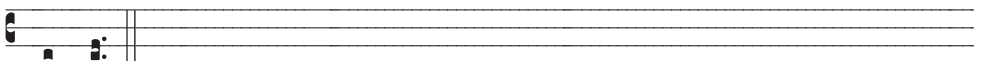
*All sing*

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

*When the Archbishop 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.

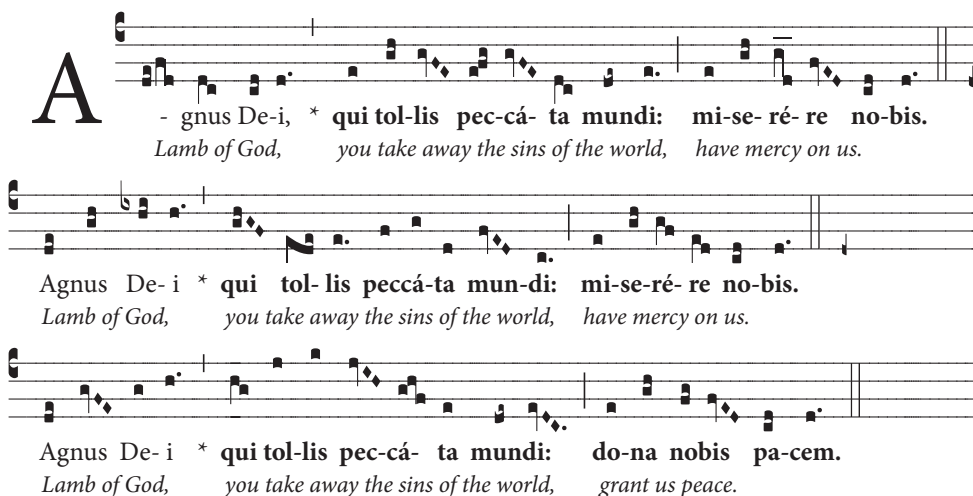
✠ **For the kingdom, the power and the glo-ry are yours now and for ev-er.**

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.

✠ **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

✠ **And with your spirit.**



**A** - gnus De-i, \* qui tol-lis pec-cá- ta mundi: mi-se-ré- re no-bis.  
*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.*

Agnus De-i \* qui tol-lis peccá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré- re no-bis.  
*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.*

Agnus De-i \* qui tol-lis pec-cá- ta mundi: do-na nobis pa-cem.  
*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.*

*The Archbishop 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 AGNUS DEI*

*from Mass in D*

*Antonín Dvořák*

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 Choir sings the COMMUNION ANTIPHON*

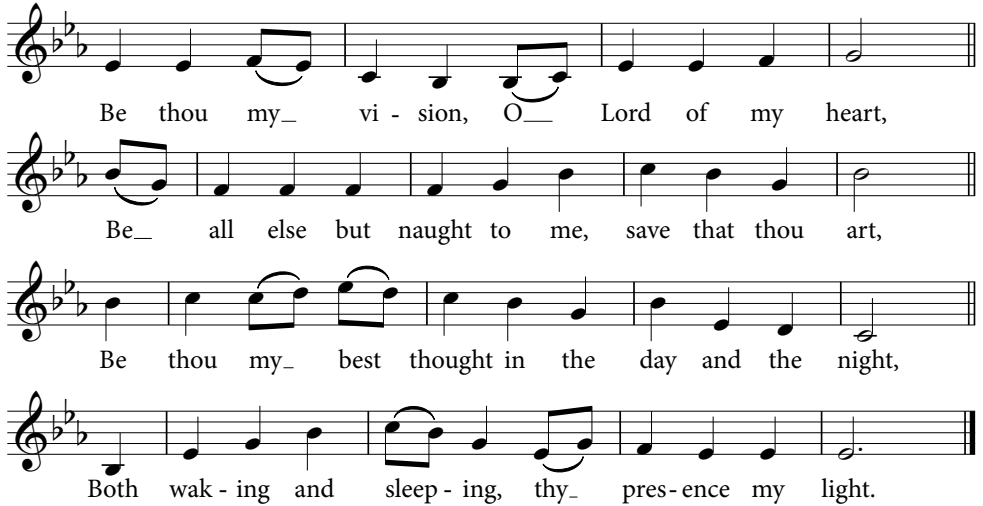
*cf. Psalm 15:11*

Notas mihi fecisti vias vitæ: adimplebis me lætitia cum vultu tuo, Domine.

*You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.*

All sing

## THE HYMN



Be thou my\_ vi - sion, O\_ Lord of my heart,  
Be\_ all else but naught to me, save that thou art,  
Be thou my\_ best thought in the day and the night,  
Both wak - ing and sleep - ing, thy\_ pres - ence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,  
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord;  
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son,  
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,  
Be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might;  
Be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower,  
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Be thou mine inheritance now and always;  
Be thou, and thou only, the first in my heart,  
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,  
O grant me its joys after victory is won;  
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Slane  
Traditional Irish melody

Irish (c. 8th century)  
tr. Mary Byrne (1880–1931)

*The Archbishop says the PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION*

℟: **Amen.**

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.

℟: **And with your spirit.**

Blessed be the name of the Lord.

℟: **Now and for ever.**

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

℟: **Who made heaven and earth.**

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

℟: **Amen.**

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

℟: **Thanks be to God.**

### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Allegro assai vivace (Sonata No. 1)

*Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)*

### LATER TODAY IN THE CATHEDRAL

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**5.00pm**

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