

# Solemn Mass

Thirty third Sunday of the Year

> 19 November 2023 10.30am





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## 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**

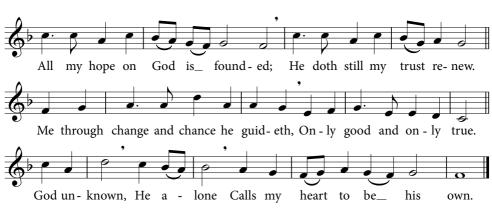
Sunday	1030	Solemn Mass Full Choir	
	1700	Solemn Vespers and Benediction Men's voices	
Monday	1700	Vespers Men's voices	
	1730	Mass Full Choir	
Tuesday	1700	Vespers Cantor	
	1730	Mass Boys' voices	
Wednesday	1700	Vespers Cathedral Scholars	
	1730	Mass Cathedral Scholars	
Thursday	1700	Vespers Men's voices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

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

## 2

Pride of man and earthly glory, Sword and crown betray his trust; What with care and toil he buildeth, Tower and temple, fall to dust. But God's power, Hour by hour, Is my temple and my tower.

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God's great goodness aye endureth, Deep his wisdom, passing thought; Splendour, light and life attend him, Beauty springeth out of naught. Evermore From his store New-born worlds rise and adore.

Michael Herbert Howells (1892–1983) Daily doth th'Almighty Giver Bounteous gifts on us bestow; His desire our souls delighteth, Pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand At his hand; Joy doth wait on his command.

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5

Still from man to God eternal Sacrifice of praise be done. High above all praises praising For the gift of Christ his Son. Christ doth call One and all: Ye who follow shall not fall.

> Robert Bridges (1844–1930) based on the German of J Neander (1650–1680)

# THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

The Choir sings the INTROIT

Jeremiah 29:11,12,14; Psalm 84

DICIT Dominus: Ego cogito cogitationes pacis, et non afflictionis: invocabitis me, et ego exaudiam vos: et reducam captivitatem vestram de cunctis locis. V. Benedixisti Domine terram tuam: avertisti captivitatem Iacob.

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place. V. O Lord, you once favoured your land: and revived the fortunes of Jacob.

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.

R. Amen.

The Lord be with you.

**R**? 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 Celebrant gives the absolution, saying

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

R. Amen.

The Choir sings the KYRIE and GLORIA

from Mass in G

*Franz Schubert (1797–1828)* 

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

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

Gloria in excelsis Deo	Glory to God in the highest,
et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis.	and on earth peace to people of good will.
Laudamus te,	We praise you,
benedicimus te,	we bless you,
adoramus te,	we adore you,
glorificamus te,	we glorify you,
gratias agimus tibi	we give you thanks
propter magnam gloriam tuam,	for your great glory,
Domine Deus, Rex cælestis,	Lord God, heavenly King,
Deus Pater omnipotens.	O God, almighty Father.
Domine Fili Unigenite, Iesu Christe,	Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,	Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
qui tollis peccata mundi,	you take away the sins of the world,
miserere nobis;	have mercy on us;
qui tollis peccata mundi,	you take away the sins of the world,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.	receive our prayer;
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,	you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
miserere nobis.	have mercy on us.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,	For you alone are the Holy One,
tu solus Dominus,	you alone are the Lord,
tu solus Altissimus,	you alone are the Most High,
Iesu Christe,	Jesus Christ,
cum Sancto Spiritu:	with the Holy Spirit,
in gloria Dei Patris.	in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.	Amen.

*The Celebrant says the* COLLECT

R. Amen.

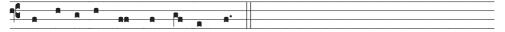
# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING

Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31

**Responsorial Psalm** 

Psalm 127:1-5 R. v.1



#### **R**? **O blessèd are those who fear the Lord.**

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. R

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. R?

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion all the days of your life! R

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Alleluia.

De profundis clamavi ad te, Domine: Domine exaudi vocem meam.
Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30

The Lord be with you.

## R? And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

## R? Glory to you, O Lord.

At the conclusion of the Gospel:

The Gospel of the Lord.

## R. 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

*Marcel Dupré (1886–1971)* 

AUDATE Dominum omnes gentes, laudate eum omnes populi. Quoniam confirmata est super nos misericordia eius, et veritas Domini manet in æternum.

O praise the Lord all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples. Strong is his lovingkindness towards us, and the truth of the Lord stands for ever.

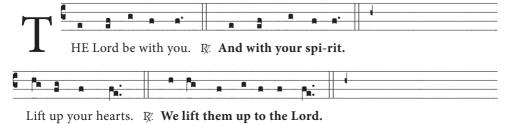
The Celebrant says

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

ℜ 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 Celebrant says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

R. Amen.



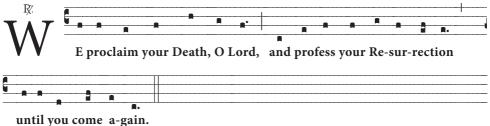
## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



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

The Preface





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.

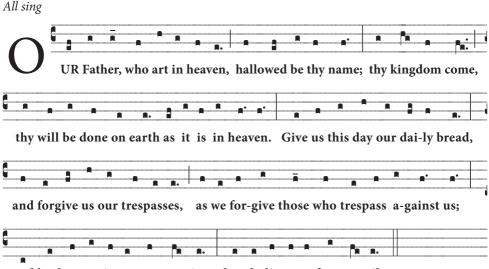
#### All respond



RX A-men.

## COMMUNION RITE

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



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.



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

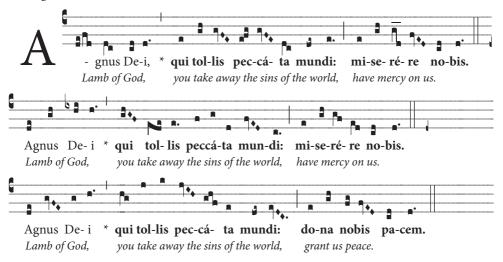
Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

#### Rž Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R? And with your spirit.

All sing the AGNUS DEI



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.

R 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 G

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

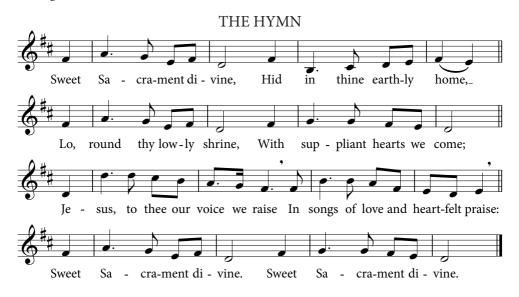
Domine, quinque talenta tradidisti mihi: ecce alia quinque superlucratus sum. Euge serve fidelis, quia in pauca fuisti fidelis, supra multa te constituam, intra in gaudium Domini tui.

Lord, you gave me five talents: see, I have made five more. Well done, good and faithful servant: because you have faithful in few things, I will put you in charge of many. Enter into the joy of your Lord.

Franz Schubert

Matthew 25:20-21

All sing



Sweet Sacrament of peace, Dear home for every heart, Where restless yearnings cease And sorrows all depart; There in thine ear all trustfully We tell our tale of misery: Sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament of rest, Ark from the ocean's roar, Within thy shelter blest Soon may we reach the shore; Save us, for still the tempest raves; Save, lest we sink beneath the waves: Sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine, Earth's light and jubilee, In thy far depths doth shine Thy Godhead's majesty; Sweet light, so shine on us, we pray, That earthly joys may fade away: Sweet Sacrament divine. The Celebrant says the PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

#### R. Amen.

# THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.

#### **R**⁄ And with your spirit.

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

#### R. Amen.

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

#### R. Thanks be to God.

Organ Voluntary

Pæan

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

## LATER TODAY IN THE CATHEDRAL

Solemn Vespers and Benediction

*sung by the Lay Clerks of St Mary's Cathedral Choir*  5.00pm

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