

# ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



## Solemn Mass

Fifteenth Sunday  
of the Year

13 July 2025  
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 is in recess.

Regular choral services resume on Sunday 20 July.

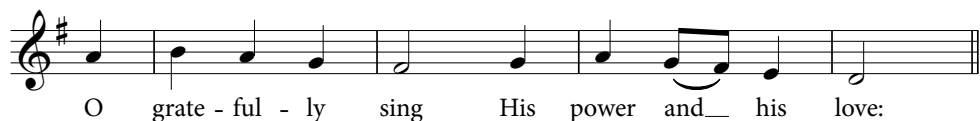
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PLEASE TURN OFF AND REFRAIN FROM USING ALL MOBILE TELEPHONES  
AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES.**

# ORDER OF MASS

*At the sound of the Sacristy bell all stand and sing*

## THE HYMN



2

O tell of his might,  
O sing of his grace,  
Whose robe is the light,  
Whose canopy space.  
His chariots of wrath  
The deep thunder-clouds form,  
And dark is his path  
On the wings of the storm.

3

This earth, with its store  
Of wonders untold,  
Almighty, thy power  
Hath founded of old:  
Hath stablshed it fast  
By a changeless decree,  
And round it hath cast,  
Like a mantle, the sea.

4

O measureless Might,  
Ineffable Love,  
While Angels delight  
To hymn thee above,  
Thy humbler creation,  
Though feeble their lays,  
With true adoration  
Shall sing to thy praise.

## 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.**

### 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.**

**K** Y-ri-e e- lé-i-son. Ky-ri-e e- lé-i-son.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

Christe e- lé-i-son. Christe e- lé-i-son.  
*Christ, have mercy.*

Ky-ri-e e- lé-i-son. Ky-ri-e e- lé-i-son.

All sing alternate lines of the GLORIA

Mass XI

Gló-ri-a in excélsis De-o. Et in terra pax homí-ni-bus bonæ vo-lun-tá-tis.  
*Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.*

Laudámus te. Be-ne-dí-cimus te. Ado-rámus te. Glo-ri-fi-cámus te.  
*We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you.*

Grá-ti-as á-gimus ti-bi propter magnam gló-ri-am tu-am. Dómi-ne De-us, Rex  
*we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly*

cælé-stis, De-us Pater omní-potens. Dómi-ne Fi-li u-ni-gé-ni-te Ie-su Christe.  
*King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,*

Dómi-ne De-us, Agnus De-i, Fí-li-us Patris. Qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di,  
*Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world,*



**mi-se-ré-re no-bis.** Qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di, susci-pe depre-ca-ti-ó-nem  
*have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;*



nostram. **Qui se-des ad délix-te-ram Pa-tris, mi-se-ré-re no-bis.** Quo-ni-am tu  
*you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you*



so-lus sanctus. **Tu so-lus Dómi-nus.** Tu so-lus Al-tís-simus, Ie-su Chri-ste.  
*alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,*



**Cum Sancto Spí-ri-tu, in gló-ri-a De-i Pa-tris. A-men.**  
*with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.*

*The Celebrant says the COLLECT*

**R: Amen.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

*Deuteronomy 30:10-14*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 68:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37* *R. cf. v.33*



*R.* **Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.**

This is my prayer to you,  
my prayer for your favour.  
In your great love, answer me, O God,  
with your help that never fails:  
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;  
in your compassion, turn towards me. *R.*

As for me in my poverty and pain  
let your help, O God, lift me up.  
I will praise God's name with a song;  
I will glorify him with thanksgiving. *R.*

The poor when they see it will be glad  
and God-seeking hearts will revive;  
for the Lord listens to the needy  
and does not spurn his servants in their chains. *R.*

For God will bring help to Zion  
and rebuild the cities of Judah.  
The sons of his servants shall inherit it;  
those who love his name shall dwell there. *R.*

SECOND READING

*Colossians 1:15-20*

All sing the ALLELUIA

℣. *cf. John 6:63,68*



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

℣ Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. ℟

GOSPEL

*Luke 10:25-37*

The Lord be with you.

℟. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

℟. **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 Celebrant 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 Celebrant says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS*

℟: **Amen.**

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER


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

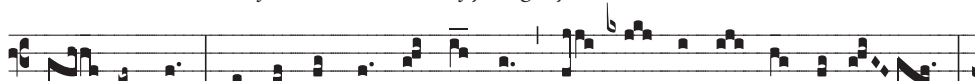
Lift up your hearts. ℟: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

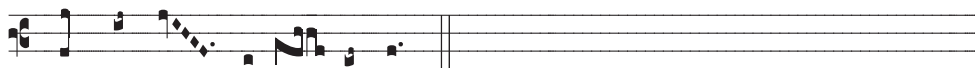
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ℟: **It is right and just.**

THE PREFACE

**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

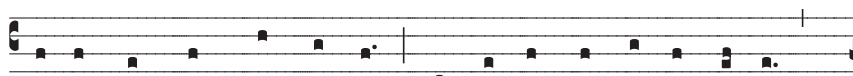
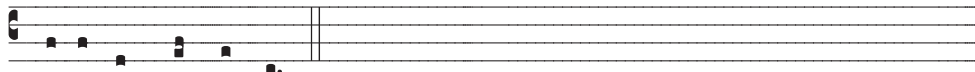
 ex-cél-sis. Be-ne-díc-tus qui ve-nit in nó-mi-ne Dó-mi-ni.  
the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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

When the Celebrant sings

The mystery of faith.

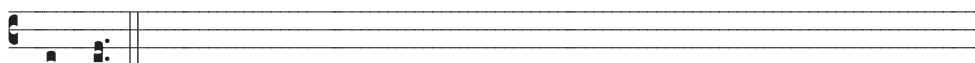
All sing

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

When the 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:

*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.

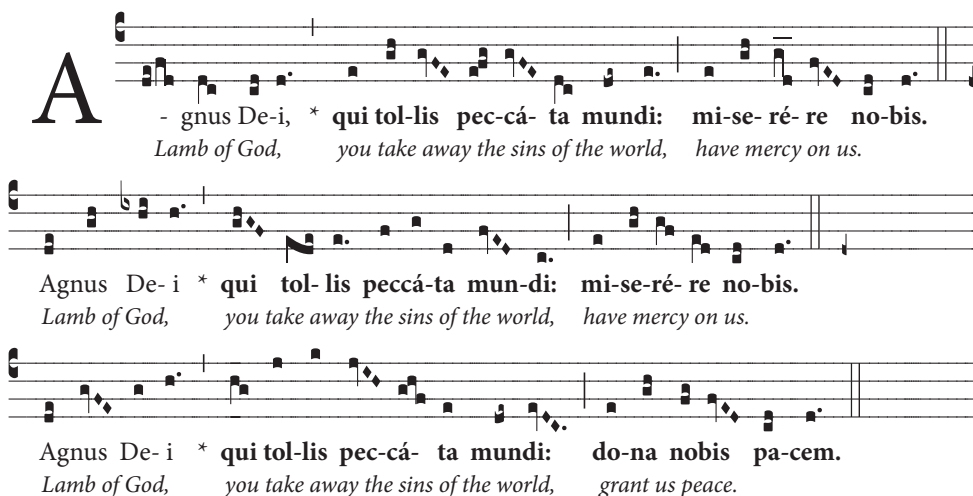
**℟:** For the kingdom, the power and the glo-ry are yours now and for ev-er.

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 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.

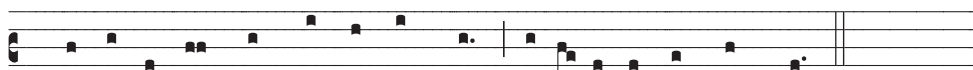
℟: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

*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.*

All sing the COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Psalm 83:5*



℟: **Blessèd are they who dwell in your house, for ev-er singing your praise.**

How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord, God of hosts. My soul is longing and yearning, is yearning for the courts of the Lord. ℟

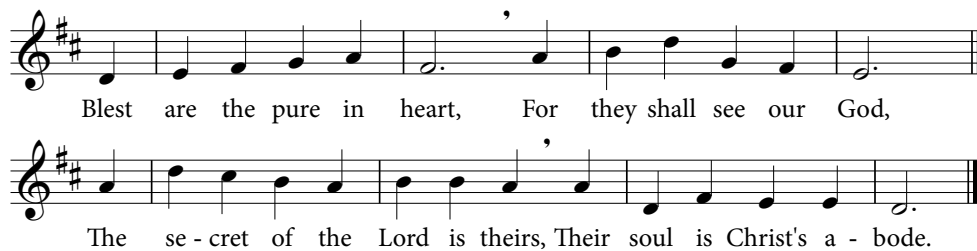
My heart and my soul ring out their joy to God, the living God. The sparrow herself finds a home and the swallow a nest for her brood. ℟

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer, give ear, O God of Jacob. Turn your eyes, O God, our shield, look on the face of your anointed. ℟

One day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. The threshold of the house of God I prefer to the dwellings of the wicked. ℟

*All sing*

## THE HYMN



The Lord, who left the heavens  
Our life and peace to bring,  
To dwell in lowliness with men,  
Their pattern and their King;

Still to the lowly soul  
He doth himself impart,  
And for his dwelling and his throne  
Chooseth the pure in heart.

Lord, we thy presence seek;  
May ours this blessing be;  
Give us a pure and lowly heart  
A temple meet for thee.

*Franconia*  
*W H Havergal (1793–1870)*

*John Keble (1792–1866)*  
*and others*

*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

Toccata in B Flat Minor

*Louis Vierne (1870–1937)*

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