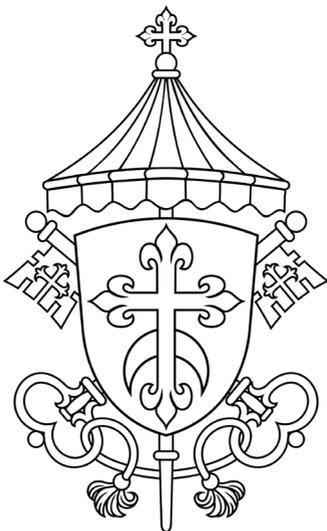


# ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



## Solemn Mass

THE MOST HOLY BODY  
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

14 June 2020  
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.

**TO MAINTAIN A SPIRIT OF REVERENCE AND SOLEMNITY,  
PLEASE TURN OFF AND REFRAIN FROM USING ALL MOBILE TELEPHONES  
AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES.**

# THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

*The Choir sings the INTROIT*

*Psalm 80: 17, 2-3*

**C**IBAVIT eos ex adipe frumenti, alleluia: et de petra, melle saturavit eos, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *℣.* Exsultate Deo adiutori nostro: iubilate Deo Iacob.

*He fed them with the finest wheat, alleluia: and satisfied them with honey from the rock, alleluia, alleluia. ℣. Ring out your joy to God our strength, shout in triumph to the God of Jacob.*

*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.**

## 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 Archbishop 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*

*from Mass XI*

*Plainchant*

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

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

*and the GLORIA*

*from Missa Lauda Sion*

*Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525–1594)*

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 Archbishop says the COLLECT*

Let us pray.

**O** GOD, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

℟. **Amen.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

*Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16*

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

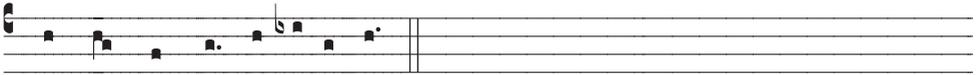
**M**OSES said to the people: ‘Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord. ‘Do not become proud of heart. Do not forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.’

The word of the Lord.

℟: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 147:12-15,19-20* ℟: v.12



℟: **O praise the Lord, Je- ru-sa-lem!**

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!  
Zion, praise your God!  
He has strengthened the bars of your gates  
he has blessed the children within you. ℟:

He established peace on your borders,  
he feeds you with finest wheat.  
He sends out his word to the earth  
and swiftly runs his command. ℟:

He makes his word known to Jacob,  
to Israel his laws and decrees.  
He has not dealt thus with other nations;  
he has not taught them his decrees. ℟:

A reading from the first letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians.

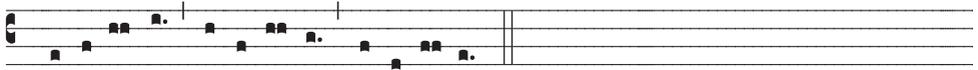
**T**HE blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

The word of the Lord.

℟️ **Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*John 6:51-52*



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

℣️ I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord.  
Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. ℟️

## GOSPEL

*John 6:51-58*

The Lord be with you.

℟️ **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

℟️ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**J**ESUS said to the crowd: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

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*

*William Byrd (c.1540–1623)*

**O**CULI omnium in te sperant Domine: et tu das illis escam in tempore opportuno. Aperis tu manum tuam: et imples omne animal benedictione. Alleluia. Caro mea vere est cibus: et sanguis meus vere est potus: qui manducat meam carnem, et bibit meum sanguinem, in me manet, et ego in eo. Alleluia.

*The eyes of all look to you, O Lord; and you give them their food in due time. You open your hand, and satisfy the desire of every living thing. Alleluia. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. Alleluia.*

*The Archbishop says*

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

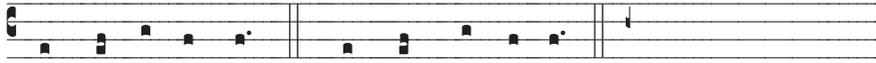
℟: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

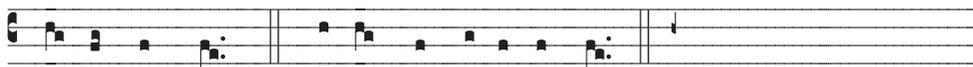
*The Archbishop says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS*

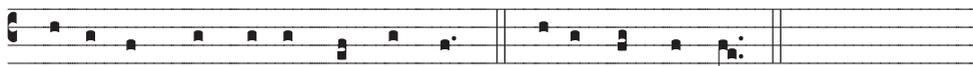
**G**RANT your Church, O Lord, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace, whose signs are to be seen in mystery in the offerings we here present. Through Christ our Lord.

℟: **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 Archbishop sings the PREFACE*

**I**T is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord. For at the Last Supper with his Apostles, establishing for the ages to come the saving memorial of the Cross, he offered himself to you as the unblemished Lamb, the acceptable gift of perfect praise. Nourishing your faithful by this sacred mystery, you make them holy, so that the human race, bounded by one world, may be enlightened by one faith and united by one bond of charity. And so, we approach the table of this wondrous Sacrament, so that, bathed in the sweetness of your grace, we may pass over to the heavenly realities here foreshadowed. Therefore, all creatures of heaven and earth sing a new song in adoration, and we, with all the hosts of Angels, cry out, and without end we acclaim:

*All sing the SANCTUS*

Mass XI

**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.*

THE ROMAN CANON

**T**O you, therefore, most merciful Father, we make humble prayer and petition through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord: that you accept and bless these gifts, these offerings, these holy and unblemished sacrifices, which we offer you firstly for your holy catholic Church. Be pleased to grant her peace, to guard, unite and govern her throughout the whole world, together with your servant Francis our Pope and

me, your unworthy servant, Terry and Richard my assistant Bishops, and all those who, holding to the truth, hand on the catholic and apostolic faith. Remember, Lord, your servants and all gathered here, whose faith and devotion are known to you. For them, we offer you this sacrifice of praise or they offer it for themselves and all who are dear to them: for the redemption of their souls, in hope of health and well-being, and paying their homage to you, the eternal God, living and true. In communion with those whose memory we venerate, especially the glorious ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ, and blessed Joseph, her Spouse, your blessed Apostles and Martyrs, Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Jude; Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian and all your Saints; we ask that through their merits and prayers, in all things we may be defended by your protecting help. Therefore, Lord, we pray: graciously accept this oblation of our service, that of your whole family; order our days in your peace, and command that we be delivered from eternal damnation and counted among the flock of those you have chosen. Be pleased, O God, we pray, to bless, acknowledge, and approve this offering in every respect; make it spiritual and acceptable, so that it may become for us the Body and Blood of your most beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the day before he was to suffer, he took bread in his holy and venerable hands, and with eyes raised to heaven to you, O God, his almighty Father, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,  
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took this precious chalice in his holy and venerable hands, and once more giving you thanks, he said the blessing and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

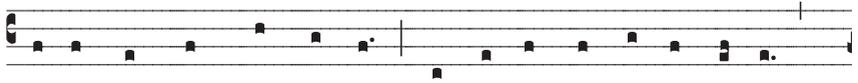
TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT,  
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY  
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

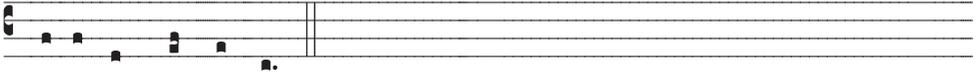
The mystery of faith.

All sing

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W



E proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Re-sur-rection



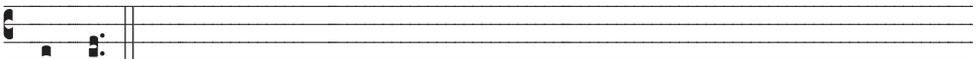
until you come a-gain.

Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the blessed Passion, the Resurrection from the dead, and the glorious Ascension into heaven of Christ, your Son, our Lord, we, your servants and your holy people, offer to your glorious majesty from the gifts that you have given us, this pure victim, this holy victim, this spotless victim, the holy Bread of eternal life and the Chalice of everlasting salvation. Be pleased to look upon these offerings with a serene and kindly countenance, and to accept them, as once you were pleased to accept the gifts of your servant Abel the just, the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith, and the offering of your high priest Melchizedek, a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim. In humble prayer we ask you, almighty God: command that these gifts be borne by the hands of your holy Angel to your altar on high in the sight of your divine majesty, so that all of us, who through this participation at the altar receive the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, may be filled with every grace and heavenly blessing. Remember also, Lord, your servants who have gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace. Grant them, O Lord, we pray, and all who sleep in Christ, a place of refreshment, light and peace. To us, also, your servants, who, though sinners, hope in your abundant mercies, graciously grant some share and fellowship with your holy Apostles and Martyrs: with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicity, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia and all your Saints; admit us, we beseech you, into their company, not weighing our merits, but granting us your pardon, through Christ our Lord. Through whom you continue to make all these good things, O Lord; you sanctify them, fill them with life, bless them, and bestow them upon us.

*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

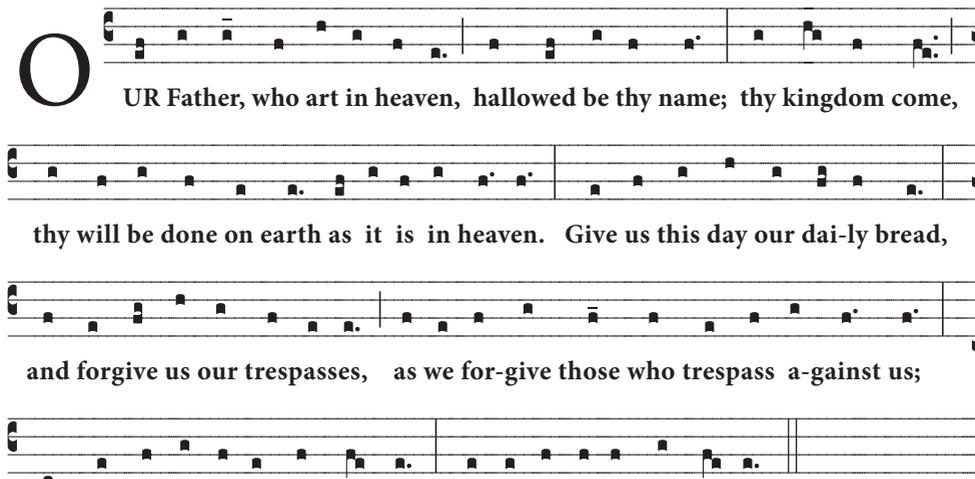


℞ **A-men.**

# COMMUNION RITE

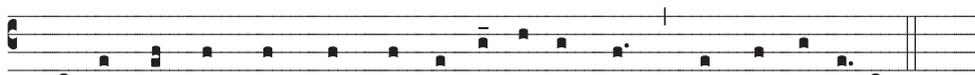
At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

*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.**

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.**

*The Choir sings the AGNUS DEI*

*from Mass XI*

*Plainchant*

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 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.**

*All those viewing this Mass are invited to make an act of Spiritual Communion, praying:*

**M**Y Jesus,  
**I** believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament.  
**I** love you above all things,  
**and I desire to receive you into my soul.**  
**Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,**  
**ome at least spiritually into my heart.**  
**I embrace you as if you were already here,**  
**and unite myself wholly to you.**  
**Never permit me to be separated from you.**  
**Amen.**

*During Holy Communion the Choir sings the AGNUS DEI*

*from Missa Lauda Sion*

*Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina*

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.

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**B**ONE pastor, panis vere, Iesu, nostri miserere: tu nos pasce, nos tuere: tu nos bona  
fac videre, in terra viventium.

*Good Shepherd, true bread, Jesus, have mercy on us: feed and protect us: make us see  
good things in the land of the living.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

John 6:57

**Q**UI manducat carnem meam, et bibit sanguinem meum, in me manet, et ego in  
eo, dicit Dominus.

*Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.*

The Archbishop says the PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**G**RANT, O Lord, we pray, that we may delight for all eternity in that share in your  
divine life, which is foreshadowed in the present age by our reception of your  
precious Body and Blood. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

℟: **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

Festal Hymn on ‘Lauda Sion’

Edward Shippen Barnes (1887–1958)



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## St Mary's Cathedral Choir

### LATER TODAY IN THE CATHEDRAL

Solemn Vespers and Benediction *sung by the Lay Clerks  
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**5.00pm**

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