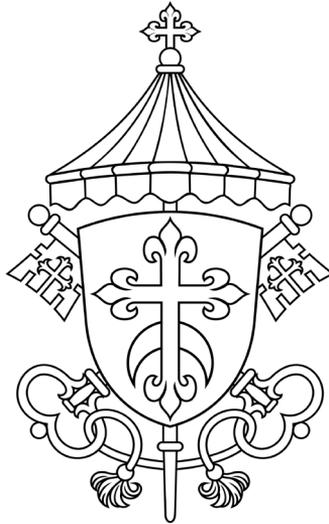


# ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



## Solemn Mass

Fifth Sunday  
of Easter

2 May 2021  
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>

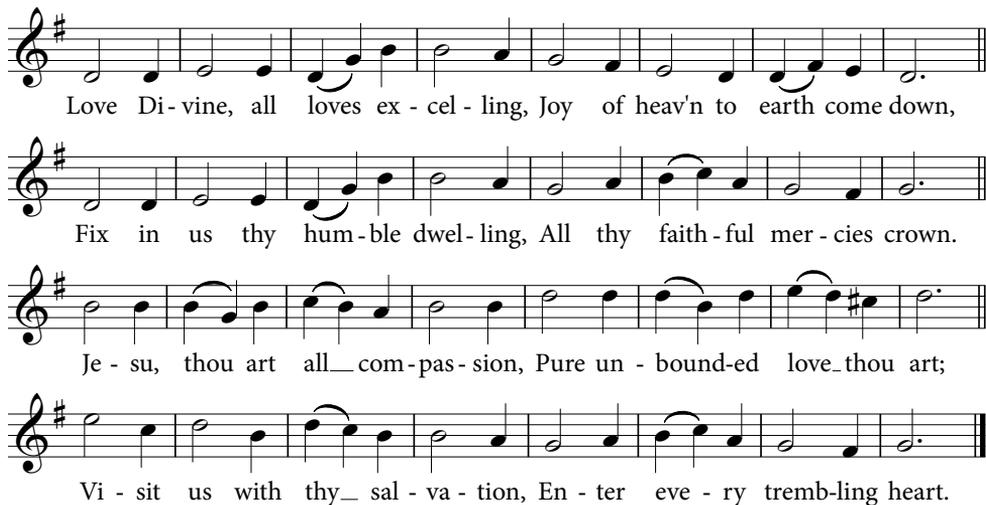
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PLEASE TURN OFF AND REFRAIN FROM USING ALL MOBILE TELEPHONES  
AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES.**

# ORDER OF MASS

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

## THE HYMN



Love Di-vine, all loves ex-cel-ling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down,  
Fix in us thy hum-ble dwel-ling, All thy faith-ful mer-cies crown.  
Je-su, thou art all-com-pas-sion, Pure un-bound-ed love thou art;  
Vi-sit us with thy sal-va-tion, En-ter eve-ry tremb-ling heart.

**Come, almighty to deliver,  
Let us all thy grace receive;  
Suddenly return, and never,  
Never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
Serve thee as thy hosts above;  
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,  
Glory in thy perfect love.**

**Finish then thy new creation:  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation,  
Perfectly restored in thee;  
Changed from glory into glory  
Till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.**

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

*The Choir sings the* INTROIT

*Psalm 97:1-2*

**C**ANTATE Domino canticum novum, alleluia: quia mirabilia fecit Dominus, alleluia: ante conspectum gentium revelavit iustitiam suam, alleluia, alleluia. *℣.* Salvavit sibi dextera eius: et brachium sanctum eius.

*O sing a new song to the Lord, alleluia, for he has worked wonders, alleluia; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia. ℣. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation.*

*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.**

*During the sprinkling the Choir sings*

**A**SPERGES me, Domine, hyssopo; et mundabor: lavabis me, et super nivem dealbabor. ʒ. Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.

*Sprinkle me with hyssop, O Lord, and I shall be cleansed; wash me and I shall be whiter than snow. ʒ. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.*

*Psalm 50:9, 1*

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 VIII*

*Plainchant*

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*

℟. **Amen.**

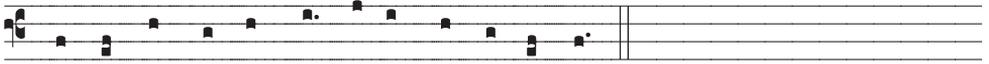
# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

*Acts 9:26-31*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 21:26-28,30-32* ℣. v.26



℣. **You, O Lord, are my praise in the great as-sembly.**

My vows I will pay before those who fear him.  
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.  
They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.  
May their hearts live for ever and ever! ℣.

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,  
all families of the nations worship before him;  
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;  
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. ℣.

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.  
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,  
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:  
'These things the Lord has done.' ℣.

SECOND READING

*1 John 3:18-24*

*The Choir sings the ALLELUIA*

℣. *Romans 6:9*

Alleluia.

℣. *Christus resurgens ex mortuis, iam non moritur: mors illi ultra non dominabitur.*

*Christ, having been raised from the dead, will never die again. Death has no power over him any more.*

Alleluia.

GOSPEL

*John 15:1-8*

The Lord be with you.

℣. **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

℣. **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*

*George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)*

**I** know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God. For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them that sleep.

*The Archbishop says*

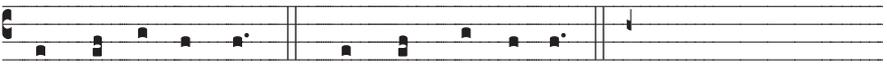
Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

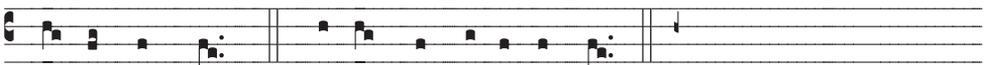
℟. **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

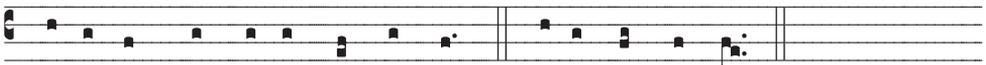
*The Archbishop says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS*

℟. **Amen.**

## THE 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, \* Sanctus, San- ctus Dó- mi-nus De- us Sá-  
 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

ba-oth. Ple-ni sunt cæ- li et ter- ra gló- ri- a tu- a. Ho- sánna in excél-  
 Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

sis. Be- ne- dí- ctus qui ve- nit in nómi- ne Dó- mi- ni. Ho- sán- na in  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in

ex- cél- sis.  
 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.

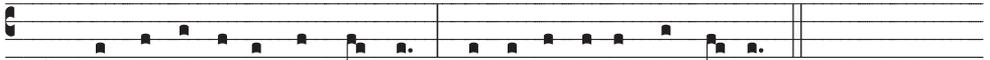
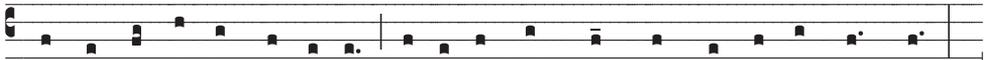
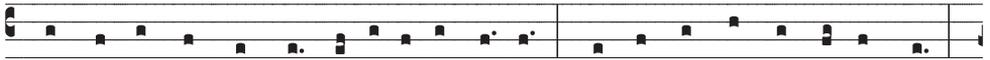
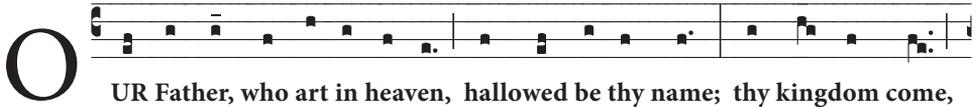
All respond

**A- men.**

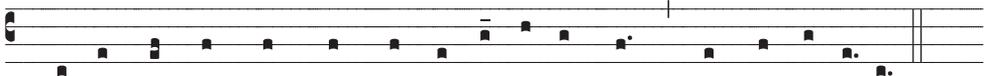
# COMMUNION RITE

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

*All sing*



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.



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 VIII

*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.**

***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 MOTET

*George Frideric Handel*

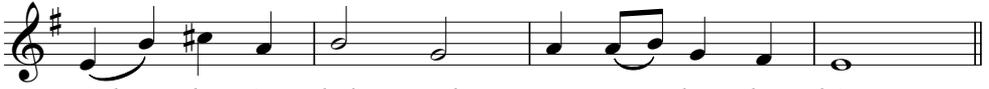
**H**E shall feed his flock like a shepherd; and he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young. Come unto him, all ye that labour, come unto him that are heavy laden, and he will give you rest. Take his yoke upon you, and learn of him, for he is meek and lowly of heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls

All sing

## THE HYMN



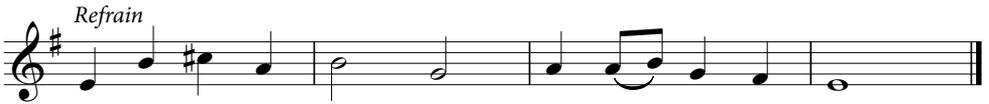
Now the green blade ris - eth from the bur - ied grain,



Wheat that in dark earth ma - ny days has lain;



Love lives a - gain, that with the dead had been:



Love is come a - gain, Like wheat that spring-eth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom men had slain,  
Thinking that never he would wake again,  
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:

*Love is come again,  
Like wheat that springeth green.*

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
He that for three days in the grave had lain,  
Quick from the dead, my risen Lord is seen:

*Love is come again,  
Like wheat that springeth green.*

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,  
Thy touch can call us back to life again,  
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:

*Love is come again,  
Like wheat that springeth green.*

Noel nouvelet  
Old French melody

John Macleod Campbell Crum (1872–1958)

*The Archbishop says the* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

℟: **Amen.**

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.

℟: **And with your spirit.**

Bow down for the blessing.

May God, who by the Resurrection of his Only Begotten Son was pleased to confer on you the gift of redemption and of adoption, give you gladness by his blessing.

℟: **Amen.**

May he, by whose redeeming work you have received the gift of everlasting freedom, make you heirs to an eternal inheritance.

℟: **Amen.**

And may you, who have already risen with Christ in Baptism through faith, by living in a right manner on this earth, be united with him in the homeland of heaven.

℟: **Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

℟: **Amen.**

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

℟: **Thanks be to God.**

### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Introduction et Allegro (1st Sonata)

*Felix Alexandre Guilmant (1837–1911)*

## LATER TODAY IN THE CATHEDRAL

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**5.00pm**



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