



# ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, PARRAMATTA

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**06 August 2023 - The Transfiguration of the Lord (Year A)**

## Mass Schedule

### SUNDAY

6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass  
7:30am Morning Prayer  
8:00am Mass  
9:30am Mass  
11:00am Solemn Mass with Cathedral Choir  
6:00pm Mass

### MONDAY TO FRIDAY

6:10am Morning Prayer  
6:30am Mass  
11:15am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
11:15am Reconciliation (till 12:15pm)  
Rosary after Angelus at 12:00 noon  
12:30pm Mass

### SATURDAY

7:30am Morning Prayer  
8:00am Mass  
8:30am Reconciliation (till 9:00am)  
9:30am Mass (Old Rite)  
5:00pm Sacrament of Penance (till 5:30pm)

### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Mass at 8:00am (No Adoration or Confession)

### WEEKLY PRAYER GROUPS

Tuesday 9:30am - Christian Meditation  
Tuesday 6:30pm - Legion of Mary  
Tuesday 7:30pm - RCIA (September - April)  
Friday 1:00pm - Cenacle Prayers

### MONTHLY PRAYER

First Friday Devotions: 6:30pm

### OTHER CONNECT GROUPS

**Playgroup:** Wednesdays 10:00am - 12:00pm  
**Facebook:** Parramatta St Pat's Playgroup

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## "Lord, it is wonderful for us to be here..."

WHEN I DID MY training as a teacher some thirty-five years ago, one of the very first things I remember learning in terms of classroom practice was the strategy of "positive reinforcement". Another way of phrasing it might be "encouragement". The idea was that by positively reinforcing a child's work or behaviour when warranted, a teacher would help a child work towards their potential as well as enjoy the benefits that come with good classroom management. I suppose having had the chance to put the idea into practice for a few years as a teacher has helped ensure those few lessons have stayed with me many years after leaving a brief teaching career.



This weekend we diverge from our liturgical schedule of celebrating Sundays in Ordinary Time to celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration. This feast could also be referred to as the Feast of Encouragement because though there is much happening in this familiar little scenario, one of the most obvious effects of Jesus' transfiguration is the encouragement it gives the three disciples present at this event at a time they sorely needed it.

That they needed it is evident in the events leading up to the Transfiguration. Just prior to Jesus leading Peter, James and John up the mountain for this momentous episode, Peter experiences some serious emotional turmoil in his interactions with Jesus. Peter declares to Jesus, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' (Matthew 16:16) Jesus then gifts Peter with the leadership of the disciples and the 'keys of the kingdom of heaven.' Things change very quickly for Peter, for Jesus next outlines the suffering that he as Messiah must undergo. Peter's response is one of horror, telling Jesus, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' (16:22) Jesus reacts by rebuking Peter: 'Get behind me, Satan!' (16:23) He then adopts a gentler tone in outlining to the Twelve what discipleship means. It is only six days later, after the disciples had been given time to reflect on this important lesson that he leads the three disciples closest to him up a mountain to encourage them with his transfiguration.

How is this encouraging? Though there is no consensus among biblical scholars about the meaning of the Transfiguration, for Peter, James and John, the appearance of both Moses (representing the Law) and Elijah (representing the Prophets) and the voice of the Father, would have given them a great boost at a time they were seeking the meaning behind following Jesus. They had witnessed many great things thus far in their journey, and would witness many more, but to what purpose? At the Transfiguration they are given insight into the identity of their master as Messiah and encouragement from two great Hebrew figures and God the Father, coming to understand that something unbelievably marvellous awaited beyond the horror and scandal of the cross.

Though we will not experience anything quite as dramatic as the Transfiguration, God nonetheless allows us to experience moments of encouragement as we, like the disciples, journey with Jesus. This may take the form of something as simple as an encouraging smile or word from someone we encounter, or something more dramatic such as a tangible sense of God's presence which may even be life-changing. Either way, let us be thankful for the fact that God never abandons us but is always seeking to encourage us on our Christian journey, recognising the need we all have for some "positive reinforcement" so that we may reach our potential as disciples of Christ.

*Wishing you a blessed week ahead, Fr Robert*



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# LITURGY GUIDE

## ENTRANCE RITE

### Entrance Procession

Jesus on the mountain peak



1. Je - sus, on the moun - tain peak stands a - lone in
2. Tremb - ling at his feet we saw Mo - ses and E -
3. Swift the cloud of glo - ry came, God pro - claim - ing
4. Je - sus is the chos - en One, liv - ing hope of



1. glo - ry blaz - ing. Let us, if we dare to speak,
2. li - jah speak - ing. All the pro - phets and the Law
3. in its thun - der Je - sus as his Son by name!
4. ev - 'ry na - tion, hear and heed him, ev - 'ry - one;



1. with the saints and an - gels praise him: Al - le - lu - ia!
2. shout through them their joy - ful greet - ing: Al - le - lu - ia!
3. Na - tions, cry a - loud in won - der: Al - le - lu - ia!
4. sing, with earth and all cre - a - tion, Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Tune: CHRISTUS IST ERSTANDEN, 78 78 and Alleluias; 12th cent. melody, harm.G.R. Woodward 1848-1934 et al.

### Introit 11:00am

Tibi dixit cor meum

My heart declared to you : "Your countenance have I sought;  
I shall ever seek your countenance, O Lord;  
do not turn your face from me."

V. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?  
(Psalm 26:8,9,1)

## PENITENTIAL ACT

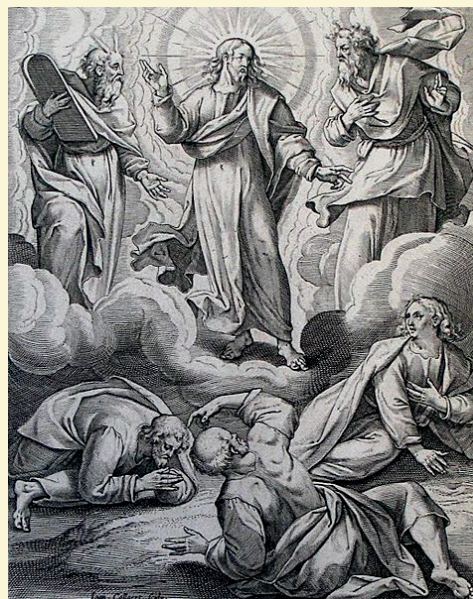
Confiteor

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, three times)*  
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.

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

R. Amen.

## THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD



### Focusing the Gospel

#### Key words and phrases

- Jesus was transfigured.
- From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.
- When they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.
- Rely on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy.

#### to the point

- For us, it is the vision of Jesus transfigured which gives us strength to persevere on our journey of discipleship.
- we obey the command of God: listen to Jesus.

### Connecting the Gospel...

- This Sunday the transfiguration showcases the glory of Jesus and the attraction of good.

#### to human experience

- On the Christian journey of discipleship we must surrender to God in trust: we must 'listen to him.'
- When Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

# INTRODUCTORY RITES

## Kyrie

Mass Shalom

C.Smith



Kyrie 11:00am

Missa Lucis

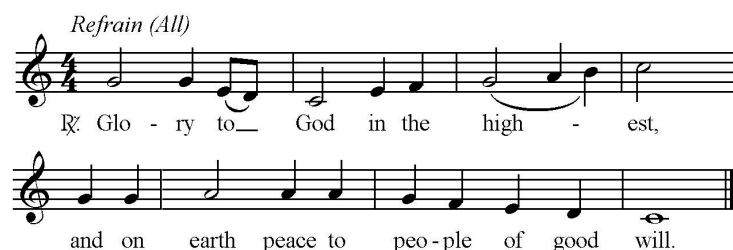
A. Sukumar

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.  
Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

## Gloria

Mass Shalom

Smith /Msaon



*The choir sings:*

We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

*R. Glory to God.....*

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.

*R. Glory to God.....*

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.

*R. Glory to God.....*



## Gloria

Missa Lucis

A. Sukumar

*Sung by the cathedral choir. All SIT*

Gloria in excelsis Deo.  
Glory to God in the highest,  
Et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.  
we adore you, we glorify you  
Gratias agimus tibi  
we give you thanks  
propter magnam gloriam tuam.  
for your great glory,  
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
Deus Pater omnipotens.  
O God almighty Father.  
Domine fili, unigenite, Jesu 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, Jesu Christe,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
Cum Sancto Spiritu,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## Collect

Let us pray.  
O God, who in the glorious Transfiguration  
of your Only Begotten Son  
confirmed the mysteries of faith by the witness of the Fathers  
and wonderfully prefigured our full adoption to sonship,  
grant, we pray, to your servants,  
that, listening to the voice of your beloved Son,  
we may merit to become coheirs with him.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**R. Amen.**



# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## First Reading

A reading from the book of Daniel (7:9-10, 13-14)

*His raiment was as white as snow.*

As I watched:

Thrones were set in place  
and one of great age took his seat.  
His robe was white as snow,  
the hair of his head as pure as wool.  
His throne was a blaze of flames,  
its wheels were a burning fire.  
A stream of fire poured out,  
issuing from his presence.  
A thousand thousand waited on him,  
ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.  
A court was held and the books were opened.  
I gazed into the visions of the night.  
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,  
one like a son of man.  
He came to the one of great age  
and was led into his presence.  
On him was conferred sovereignty,  
glory and kingship,  
and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants.  
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty  
which shall never pass away,  
nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

The word of the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm

(Ps. 96:1-2, 5-6, 9)



## Second Reading

A reading from the second letter of St Peter (1:16-19)

*We heard this voice from out of heaven.*

It was not any cleverly invented myths that we were repeating when we brought you the knowledge of the power and the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; we had seen his majesty for ourselves. He was honoured and glorified by God the Father, when the Sublime Glory itself spoke to him and said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour.' We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven, when we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have confirmation of what was said in prophecies; and you will be right to depend on prophecy and take it as a lamp for lighting a way through the dark until the dawn comes and the morning star rises in your minds.

The word of the Lord.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*The cantor, alone, intones the Alleluia. All repeat*

Dom AG Murray OSB



*Cantor:*

This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight:  
listen to him. **R.**

11:00am

Chant Mode 8



## Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (17:1-9)

*His face was shining like the sun.*

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**





# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## Homily

### Profession of Faith Nicene Creed

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,  
*At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all kneel.*  
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.

## PREPARATION OF THE OFFERINGS

At this time, gifts of offering are brought to the altar  
and collection plates are passed along the pews.

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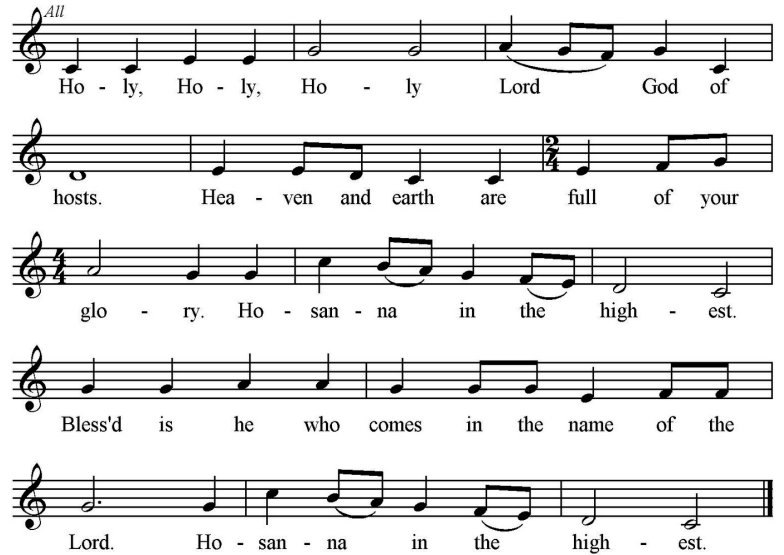
### Offertory Motet Hail, Gladdening Light C.Wood

Hail! gladdening Light, of His pure glory poured  
Who is th'immortal Father, heavenly, blest,  
Holiest of Holies--Jesus Christ our Lord!  
Now we are come to the Sun's hour of rest;  
The lights of evening round us shine;  
We hymn the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit divine!  
*(from an early Christian hymn Φως λαρον)*

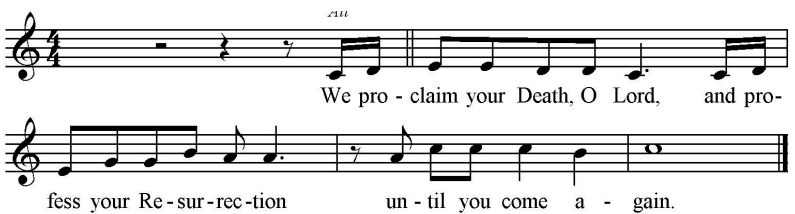
## Eucharistic Acclamations Vigil, 8:00am, 9:30am, 6:00pm

11:00am - see next page

### Sanctus (Holy, Holy) Mass Shalom C.Smith



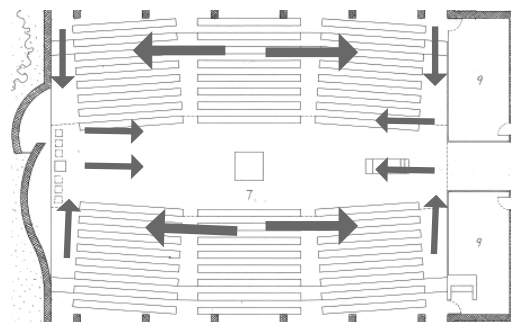
### Mystery of Faith Missal Shalom



### Amen Mass Shalom



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to join the communion procession.



# LITURGY GUIDE

## Eucharistic Acclamations 11:00am

### Sanctus Missa Lucis A.Sukumar

*Choir:*

Sanc - tus, Sanc - tus, Sanc - tus, (etc.) *All:* Ho - ly, Ho - ly,

Ho-ly Lord God of Hosts. Heav-ven and Earth are full of your Glo-ry.

*All:* 3 Ho-san-na in the high-est! *Choir:* 3 Ho - san - na in ex - cel - sis!

*Choir:*  
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis! Hosanna in excelsis! Hosanna in excelsis! Hosanna,

*All:* 3 Ho - san - na in the high-est!

### Mystery of Faith Missa Lucis

We pro-claim your Death O Lord, and pro-fess your

re - sur-rec - tion un - til you come a - gain!

### Amen Missa Lucis

*Choir:* 3 A - - - - men.

*All:* 3 A - - - - men. 3 A - - - - men.

#### "Missa Lucis" - Mass of Light

Today's Mass Setting at 11:00am is the premiere performance of the "Missa Lucis" composed by one of our own cathedral choristers, Adriel Sukumar. Adriel is a second-year composition student at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, and a winner of the Horace Keats Memorial Prize for Composition. His works have been performed and recorded by the Sydney Youth Orchestra, and the Organ Society of Victoria. The Mass will conclude with an Organ "Toccata" which he also composed. We give thanks for the gift of Adriel's musical talents shared with us in the praise of God!

## COMMUNION RITE

### The Lord's Prayer

On the first Sunday of each month the Lord's Prayer is sung in Latin.  
Please join in singing the Pater noster....

Pa-ter noster, qui es in cae-lis: sancti-fi-cé-tur nomen tu-um;  
Our Father, who art in heaven: hallowed be thy name;

Advé-ni-at regnum tu-um; fi-at vo-lúntas tu-a, sic-ut in cae-lo  
Thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as

et in ter-ra. Panem nostrum co-ti-di-á-num da no-bis hó-di -e;  
it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;

et di-mít-te no-bis dé-bi-ta nostra, sic-ut et nos dimít-timus de-bi-tó-as  
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass

ri-bus nostris; et ne nos indú-cas in ten-ta-ti-o- nem; sed lí-be-ra  
against us; And lead us not into temptation; but deliver

nos a ma- lo.  
us from evil.

### Agnus Dei Mass Shalom

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

### Agnus Dei Missa Lucis A. Sukumar

### Communion Antiphon Visionem quam vidistis

As for the vision you have seen, tell no one until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.

### Communion Hymns see next page...

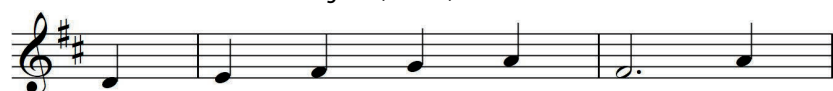
### Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.  
May the heavenly nourishment we have received,  
O Lord, we pray,  
transform us into the likeness of your Son,  
whose radiant splendour you willed to make manifest  
in his glorious Transfiguration.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

# LITURGY GUIDE

## Communion Hymns

How good, Lord, to be here!



1. How good, Lord, to be here! Your
2. How good, Lord, to be here, Your
3. Ful - fill - er of the past! Prom -
4. Be - fore we taste of death, we
5. How good, Lord, to be here! Yet



1. glo - ry fills the sky; your face and gar - ments,
2. beau - ty to be - hold, where Mo - ses and El -
3. ise of things to be! We hail your bod - y
4. see your king - dom come; we long to hold the
5. we may not re - main; but since you bid us



1. like the sun, shine with un - bor - rowed light.
2. i - jah stand, your mes - sen - gers of old.
3. glo - ri - fied, and our re - demp - tion see.
4. vi - sion bright, and make this hill our home.
5. leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

Text: Lk.9:32-33; Joseph A. Robinson, 1858-1933, alt. ©Esme D.E. Bird

Tune: FRANCONIA 66.86; William H. Havergal 1793-1870 from a chorale by Johann B. König 1691-1758

11:00am

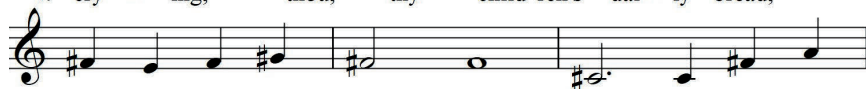
Hail, true Victim, life and light



1. Hail, true Vic - tim, life and light un - to sin - ners
2. Hail, true Man - ner from the sky, Is - rael ne - ver
3. Hail, Christ's Bo - dy; gift he made, his own death fore -
4. Plead, true Vic - tim, in our stead to the Fa - ther



1. lend - ing. Ev - 'ry old - er form and rite
2. knew thee; Pil - grims, for the day's sup - ply,
3. show - ing, God - head un - der earth - ly shade
4. cry - ing, thou, thy child-ren's dai - ly bread,



1. hath in thee its end - ing. Spot - less in the
2. dai - ly hom - age do thee; when our souls in
3. like a jew - el glow - ing, Sac - red me - m'ries
4. dai - ly health sup - py - ing; ban - quet for the



1. Fa - ther's sight ev - er - more asc - end - ing, Ho - ly
2. sick - ness lie, yields that sick - ness to thee; Christ - ians,
3. ne'er to fade, on his Church be - stow - ing when to
4. ex - ile spread, grant us life un - dy - ing; may our



1. church in bit - ter fight ev - er - more be - friend - ing.
2. when they come to die, live im - mor - tal through thee.
3. earth fare - well he bade, to his pas - sion go - ing.
4. love from thine be fed, self and sense den - y - ing.

Tune: CAMPERDOWN 76.76D Nigel Butterley 1935-2022

Text: John Peckham, Archbishop of Canterbury 1240-1292 tr. R. A Knox 1888-1957



## 8:00AM MASS PROPERs

### Entrance Antiphon

In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared.  
The Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son,  
with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.

### Responsorial Psalm (Ps. 96:1-2, 5-6, 9)

**R. The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth.**

The Lord is king, let earth rejoice,  
let all the coastlands be glad.  
Cloud and darkness are his raiment;  
his throne, justice and right. R.

The mountains melt like wax  
before the Lord of all the earth.  
The skies proclaim his justice;  
all peoples see he glory. R.

For you indeed are the Lord  
most high above all the earth  
exalted far above all spirits. R.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia  
This is my beloved son, in whom is all my delight:  
Listen to him.  
R. Alleluia.

### Communion Antiphon

When Christ appears, we shall be like him,  
for we shall see him as he is.

## Next Week's Readings:

### 19th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

#### Readings:

1 Kgs 19:9, 11-13: Go out and stand on the mountain  
before the Lord God.

Ps 84:9-14: R. Lord, show us your mercy and love.

Rom 9:1-5: I would willingly be condemned if it could help  
my people.

Mt 14:22-33: Command me to come to you over the water.



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## SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms** are celebrated in the Cathedral on most Sundays. Check for exceptions. Family members and guests are requested to be present at the Cathedral at least fifteen minutes before the usual commencement time of 12:45pm.

**Weddings** are by appointment only.

**At least six months' notice is necessary.**  
Contact the Parish Secretary on 8839 8412.

**First Eucharist and Confirmation**  
Please contact the Parish Secretary.

## HIRING of ROOMS

For hire of Cloister Function rooms, call the office on 8839 8400 or [enquiry@stpatscathedral.com.au](mailto:enquiry@stpatscathedral.com.au)

## Material for Bulletin

If you have something that you would like published in the bulletin, please ensure that it is conveyed to our Parish Secretary, Pat, by **12:00noon on Thursday**. Please note that material must relate to the parish and its mission. Don't forget that businesses can advertise on the rear page of the bulletin too!

## Sacrament of Confirmation 2023

The calendar of remaining mandatory preparation sessions is as follows:

**Confirmation 4:** Saturday 12 August, 4.30pm - Parent and Children Session

**Practice for Confirmation:** Saturday 19 August, 4:30pm followed by the 6:00pm Vigil Mass - Parents and Children

**CONFIRMATION:** Saturday 26 August at 11:00am



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# PARISH & DIOCESAN NOTICES

## In Your Prayers...

Long time parishioner, Pat Andrews passed away recently. Her funeral will take place at St Bernadette's, Dundas on Wednesday 09 August at 10:30am.

Lunch at Oatlands Golf Course afterwards.

Also, another long time parishioner, Terry Gorman has also passed away. A memorial Mass will be held here, St Patrick's Cathedral on Friday 11 August at 2:00pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Please keep Pat, Terry and their families in your prayers.

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace.*

## New Mass Setting Premiere!

Today, 06 August, we celebrate the Feast of The Transfiguration of the Lord with a musical treat!

The readings at Mass tell us the Jesus' face "shone like the sun" and "his clothing was as white as snow".



To celebrate the feast, a new Mass Setting "Missa Lucis" (Mass of Light) and an Organ Toccata composed by one of our own cathedral choristers, Adriel Sukumar, will be premiered at the 11:00am Solemn Mass. Adriel is a second-year composition student at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music, and a winner of the Horace Keats Memorial Prize for Composition. His works have been performed and recorded by the Sydney Youth Orchestra, and the Organ Society of Victoria. We give thanks for the gifts of Adriel's musical talents shared with us in the praise of God.

## Seeking Submissions for St Pat's Matters

The next issue is due out in early September.

What can I write about, you ask? Some suggestions:

- Why you love being a St Pat's Parishioner.
- Sharing your involvement in Ministry.
- How faith in God shapes daily life for you and your family.
- Always keen to receive stories from anyone who has become a Catholic.
- Articles and archival photos relating to the longstanding history of our remarkable parish - its priests, people and events.
- Any topics you think worth publishing.

Want to know about Ritual Matter? Email questions to Fr Robert: [frrobert@stpatscathedral.com.au](mailto:frrobert@stpatscathedral.com.au) and he will happily enlighten you in his column, "Why we do what we do".

### Special Invitation

To the children preparing for Confirmation in late August: you could write about what you are learning in the preparation sessions, the Saint's name you've chosen and why.

Parents, share why this sacramental milestone is so important in your children's lives.

Email submissions to M Polizzi - [balmap5@bigpond.com](mailto:balmap5@bigpond.com) or leave at the parish office marked for St Pat's Matters. Deadline: **21 August**.

## Cloister Cafe

Just to acknowledge the generous cash donation handed to me last Sunday in the Cloister Café by Elizabeth V. I know our donors don't seek recognition, but I do so in the hope other parishioners will be inspired by their good example! *Marian Polizzi*

## Assumption Masses

An early notification of Mass times for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on **Tuesday 15 August**.

A reminder that the Assumption is one of two Holy Days of Obligation in the Latin Church in Australia (apart from Sundays, of course!) The other Holy Day of Obligation is Christmas Day.

Mass times on the day will be **6:30am, 12:30pm and 7:30pm**.

## World Youth Day Update

Our young pilgrims thank you for your prayerful support of their pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Lisbon Portugal.

You can follow their journey by signing up to receive updates on the pilgrimage from the Diocese of Parramatta at [catholicoutlook.info/WYD23News](http://catholicoutlook.info/WYD23News)

## Diary Claimer - Parish AGM

### Parish Annual General Meeting

Advance notice of the next Annual General Meeting (AGM) which will take place in the Parish Hall on **Sunday 20 August at 12.30pm**.

## Planned Giving Envelopes

We still have a few envelopes that need to go to their home. If you are unable to pick them up, call the parish office and we can arrange another form of delivery.

As always, thank you for supporting the good works of St Patrick's Parish.

## Potential Scams

It has been brought to my attention that a few people in the parish have received text messages and emails purporting to be from me, asking them to make contact via return email or message, clicking on a link or something similar. Please **do not** respond to any message without checking that it is from a parish email address or parish/personal phone. If you are unsure, delete the message without opening any link and make contact with the parish office or with me personally. *Fr Robert*

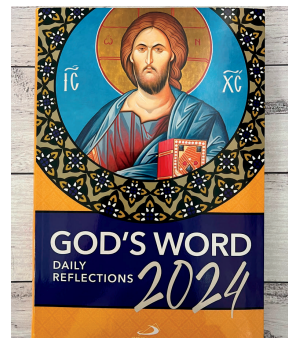
## St Patrick's Giftshop

Don't miss out on this popular publication, God's Word.

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If you haven't been in lately, come and say hello. Lots of new things to see!

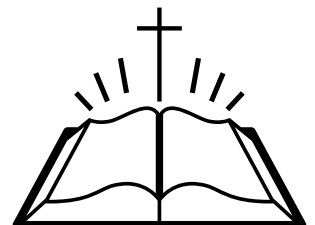


## The Bible Timeline

Dates for August & September:

August 12, 19 & 26;  
September 02, 09, 16 & 23.

You are all welcome!



# Prayer Intentions

**We pray for our beloved dead...**

***"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them..."***

**Recently Deceased:** Pat Andrews, Mirjana Sardelich, Rachel Deguara, Terry Gorman, Patty Andrews, Roselyn Mudliar, Flor Ocampo, Fr Carl Ashton, Milagros Bobier, Terry Gorman, Michael Judowikrama, Cecilia Jung, Robert Hanssen

**Deceased:** Jorge Guimaraes, Trinidad Llanillo, Sr Lina Hagele, Dulcie & Leo Tobin, Florentino & Petra Cabezas, Vicente Cabuenos, Sr., Antonina Cabuenos, Dulcie & Leo Tobin, Alban Fonseca, Robert Hanssen, Deanna Hsu, Dr Therese Gaudrey, Abraham Patacsil, Dra Julia Lee, Yolanda & Donald Muir

**Anniversaries:** Maria Truol, Vincent Monteiro, Edgardo Perez, Sophie Ellis, Joseph Tinh Yu, Len Larrado, Frank & Umberto Papagna, Daisy Neroy, Luz Arcilla, Elizabeth Sarah Edgar, Patrick Robert Edgar, Marie Saldanha

**Perpetuals:** Paul Mahoney, Louisa & Arthur Baxter, Nat Fedyk, Robert Dearie, Norm Hector, Bokeyar family, David family, Japour family, Paula Loto'aniu, Peter Van Tilburg, Margaret Angela Roberts, Sally & Frank Martlew, Sherwood family, Pat & Jim Hartman, Royan & Andrews families, Don Andrews, Juliet Noronha, Dr Joseph Malouf, Abel Moses, Jimmy, Anna & Frank Grainda, Frank Agostino, Bernadette Melhen & Sally Boujandy, Jack & June Barrett, Ann O'Brien, Watson Lee, Ian & Pat Sanders, Bill & Alice Kendall, Allan Kendall, Maria Patterson & Ellen Bancan, Hooper family, Giuseppina & Giovanni Rechichi, Mary Coady, Mary & Jack White, Vincent & Rebecca Vella, Walter Townsend, Ferris Grugeon, McInherny, White, McWilliam & McGuckin families, Mary Abela, Robert Andrews, Sylvester family, Rogan family, Adcock & McMillan families, Love family, Gabrielle Baker, Paula Cowling, McDermott & Starr families, Repose of the Souls in Purgatory and all deceased parishioners of St Patrick's and St Monica's

**We also pray for...**

**Sick:** Mary Rose Perez, Buenaventura Zafiro Jr., Betty Tobin, Sandrella Toubia, Vincent Rowan, John Lowe, Stephen Senjak, David Mannall, Rachael Sumagu, Nivola Senjak & family, Miguel-Angel Soto-Figuerdo, Belinda & John Mull, James Sampey, Ashley & Debbie Brown, Daniel & Sharon Webb

**Special Intentions:** Harrison, Naleen, Raveen, Tian, Warren Pimenta, Marcel Melik, Anita Denis & family, O'Neill family, Turner family, Fardell family, Rachel Lawrence, Cathleen Donovan, Shane, Luisa, Virginia Ayuste, Jorge, John, Agnes & Napoleon Patacsil, Franz Tito, Jake Brennan, Julie Perrottet, Nicole Desouza, Elizabeth Perrottet, Elizabeth Perez, Vina Ayuste, Elena Patacsil, Carmelita Perez, Agnes Patacsil, Mary Rose Perez Tito, Michael Perez, Leonardo Perez close, Elmer Patacsil Ayuste, Napoleon Patacsil, Jasmine Olivera, Joseph Sadaka, Mini Harb, Charlotte Dos Remedios, Stephen Senjak, Maria Perugini, Fatima, Rohan

## BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Catholic Christian family the following children who were recently baptised here...

**Luke Patrick Dsouza**

## WEDDINGS

We also welcome into our Catholic Christian family the following couple who were recently married here...

**Anthony Ventra and Samantha Bekiaris**

Please pray for them and their families.

## POPE FRANCIS' Prayer Intention for August



***For World Youth Day...***

***"We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives."***

From Pope Francis...

*From a tweet  
date 03 August*

**"The Church is synodal, communion, mutual assistance, and has a common journey. On the boat of the Church, there has to be room for everyone: all the baptised are called to get on board and to lower their nets, to get personally involved in the preaching of the Gospel."**



## Saint of the Week

**09 August - St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (1891-1942), Virgin, Martyr**

Born Edith Stein into a practising Jewish family, she had a distinguished career as a philosopher and received a doctorate at the University of Freiburg, but her academic career was impeded because she was a woman.

Reading the autobiography of Saint Teresa of Ávila brought about her conversion to Catholicism and she was baptized on 1 January 1922. She taught at a Dominican girls' school and studied Catholic philosophy. She became a lecturer at the Institute for Pedagogy at Münster but was thrown out of her post in 1933 as a result of the Nazi regime's anti-Semitic legislation.

She entered a Carmelite monastery in Cologne and took the name Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. Her order moved her to the Netherlands to keep her safe from the growing Nazi threat. While a Carmelite she wrote an important philosophical book, seeking to combine the phenomenology of her former teacher Edmund Husserl with the philosophy of Aquinas, and she also wrote on St John of the Cross.

On 20 July 1942 the Dutch Bishops' Conference had a statement read in all churches condemning Nazi racism. In retaliation the authorities ordered the arrest of all Jewish converts to Christianity. Teresa Benedicta was taken to Auschwitz and killed on 9 August 1942.



(Information: Universalis)

## "Quote of the Week"

"Dear young people, it is my dream that at World Youth Day you will be able to experience anew the joy of encountering God and our brothers and sisters. After a long period of social distancing and isolation, we will all rediscover in Lisbon – with God's help – the joy of a fraternal embrace between peoples and generations, an embrace of reconciliation and peace, an embrace of new missionary fraternity! May the Holy Spirit kindle in your hearts a desire to "arise" and the joy of journeying together, in synodal fashion, leaving behind all false frontiers. Now is the time to arise! Like Mary, let us "arise and go in haste". Let us carry Jesus within our hearts, and bring him to all those whom we meet! In this beautiful season of your lives, press ahead and do not postpone all the good that the Holy Spirit can accomplish in you! With affection, I bless your dreams and every step of your journey."



**Pope Francis**

(b.1936)

*Excerpt from Address for World Youth Day*

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