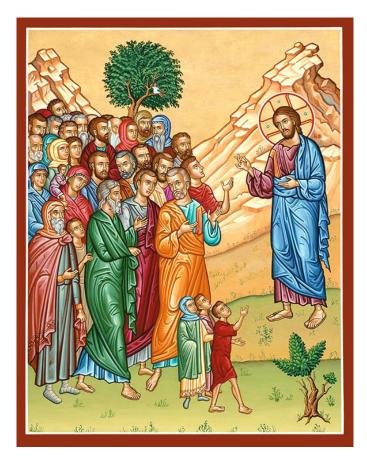


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Worship Bulletin



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 29th January 2023 10.00am Solemn Mass

Welcome to St Bart's!

We are an inner-city Anglican church in the progressive catholic tradition welcoming people of any race, language, culture, age, ability, gender or sexual orientation.



We recognize and give honour to the first peoples of Australia, and especially of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nations, past, present, and emerging, the traditional custodians of the land on which this parish has its mission and ministry.

St Bartholomew's Church, Burnley

Our Vision

To live as citizens of, and invite others into, God's Kingdom.

Our Mission

The Mission of St Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Burnley, is to be a community who values the blessings and trust in the promises of God's Kingdom within the cultural and social context of Richmond, Melbourne:

- To live humbly before God and with all people
- To be dependent on God's comfort
- To be gentle with people and all Creation
- To hunger and thirst for the right ways of God
- To show mercy and compassion toward others
- To live with purity in motive and deed
- To be passionate for peace
- To persevere in the face of opposition

Based on the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:3-10) Adopted by the 2015 Annual Meeting

CHILD SAFETY COMMITMENT

St Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Burnley commits to meeting all of the standards of the Child Safety Code of Conduct of the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne, and the Victorian Government's mandatory Child Safe Standards (Child Wellbeing and Safety Amendment (Child Safe Standards) Act 2015, Child Wellbeing and Safety Amendment (Oversight and Enforcement of Child Safe Standards) Act 2016). The parish community seeks to promote the cultural safety of all children, including Aboriginal children, who come to us from a culturally or linguistically diverse background. We also seek to ensure the safety of any child with a disability. The parish community affirms that all children who come to St Bartholomew's have a right to feel and be safe. We are committed to ensuring that children's best interests are met within our parish. We have zero tolerance towards child abuse. The parish community actively works to listen to and empower children within our community.

Facilities including disabled and baby change room are located in the front entrance of the main hall. Enter via the main door of the hall. For all able access see welcomer.



If you want to ensure regular giving to St Bart's, but find you never have the right amount in cash, or are sometimes unable to attend on Sundays, then **St Bart's Direct Transfer** may work for you. **Account Name:** St Bartholomew's Anglican Church Burnley **BSB:** 703 122

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As a reference you can use your own name, or you can use 'Offering' & your name will remain anonymous with your personal details not appearing on the St Bart's bank statement.

10:00am Sung Mass

Presider: Deacon & Preacher: Sub Deacon: Organist: Mass Setting: Fr Jim Brady Fr Graeme Brennan Dr Muriel Porter Linda Kent Christ Church Mass – Philip Matthias

Organ Prelude

Gathering

The Hymn is sung as the Sacred Ministers enter to commence the liturgy.

Hymn: Blest are the pure in Heart (AM 602) Invocation & Greeting

✤ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Sentence

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? Micah 6.8



Invitation to Confession

Sisters and brothers, as we prepare to celebrate these sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

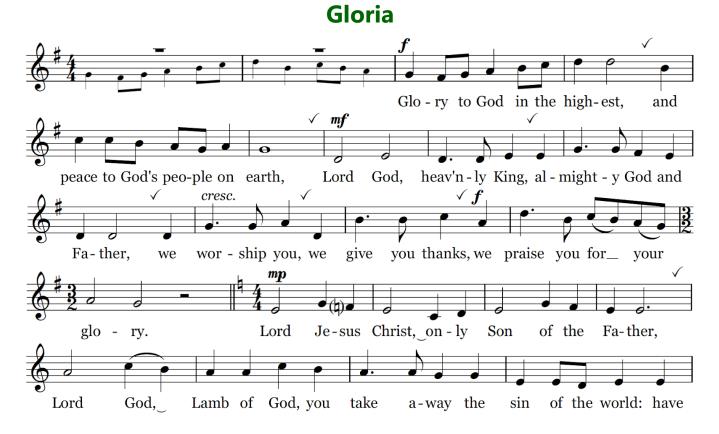
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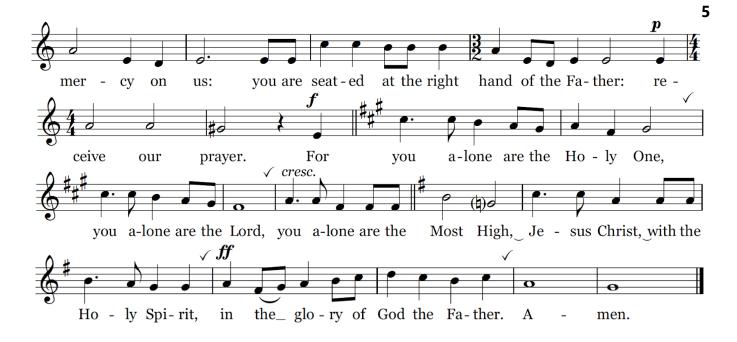
Confession

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith confident in God's forgiveness.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution





Collect

Living God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Word

First Reading

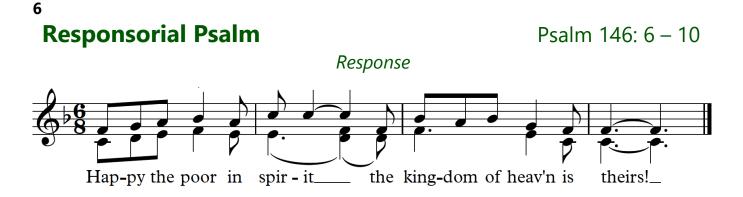
Zephaniah 2: 3; 3: 12 - 13

I will leave in the midst of you a people humble and lowly.

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Zephaniah.

Seek the Lord, all you humble of the land, who do his commands; seek righteousness, seek humility; perhaps you may be hidden on the day of the Lord's wrath. For I will leave in the midst of you a people humble and lowly. They shall seek refuge in the name of the Lord— the remnant of Israel; they shall do no wrong and utter no lies, nor shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouths. Then they will pasture and lie down, and no one shall make them afraid.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



It is the Lord who keeps faith forever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. R/-

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down, the Lord who protects the stranger and upholds the widow and the orphan, R/-

It is the Lord who loves the just but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. R/-

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1: 26 – 31

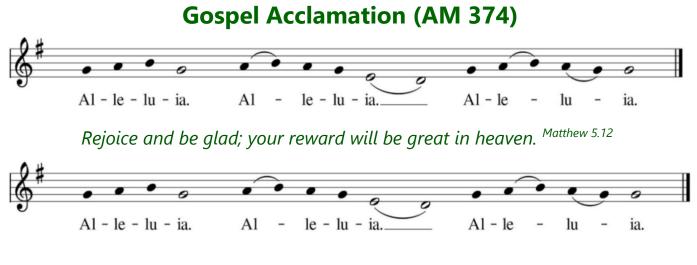
God chose what is weak in the world.

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. God is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Gospel

Matthew 5: 1 - 12a

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Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and he taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon Fr Graeme Brennan

The Creed

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again 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. We 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 worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the Resurrection of the dead, and the № life of the world to come. Amen.



Let us pray for all people and for the Church throughout the world.

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has promised that you will hear us when we ask in faith: receive the prayers we offer:

After each petition:

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

And at the end:

✤ Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord:And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace (Stand)

We are the Body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.**

The Peace is shared

Notices and announcements

The Sacrament

Offertory: According to thy gracious word (AM 420 i)

During the Offertory Hymn the altar is prepared. Gifts of bread, wine and the collection are gathered and brought to the front of the church.

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord God, by this holy exchange of gifts, you share with us your divine life. Grant that everything we do may be directed by the knowledge of your truth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**



The Great Thanksgiving

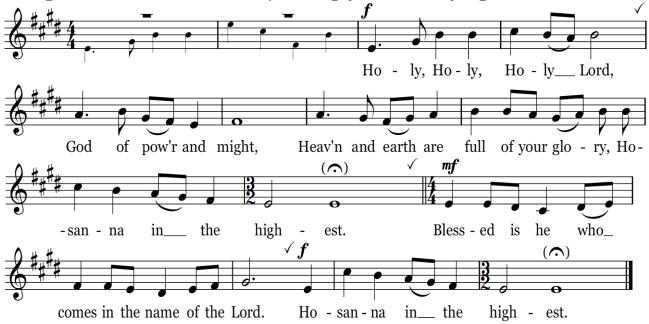
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty, our joy and our salvation, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord. For he is the true high priest, who has freed us from our sins and made us a royal priesthood, to serve you, our God and Father. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:



And now, Father, we pray that we who receive these your gifts of bread and wine according to our Saviour's word may be partakers of his Body and Blood.

The Celebrant takes the bread and says:

For on the night he was betrayed he took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, his almighty Father, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'TAKE, EAT. THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU. DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.'

The Celebrant takes the cup and says:

After supper, he took the cup and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'DRINK FROM THIS ALL OF YOU. THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS. DO THIS, AS OFTEN AS YOU DRINK IT, IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.'

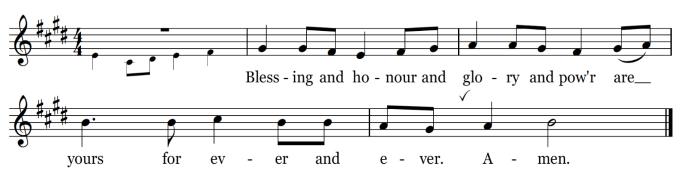
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Therefore, in obedience to his command, we commemorate and celebrate his saving passion and death, his mighty Resurrection and Ascension into heaven and we eagerly await his coming again in glory.

We thank you that by your grace alone, you have accepted us in Christ; and here we offer you a spiritual sacrifice, holy and acceptable in your sight. Through Christ, receive this our duty and service, and grant that we who eat and drink these holy gifts may, by your Holy Spirit, be one body in Christ, and serve you in unity and peace.

In your grace and mercy, bring us to the joy of your eternal kingdom with all the company of the redeemed. May we praise you in union with them, and give you glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father eternal, in songs of never-ending praise:



Rite of Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer

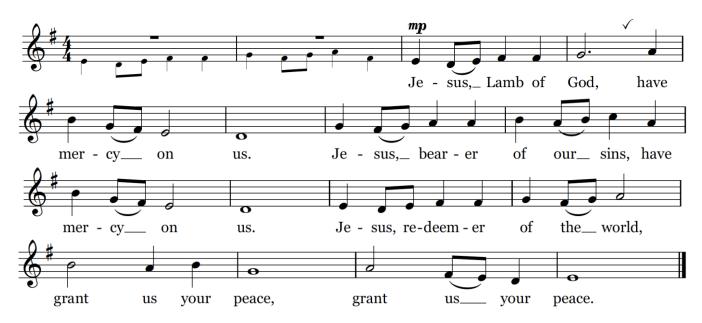
As our Saviour has taught us, we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Fraction

We who are many are one body in Christ, for we all share in the one bread.

Fraction Anthem



The Invitation to Holy Communion

✤ This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Holy Communion is administered with these or similar words:

The Body / Blood of Christ. Amen.

All communicant members of any Christian Church are invited to receive the Sacrament. All others are very welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Communion Sentence

Faith, hope, and love abide, but the greatest of these is love.

1 Corinthians 13.13

Post-Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. **Amen.**

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Hymn: Christ is the world's light (AM 609)

Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you **And also with you**.

May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing \blacksquare of God almighty **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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Postlude

Prayer Diary

For the sick, suffering, frail with age, and those who grieve: Joy, Milenka, Mira, Bruce, Hank, Robert, Bp John Parkes, Howard, Stephen, Gwen and Nilani.

Recently Departed:

and for those whose Anniversaries of death occur in Years mind:

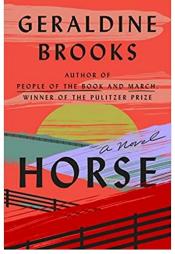
John Godfrey, Danka Homenko (29th), Allison David, Valerie Farmer (30th), **February** Keith Reynolds & George Lucas [priest] (2nd), Ross Livermore & Lillian Brown (3rd), Wilfred Thornton & Ronald Bosley (4th).

A Prayer for Ukraine

Lord of all the earth, be present with the people of Ukraine at this time of danger, fear and conflict. Grant that wise and peaceable counsels may yet prevail, and give to all suffering nations the freedom they desire and deserve. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer at the Time of Choosing an Incumbent

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your Word and minister your Sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**



St Bart's Book Club, the Cafe Tuesday, 14 February

A discarded painting in a junk pile, a skeleton in an attic, and the greatest racehorse in American history: from these strands, a Pulitzer Prize winner braids a sweeping story of spirit, obsession, and injustice across American history. Based on the remarkable true story of the record-breaking thoroughbred, Lexington, **Horse** is a novel of art and science, love and obsession, and our unfinished reckoning with racism.

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Community Op Shop

(Tuesdays to Saturdays,
 9.30am to 5.00pm)
 Managers: Caryse & Annabel

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- Cynthia Nyholm (People's)
- Glenis Heath (Vicar's)

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(meets 3rd Tuesday 7.30pm)

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- Glenis Heath
- Helen McDonald
- Cynthia Nyholm
- Dr Muriel Porter
- Tom Ransom

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Worship Sunday

10.00am Sung or Solemn Mass

5.00pm MASS in Holiday Recess during January

Mid-Week

Thursday 10.00am Mass

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For Your Diary

Today, 29 January, 2023 – 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

10.00am Sung Mass and refreshments**5.00pm Mass** in recess during Holiday Period (Resumes next Sunday)

Monday, 30 January

10.00am to 12noon Richmond Churches Food Centre

Thursday, 26 January (Australia Day)

10.00am Mass 9.30am to 5.00pm St Bart's Brotherhood Op Shop (Tuesday to Saturday)

Thursday, 02 February (Presentation of Christ in the Temple)

10.00am Mass

9.30am to 5.00pm St Bart's Brotherhood Op Shop (Tuesday to Saturday)

Saturday, 04 February

10.30am Mass *Tim Collison's Ordination to the Diaconate,*

at St Paul's Cathedral 9.30am to 5.00pm St Bart's Brotherhood Op Shop (Tuesday to Saturday)

Sunday, 05 February, 23 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

10.00am Solemn Mass 5.00pm Mass resumes today

Tuesday, 14 February, 2023

9.30am to 5.00pm St Bart's Brotherhood Op Shop (Tuesday to Saturday) 7.30pm St Bart's Book Club in the Cafe

Tuesday, 21 February, 2023

9.30am to 5.00pm St Bart's Brotherhood Op Shop (Tuesday to Saturday) 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting

Weekly Reflection

Dear Friends of St Bart's,

The Beatitudes in this morning's Gospel (5: 1 - 12) open a long discourse, commonly called 'the Sermon on the Mount' which is a program for the Christian life (5: 1 - 7: 28). Jesus tells his disciples that they have been blessed ('happy' in some translations is a weak rendering of the Greek word) in a particular way if their lives have certain qualities. To be gentle, to mourn, to thirst for what is right, to be merciful, pure in heart and a peacemaker are the signs of the presence of the kingdom of God in our lives.

To have such virtues is a sign of blessedness; a sign that God has done something for you. We do not acquire these qualities simply by our own will power and hard work. We receive them from a loving God, if we abandon our own attempts to impose our agendas and accept his way. This is the reason for our happiness: God gifts us with the virtues that proclaim his presence in our lives.

There are four qualities in the Christian life that show our *receptivity* to the goodness of God: poverty of spirit, gentleness, a preparedness to mourn and a hunger for justice.

Then there are four further qualities that demonstrate our preparedness to *actively work* for the extension of God's kingdom: the gift of mercy, a single-minded commitment to the ways of God without any ambiguity, a preparedness to create peace around us and a willingness to love the Lord, cost us what it may.

Jesus concludes by speaking to the experience of the Church. Although originally aimed at the early Church which first used this Gospel, the words that conclude the Beatitudes are still urgently relevant: *'Blessed are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of slander against you'* (v. 11).

In the name of Jesus, we stand over and against the arrogant secularism that has pushed Christianity to the peripheries of Western society and culture. Subtle forms of bullying and misrepresentation are a part of our everyday experience. Let us face this positively and pragmatically. To live this situation reflecting the blessedness that flows from the gifts of God, merits the final gift of his never-ending presence to us: *'Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great' (v. 12)*.

Wishing you His Grace and Peace,

Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Next Thursday, 2nd February (10.00am), is Candlemass. If you have any candles for your own personal use and want to have them blessed, please bring them to the Sacristy before 9.30 a.m. with a label to say they are yours; and pick them up after the Mass.

In the Presentation of Christ we have the manifestation of Man to God. In the Incarnation, God descends to the level of human consciousness. In Christ, human nature ascends to the level of Divine Consciousness.

In Christ we are joined to God forever so that our lives do not have to be a frantic search for self. Christ is the true self. He is not a symbol or a myth but the inner truth of our own personal lives. Candlemass is the celebration of this truth.

God bless you,

Fr Graeme.

One of the (edited) Notices from last Sunday

Clearly we have lots of talented people in this parish: I can't mention you all but let me refer to just a few. You will all be aware of Alison Asquith's "iconic" impact on the front cover of our Order of Service during Advent.

Similarly, you would have heard Trevor Blake's evocative poetry set to Linda Kent's music in a wonderful communion anthem a few weeks ago – all a hint of what is possible.

To that end, we would like to issue a wider invitation to all the budding and creative artists, musoes and poets in the parish:

- either by drawing or photography or painting –
- to create a graphic for the cover, first of all, of the Ash Wednesday Order of Service
- but then to contribute to the artwork of each Lenten Order of Service
- building up either visually, poetically or musically to a creative Stations of the Cross, in Holy Week.

Our Artist-in-Residence, Linda Kent, would be delighted to have you join this **Art-Music Group**. Please tap her on the shoulder to brainstorm a possibility or two, or contact her at <u>lkent56@me.com</u> or 0423-240-464.