# ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

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WORSHIP BULLETIN



# TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2023 10.00am Sung 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

#### Account Number: 05009430

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.

Presider:	Fr Walter McEntee
Preacher:	Fr Walter McEntee
Organist:	Stuart Connew
Mass Setting:	Our Common Home – Christopher Willcock SJ

# GATHERING

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

### Gathering Hymn: A&M 2

'Christ, whose glory fills the sky'

#### Invocation & Greeting

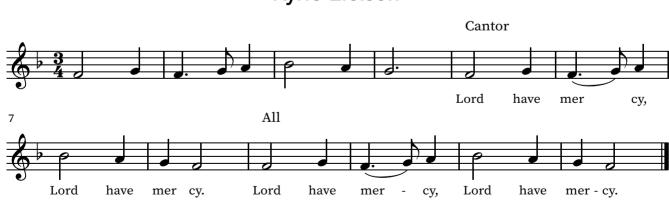
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Lord be with you.

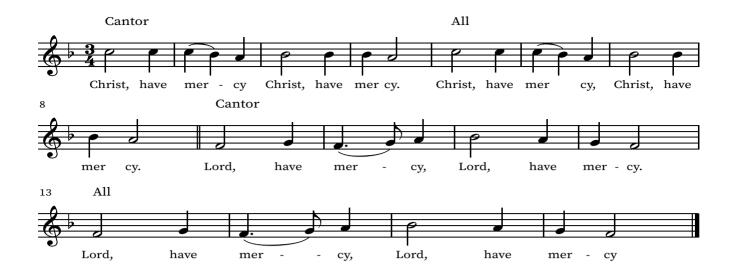
And also with you.

#### Sentence

If you, O Lord, should note what we do wrong, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. <sup>Psalm 130.3-4</sup>







God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord's table.

Silence

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and a true heart.

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

Almighty God,

who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: \*pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

#### Gloria



# Collect

O God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you: help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# THE WORD

#### **First Reading**

#### Sirach 27:30 – 28:7

Forgive your neighbour the wrong that is done, and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray.

A reading from the book of Sirach.

Anger and wrath, these are abominations, yet a sinner holds on to them. The vengeful will face the Lord's vengeance, for he keeps a strict account of their sins.

Forgive your neighbour the wrong that is done, and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray.

Does anyone harbour anger against another, and expect healing from the Lord? If one has no mercy toward another like oneself, can one then seek pardon for one's own sins?

If a mere mortal harbours wrath, who will make an atoning sacrifice for that one's sins?

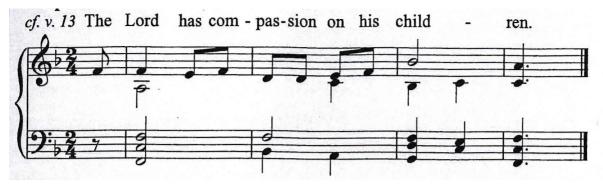
Remember the end of your life, and set enmity aside; remember corruption and death, and be true to the commandments.

Remember the commandments, and do not be angry with your neighbour; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook faults.

Hear the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

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Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

Who forgives all your sins and heals all your infirmities; Who redeems your life from the Pit and crowns you with faithful love and compassion; Who satisfies you with good things, so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's. **R** He has not dealt with us according to our sins,

nor rewarded us according to our wickedness. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his mercy upon those who fear him. **R** 

As far as the east is from the west, so far has he set our sins from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so is the Lord merciful towards those that fear him.

#### Second reading

#### Romans 14: 7-9

Whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

My brothers and sisters, we do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

#### Hear the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

**Gospel Acclamation** 



I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

#### Gospel

#### Matthew 18:21-35

Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

▼A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

#### Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, a brother or sister sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?"

Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made.

"So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' The lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt.

"But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt.

"When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place.

"Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?'And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt.

"So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** 

## Sermon

Fr Walter McEntee

# The Creed

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.

# Prayers of the People

*Remain standing* Let us pray for the world and the church.

After each petition:

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer.** 

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

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

# THE SACRAMENT

#### Offertory Hymn: A&M 119

'Forgive our sins as we forgive'

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

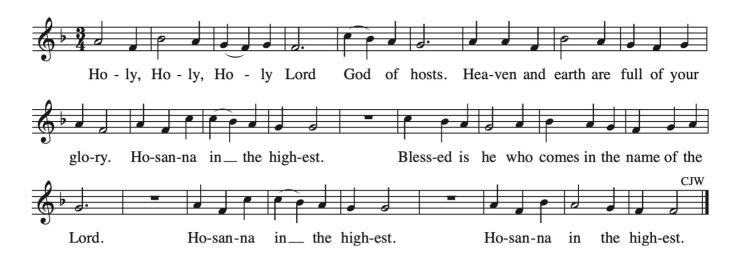
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God. We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us. By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people. 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:



Holy and gracious God,

all creation rightly gives you praise. All life, all holiness, comes from you through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, whom you sent to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. Hear us, merciful Lord; through Christ accept our sacrifice of praise; and, by the power of your Word and Holy Spirit, sanctify this bread and wine, that we who share in this holy sacrament may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

The celebrant takes the bread and says:

Who, when his hour had come, on the night before he went up to the cross to make full atonement for the sins of the whole world, offering once for all his one sacrifice of himself, took bread and gave you thanks; 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:

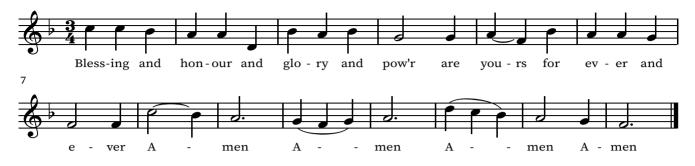
In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying, 'DRINK THIS, ALL OF YOU; THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. DO THIS, AS OFTEN AS YOU DRINK IT, IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.'

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

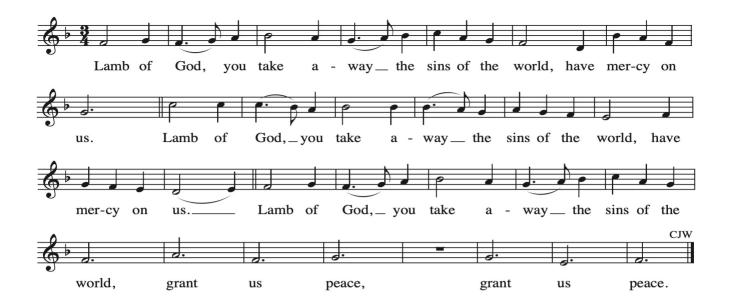
#### The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ 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 for ever. Amen.

#### Fraction

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body, **for we all share in the one bread.** 



#### 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 in 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 welcome to come forward for a blessing.

#### **Communion Sentence**

How precious, O God, is your constant love. We find protection under the shadow of your wings. <sup>Psalm 36:7</sup>

#### Please stand

#### Post-Communion Prayer

Gracious God, we thank you that in this sacrament you assure us of your goodness and love. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and help us to grow in love and obedience that we may serve you in the world and finally be brought to that table where all your saints feast with you for ever.

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.

#### Notices and announcements

#### Hymn: A&M 702

'Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us'

#### Blessing and Dismissal

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;

and the ∞blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen** 

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

#### In the name of Christ. Amen

#### Liturgy Acknowledgements

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#### Prayer Diary

For the sick, suffering, frail with age, and those who grieve: Joy, Milenka, Mira, Bruce, Robert, Nilani, Bruce, Marianne, Claire and Mary.

For the recently departed: Jamie di Battista

#### For those whose anniversaries of death occur in Years Mind:

Marjory MacGregor [Deacon], Dorothy Ross, Agnes Challingsworth, James Skellon, Sarah Wilkinson, Brian Scharpe.

#### 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 the suffering nations the freedom they desire and deserve. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### Our new Vicar

Fr Stuart Soley has moved into the vicarage. However, he is not to be disturbed at all until he is instituted as our new Vicar on 4 October.

#### Preparing for Fr Stuart's Institution

With just over two weeks to go until Fr Stuart Soley's Institution on 4 October, the parish is a hive of activity!

You will have noticed that some items in the church have been rearranged in readiness for what we expect will be a large congregation. The piano has been moved to the chapel, both to provide extra seating space in the side transept and also to enable piano accompaniment for the singing of the beautiful John Rutter anthem, 'For the beauty of the earth' – a most appropriate piece of music for the Feast of St Francis. The augmented choir of 14 singers will practice this and other music this afternoon. Closer to the time expect to see movement of chairs and other furniture.

A number of parishioners have been working hard under the guidance of Glenis Heath and Helen McDonald to make and freeze sausage rolls, quiches, lemon tarts and other goodies for the refreshments to be provided after the service.

Expect a tap on the shoulder to assist in other practical areas as the big day approaches. It will be a great occasion in the life of this parish.

Glenis Heath, Helen McDonald, Cynthia Nyholm

### FOR YOUR DIARY...

#### Tuesday 19 September

### 7.30pm Parish Council meeting