

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH
PARISH OF BURNLEY

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WORSHIP BULLETIN



TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY SUNDAY

In the Octave of St Francis

8 OCTOBER 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.

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PARISH PRIEST'S LETTER

SUNDAY 8 OCTOBER 2023

FOR EVERYTHING I GIVE THANKS

One of the features of the letters of the Apostle Paul is his expressions of the thankfulness for the community of believers in the many towns and cities in which he has proclaimed the good news.

I am at the beginning of my time as your Parish Priest (I tend to use this term because it describes what I am and seek to do and be) but I am filled with thankfulness for the wonderful evening on Wednesday last that marked my institution as Vicar.

You certainly made me feel welcome – and the many people who came from near and far to join us in prayer and celebration.

There was the extensive work over many many weeks to make it so.

Glenis Heath organised and masterminded the wonderful catering for the evening. Stuart Connew drew together many outsiders to augment our choir – and a stunning sound – with Stuart Moran and Muriel Porter as our cantors too. Muriel Porter worked closely with me, the Archdeacon and Bishop to put together the liturgy. Jonathon Harrison worked hard and assiduously to bring together the sanctuary team so that things would run smoothly. Those who welcomed, read, brought forward the symbols of ministry did so with great dignity and sincerity. It was all so good!

Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

And we gathered to give thanks at Mass on Thursday morning – which recharged our spiritual batteries for the working bee but also for the work we will accomplish together in the years ahead.

Thank you for the hamper of foods for the vicarage pantry which was presented to me on Thursday morning.

WELCOME TO OUR COMPANION ANIMALS

It is customary around the Feast of Saint Francis to bless the animals. So, we have invited parishioners to bring their companion

animals to Mass today and I will bless them as they accompany you when you come forward to receive the sacrament. At the time of writing, I am filled with anticipation to see the range of animals that will come with you to church. God be praised for all our companion animals – living and departed – as they have helped make us love better as God desires us to do.

AND NOW

I look forward to getting to know you over these next few weeks and months. Please pardon my stumbling and forgetting of names at this time – I will get better at recalling them all and regular attendance is one thing that will assist me greatly! No pressure – you understand.

Another thing you will notice over the next little while is minor changes to the liturgy and in weeks to come layouts and order of things. The core of everything will remain the same – probably so much so you won't notice any differences at all.

I will also be drawing together people who can assist in planning the life of the parish over the next six months. Those six months, to early April, will take us through Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter. So, it will be a busy time - but what a powerful time to be the people of God in Christ!

I end with Saint Francis' Prayer which is balm for our souls:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

PRAYER FOR THE VOICE

God who listens,
open our hearts to hear the gentle invitation of those without a voice;

placeless and dispossessed of all that was theirs,
instead of anger, revenge or blame,
they offer in their open hand absurd generosity,
an act of transformational forgiveness
from the centre of their being to ours:
May we sense the integrity of country speaking to country,
body to body;
and find within ourselves the humility to accept and journey together,
to become our nation's better future,
resolving our colonial memory, Australia's original sin.
As Jesus gave his body for ours,
help us to receive and pass on this gift of new life,
for his name's sake.
Amen.

Presider: *Fr Stuart Soley*
Preacher: *Fr Stuart Soley*
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

Come, let us with our Lord arise,
our Lord, who made both earth and skies;
who died to save the world he made,
and rose triumphant from the dead;
he rose, the prince of life and peace,
and stamped the day for ever his.

This is the day the Lord has made,
that all may see his love displayed,
may feel his resurrection's power,
and rise again to fall no more,
in perfect righteousness renewed,
and filled with all the life of God.

Then let us render him his own,
with solemn prayer approach the throne,
with meekness hear the gospel word,
with thanks his dying love record;
our joyful hearts and voices raise,
and fill his courts with songs of praise.

Charles Wesley 1707-99 alt.

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

Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,
let us press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God
in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3.13b–14

Kyrie Eleison

Cantor

7 All

Lord have mer cy. Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.

Cantor All

Christ, have mer - cy Christ, have mer cy. Christ, have mer cy, Christ, have

8 Cantor

mer cy. Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

13 All

Lord, have mer - - cy, Lord, have mer - cy

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

Organ

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good
will. We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you we glo-ri-fy
you, we give you thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God, hea-ven-ly King,
O God al-migh-ty Fa-ther. Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten
Son, Lord God, Lamb of God Son of the Fa-ther, you
take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us; you take a-way the
sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer; you are sea-ted at the right hand of the
Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,
you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ,
with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the
Fa-ther. A-men, A-men, A-men, A-men.

CJW

Collect

Generous God,
whose hand is open to fill all things living with plenteousness:
make us ever thankful for your goodness,
and grant that we,
remembering the account that we must one day give,
may be faithful stewards of your bounty;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 5:1-7

The reading concludes with
Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 80



Hear O Shepherd of Israel,
you that led Joseph like a flock;
shine forth you that are enthroned upon the cherubim,
before Ephraim Benjamin and Manasseh.

R

Stir up your mighty strength
and come to our salvation.
O Lord God of hosts,
how long will you be angry at your people's prayer?

R

You feed them with the bread of tears;
you give them abundance of tears to drink.
You have made us the derision of our neighbours,
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

R

Second reading

Philippians 4:6-9

The reading concludes with

Hear the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation



I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go and bear fruit that will last.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 21:33-43

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

✠A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The reading concludes with

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Fr Stuart Soley

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

Among us and before us, Lord, you stand
with arms outstretched and bread and wine at hand.
Confronting those unworthy of a crumb,
you ask that to your table we should come.

Who dare say No, when such is your resolve
our worst to witness, suffer and absolve,
our best to raise in lives by God forgiven,
our souls to fill on earth with food from heaven?

Who dare say No, when such is your intent
to love the selves we famish and resent,
to cradle our uncertainties and fear,
to kindle hope as you in faith draw near?

Who dare say No, when such is your request
that each around your table should be guest,
that here the ancient word should live as new,
'Take, eat and drink – all this is meant for you.'?

No more we hesitate and wonder why;
no more we stand indifferent, scared or shy.
Your invitation leads us to say Yes,
to meet you where you nourish, heal and bless.

John L. Bell 1949 -

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:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Hea-ven and earth are full of your
glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est. CJW

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:



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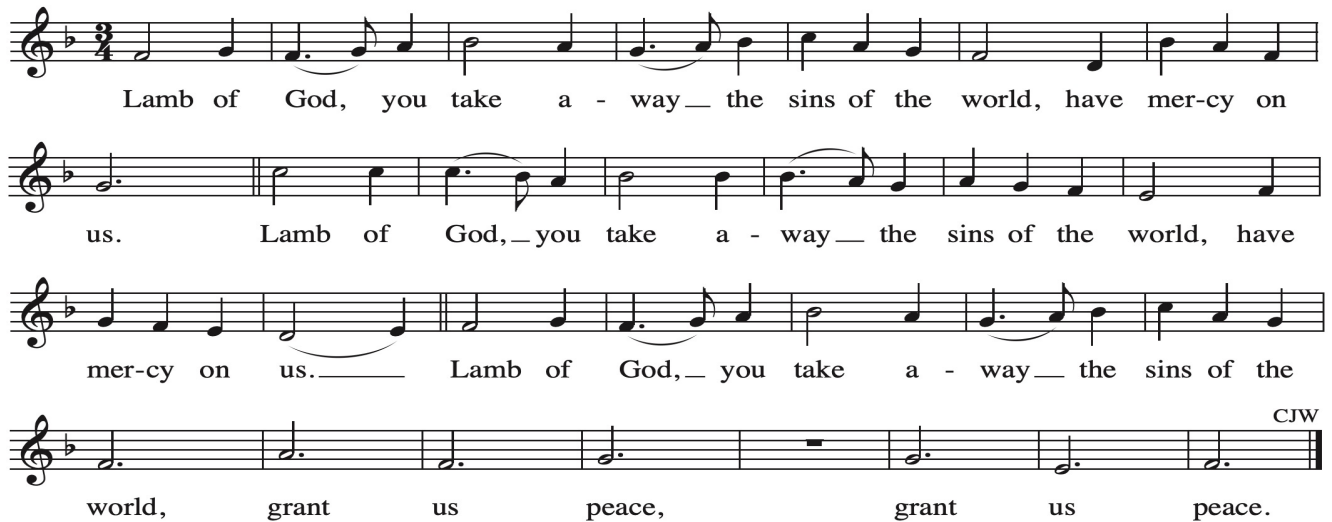
The Lord's Prayer

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.



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, grant us peace. CJW

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.**

Christ is the host at the altar and welcomes all. Please bring your pets with you for a blessing.

Communion Sentence

Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous
live by their faith. Habakkuk 2:4

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 456

'Now let us from this table rise'

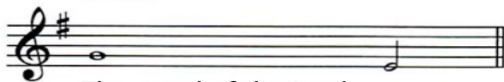
Blessing and Dismissal

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

THE ANGELUS

Priest



The angel of the Lord
brought tidings to Ma - ry

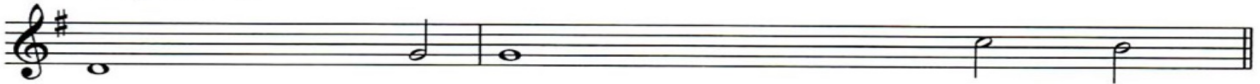
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And she conceived by the Holy Spir-it

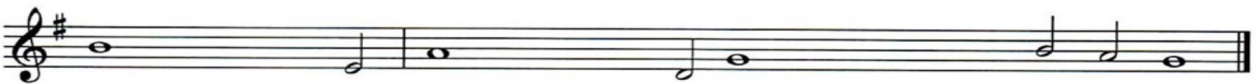
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Response - All



Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with you

Blessed are you among women, and
blessed is the fruit of your womb, Je - sus.



Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. A - men.

Priest



Behold, the handmaid of the Lord.

All



Be it unto me according to your word.

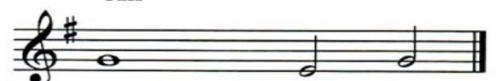
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Priest



And the Word became flesh.

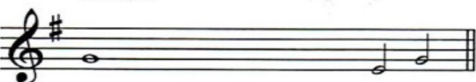
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And dwelt a - mong us.

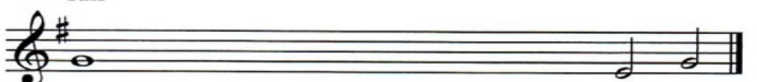
Response

Priest



Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

All



That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

THE COLLECT

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts;
that as we have known the incarnation of your Son, Jesus Christ, by the message of an angel,
✚ so by his cross and passion,
we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection
who is one with you and the Holy Spirit, God, to the ages of ages.



A - men

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A Poem for Father Walter McEntee on his last day
as Acting Vicar at St Bartholomew's, Burnley
by Neil Nyholm

Thanks be to God for Father Walter,
Who said the Mass at our Bless'd
Altar,
You prayed with us in tones sincere;
Your humbleness we all revere.

The Bishop said "go to Saint Bart's";
You found it challenging in parts.
But now you know that you can
handle,
A Church that is right up the candle.

Your servers' prayers were spiced
with humour,
That almost made us lose
composure.
This taught us all that as we pray;
God too can laugh in her own way.

We loved the way you read the
Gospel;
Your gestures almost Pentecostal.
You made the stories come alive,
In ways that gave us renewed drive.

Your sermons were a real treat,
They kept us frozen to our seat;
And as you preached with pulpit
thumping,
You woke us up, our hearts were
pumping.

While you now leave us as our
Locum,
We take to heart the words you've
spoken;
And we'll remember all our days,
the times you filled our hearts with
praise.

Your record shows so much
achieved,
we'll miss you Father, as you
leave.
And, if you return, once you
recover,
Be sure to bring the Reverend
Mother.

Go with our Blessing, Father Dear;
Know you're always welcome
here,
To join with us at our Bless'd altar.
You'll always be our Father Walter.

Now it would be remiss and terse,
If we did not complete this verse;
In the time-honoured 'Walter way',
And all God's people loudly say. . .
"Amen!"

Prayer Diary

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

For the recently departed: Noel Whale, priest.

For those whose anniversaries of death occur in Years Mind: Flora Farnsworth, Jean Power, Denise Boyd, Joseph Davids, Alexander Blair, Ann McElligott [priest], Ruby Brady, Thirza Chaffey, Elizabeth Hastings, Ella Bryant.

A Prayer for Ukraine

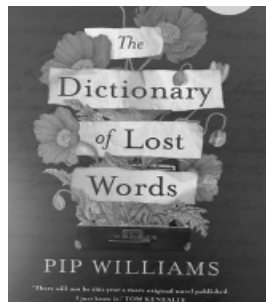
Lord of all the earth, be present with the people of Ukraine at this time of danger, fear and conflict. Grant that wise and peaceable counsels may yet prevail, and give to all the suffering nations the freedom they desire and deserve. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR DIARY...

Tuesday 10 October

7:30pm Book Club in the Guild Hall

The Dictionary of Lost Words by Pip Williams



Wednesday 11 October

7pm Melbourne Diocesan Synod commences in St Paul's Cathedral and continues online 7pm Thursday 12 and Friday 13 October, then in person at the Cathedral all day Saturday 14 October from 9.30am.

Thursday 12 October

10am Mass