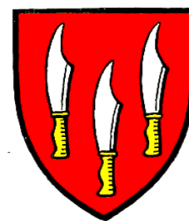


SAINT BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH PARISH OF BURNLEY



The Patronal Festival of Saint Bartholomew



Festive Sung Mass

Sunday 24th August 2025

Mass setting by George Oldroyd

Missa Parochialis (1938)

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HAPPY SAINT BARTHOLOMEW'S DAY

It is good to be here today and celebrate our Patron Saint, Bartholomew. This church which we love so much – our spiritual home – is dedicated to Saint Bartholomew, apostle and martyr.

All we do is under his patronage. He is the patron of many worthy trades and professionals, inspired by his life and martyrdom. Hospitals named after him remind us that he is the patron saint of healing. There is so much that needs healing in our world, in the violence and mean spiritedness of the culture and its perpetual culture wars ignited by the well intentioned and unscrupulous alike. There is much to be healed in communities and in our own soul so that we can imagine as Jesus promised to Bartholomew that he and we would see 'greater things than these'.

Today, August 24th, we remember with gratitude our patron saint, Bartholomew. We know him as one of the twelve Apostles, and as a martyr of the Church. And, although he is referred to only six times in the New Testament, we can now see him as a great saint.

The icon of Saint Bartholomew that hangs to the right of the chancel arch in our church appears to be Armenian in style and colour. His robe is styled as a garment worn by a first century Apostle. Its color is determined by the Armenian penchant for blues and reds. His hair is black, his eyes are wide, his nose is even and straight, his beard is thick, and he is of medium stature. His right hand is raised in blessing. Bartholomew is surrounded by a halo to indicate he is a saint whose inner light is sufficiently radiant for us to see. In this icon, Bartholomew holds the gospel of Matthew in his left hand that is symbolic of the time when it is said that after the Ascension, Bartholomew went on a missionary tour of India. Other traditions record him serving as a missionary in Ethiopia, and Mesopotamia (Ouspensky & Lossky 1982).

Saints are usually depicted bare-footed; however, in this icon, Bartholomew stands with his sandaled feet firmly planted on the ground with what could be a fig-tree motif either side of him. This motif is symbolic of the fig-tree under which Jesus first saw Bartholomew before he was brought by his friend Philip to meet him. Bartholomew, known in the Gospels as Nathanael, asked Jesus how he knew him. Jesus said, 'Before Philip called you, I saw you under the fig tree.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the son of God; you are the King of Israel' (John 1: 47-49).

This was Bartholomew's first meeting with Jesus when he immediately recognized him as the Christ and joined him as a disciple.

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TODAY'S CELEBRATION

Welcome to this Liturgy. Thank you for being here.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES TODAY

24th August 2025 – Trinity Sunday
Year C in the Three-Year Lectionary Cycle

Principal Celebrant	Fr Ray Cleary AM	
Homilist	Fr Ray	
Organist	Daniel Brace	
Cantor	Anish Nair	
First Reading	Deuteronomy 18:15-18	Kim Ricketts
Responsorial Psalm	I will praise your name forever	Anish Nair
Second Reading	Revelation 21:9-22:5	Laura Pumphrey
Gospel	John 1.45-51	
Intercessions		Jonathan Harrison
Eucharistic Assistants		Mother Dorothy Lee
Welcomers		
Hospitality		

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

We stand when the bell is rung.

Please sing the Entrance Hymn

1. King of Saints, to whom the number
Of Thy starry host is known,
Many a name by man forgotten
Lives for ever round Thy Throne:
Lights which earth-born mists have darkened,
There are shining full and clear—
Princes in the court of heaven,—
Nameless, unremembered, here.
2. In the roll of Thine Apostles
One there stands, Bartholomew,
He for whom to-day we offer
Year by year our praises due;
How he toiled for Thee and suffered
None on earth can now record;
All his saintly life is hidden
In the knowledge of his Lord.
3. Was it he, beneath the fig-tree
Seen of Thee, and guileless found;
He who saw the Good he longed for
Rise from Nazareth's barren ground;
He who met his risen Master
On the shore of Galilee;
He to whom the word was spoken,
"Greater things thou yet shalt see"?
4. None can tell us; all is written
In the Lamb's great book of Life—
All the faith, and prayer, and patience,
All the toiling and the strife:
There are told Thy hidden treasures:—
Number us, O Lord, with them,
When Thou makest up the jewels
Of Thy living diadem! Amen.

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Sing to the Lord, bless his name, tell his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvellous works among his people.

The Confession is introduced:

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.

The Absolution:

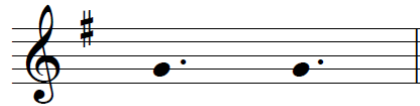
Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:
pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Choir sings the Kyrie followed by the Gloria (see separate handout)

THE OPENING PRAYER

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace to believe and preach your word: grant that your church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully receive and boldly preach it; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen**

The priest sings the opening prayer, and we respond:



A - men.
We sit for the readings.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING - DEUTERONOMY 18:15-18

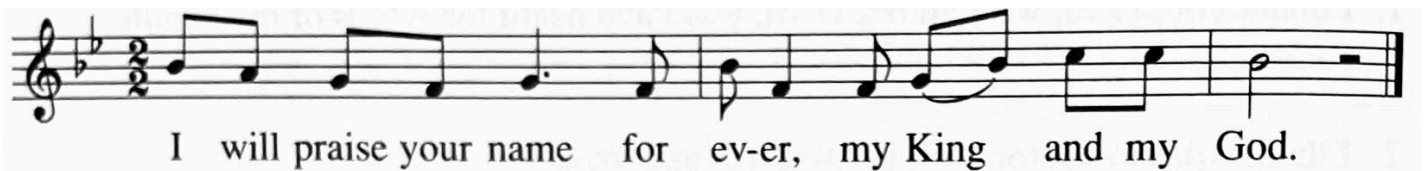
15 The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet* like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet.* ¹⁶This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: 'If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.' ¹⁷Then the Lord replied to me: 'They are right in what they have said. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet* like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, * who shall speak to them everything that I command.

The response at the end of the reading is:

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*The cantor sings the psalm, and the congregation repeats the response
and then joins in the response throughout the psalm.*



Christopher Willcock

I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.

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The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all creation.

R

All your creatures shall give you thanks, O
Lord, and your friends shall repeat their
blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God.

R

O Lord, you are faithful in all your
words and loving in all your deeds.
You, O Lord, support all who fall
and raise up all who are bowed down.

R

SECOND READING - REVELATION 21:9-22:5

Vision of the New Jerusalem

9 Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, 'Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.' ¹⁰And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. ¹¹It has the glory of God and a radiance like a very rare jewel, like jasper, clear as crystal. ¹²It has a great, high wall with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates are inscribed the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites; ¹³on the east three gates, on

the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. ¹⁴And the wall of the city has twelve foundations, and on them are the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

We stand to welcome the gospel.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please repeat after the cantor.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come, the Almighty.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL - JOHN 1:45-51

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

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to St John:

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus' son of Joseph from Nazareth.' ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' ⁴⁷When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' ⁴⁹Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' ⁵⁰Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.'⁵¹And he said

to him, 'Very truly, I tell you,* you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE HOMILY

We say 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.**

*] all may
] bow*

**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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We remain standing.

The response to the petitions are:

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

FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD

Peace in the Middle East, Sudan, Congo and Ukraine and an end to all conflicts.

For the Richmond Churches Food Centre and all those in need.

FOR THE SICK, RECOVERING, AND THOSE WHO GRIEVE

Neil, Linda, Peter, Anne, Craig, Val, Nanette, Liam, Bruce, Marie,

John Ross and Frank Moloney (priest) and Lee.

FOR THOSE RECENTLY DECEASED

Dr Anthony Bendall, Frank O’Gorman

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR’S MIND OCCURS THIS WEEK

Adelaide Tipping, Betsy Burchett, Gertrude Thornton, Joan Wright, Lloyd, Thompson, John Anastasiou, Wilfred Holt{priest}, Margaret Young, Robert Hakinson, Vernon Harrison, Abbot Michael King{priest}, Wendy Taplin, Jean Beverley, Alice Freame, John Stockdale{priest}, Muriel Judge, Toni Pearce.

FOR MEMBERS OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Kathy Kozlowski, Kim Ricketts, Johnathan Harrison

The response after the prayers for the departed is:

+ Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord.

And let light perpetual shine upon them.

and concludes with this prayer:

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 GREETING OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn

O thou, of twelve Apostles one,
O thou, alone of those the Son
called to Himself, of guile found free:
all hail Bartholomew to thee!

Out to the peoples thou wast sent;
out from the Upper Room thou went,
to make all India know God's grace,
and Persia see His human face.

Thy life was Christ's: like Him betrayed,
as he was scourged, so wast thou flayed.
For Him thou meetst in agony
thy death by Caspian's bitter Sea.

For us, on this our distant shore,
to God thy prayer be pleased to pour,
that as thou once thy life didst give
for Christ, so may in Christ we live.

Invoke for us the Holy Ghost,
O thou who watch'st the angel host
unto the Son of Man ascend;
on us the Spirit pray descend!

To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One:
by saints above such praise be given
that saints on earth seek only Heaven.

Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

The priest says the prayer over the gifts and we respond:

Blessed be God forever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is divided into two parts: the first part is labeled 'Celebrant' and the second part is labeled 'All'. The lyrics for the first staff are 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff is also divided into two parts: 'Celebrant' and 'All'. The lyrics for the second staff are 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff is divided into two parts: 'Celebrant' and 'All'. The lyrics for the third staff are 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

Celebrant *All*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *All*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant *All*
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Prayer continues.....

Choir sings the Sanctus (see separate handout)

After the elevation of the Host and the elevation of the Chalice, all may bow with the priest in adoration of real presence of Christ. . . . Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Prayer continues, ending with the celebrant saying. . . . in songs of never-ending praise:

Choir sings the Benedictus (see separate handout)

THE LORD'S PRAYER will be sung by the choir

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

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.

Choir sings the Agnus Dei (see separate handout)

☐ Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed 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.**

Draw near with faith and receive the gifts of God for the people of God!
Thanks be to God!

*Christ is the host at the altar here at Saint Bartholomew's and welcomes those who are
communicant members of all denominations.*

If today, you prefer to receive a blessing—please indicate this to the Priest.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

SOLEMN BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

We stand to pray. The priests prays and we respond:

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love.

Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of your Spirit.

Amen.

Recessional Hymn - Be thou my vision

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me save that thou art.
Thou my best thought by day and by night;
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my great Father, I thy dear child;
Thou in me dwelling, with thee reconciled.

3. Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
Be thou my dignity, thou my delight.
Thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r;
Raise thou me Heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

4. Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
Thou mine inheritance, now and always.
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

5. High King of Heaven, my victory won,
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'ns Sun!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Thank you for being with us on this special day.

NEXT SUNDAY'S LITURGICAL MINISTRIES AT SUNG MASS

31st August 2025 – 12th Sunday after Pentecost

Year C in the Three-Year Lectionary Cycle

First Reading	Jeremiah 2:4-13	Sandra McMahon
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 81:1, 10-16	
Second Reading	Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16	Jonathon Harrison
Gospel	Luke 14:1,7-14	
Prayers of the Faithful	Daniel Brace	
Eucharistic Assistants	Sandra McMahon	

SAINT BARTHOLOMEW'S



PARISH INFORMATION

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.

HISTORY

Saint Bartholomew's Anglican Church was opened on 27 October 1926, the foundation stone having been laid on 25 July. This church replaced the earlier Saint Bartholomew's Churches which were on the corner of Swan and Burnley Streets. There are three buildings on the site; the church, a hall in which the Op Shop runs, with the Guild Hall behind and the vicarage.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this Land, the Wurrundjeri people of the Kulin Nations. We pay our respects to their elders' past and present.

OUR VISION

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

OUR MISSION

The Mission of Saint 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 show mercy and compassion toward others

To be dependent on God's comfort

To live with purity in motive and deed

To be gentle with people and all Creation

To be passionate for peace

To hunger and thirst for the right ways of God

To persevere in the face of opposition

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

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

SAINT BART'S OP SHOP

300 Burnley Street, Burnley

A partnership with the Brotherhood of St Laurence to provide quality recycled goods to those in need

HOURS: Tuesday – Saturday : 9.30 am – 5.00 pm

MANAGER: Adrian Evans

SAINT BART'S CAFÉ

300 Burnley Street, Burnley

Our café is presently closed awaiting a new model to run this valuable social enterprise.

RICHMOND CHURCHES FOOD CENTRE

MONDAYS 10 am – 12 noon at ST IGNATIUS' CHURCH, CHURCH ST, RICHMOND

Co-ordinator: Francis Flood 0493 104 144 rfoodcentre 'at' gmail.com

President: Fr Nick White. St Bartholomew's Representatives: Kim Ricketts, Paula Howell

WHERE TO FIND US

SUNDAY SUNG MASS – Always at 10.00 am