

6PM

Welcome to St Peter's Cathedral. We are delighted to have you worship with us today for this service of Choral Evensong from the Book of Common Prayer. As the choir and clergy lead this service, allow the music and words to bring you into a stillness and prayerful reflection with God. Please join us in saying the words in bold. The hymns can be found in the separate hymn book. Indications for sitting, kneeling, and standing are a guide only.

St Peter's Cathedral resides on the lands of the Kurna people. We give thanks for their ancestors and acknowledge the ongoing right and responsibility of their elders to care for this Country. We are committed to work and pray towards a more just settlement for all Indigenous people and pay our respect to First Nations people with us.

St Peter's Cathedral is a Christ-centred, sacramental, inclusive, thinking, mission-oriented faith community

Today we celebrate the third Sunday in Advent which is often referred to as "Gaudate Sunday" or "Rejoice Sunday". The candle we light in our Advent wreath is pink, because rose is a liturgical colour for joy. We are reminded of the "tidings of great joy" that the angel brought to the shepherds proclaiming the birth of Christ (Lk2:20) and the wise men who "rejoiced with exceeding great joy" when they saw the star in the east. (Matt.2:10).

We often use the terms joy and happiness interchangeably, but here we have something much more profound than a response of happiness. Joy is the lens through which we see hope and purpose in life. It is a response of delight to God's infinite love for us.

Blessings,

The Rev'd Joan Claring-Bould

Officiant: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

Preacher: The Rev'd Joan Claring-Bould

Readers: Kevin Stracey, David Thomas

Choir: Lay Clerks of St Peter's Cathedral Choir

Conductor: Anthony Hunt

Organist: David Heah

Hymns: 32, 302, 563

Please stand as the choir and clergy enter the cathedral

PRECES

John Bertalot (b.1931)

O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised

Please stand to sing

HYMN 32 – COME, THOU REDEEMER OF THE EARTH OMIT V4 (PUER NOBIS NASCITUR)

Please sit. The choir sings

PSALM 79.1-9

Chant: Thomas Rogers

O God, the heathen are come into thine inheritance:

thy holy temple have they defiled, and made Jerusalem an heap of stones.

The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the air:

and the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the land.

Their blood have they shed like water on every side of Jerusalem:

and there was no man to bury them.

We are become an open shame to our enemies:

a very scorn and derision unto them that are round about us.

Lord, how long wilt thou be angry: shall thy jealousy burn like fire for ever?

Pour out thine indignation upon the heathen that have not known thee:

and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy Name.

For they have devoured Jacob: and laid waste his dwelling-place.

O remember not our old sins, but have mercy upon us, and that soon:

for we are come to great misery.

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy Name:

O deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins, for thy Name's sake.

Please stand

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen

Please sit

FIRST LESSON

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

ISAIAH 40.1-11

Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.

Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,
that she has received from the Lord's hand
double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:

'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.'

A voice says, 'Cry out!'

And I said, 'What shall I cry?'

All people are grass,
their constancy is like the flower of the field.

The grass withers, the flower fades,
when the breath of the Lord blows upon it;
surely the people are grass.

The grass withers, the flower fades;
but the word of our God will stand for ever.

Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good tidings;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,
lift it up, do not fear;

say to the cities of Judah,
'Here is your God!'

See, the Lord God comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.

He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
and carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead the mother sheep.

Here endeth the first lesson.

Please stand. The choir sings

MAGNIFICAT

Anthony Hunt (b.1981) *ATB Canticles*

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm:

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:

as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Please sit

SECOND LESSON

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew

MATTHEW 11.11-24

Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John came; and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. Let anyone with ears listen!

‘But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,

“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.”

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, “He has a demon”; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, “Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!” Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.’

Then he began to reproach the cities in which most of his deeds of power had been done, because they did not repent. ‘Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I tell you, on the day of judgement it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon than for you. And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven?

No, you will be brought down to Hades. For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I tell you that on the day of judgement it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom than for you.’

Here endeth the second lesson.

Please stand. The choir sings

NUNC DIMITTIS

Anthony Hunt (b.1981) *ATB Canticles*

*Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation,
which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people;
to be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.*

Remain standing

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Remain standing.

THE LESSER LITANY AND RESPONSES

John Bertalot (b.1931)

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.
Let us pray.

Please kneel/sit

*Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

○ Lord, shew thy mercy upon us
And grant us thy salvation.

○ Lord, save the King
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness

And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord

Because there is none other that fighteth for us but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us

COLLECTS

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY:

O LORD Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee: Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE:

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS:

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Please remain seated.

ANTHEM

*Rorate caeli desuper
et nubes pluant iustum.
Aperiatur terra
et germinet salvatorem.*

Giovanni Matteo Asola (1532-1609) *Rorate coeli*

*Drop down, ye heavens, from above,
and let the skies pour down righteousness:
let the earth open,
and let it bring forth a Saviour.*

Please kneel/ sit

THE PRAYERS

Please stand to sing

HYMN 302 – HOW BEAUTEOUS ARE THEIR FEET (ST THOMAS)

Please sit

SERMON

The Rev'd Joan Claring-Bould

Please stand to sing

**HYMN 563 – JESUS CHRIST IS WAITING, WAITING IN THE STREETS
(NOEL NOUVELET)**

Please stand

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Remain standing as the choir and clergy depart. After this, you are invited to sit to listen to the organ postlude

POSTLUDE

Pietro Yon (1886-1943) *Prelude on Rorate Coeli, Advent Suite for Organ*



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CATHEDRAL

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the Church

International The Anglican Church of Kenya Primate Abp Jackson Ole Sapit

National Gippsland: Richard Treloar (Leanne)

South Australia

Diocese of Adelaide St Columba College: principal Leanne Carr, chaplain vacant

Diocese of Willochra The Copper Coast (Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo): Sarah Wiles
(Steve)

Diocese of The Murray Upper Limestone Coast (Naracoorte): Wayne Corker

For the People

We hold before God all those who have asked for our prayers, particularly:

Immediate Prayer: Marion Ferguson, Heather Scott, Audrey, Peter Black,
David Shephard, David Thomas, Jean Arnold

Long Term Prayer: Francis Brooks, Peter Garland, Michael Ford, Max Lennard, Chris,
Cynthia Thomas, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, Vernon Lewis, Pauline Van Buren,
Alisha Coe-Fox, Anne Hogben, Matilda Lane, Patsy & Joan, Helena Fernandes, Norton and
Judy Schenscher, Cricket Fox, Daniella

We pray for those whose years mind occurs at this time:

- 11th Anthony John Sims Bridgman
- 12th Sybil Longman
Wal Trogler
Frances Fielden
Lesley Anne Taylor-Maddern
- 13th John Charles Bannon
- 15th Betty Gurney
Garry Green
Samuel Raymond Baron Cornish
David Robin
Gordon Hugh St Aidan Oakey
Colin Brown
- 17th Reginald William Mathews

NOTICES

Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold – Tonight Lynn Arnold's guest will be The Rev'd Joan Claring-Bould and The Rev'd Juliana Si to reflect on the 30th Anniversary of the Ordination of women to the Priesthood.

Tea/coffee after regular services:

Our community has slowly been returning to having morning tea on a semi-regular basis. We are now able to have the following gatherings:

- The Wednesday 10am community have tea and coffee after the first Wednesday each month. The next gathering will take place on Wednesday 4th January.
- The Sunday 8am community have tea and coffee after the first Sunday of each month, The next gathering will take place on Sunday 1st January
- After the 10:30am service, please join us for tea and coffee provided every week from now until December 18th.

New opportunities for Welcomers - We are delighted to be opening the Cathedral morning and afternoon, 10.30-1 and 1-3.30 from this month. If you are interested in volunteering to help us achieve this, please contact Suzanne in the office. Even one shift a month would help. Training provided.

Brass and Silver Polishing - The small, dedicated, and friendly team of brass and silver polishers are looking for willing hearts and hands to help with this rewarding task. Meet once a fortnight on a Friday or Saturday morning; no prior experience needed. **All welcome!** For more information or to express an interest, please contact Ranjini on 0412 790 544, or the Cathedral Office.

Planned Giving – The Cathedral is migrating its Planned Giving Bank Account to Anglican Funds SA. Please arrange for your Planned Giving to go to BSB: 705-077, Account No: 00040056, Account Name: St Peter's Cathedral Planned Giving, Reference: Your Name.

Company of Preachers Book Group - A joint initiative with St Barnabas College. You are warmly invited to join the Company of Preachers Book Group on the second Wednesday each month 2-3pm at St Barnabas College, in person and on Zoom. Our next meeting will take place this Wednesday – 14th December. Please contact Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson at jwilson@stpeters-cathedral.org.au for further details.

Company of Preachers – Entering the Year of Matthew – A date for our diaries!

On Wednesday 1st February at 7pm, Rev'd Professor Vicki Balabanski, Principal of the Uniting College for Leadership and Theology, will give a lecture on Matthew's Gospel - in the Cynthia Poulton Hall at St Peter's Cathedral. As we enter the Year of Matthew, this lecture will give inspiration to not only preachers but to bible study leaders, parishioners and all who find wisdom in the scriptures.

Donate flowers for our Christmas display – The Cathedral flower guild are planning a 'garden Christmas' this year! If you have holly or blue and white agapanthus in your garden with some to spare, we'd be happy to receive some. They can be left at the Cathedral or office on Thursday 22nd December during opening hours - Julie and Elspeth will be collecting.

Christmas at St Peter's Cathedral



All Welcome

Sunday 18 December 2022

**6:00pm: Blue Christmas Service
(Evening service with hymns)**

A service for those who are struggling this Christmas. The simple act of lighting a candle serves to remind us that the darkness has not overcome the light. (John 1:5)

CHRISTMAS EVE

Saturday 24 December 2022

4:00pm: Children's Crib Service

Children are invited to come dressed as characters from the Christmas story. This service will last approximately one hour.

7:00pm: Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

With the St Peter's Cathedral Choir and Cathedral Organ.

**11:00pm: The First Eucharist of Christmas
(Midnight Mass)**

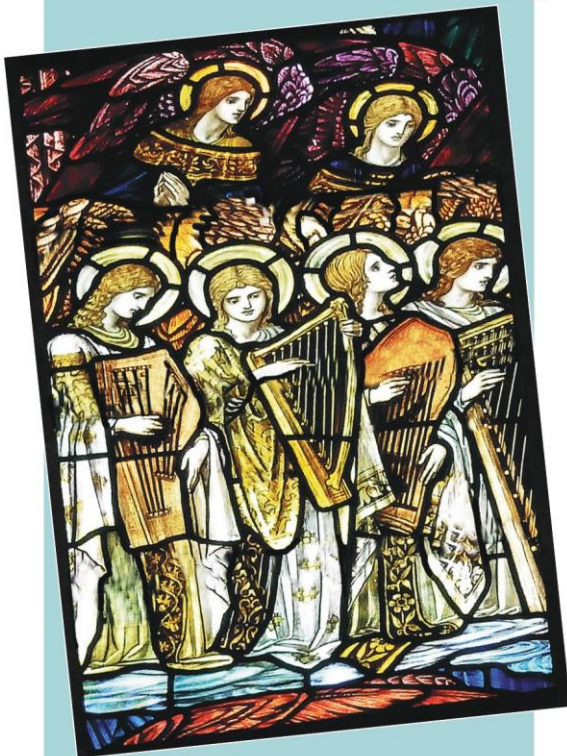
Doors open at 10.15pm (not ticketed)
With the St Peter's Cathedral Choir and Cathedral Organ.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Sunday 25 December 2022

8:00am: Holy Communion (BCP) with Carols

10:00am: Festive Choral Eucharist



THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

For some services, the West Doors of the Cathedral are not opened. Please make your way to the northern (carpark) side of the Cathedral and enter through the St Barnabas Porch.

MON 12TH DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	9.15am	Morning Prayer (St Barnabas College)
	10:30am-1:00pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
TUES 13TH DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30am-3:30pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
WED 14TH DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:00am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	10:30am-3:30pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
	5:30pm	Evening Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
THURS 15TH DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30am-3:30pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
FRI 16TH DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30am-3:30pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
SAT 17TH DEC		Closed
SUN 18TH DEC FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	8:00am	Eucharist from The Book of Common Prayer
	10:30am	Choral Eucharist Preacher – The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson
	6:00pm	Choral Evensong Preacher – The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod

CATHEDRAL STAFF

Dean	The Right Reverend Chris McLeod
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