



CHORAL EUCHARIST WITH HOLY BAPTISM THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT SUNDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2022

10:30AM

Welcome to St Peter's Cathedral. We are delighted to have you worship with us today for this Choral Eucharist from A Prayer Book for Australia. Please join us in saying the words in bold. The hymns can be found in the separate hymn book. All indications for sitting, kneeling, and standing are a guide only: please do whatever is most comfortable for you.

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.

Welcome to our time of worship together. We will shortly hear the beautiful Song of Mary, a biblical piece which our Archbishop, Geoffrey Smith, has suggested is a call to a radical rethinking of what the message of Joy at Christmastime should mean to us all – a message that is a call to all the faithful to be active participants in fulfilling those words we say in the Lord's prayer – 'Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.'

Further reflecting on Mary's song, writing in C4, St Ephrem wrote: 'Christ, the Light of the World, dwelt first in the womb of the Virgin ... and then in the womb of the Jordan; he emerged from both as the Incarnate Word, the Savior of mankind. Those who are baptized thus become children of Mary and partakers of the body, blood, and divinity of her Son'

At our 10.30am service today, there will be a sacrament of baptism; so, in the light of Mary's Song and the words of St Ephrem, I will be exploring the significance of the holy sacrament of baptism.

Blessings, *The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO*

Celebrant: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

Preacher: The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO

Readers: Benjamin Opiyo, Joe Thorp

Choir: St Peter's Cathedral Choir

Conductor: Anthony Hunt

Organist: David Heah

Hymns: 41, 319, 99, 395

When the handbell rings, please stand to sing

HYMN 41 – LO, HE COMES WITH CLOUDS DESCENDING (HELMSLEY)

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

CEREMONY OF THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Please remain standing for the Lighting of the Advent Wreath with the Cathedral Kids

Celebrant Today is the third Sunday in Advent.
We light a candle each week to remind us that Jesus brings light into the dark places of the world.

Child We light the candle of hope to proclaim that God's light is coming into the world.

The first candle (purple, the Candle of Hope) is lit

Child We light the candle of peace to proclaim that God's promises will be fulfilled in the birth of Jesus – Prince of Peace.

The second candle (purple, the Candle of Faith) is lit

Celebrant We rejoice and sing out with gladness at the message of God's salvation.

Child We light the candle of joy to celebrate that God's saving power is coming into the world.

The third candle (pink, the Candle of Joy) is lit

All God of joy, we rejoice as we look forward to your breaking into human history, revealing in person your justice and your love.
Amen.

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. ISAIAH 35:3-4

Let us pray.

Please sit/ kneel

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The choir sings (in English or Greek)

KYRIE

John Ireland (1879-1962) in C

Lord, have mercy	Kyrie eléison
Christ, have mercy	Christe eléison
Lord, have mercy	Kyrie eléison

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The Lord comes, bringing to light things now hidden in darkness, and disclosing the purposes of the heart.

Silence may be kept

Let us open our hearts and prepare for his coming, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

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.

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.**

The Choir sings the Trisagion

Agios o Theos,	Agios ischyros,	Agios athanatos,	Eleison imas.
Holy God,	Holy and mighty,	Holy and immortal,	Have mercy on us.

Please remain standing for the Collect

Sustain us, O God, with the power of your love
on our journey to meet the One who is coming;
strengthen our weak hands,
make firm our feeble knees,
and open blind eyes to the dawning of your kingdom,
so that our hearts may rejoice
as we behold the majesty of our God.
We ask this through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

ISAIAH 35.1-10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;
like the crocus
it shall blossom abundantly,
and rejoice with joy and singing.
The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,
the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.
They shall see the glory of the Lord,
the majesty of our God.

Strengthen the weak hands,
and make firm the feeble knees.
Say to those who are of a fearful heart,
‘Be strong, do not fear!
Here is your God.
He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.
He will come and save you.’
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;
the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.
A highway shall be there,
and it shall be called the Holy Way;
the unclean shall not travel on it,
but it shall be for God’s people;
no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray.
No lion shall be there,
nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it;
they shall not be found there,
but the redeemed shall walk there.
And the ransomed of the Lord shall return,
and come to Zion with singing;
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;
they shall obtain joy and gladness,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

The choir sings the Psalm

THE SONG OF MARY

Chant: Terence Allbright

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord: my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
Who has looked with favour on his lowly servant: from this day all generations will call me blessed;
The Almighty has done great things for me: and holy is his name.
God has mercy on those who fear him: from generation to generation.*

The Lord has shown strength with his arm: and scattered the proud in their conceit,
Casting down the mighty from their thrones: and lifting up the lowly.
God has filled the hungry with good things: and sent the rich away empty.
He has come to the aid of his servant Israel: to remember the promise of mercy,
The promise made to our forebears: to Abraham and his children for ever.
Glory to God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; as in the beginning, so now, and for ever. Amen.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of James.

JAMES 5.7-10

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

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

Please stand

HYMN 319 – SING WE THE PRAISES OF THE GREAT FORERUNNER (DIVA SERVATRIX)

During the hymn, children are invited to gather at the rear of the nave in the centre aisle to listen to the Gospel together. After the Gospel they will follow the procession to the altar and then move to the Cynthia Poulton Hall for Cathedral Kids. They will return to the Cathedral in time for Holy Communion.

Please remain standing

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The choir sings Praise and Honour, which is repeated by the congregation



The spirit of the Lord has been given to me.

He has sent me to bring good news to the poor.

After the verse, Praise and Honour is sung again by all

THE GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew



Glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ

MATTHEW 11.2-11

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?'

Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see:

the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them.

And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.'

As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind?

What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces.

What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet.

This is the one about whom it is written,

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way before you."

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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ

The organist plays as the procession returns to the altar. Cathedral Kids, please move towards the altar now. Please sit at the invitation of the preacher.

THE SERMON

The Rev'd Dr Lynn Arnold AO

Following the sermon, a brief period of silence may be kept to aid reflection.

The choir sings as the baptism party processes to the Font.

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585) *If ye love me*

THE PRESENTATION

We welcome Austin James Dennis, who comes to be baptised.

I invite his sponsors and family to present him now.

We present Austin to be baptised.

Will you accept the responsibilities placed upon you in bringing Austin for baptism? **I will.**

Are you willing to answer on behalf of him? **I am.**

By your own prayers and example, by your friendship and love,

will you encourage him in the life and faith of the Christian community?

I will, with God's help.

THE DECISION

Before God and this congregation, you, parents and sponsors of Austin, must affirm that you turn to Christ and reject all that is evil:

Do you turn to Christ? **I turn to Christ.**

Do you repent of your sins? **I repent of my sins.**

Do you reject selfish living, and all that is false and unjust? **I reject them all.**

Do you renounce Satan and all evil? **I renounce all that is evil.**

Almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
and lead you in the light of Christ to his everlasting kingdom. **Amen.**

Will you each, by God's grace, strive to live as a disciple of Christ,
loving God with your whole heart, and your neighbour as yourself,
until your life's end? **I will, with God's help.**

You have heard these our brothers and sisters respond to Christ.

Will you support them in this calling? **We will.**

Let us pray.

Grant, merciful God, that Austin may be so buried with Christ in baptism that the new nature may be raised up in him. May the fruit of your Spirit grow and flourish in him. **Amen.**

Give to his sponsors and families the desire to share with him what you have revealed in your holy gospel. **Amen.**

May he know Christ's forgiving love and continue in the fellowship and service of his Church. May he proclaim, by word and example, the good news of God in Christ. **Amen.**

We thank you for the ministry we have in your world and to each other in the household of faith. Hasten that day when the whole creation shall be made perfect in Christ. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

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

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

We give you thanks that at the beginning of creation your Holy Spirit moved upon the waters to bring forth light and life. With water you cleanse and replenish the earth; you nourish and sustain all living things. **Thanks be to God.**

We give you thanks that through the waters of the Red Sea you led your people out of slavery into freedom, and brought them through the river Jordan to new life in the land of promise. **Thanks be to God.**

We give you thanks for your Son Jesus Christ: for his baptism by John, for his anointing with the Holy Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**

We give you thanks that through the deep waters of death Jesus delivered us from our sins and was raised to new life in triumph. **Thanks be to God.**

We give you thanks for the grace of the Holy Spirit who forms us in the likeness of Christ and leads us to proclaim your kingdom. **Thanks be to God.**

And now we give you thanks that you have called Austin to new birth in your Church through the waters of baptism.

Pour out your Holy Spirit in blessing and sanctify this water so that he who is baptised in it may be made one with Christ in his death and resurrection. May he die to sin, rise to newness of life, and continue forever in Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we give you praise and honour in the unity of the Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

I now ask you to affirm as yours the faith of the Church.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in God the Son?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith: We believe in one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Austin is brought to the water

Austin, I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Austin, I sign you with the sign of the cross

to show that you are marked as Christ's own for ever.

Live as a disciple of Christ: fight the good fight, finish the race, keep the faith.

Confess Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, look for his coming in glory.

The organist plays as the baptism party processes to the Nave platform

A candle is presented by members of the congregation to the newly baptised

God has brought you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

The newly baptised is welcomed into the Church

God has called you into his Church.

We therefore receive and welcome you as a member with us of the body of Christ, as a child of the one heavenly Father, and as an inheritor of the kingdom of God.

Please stand

THE GREETING OF 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.

Please stand to sing

HYMN 99 – HAIL TO THE LORD'S ANOINTED - OMIT V4 (CRÜGER)

During this hymn a cash collection is taken to support the costs of the Cathedral.

Many choose to make regular donations electronically (BSB 705-077, Ac No. 00040056) or by using envelopes. Complete a Planned Giving form to become a regular and faithful financial supporter of the ministry of the Cathedral. For online donations, please refer to the details below the Blessing.

Remain standing

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

The musical score is written for four parts: Priest and People. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are as follows:

Priest: The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

People: Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: 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 your Son, 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. We thank you that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may with joy behold his appearing, and in confidence stand before him who redeems us from sin and death and makes us heirs of everlasting life.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

The choir sings (in English or Latin)

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

John Ireland (1879-1962) in C
Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth, pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

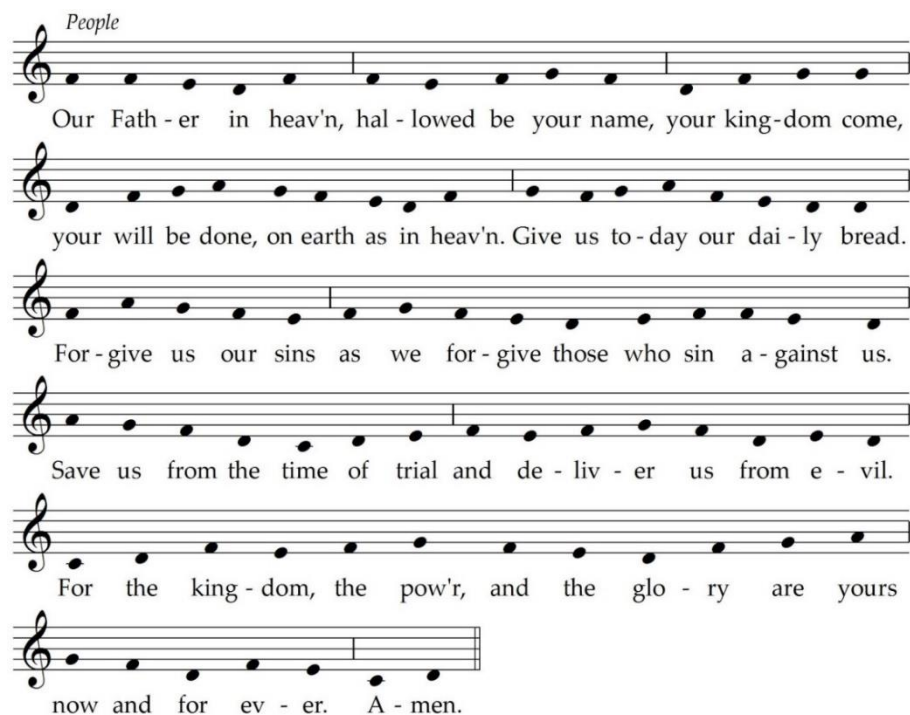
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:



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



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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance
that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Please sit/ kneel. The choir sings (in English or Latin)

AGNUS DEI

John Ireland (1879-1962) in C

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of
the world, have mercy upon us.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
miserere nobis.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of
the world, grant us thy peace.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
dona nobis pacem.

MOTET

Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625) This is the record of John

This is the record of John,
when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him,
Who art thou?

And he confessed and denied not, and said plainly,
I am not the Christ.

And they asked him, What art thou then? Art thou Elias?

And he said, I am not.

Art thou the prophet?

And he answered, No.

Then said they unto him,

What art thou? that we may give an answer unto them that sent us.

What sayest thou of thyself?

And he said, I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness,

Make straight the way of the Lord.

Baptised and communicant Christians of all denominations are welcome to come forward and receive Holy Communion. Gluten free bread is available on request. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, you may like to come forward to receive a blessing (simply bow your head as a signal to the priest).

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God for whom we wait, we thank you that you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. As we joyfully await your Son, keep us ever watchful that we may be ready to stand before him on the day of his coming.

Keep us in this hope that we have grasped; so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name.

Please stand to sing

HYMN 395 – WITH MARY LET MY SOUL REJOICE (ST STEPHEN TUNE 51)

BLESSING

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

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

Garth Edmundson (1892-1971) Toccata on 'Von Himmel hoch'



Thank you for worshipping with us today. The life and work of this Cathedral is made possible entirely through the generosity of individuals like you. Your gift helps us to maintain this iconic building for all people to enjoy, to continue a strong music and liturgy tradition, and to support the mission of the Church. You can donate in these ways:

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- Electronic Funds Transfer: BSB 705-077 Account Number 00040056 (include your name as reference).
- Debit/Credit card: Scan the QR code to be taken directly to our online donation page.
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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 guests will be The Rev'd Joan Claring-Bould and The Rev'd Juliana Si to talk about the 30th Anniversary of the Ordination of women to the Priesthood celebrations.

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 the 4th of January.
- The Sunday 8am community have tea and coffee after the first Sunday of each month, The next gathering will take place on the 1st of 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.

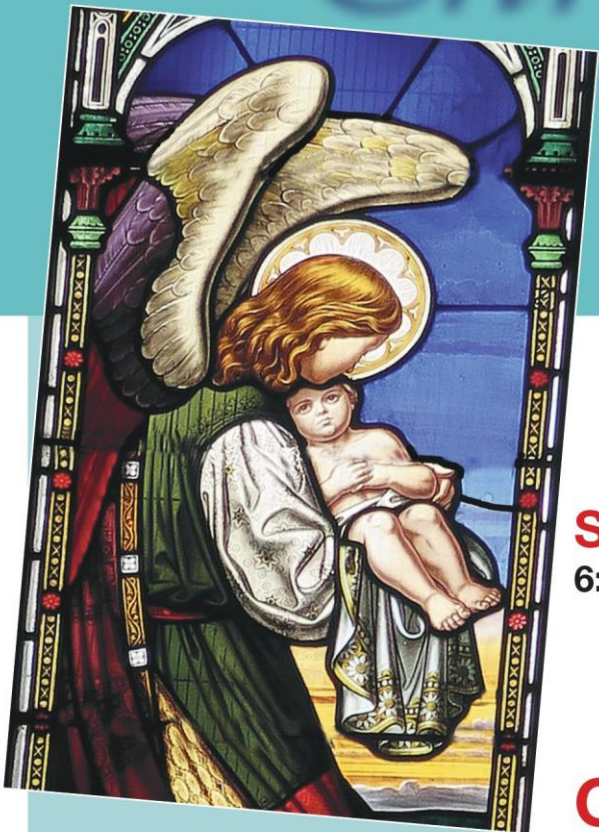
Company of Preachers – Entering the Year of Matthew – A date for our diaries!

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.

Happy birthday to the Friends of St Peter's Cathedral - 90 years old on 8th December 2022. We will celebrate with birthday cake at morning tea on Sunday 11th December. Please join us in the CP hall after the 10.30 service.

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)**

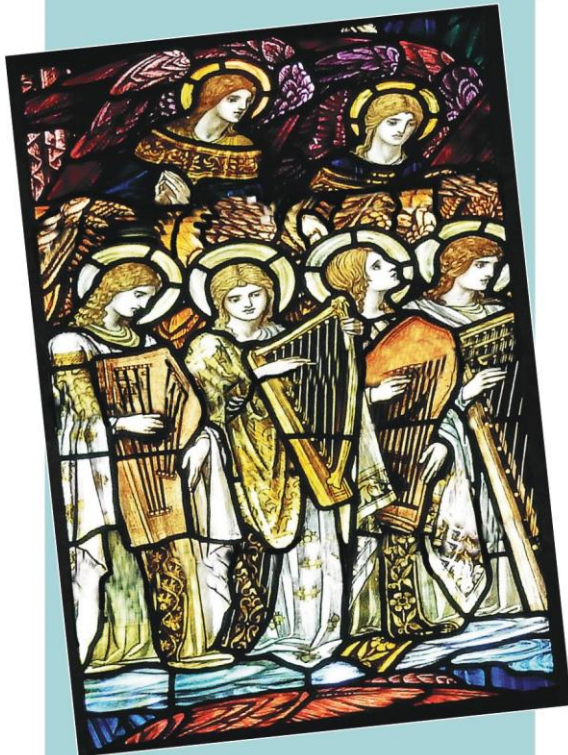
Doors open at 10.15pm (not ticketed)
With the St Peter's Cathedral Choir and
Cathedral Organ.

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	Blue Christmas Service
		Preacher – The Right Rev'd Chris McLeod

CATHEDRAL STAFF

Dean	The Right Reverend Chris McLeod
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