

8AM

A warm welcome to St Peter's Cathedral as we gather for worship this morning.

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.

This morning's Gospel reading (Matthew 25: 14 – 30) is the well-known 'Parable of the Talents'. It is part of the section of Matthew's Gospel that deals with the 'end time' and judgement. Sometimes this parable has been used to encourage people to use their gifts and abilities in service of the church. I suspect I have been guilty of doing that as well, but the parable, and where it is placed, in Matthew's Gospel is more concerned with the right use of time between Christ's first appearance and his return. It is about taking risk for the Gospel and using the time rightly. The poor slave who does nothing with the money given him is the one who receives the harshest judgement.

What might it say to us now? I think it is encouraging us to use the time we have now creatively in service of the Gospel. It is encouraging us to take risks. It is about being bold for the Gospel. The parable suggests that when Christ returns a dim view will be taken of those who have sat idly and done nothing. A challenge for all of us.

Blessings,

The Rt Rev'd Chris McLeod

Dean

Celebrant: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

Preacher: The Rt Rev'd Chris McLeod

Readers: David Docwra, Alyson Morrison

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O LORD, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

JUDGES 4.1-10

A reading from the Book of Judges.

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly for twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgement. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, 'The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, "Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'" Barak said to her, 'If you will go with me, I will go; but if you will not go with me, I will not go.' And she said, 'I will surely go with you; nevertheless, the road on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the Lord will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman.' Then Deborah got up and went with Barak to Kedesh. Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh; and ten thousand warriors went up behind him; and Deborah went up with him.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Please respond with the phrases in bold

PSALM 123

To you I lift up my eyes: you who are enthroned in the heavens.

As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master:

or as the eyes of a maid toward the hand of her mistress,

So our eyes look to the Lord our God: until he show us his mercy.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:

for we have had our fill of derision.

Our souls overflow with the mockery of those at ease:

and with the contempt of the proud.

SECOND READING

1 THESSALONIANS 5.1-11

A reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians.

Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Hear the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 25.14–30

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the 25th Chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew beginning at verse 14.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples:

'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."

Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, “Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.” But his master replied, “You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.



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CATHEDRAL

NOTICES

Tea/coffee after regular services: Our community offer hospitality at the following times:

- The Wednesday 10 am community have tea & coffee after the first Wednesday each month. The next gathering will take place on Wednesday 6 December.
- The Sunday 8 am community have tea & coffee after the first Sunday of each month. The next gathering will take place on Sunday 3 December.
- After the 10.30 am Choral Eucharist, there is tea and coffee provided every week.

ABM stall at the Christmas market

The popular Christmas Market will be held in the Cathedral Close after Choral Eucharist today. Among the various stalls there will be a baked goods stall, with all proceeds to go towards the ABM emergency appeal for the Al Ahli Hospital.

Meeting God on Mondays Study Group - You are warmly invited to attend the Monday Study Group TOMORROW, Monday 20 November, at 10 am in the CP Hall. All welcome. Please contact Canon Jenny on jwilson@stpeters-cathedral.org.au for more details.

Anglicare Christmas Hampers

Thank you to those who have already contributed to our Christmas Hamper appeal. We have already packed nearly 40 hampers! If you missed the news last week, we are hoping that each Cathedral household (as you are able) will provide a hamper for a family in need. If you would like to go shopping for the items, shopping lists are available near the entrance to the Cathedral. If you would like to make a cash donation, each hamper can be purchased for \$40, please place your money in a labelled envelope.

Each hamper contains:

- Long life milk 1L • Spread (peanut butter, jam, vegemite) 400g • Can of fruit 825g • Can of vegetables (corn, peas, mix) 420g • Jar of pasta sauce 500g • Pasta or rice 500g • Breakfast cereal 375g • Coffee or tea • Sugar 1kg • 1 x 5 Pack of 2 min instant noodles • Christmas pudding • Pkt of sweet biscuits • Pkt savoury biscuits (Jatz, shapes or rice crackers) • Chips (crisps, pretzels, nuts) • Bag of lollies

The Feast of Christ the King - Port Sunday – We have a lovely tradition of inviting members of the congregation to provide the wine used for Communion during the year. Port Sunday will take place during the 10:30am service next week - 26 November – the Feast of Christ the King. Please bring a bottle (or two) of port and place them on the altar in the Peace Chapel, under the flags.

Christian Meditation moved to December 2 - The next Christian Meditation will be held on Saturday 2 December in the Cynthia Poulton Hall at 9.30am. No experience is necessary. Let go of the stresses of this busy time of the year and sit in peace.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the Church

International The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma) Primate Abp Stephen Than Myint Oo

National Perth: Kay Goldsworthy (Benjamin)

South Australia

Diocese of Adelaide Prison chaplaincy: Bev Armstrong, Sally Oster

Diocese of Willochra The Parish of Flinders Plain (Port Broughton, Crystal Brook and the Cathedral Parish of SS Peter and Paul Port Pirie): Mark Hawkes (Fiona), Sandra Bryson, Lettie Allen

Diocese of The Murray The Western Fleurieu (Aldinga, Delamere, McLaren Vale, (Old Noarlunga), Seaford, Willunga, Yankalilla): Simon Waters (Susie), Brenton Dick (Lyn), Peter Chapman (Heather)

For the People

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

Immediate Prayer: David, Christine Chomel, Oliver (WCH), Sarah Boorman, Stephen Lane.

Long Term Prayer: Francis Brooks, Peter Garland, Max Lennard, Chris, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, Vernon Lewis, Pauline Van Buren, Alisha Coe-Fox, Anne Hogben, Matilda Lane, Helena Fernandes, Cricket Fox, Daniella, Heather Scott, Peter Black, Jean Arnold, Martin Reece, Norton & Judy Schenscher, Joseph Burgess (WCH), John Hankin, Brooke Garry.

Those who have died recently: Prue O'Donovan (priest).

Those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

19th Janet Caroline Cameron
Bruce Ross
Jeanette Thrush Brentnall Linn
20th Robert William Beal
21st Gilbert Sinden SSM
22nd Andrew Gosse Hay
Jean Fenwick
23rd Ailsa Grindrod

The Cathedral is compiling a database of the lives of those whose names appear on the Year's Mind list. If you have any biographical details of any of the people remembered today, please contact Stuart Langshaw - langshawstuart@gmail.com

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.

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| MON 20 NOV | 7:30am | Eucharist (Lady Chapel) |
| | 9.15am | Morning Prayer (St Barnabas College) |
| | 10:30am-1pm | Open for visiting and private prayer |
| TUES 21 NOV | 7:30am | Eucharist (Lady Chapel) |
| | 8:45am | Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) |
| | 10:30am-3:30pm | Open for visiting and private prayer |
| WED 22 NOV | 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 |
| THURS 23 NOV | 7:30am | Eucharist (Lady Chapel) |
| | 8:45am | Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) |
| | 10:30am-3:30pm | Open for visiting and private prayer |
| FRI 24 NOV | 7:30am | Eucharist (Lady Chapel) |
| | 8:45am | Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel) |
| | 10:30am-3:30pm | Open for visiting and private prayer |
| SAT 25 NOV | | Closed |
| SUN 26 NOV CHRIST THE KING | 8:00am | Eucharist from The Book of Common Prayer |
| | 10:30am | Choral Eucharist Preacher – The Rev'd Sally Sandford-Morgan |
| | 6:00pm | Choral Evensong Preacher – The Rev'd Joan Claring-Bould |
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