

Christ Church  North Adelaide



Third Sunday in Lent

Choral Eucharist
from the
Book of Common Prayer
Sunday 7 March 2021



The Rector Writes

Welcome to Christ Church on this Third Sunday in Lent and a special welcome to any visitors with us today. Please join us for morning tea in the parish hall following the service.

As we journey through Lent, I am reminded that part of the Lenten discipline is an invitation to develop new habits that take us away from sin and instead invite us toward life. When I coached rowing, one of the things I was often aware of was that it took repeating an action in a situation over a thousand times to form a new habit. However, what is more difficult is changing an old habit into a new one; it takes over ten thousand times to make that change.

This Lenten journey that we take is about developing virtues in ourselves and seeing our character develop further. Now the word 'virtue' in our world tends to vaguely mean goodness or behaving yourself. Virtue though comes from a Latin word that basically means 'strength'. And the idea in the classical tradition is that character can be built up just as muscles can be trained if you're going to be a cricketer or a weightlifter.

These virtues though are not about making ourselves more holy, Jesus gives us his holiness through his life, death and resurrection. These virtues are about developing and growing into what God has gifted us with, the ability to reflect the very image of God into the world.

And so as we gather today, to pray, to repeat again familiar actions and words, it is about growing into what God has made us to be in Christ Jesus. I hope as we worship today you might become more aware of God's invitation to you.

Every Blessing,

Stephen

COLLECTION GIVING

Due to COVID-19 regulations, the normal routine of circulating collection bags is not undertaken. Instead, a collection bowl is located adjacent the centre aisle at the rear of the church.

HEARING AID USERS

This church is fitted with a hearing aid loop (Tele coil system). If your hearing aid is fitted with a tele coil setting you may wish to try this feature.

The People shall stand for the entry of the Sanctuary Party.

∞ The Lord be with you.

℞ **And with thy Spirit.**

Then shall be said the Introit Sentence



INE eyes are ever looking unto the Lord: for he shall pluck my feet out of the net: look thou upon me and have mercy upon me, for I am desolate, and in misery. Ps. 25, 15-16

Then shall be sung the hymn for the Introit

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MACH'S MIT MIR GOTT

J. H. Schein



**Lo! God is here! let us adore
and own how dreadful is this place!
Let all within us feel his power,
and silent bow before his face,
who know his power, his grace who prove,
serve him with awe, with reverence love.**



**Lo! God is here! Him day and night
the united choirs of angels sing;
to him, enthroned above all height,
heaven's hosts their noblest praises bring;
to thee may all our thoughts arise
ceaseless, accepted Sacrifice.**

German, G. Tersteegen (1697–1769), trans. John Wesley (1703–1791)

All kneel. The Priest prays



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.

Then shall the Priest say, together with the People



ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then shall the Priest, turning to the people, rehearse distinctly all the TEN COMMANDMENTS:

Minister.



OD spake these words, and said; I am the Lord thy God: Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me, and keep my commandments.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his Name in vain.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Honour thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt do no murder.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not steal.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Then shall be said the Collect for the Day.

Let us pray.



WE beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then shall be said the Collect for Ash Wednesday



ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then shall the People sit for the Epistle

The Epistle is written in the fifth chapter of the Apostle Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians, beginning at the first verse.

THEREFORE be imitators of God as dear children. And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma. But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not be partakers with them. For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), finding out what is acceptable to the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret. But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light, for whatever makes manifest is light. Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light."

Here endeth the Epistle.

Then shall the people stand to sing Psalm 27:1-7 for the Gradual



The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom then | shall I | fear :

the Lord is the strength of my life, of whom then | shall I | be a | afraid?

2 When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to |

eat up my | flesh :

they | stumbled | and | fell.



3 Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart |
 be a|fraid :
 and though there rose up war against me, yet will I | put my | trust in |
 him.

4 One thing have I desired of the Lord which I | will re|quire :
 even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
 to behold the fair beauty of the Lord | and to | visit his | temple.

5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me | in his | tabernacle :
 yea in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me,
 and set me up up|on a | rock of | stone.

6 And now shall he lift up | mine | head :
 above mine | enemies | round a|bout me.

2nd Part 7 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with | great |
 gladness :
 I will sing and speak | praises | unto the | Lord.

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 | A|men.

At the beginning of the Gospel:



Praise to thee, O Christ, King of e - ter - nal glo - ry.

Praise to thee, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
Praise to thee, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
 The kingdom of God is come upon you:
 walk as children of light.
Praise to thee, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Holy Gospel is written in the second chapter of the Gospel of Saint John beginning at the thirteenth verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

NOW the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. And He found in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the money changers doing business. When He had made a whip of cords, He drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the changers' money and overturned the tables. And He said to those who sold doves, "Take these things away! Do not make My Father's house a house of merchandise!" Then His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for Your house has eaten Me up." So the Jews answered and said to Him, "What sign do You show to us, since You do these things?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." Then the Jews said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?" But He was speaking of the temple of His body. Therefore, when He had risen from the dead, His disciples remembered that He had said this to them; and they believed the Scripture and the word which Jesus had said.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Then shall be said the Creed by Priest and People:

BE**LIEVE** in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:
AND in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven, *And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man,* And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

AND I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the ☩ Resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Then shall the People sit for the Sermon.

The Priest shall begin the Offertory, saying this sentence of Scripture

THE statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart; his judgements also are sweeter than honey and the honey-comb: moreover, thy servant keepeth them. *Ps. 19. 9-12*

Then shall the people stand to sing the Hymn for the Offertory.

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HAREWOOD

Samuel Sebastian Wesley



**Christ is our corner-stone,
on him alone we build;
with his true saints alone
the courts of heaven are filled:
on his great love
our hopes we place
of present grace
and joys above.**

Oh, then with hymns of praise
these hallowed courts shall ring;
our voices we will raise
the Three in One to sing;
and thus proclaim
in joyful song,
both loud and long,
that glorious Name.

Here may we gain from heaven
the grace which we implore;
and may that grace, once given,
be with us evermore,
until that day
when all the blest
to endless rest
are called away.

Latin, c. 7th century. Trans. John Chandler (1806–1876)

Then shall be said the Prayers, the people kneeling humbly upon their knees.

Wider Church:

Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo Primate Abp Zacharie
Masimando Katanda

National Church:

Brisbane: Phillip Aspinall

Adelaide:

Kidman Park and Mile End: Zinkoo Han

The Sick:

Penny Howell, Wayne Butler, David Presgrave, Jean Yuen, John Harley,
Rosemary Bourne, Joseph Danes, Petula Columbus, Richard, Henry
Nicholls, Fr Frank Kernot, Bp David McCall and (wife) Marion, Nikki
Bowden, Ann Sergeant.

Continuing Prayers for:

Heather Denholm, Andrew Pavy, Natasha Horn, John Pfitzner, Fr John Edwards, Ruth Gallasch, Michael & Emma Boundy, Geraldine, Ray, Barry, Patsy Sellars, Beverley, Tara, Milo, Ralph Archbold, Juliana, Barbara Talbot, Pamela Terry, Margaret Whittle, Kay Gill, David Gill, Patrick Swan

We give God thanks for blessings received for Patrick Swan

Years' Mind:

Joanne Renfrey, Ross Reginald Stanton Mathews, Mary Elizabeth Walker, John Seth Hawker, Elizabeth Morish, Fred Pfitzner, Frank Lawrence Bothwell, Lyla Benetta (Nett) Brock

THE PRAYERS

Lord, you come to your Temple with zeal and indignation. Come to your Church and drive from it all false piety and misguided priorities. May we seek true religion and virtue, may we look to you for our guide to mercy and justice. May our words, thoughts and deeds be acceptable in your sight.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayers.**

Lord, you come to places of power and some are affronted at your audacity. Open the hearts of all in leadership to the challenge of your Kingdom. We continue to pray for wisdom for the leaders of the world. As the world response to the current pandemic, may vaccines and cures be made available to all peoples. Revive us in your justice.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayers.**

Lord, you come to traders with a vision that extends beyond profit. Keep us mindful of the conditions of production and social effects of what we consume. As the world's economies continue to revive may we become aware of the true cost of the items that we purchase. May we seek items that have been made with quality, that are sustainable and where the labourer has received their wages. Balance all our trading with your fairness and equity.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayers.**

Lord, you come to our lives with compassion and searching judgement. In our frailty give us time to reflect on what is amiss and in repentance to seek your restoring grace we hold before you all those who are sick and unwell especially... .. Create in us a fitting dwelling-place for your glory.
Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayers.**

Lord, you come with the promise of your resurrection. Give comfort and hope to all who mourn as we remember before you this morning... ..
Bring us to new life with you.

℣ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

℟ **✠ And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.



ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love. We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially thy Servant *ELIZABETH* our Queen; that under her we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto her whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

GIVE grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

AND to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech thee, of

thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Then shall the Priest say



ME that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Then shall this general Confession be made



ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then shall the Priest, turning himself to the people, pronounce the Absolution.



ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then shall the Priest say



HEAR what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

COME unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

St. Matth. xi. 28.

SO God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

St. John iii. 16.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith:

THIS is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Tim i. 15.

Hear also what Saint John saith:

IF any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

1 John ii. 1.

After which the Priest shall proceed

Ÿ The Lord be with you

℟ **And with thy spirit.**

Ÿ Lift up your hearts.

℟ **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Ÿ Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

℟ **It is meet and right so to do.**

Then shall the Priest turn to the Lord's Table, and say



IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.


THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

Then shall be sung [Mass setting: Philip Moore Brecon Service]


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.

Then shall be said this Prayer

E do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen.**

Then the Priest, standing before the Table, shall say the Prayer of Consecration.

LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again.

HEAR us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake 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. ✠

LIKEWISE after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,

DRINK YE ALL OF THIS; FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS: DO THIS, AS OFT AS YE SHALL DRINK IT, IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME. ✠

WHEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

MOST humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

AND here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.

AND although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences.

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

Then shall the Priest say the Lord's Prayer, together with the People.

As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to pray:



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: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. **Amen.**

✠ The peace of the Lord be alway with you.

✠ And with thy spirit.

Then shall be sung the Agnus Dei.

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

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

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

✠ Behold the Lamb of God, behold him that takest away the sins of the world; happy are they that are called to his supper.

℟ Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof but speak the word only and thy servant shall be healed.

And after that shall the people, meekly kneeling, receive communion.

Then shall the choir sing the Motet

Beati quorum via, Op.38 no.3 Charles Villiers Stanford

Beati quorum via integra est:
qui ambulant in lege Domini.

*Blessed are they whose path is straight,
who walk in the law of the Lord.*

Psalm 119:1

Then shall be sung the Communion Hymn

306 Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands *Ach Gott und Herr*

ACH GOTT UND HERR

Melody in Neu-Leipziger Gesangbuch 1682



**Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands
that holy things have taken;
let ears that now have heard thy songs
to clamour never waken.**

**Lord, may the tongues which 'Holy' sang
keep free from all deceiving;
the eyes which saw thy love be bright,
thy blessed hope perceiving.**

**The feet that tread thy holy courts
from light do thou not banish;
the bodies by thy Body fed
with thy new life replenish.**

Syrian, 4th century.

Trans. C. W. Humphreys (1840–1921)

and Percy Dearmer (1867–1936)

✠ The Lord be with you.

✠ **And with thy Spirit.**

After shall be said as followeth:



LMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical

body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son.

AND we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

Then the Priest shall give this Blessing. Please kneel.

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.**

Then shall be sung the Final Hymn

414 O for a closer walk with God *Caithness*

CAITHNESS

Melody from the *Scottish Psalter* 1635



**O for a closer walk with God,
a calm and heavenly frame;
a light to shine upon the road
that leads me to the Lamb!**

**Return, O holy Dove, return,
sweet messenger of rest;
I hate the sins that made thee mourn,
and drove thee from my breast.**

**The dearest idol I have known,
whate'er that idol be,
help me to tear it from thy throne,
and worship only thee.**

**So shall my walk be close with God,
calm and serene my frame;
so purer light shall mark the road
that leads me to the Lamb.**

William Cowper (1731–1800)

Then shall be played the Postlude for the recession of the Sanctuary Party

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Please join us for morning tea in the hall.

ABM PEW REFLECTIONS

- Heavenly Lord, help us to follow you. Let our words and actions speak to all the nations, that they may come to walk with you in the resurrected body of Christ.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of Sudan.

Daily Readings - March

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>	<i>Evening Prayer</i>
8 Monday	Gen 46.26-47.12 Heb 3	Jer 23.1-8 Jn 9.1-12
9 Tuesday	Gen 47.13-end Heb 4.1-13	Jer 23.16-29 Jn 9.13-23
10 Wednesday	Gen 48 Heb 4.14-5.end	Jer 24 Jn 9.24-end
11 Thursday	Gen 49.1-32 Heb 6	Jer 25.1-14 Jn 10.1-10
12 Friday	Gen 49.33-50.14 Heb 7.1-10	Jer 26.1-9 Jn 10.11-21
13 Saturday	Gen 50.15-end Heb 7.11-end	Jer 26.10-end Jn 10.22-end

NOTICES

BRING & BUY EVENT

Bring & Buy is **today** (1st Sunday, Lent 3)

Please deliver items to the parish office (during office hours Wednesday to Friday) by **Friday** of that week. Please ensure any unsold items are taken home by the giver.

THE CHRIST CHURCH COVID MARSHALS

The Marshals are Andrew Georg, Neil and Rosemary Woolman, Brian Morgan, Helen Swan, Mary McLeod, Jeremy Pearce, Naomi Guerin and Bin Irwin

NAME TAGS

As a courtesy, please wear your name tags to assist Fr Stephen and Deborah to get to know your name. Also, it is very helpful for people new to the parish, and visitors, if name tags are worn by parishioners. If you do not have one, please contact the parish office on 8267 2673.

PARISH LUNCH AT THE WELLINGTON HOTEL

If you would like to attend the parish lunch please add your name to the clipboard in the Hall no later than **today**. To secure the booking, a non-refundable deposit of \$10 per person has been paid. This \$10 per person will be collected from those who attend the lunch and will be deducted from the cost of each meal by the hotel. The total deposit amount paid, was based on an assumed number of attendees, thus no flexibility on the numbers who will be able to attend is possible.

ABM LENTEN ENVELOPES

The Anglican Board of Mission - Australia [your Church at Mission for the Gospel in Australia and beyond] requests your special support during Lent. Envelopes are available for each of the six Sundays of Lent and for Good Friday, so that each week you can make an Offering as part of your Lenten discipline of *praying, fasting and almsgiving*. Please see a warden if you would like to take an envelope home with you.

BCA BOXES

It's Box opening time again, for BCA [Bush Church Aid Society] boxes. Please return your box to Ann Sergeant or to the office, for counting and subsequent forwarding to BCA. If you don't have a box and would like to make a donation, please place it in a marked envelope and give it to Ann or to the office. Thank you.

THIS WEEK

Sunday 7th 3rd Sunday in Lent

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist
- 10.00am Choral Eucharist
- 11.30am Lenten Studies: *God of Compassion*
- 5.45pm Litany
- 6.00pm Choral Evensong

Wednesday 10th

- 7.30pm Select Vestry

Thursday 11th

- 11.00am Holy Eucharist
- 1.30pm Staff Meeting
- 7.30pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday 12th

- 10.00am Play Group

Sunday 14th 4th Sunday in Lent / Mothering Sunday

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist
- 10.00am Choral Eucharist
- 11.30am Lenten Studies: *God of Compassion*
- 12.30pm Parish Lunch at the Wellington Hotel
- 5.45pm Litany
- 6.00pm Choral Evensong

