



# ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH Burwood

## **CHORAL EVENSONG**

for the Feast of Saints Peter & Paul

5:00pm Sunday 29 June 2025

## Welcome to St Paul's

We are delighted that you have come to worship God with us this evening as we observe our Patronal Festival – the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul.

Whether you are visiting for a short while, have moved here and are joining our Parish, or are returning to your faith, I welcome you to St Paul's Anglican Church, Burwood.

This historic church, dedicated to St Paul the Apostle & Martyr, was designed by the Australian colonial architect Edmund Blacket. It had its foundation stone laid on 29 July 1871 and the first service was held in the church on Saturday 27 April 1872. Since its earliest days St Paul's has maintained a fine reputation for liturgy and music in the Tractarian tradition.

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall immediately following the service. The hall can be found by turning left when leaving the church.

If you would like to be added to our parish database, please speak to a welcomer or scan the QR code at the back of this order of service.

Fr Michael Deasey OAM *Locum Tenens* 

Please take this order of service home.

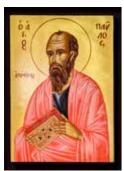
## The Office of Evensong

Sung at the close of day in cathedrals and churches throughout the world, Choral Evensong is a service of evening prayer derived from the ancient monastic offices of Vespers and Compline. It has been sung regularly since the sixteenth century and this evening's service uses the traditional language of the 1662 Book of Common Prayer.

The choir sings the traditional evening prayers of the church that have been offered for centuries, while the congregation listens, joins in the hymns, and adds their own prayers (the Apostles' Creed and the Lord's Prayer) to those of the choir.

The Psalm and the settings of the Canticles of Mary (Magnificat) and Simeon (Nunc dimittis) are sung by the choir alone; the Preces and Responses are also sung between the officiant and choir on behalf of the people; and the choir sings an anthem at the end of the formal part of the Office.

In most liturgies, we, the worshippers, must do two things: speak with our lips, and meditate with our hearts. Choral Evensong is one of the rare occasions when the congregation is able to focus solely on the latter, allowing the prayers and praises being sung by the choir, to be those of the entire faith community and, particularly, of this parish of St Paul's Burwood.



The texts and prayers are taken from the *Book of Common Prayer* (1662) Hymn texts are taken from *The New English Hymnal* © 1996, The English Hymnal Company Ltd.
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Icon (left): Icon of St Paul in the Chapel of Our Lady

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Please stand as the bell is rung.

#### Introit

#### We wait for thy loving kindness

William McKie (1901-1984)

We wait for thy loving kindness, O God: in the midst of Thy temple. Alleluya.

O God, according to Thy Name, so is Thy praise unto the world's end.

Thy right hand is full of righteousness. Alleluya.

O Lord send us now prosperity. Amen.

Words selected by the Rev. C.M. Armitage,
Precentor of Westminster

Remain Standing as the Officiant and Choir sing the Preces & Responses by Richard Ayleward (1626-1669)

R. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

R⁄. O Lord, make haste to help us.

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

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

Praise ye the Lord.

RY. The Lord's name be praised.

Please sit while the Choir sings the Psalm.

### **Psalm:** 116

Chant: Highmore Skeats (1757-1831)

AM well pleased: that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer.

That he hath inclined his ear unto me:

therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

The snares of death compassed me round about: and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

I shall find trouble and heaviness, and I will call upon the Name of the Lord: O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous: yea, our God is merciful

The Lord preserveth the simple: I was in misery, and he helped me.

Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul: for the Lord hath rewarded thee.

And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death: mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

I will walk before the Lord: in the land of the living.

I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled: I said in my haste, All men are liars.

What reward shall I give unto the Lord: for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

I will receive the cup of salvation: and call upon the Name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people: right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant: I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving: and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people: in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

#### 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 for the reading of the First Lesson.

First Lesson: Zechariah 4.1–6, 10–14

Here beginneth the 4th Chapter of the Book of Zechariah:

And the angel who talked with me came again, and waked me, like a man that is wakened out of his sleep. And he said to me, "What do you see?" I said, "I see, and behold, a lampstand all of gold, with a bowl on the top of it, and seven lamps on it, with seven lips on each of the lamps which are on the top of it. And there are two olive trees by it, one on the right of the bowl and the other on its left." And I said to the angel who talked with me, "What are these, my lord?" Then the angel who talked with me answered me, "Do you not know what these are?" I said, "No, my lord." Then he said to me, "This is the word of the Lord to Zerub'babel: Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of hosts.

For whoever has despised the day of small things shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerub'babel.

"These seven are the eyes of the Lord, which range through the whole earth." Then I said to him, "What are these two olive trees on the right and the left of the lampstand?" And a second time I said to him, "What are these two branches of the olive trees, which are beside the two golden pipes from which the oil is poured out?" He said to me, "Do you not know what these are?" I

said, "No, my lord." Then he said, "These are the two anointed who stand by the Lord of the whole earth."

Here endeth the first lesson

Please stand to sing the Office Hymn.

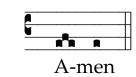
## Office Hymn

AETERNA CHRISTI MUNERA

Mode vii



- The eternal gifts of Christ the King,
  The Apostles' glorious deeds, we sing:
  And while due hymns of praise we pay,
  Our thankful hearts cast grief away.
- The Church in these her princes boasts,
  These victor chiefs of warrior hosts;
  The soldiers of the heavenly hall,
  The lights that rose on earth for all.
- 3 'Twas thus the yearning faith of saints,
  The unconquered hope that never faints,
  The love of Christ that knows not shame,
  The prince of this world overcame.
- In these the Father's glory shone;
  In these the will of God the Son;
  In these exults the Holy Ghost;
  Through these rejoice the heavenly host.
- 5 Redeemer, hear us of thy love, That, with this glorious band above, Hereafter, of thine endless grace, Thy servants also may have place. Amen.



Attributed to St Ambrose (c.340-97) *Tr.* J. M. Neale (1818-66)

Please remain standing for the Magnificat, during which the High Altar will be censed.

## Magnificat: St Paul's Service

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

**★** My soul doth magnify the Lord.

And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his handmaiden:

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 for the reading of the Second Lesson.

Second Lesson: Revelation 11.1–4, 15–18

Here beginneth the 11th Chapter of Book of Revelation:

Then I was given a measuring rod like a staff, and I was told: "Rise and measure the temple of God and the altar and those who worship there, but do not measure the court outside the temple; leave that out, for it is given over to the nations, and they will trample over the holy city for forty-two months. And I will grant my two witnesses power to prophesy for one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth."

These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands which stand before the Lord of the earth.

Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever." And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God, saying,

"We give thanks to thee, Lord God Almighty, who art and who wast, that thou hast taken thy great power and begun to reign.

The nations raged, but thy wrath came, and the time for the dead to be judged, for rewarding thy servants, the prophets and saints, and those who fear thy name, both small and great, and for destroying the destroyers of the earth."

Here endeth the second lesson

#### Please stand for the Nunc Dimittis.

#### Nunc Dimittis: St Paul's Service

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

**⁴** Tord, 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.

Please remain standing to sing the Apostles' Creed.

## 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 Catholick Church;

the Communion of Saints: the Forgiveness of sins:

the Resurrection of the body, # and the Life everlasting. Amen.

The Officiant and Choir continue the Preces and Responses.

The Lord be with you.

And with thy Spirit.

Ϋ́. Let us pray:

#### The people kneel.

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

The Lord's Prayer is sung by all.

## Lord's Prayer

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.

#### The Officiant and choir sing the Lesser Litany.

- Ÿ. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
- R. And grant us thy salvation.
- $\mathbb{R}$ . And mercifully hear us, when we call upon thee.
- ÿ. Endue thy ministers with righteousness.
- R. And make thy chosen people joyful.
- ₩. O Lord, save thy people.
- R. And bless thine inheritance.
- R. Because there is none other that fighteth for us. But only thou, O God.
- ÿ. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
- Ry. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## **Collects**

Collect for Sts Peter and Paul.

O ALMIGHTY God, whose apostles Peter and Paul glorified thee in their deaths as in their lives: grant that thy Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and knit together in unity by thy Holy Spirit, may stand ever firm upon the one foundation, even thy Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### Collect for the Third Sunday after Trinity.

OLORD, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may by thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Collect for Peace.

OGOD, 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.

Collect for Aid against all Perils.

IGHTEN 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.

- . The Lord be with you.
- **X** And with thy Spirit.
- V. Let us bless the Lord.
- $\mathbb{R}^{\times}$  Thanks be to God.

Please sit while the Choir sings the Anthem.

#### **Anthem**

#### O how amiable

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!

My soul hath a desire and a longing to enter into the courts of the Lord:

My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house,

and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:

even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house:

they will be alway praising thee.

The glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us:

prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.

O prosper thou our handywork.

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home.

Psalm 55.1–4, 6

## Sermon

Fr Michael Deasey
Locum Tenens

Please stand to sing the Offertory Hymn.

An offertory is taken for the work of the parish. This can be done in cash via the collection plate, direct debit using the details on page 19 or by scanning the QR code to make your offering directly from your mobile phone.



There is also a donation point at the West Door where you can tap your card.

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## Offertory Hymn REGNATOR ORBIS 10 10 10 10

Melody adapted by Thomas Helmore (1811-90) from La Feilée's *Méthod du plain-chant* 1808



- 1 O what their joy and their glory must be, Those endless sabbaths the blessèd ones see! Crown for the valiant; to weary ones rest; God shall be all, and in all ever blest.
- What are the Monarch, his court, and his throne? What are the peace and the joy that they own? Tell us, ye blest ones, that in it have share, If what ye feel ye can fully declare.
- 3 Truly Jerusalem name we that shore, 'Vision of peace,' that brings joy evermore! Wish and fulfilment can severed be ne'er, Nor the thing prayed for come short of the prayer.
- We, where no trouble distraction can bring, Safely the anthems of Sion shall sing; While for thy grace, Lord, their voices of praise Thy blessèd people shall evermore raise.
- 5 There dawns no sabbath, no sabbath is o'er, Those sabbath-keepers have one and no more; One and unending is that triumph-song Which to the angels and us shall belong.
- 6 Now in the meanwhile, with hearts raised on high, We for that country must yearn and must sigh, Seeking Jerusalem, dear native land, Through our long exile on Babylon's strand.
- 7 Low before him with our praises we fall, Of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all; Of whom, the Father; and through whom, the Son; In whom, the Spirit, with these ever One. Amen.

Please kneel for the Intercessions which are read by the Officiant.

#### **Intercessions**

A Prayer for Martyrs.

ALMIGHTY God, who didst give thy servants Peter and Paul boldness to confess the Name of our Saviour Jesus Christ before the rulers of this world, and courage to die for this faith: Grant that we may always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in us, and to suffer gladly for the sake of the same our Lord Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

#### A Prayer for King Charles III.

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly pray that you would look upon your servant, King Charles. Endue him with your Holy Spirit; enrich him with your heavenly grace; prosper him with all happiness; and bring him to your everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### A Prayer for the Evening.

BE PRESENT, merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night: that we, who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may rest on your eternal changelessness through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### A Prayer for Peace.

TERNAL God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, and no strength known but the strength of love; so guide and inspire, we pray thee, the labours of those who seek to establish righteousness and peace among nations, that all peoples may find their security, not in force of arms, but in the perfect love that casteth out fear, and in the fellowship revealed to us in thy son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### A Prayer of St John Chrysostom.

ALMIGHTY God, who has given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you and promised that when two or three are gathered together in your name you will grant their requests: fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of your servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

Amen.

#### The following are recited together:

A General Thanksgiving.

ALMIGHTY God and merciful Father, we give you hearty thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people. We bless you for our creation and preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such a sense of all your mercies, that our hearts may be truly thankful and that we may praise you not only with our lips, but in our lives, serving you in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Grace

→ THE GRACE of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

Amen.

Please stand to sing the Final Hymn.

## Final Hymn

LASST UNS ERFREUEN 88 44 88 and alleluyas

R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) using phrases from an Easter hymn in the Cologne *Geistliche Kirchengesäng* (1623)



- 1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
  Bright Seraphs, Cherubim and
  Thrones,
  Raise the glad strain, Alleluya!
  Cry out Dominions, Princedoms,
  Powers,
  - Powers, Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!
- 2 O higher that the Cherubim,
  More glorious than the Seraphim,
  Lead their praises, Alleluya!
  Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
  Most gracious, magnify the Lord,
  Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya,
  Alleluya!

- 3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest, Ye Patriachs and Prophets blest, Alleluya, Alleluya! Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong, All Saints triumphant, raise the song Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!
- 4 O friends, in gladness let us sing, Supernal anthems echoing, Alleluya, Alleluya! To God the Father, God the Son, And God the Spirit, Three in One, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!

Athelstan Riley (1858-1945)

Remain standing as the Officiant pronounces the Blessing.

## **Blessing**

Ternal God, neither death nor life can separate us from your love: grant that we may serve you faithfully here on earth, and in heaven rejoice with Peter and Paul and all your saints who ceaselessly proclaim your glory; and the blessing of God almighty, ♣ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

The Choir and Clergy process from the church during the Postlude.

#### **Postlude**

Pièce héroïque

César Frank (1822-1890)

To maintain the prayerfulness of the liturgy, it is requested that there be no applause at the end of the organ postlude. Please be mindful of those who wish to stay, listen or pray.

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Please join us in the parish hall for refreshments.

## TONIGHT'S MUSIC DETAILS:

**Introit:** We wait for thy loving kindness (William McKie, 1901-1984)

Setting: St Paul's Service (Herbert Howells, 1892-1983)

Anthem: O how amiable (Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958)

Responses: (Richard Ayleward, 1626-1669)

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## **UPCOMING CHORAL SERVICES:**

Sunday 6 July – Feast of the Dedication

**10:00am** Orchestral Mass

Locus iste (Anton Bruckner, 1824-1896)

*Missa Sancti Nicolai* (Joseph Haydn, 1732-1809)

Behold the tabernacle of God (Healey Willan, 1880-1968)

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## Feast of the Dedication Sunday 6 July 2025

10:00am Orchestral Mass

Introit: Locus iste (Bruckner)

Setting: Missa Sancti Nicolai (Haydn)

Motet: **Behold the Tabernacle** (Willan)

Guest Preacher: The Rev. Jonathan Adams

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Church Burwood

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## **Donations & Bequests**

"I bequeath the sum of \$ to the Rector and Wardens of the Anglican parish of St Paul's Burwood, to be used at their absolute discretion for the charitable or other beneficial purposes of the parish."

#### Wills

Mark Squire (an 8:00am service parishioner) is a solicitor experienced in drafting Wills. While he does not wish to have any commercial association with the church and/or its members, he has made an offer to assist, at no cost, senior parishioners and community members who wish to make donations to the parish in their Wills.

Mark is concerned to ensure that any senior who wants to help our wonderful parish this way is not deterred by the potential cost of so doing. Mark can be contacted via the parish office – (02) 9747 4327

## JOIN US @ ST PAUL'S

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

#### Sundays throughout the year:

**8:00am** Said Eucharist – with hymns

**10:00am** Choral Eucharist – with the Choir of St Paul's

#### Wednesdays:

**10:30am** Eucharist

Fridays: last Friday of the month **5:40pm** Evening Prayer

**6:00pm** Eucharist

#### Seasonal Services:

**6:00pm** Choral Eucharist – with the Choir of St Paul's

Special services are held during the year to mark Feast Days and other days of seasonal significance. These are advertised in the pew bulletin and on our website.

#### **CHORAL EVENSONG**

#### Sundays as advertised:

**5:00pm** Choral Evensong – with the Choir of St Paul's

For further information please visit our website: stpaulsburwood.org.au



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