

ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
Burwood

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
Laetare Sunday

Sunday 15 March 2026

10:00AM CHORAL EUCHARIST

Welcome to St Paul's

We warmly welcome you and are glad that you have come to worship God with us today on the Fourth Sunday in Lent, also known as Laetare Sunday.

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.

We are very glad that you are here and we look forward to getting to know you. Refreshments (tea/coffee), when served, are available in the Parish Hall immediately following the service. The hall can be found by turning left when leaving the church.

May God richly bless you!

Peace,
Fr James Collins OAM
Rector

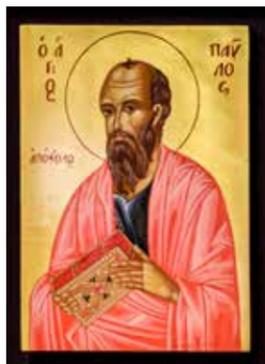
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Icon (left): Icon of St Paul, in the Chapel of Our Lady

All STAND as the bell is rung. The Introit is sung from the West Door, following which the choir, servers and clergy process into the Chancel.

Introit: Lent Prose

Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee. Sins oft committed now we lay before thee: with true contrition, now no more we veil them: grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.

10th century Mozarabic Rite

Remain standing for the Greeting.

Greeting

✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The priest continues with the opening sentence:

I am the light of the world,' says the Lord; 'those who follow me will have the light of life.'

Let us pray.

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.

Remain standing for the Kyrie which is sung by the choir.

Kyrie

Kyrie eleison. *Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Christe eleison. *Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Kyrie eleison. *Lord, have mercy upon us.*

All KNEEL for the confession which is introduced by the priest.

Confession and Absolution

The priest introduces the confession with words appropriate to the season.

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

(Silence may be kept)

Let us then ask for mercy, 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.**

The priest pronounces the Absolution.

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.**

All STAND for the collect of the day.

Collect

Gracious God, in order that we children of earth might discern good from evil you sent your Son to be the light of the world: as the light of Christ shines upon us, may we learn what pleases you, and live in truth and goodness; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

All SIT for the readings and psalm.

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16.1–13

The Lord said to Samuel, ‘How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.’ Samuel said, ‘How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.’ And the Lord said, ‘Take a heifer with you, and say, “I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.” Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.’ Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, ‘Do you come peaceably?’ He said, ‘Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.’ And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, ‘Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.’ But the Lord said to Samuel, ‘Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.’ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, ‘Neither has the Lord chosen this one.’ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, ‘Neither has the Lord chosen this one.’ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, ‘The Lord has not chosen any of these.’ Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Are all your sons here?’ And he said, ‘There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.’ And Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.’ He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy,

and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, ‘Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.’ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 23

Chant: Sir John Goss (1800-1880)

Sung by the choir.

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd:
therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He will make me lie down in green pastures:
and lead me beside still waters.
- 3 He will refresh my soul:
and guide me in right pathways for his name’s sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil:
for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the face of those who trouble me:
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
- 6 Surely your goodness and loving kindness
will follow me all the days of my life:
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Reading: Ephesians 5.8–14

For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

‘Sleeper, awake!
Rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.’

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

All STAND with the celebrant for the tract and gospel acclamation

Tract

Sung by the choir.

- 1 Those who put their trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion:
which cannot be shaken but endures for ever.

- 2 As the mountains stand about Jerusalem,
so stands the Lord about his people:
from this time forward, for evermore.
- 3 For the sceptre of wickedness shall have no sway over the land
apportioned to the righteous:
lest the righteous set their hands to do evil.
- 4 Do good, O Lord, to those who are good:
to those that are upright in heart.
- 5 As for those who turn aside to crooked ways,
let the Lord lead them away with the evildoers:
and in Israel let there be peace.

Gospel Acclamation:

The Acclamation is sung first by the choir and then repeated by all.



Glo-ry to you , Word of God; Lord Je - sus Christ.

*I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.*

The Acclamation is repeated by all.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

✠ A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: John 9.1–41

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?' Jesus answered, 'Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.' When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, 'Go, wash in the pool of Siloam' (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbours and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, 'Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?' Some were saying, 'It is he.' Others were saying, 'No, but it is someone like him.' He kept saying, 'I am the man.' But they kept asking him, 'Then how were your eyes opened?' He answered, 'The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, "Go to Siloam and wash." Then I went and washed and received my sight.' They said to him, 'Where is he?' He said, 'I do not know.'

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, 'He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.' Some of the Pharisees said, 'This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.' But others said, 'How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?' And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, 'What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.' He said, 'He is a prophet.' The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, 'Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?' His parents answered, 'We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.' His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, 'He is of age; ask him.'

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, 'Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner.' He answered, 'I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.' They said to him, 'What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?' He answered them, 'I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?' Then they reviled him, saying, 'You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.' The man answered, 'Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.' They answered him, 'You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?' And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' He answered, 'And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him.' Jesus said to him, 'You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.' He said, 'Lord, I believe.' And he worshipped him. Jesus said, 'I came into this world for judgement so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.' Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, 'Surely we are not blind, are we?' Jesus said to them, 'If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, "We see", your sin remains.

For the Gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Ms Rosemary King
Lay Minister

All remain seated.

The Baptism

The priest introduces the baptism.

Baptism is the gift of our Lord Jesus Christ. When he had risen from the dead, he commanded his followers to go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

We have come together today to obey that command. Baptism with water signifies the cleansing from sin that Jesus' death makes possible, and the new life that God gives us through the Holy Spirit.

In baptism, the promises of God are visibly signed and sealed for us. We are joined to Christ, and made members of his body, the Church universal.

Children are baptised in response to God's all-embracing love. Parents and godparents who have responded to that love come now to bring their children for baptism. Before this congregation they must express their own trust and commitment to the promises of God, and their intention to bring up their children in the faith and practice of the Church. In due time, these children should make their own response to God, and be prepared for confirmation.

The priest invites Gia with her sponsors to the Chancel step.

We welcome Gia who comes to be baptised. I invite her sponsors to present him now.

The sponsors answer:

We present Gia Taylor to be baptised.

The priest says the sponsors:

Will you accept the responsibilities placed upon you in bringing Gia for baptism?

I will.

Are you willing to answer on behalf of Gia

I am.

By your own prayers and example, by your friendship and love, will you encourage Gia in the life and faith of the Christian community?

I will, with God's help.

The Decision

The priest addresses the sponsors:

Before God and this congregation, you 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.

The priest says to the sponsors:

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.

All STAND. The priest says to the congregation:

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 Gia may be so buried with Christ in baptism that the new nature may be raised up in her. May the fruit of your Spirit grow and flourish in her.

Amen.

Give to her sponsors the desire to share with her what you have revealed in your holy gospel.

Amen.

May she know Christ's forgiving love and continue in the fellowship and service of his Church. May she 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 the day when the whole creation shall be made perfect in Christ.

Amen.

The Profession of Faith

The priest addresses the sponsors and all in the congregation:

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.**

The priest invites Gia, her sponsors to process to the font.

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 Gia to new birth in your Church through the waters of baptism.

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

Amen.

Gia is brought to the water.

Gia, I baptise you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The priest makes a cross on Gia's forehead saying:

Gia, 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.**

Gia is presented with a lighted candle.

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.

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.**

The people greet the newly baptised.

The priest moves through church blessing the congregation with the Baptismal water as a symbol of their own baptism. It is customary at this point to make the sign of the cross.

All STAND for the Greeting of Peace.

Greeting of Peace

In baptism, God has made us one in Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The greeting of peace is exchanged through a bow towards those seated around you.

Please remain standing 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 23 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.

Offertory Hymn

REPTON 86 88 6

C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918)
from a song in his oratorio *Judith*



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|---|---|
| 1 Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways!
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,
In purer lives thy service find,
In deeper reverence praise. | 3 O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee
The silence of eternity,
Interpreted by love! |
| 2 In simple trust like theirs who heard,
Beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord,
Let us, like them, without a word
Rise up and follow thee. | 4 Drop thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of thy peace. |
| 5 Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,
O still small voice of calm! | |

John Whittier (1807-92)

The Preparation

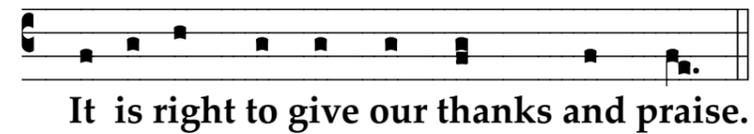
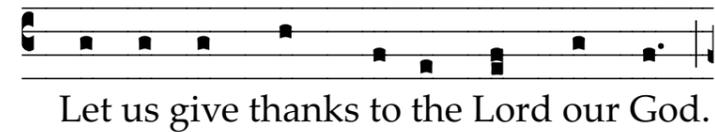
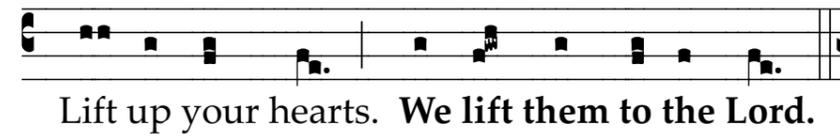
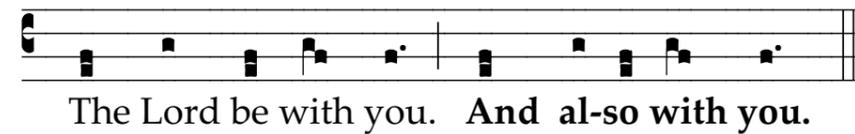
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

12 Blessed be God for ever.

Great Thanksgiving



*The priest continues with the Prayer of Thanksgiving.
All KNEEL as the sanctuary bell is rung three times.*

Sanctus & Benedictus

Sung by the choir.

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.

The priest continues with the Prayer of Consecration.

Memorial Acclamation

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded...

...his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

✠ 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:

**✠ Blessing and honour and glory and power,
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

The priest intones:

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



Our Fa-ther in hea-ven hal-lowed be your name; Your King-dom
come, your will be done on earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our
dai-ly bread for-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-
gainst us. Save us from the time of tri-al, and de-liv-er us from e-vil
For the king-dom, the po-wer and the glo-ry are yours, now and for
e-ver. A-men.

The breaking of the bread

The priest breaks the bread and says the following:

[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.

Agnus Dei

Sung by the choir.

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.

Invitation to Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word
and I shall be healed.**

Communion

Communion is distributed along the full length of the communion rail.

Please form a single line on the Organ side of the nave and return on the Pulpit side.

Communion Motet

The secret of Christ

Richard Shephard (1949-2021)

For a long time I have held my peace, but now will I speak,
I will lead the blind in a way they know not,
in paths that they have not known I will guide them.
I will turn their darkness into light, and I will not forsake them.
And he showed me a pure river of the water of life,
clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God;
and on either side of the river was there a tree of life,
and the leaves of the trees were for the healing of the nations.
Help us, Lord, to persevere in prayer
with minds awake and thankful hearts,
that we may share the secret of Christ
with those we meet on our earthly pilgrimage,
following in the steps of Jesus, our Master and our friend. Amen.

Isaiah 42.14–16; Revelation 22.1–3; The Pilgrim Prayer (based on Colossians 4.2–4)

Please remain kneeling or seated to sing the communion hymn.

Communion Hymn

RENDEZ Á DIEU 98 98 D

Ps 118 in the Genevan Psalter 1543

Adapted or composed by Louis Bourgeois (c.1510-61)

Harmony by R.V.W. based on the Scottish version of 1664



- 1 Bread of the world in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken,
And in whose death our sins are dead
- 2 Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed,
And be thy feast to us the token
That by thy grace our souls are fed!

All STAND for the post-communion prayer.

Post-Communion Prayer

The priest says the following seasonal prayer:

Gracious God, in baptism you made us one family in Christ your Son, one in the sharing of his body and his blood, one in the communion of his Spirit. Help us to grow in love for one another and come to the full maturity of the body of Christ.

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Blessing

The priest says this seasonal Blessing:

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself, that you may find in him crucified a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sin forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

✠ In the name of Christ, Amen.

Remain standing to sing the final hymn.

Final Hymn

CWM RHONDDA 87 87 47

John Hughes (1873-1932)



1 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
Hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.

- 2 Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through:
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield;
Be thou still my strength and shield.
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's Destruction
Land me safe on Canaan's side:
Songs of praises; songs of praises
I will ever give to thee;
I will ever give to thee.

Welsh, William Williams (1717-91)
Tr. Peter Williams (1727-96) and others

All SIT for the notices.

Postlude

Fugue in D minor, BWV 680

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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 and listen.



TODAY'S MUSIC DETAILS:

Setting: Collegium Regale (Herbert Howells, 1892-1983)

Motet: The secret of Christ (Richard Shephard, 1949-2021)

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UPCOMING CHORAL SERVICES:

Sunday 22 March – Fifth Sunday in Lent

9:00am Choral Eucharist & Litany
Missa fons bonitatis (Gregorian chant)
O Remember not (Henry Purcell, 1659-1695)

Wednesday 25 March – The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:00pm Choral Eucharist
Missa de angelis (Gregorian chant)
Ave Maria (Tomás Luis de Victoria, c.1548-1611)

Sunday 29 March – Palm Sunday

10:00am Choral Eucharist with Procession of Palms
Missa Brevis (Noel Nickson, 1919-2006)
Pueri hebraeorum (T.L. de Victoria, c.1548-1611)
Passion Gospel (T.L. de Victoria, c.1548-1611)

Parish Notices

Parish Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish of St Paul's Burwood will be held next **Sunday, 22 March at 11:00am**. Please note that there is a single combined service on this day at 9:00am to encourage all parishioners to attend the meeting.

Nomination forms are available at the back of the church for the positions of People's Warden, Parish Councillor, Parish Nominator and Synod Representative. Completed nomination forms should have been returned to the parish office by **now**. However, nominations can be taken from the floor. Those required to write an AGM report are asked to provide this to the office by **Monday 16 March**.

Fridays in Lent

During the season of Lent, Evening Prayer and Holy Communion will be celebrated every Friday at 5:40pm and 6:00pm respectively. This is a lovely meditative way to end the week and can be a very useful Lenten discipline. Please enter through the Belltower porch.

Busy Bee

In preparation for Easter, we will have a busy bee at the Church on **Saturday 28 March** at 10:00am to polish the brass and Communion vessels, dust and clean the church and tidy up the gardens.

Please come along and help to make St Paul's look beautiful for Holy Week and Easter. If you are able to bring portable vacuum cleaners, dusters, and some soft rags with you that would be very helpful.

Many hands make light work – please join us if you can.

Congratulations to the newly Baptised

Today we welcome into the family of God, the Church, through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Gia Taylor. Please pray for Gia, her parents and Godparents that they may know God's presence in their lives and be enfolded with God's love.

Lunchtime Recital

Our next Tuesday Lunchtime Recital will take place on **Tuesday 17 March** at 1:15pm. This month's program will feature Benjamin Lam (violin), Hannah Kim (violin), Justin Chen (viola), Rena Moore (cello) and Justin Wang (clarinet). Entry is by note donation.

Parish Prayer List

In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya.

In our Parish cycle of prayer we pray for Anglicare.

We bring before God those in our community who need the reassurance of your loving care for them. We pray particularly for:

Barry Brandy, Pauline Burdon, Pat Phillips, Tiffany Cheng, Deb Edmeades, Dela Gibson, Susanna Gore, Elaine Gow, Kate, Ralph Lane, Lewis, Andrew McCulloch, David and Pam Priest, Geoff Riccord, Sam, Sharon Sandstrom, Elizabeth Scott, Ajun and Paul Sibun, Jill Sharwood, Steve, Lingling Wang, Bill Whittle, Bob Woods, Joyce Bannister, Belinda, Leonie Cable, Dale Berry, John Burns, Betty Daniels, Debbie, Elsie Dunnam, Merle Gorman, Malcolm Green, Jean Greenwood, Gwen Hackett, Meg Harley, Barbara Hawkins, Christine Johnson, Terry Kelly, Helen Kingsley, Clyde Livingstone, Terry and Betsy McKay, Melissa Moore, Sally Palmer, Winnie Pang, Yolande Phillips, Michelle Phillips, Mark Roberts, Peter Sorensen, Barbara Stone, Sylvia, Anne Wardle, David Wheatley, and others known to us.

We pray for their carers, medical staff and families.

We give thanks for the lives of the recently departed, particularly Jean Garner and those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

Eric Gordon Pitt, Edward Alison Stanley Goulding, John Deasey, Alan Hurley, Colin Ivan Payne, Tyler James Lucas Mason, Kenneth Jolly, Phillip Davis, Norman Duffy.

✠ May they rest in peace and rise with Christ in glory.

At St Paul's, we pray by name for people who have either asked for our prayers or for whom someone else has made a request. This list is updated every 3 months or when we receive a new request. Some names are on our list on a long-term basis while others reflect a more immediate need and are short term.

We will only be reading the names on the short-term list in the services but the whole list will still be included in the printed prayers for parishioners to use throughout the week. The full list of names will be read in our midweek service.

Names can be added to or removed from the lists at any time.



THE ANNUNCIATION – Wednesday 25 March 2025

10:30am **Said Eucharist**

6:00pm **Choral Eucharist**

Setting: *Missa de angelis* (Gregorian chant)

Motet: *Ave Maria* (Tomás Luis de Victoria)



MAUNDY THURSDAY – 2 April 2026

6:00pm **Choral Eucharist** *with Washing of the Feet*

9:00pm **Compline** *and Watch of the Passion*

GOOD FRIDAY – 3 April

9:00am **Solemn Liturgy** *with Passion Gospel*

EASTER EVE – 4 April

9:30pm **Choral Eucharist** *& Blessing of the New Fire*

EASTER DAY – 5 April

8:00am **Said Eucharist** *with hymns
& Renewal of Baptismal Vows*

10:00am **Choral Eucharist** *with procession
& Renewal of Baptismal Vows*



PALM SUNDAY – 29 March 2026

8:00am **Said Eucharist** *with Blessing of Palms*

10:00am **Choral Eucharist** *with Blessing of Palms*

Setting: *Missa Brevis* (Noel Nickson)

Motet: *Pueri hebraeorum* (Tomás Luis de Victoria)

Passion Gospel (Tomás Luis de Victoria)





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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

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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 (weekly during Lent & Advent)*

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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