



St John the Evangelist, Dee Why
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
13 September 2020

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Sorry, congregational singing not allowed.



Please turn off mobile phones.

If at home, please participate in the streamed service for this Sunday, using this order of service.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *NEH 353*

at 10:00am: Cantors only please

- 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.
- 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.
- 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!
- 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

INTRODUCTORY RITES

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Priest may introduce the Liturgy.

PENITENTIAL RITE

This prayer of preparation may be said.

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

The Deacon invites the people to recall their sins.

REMAIN STANDING

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.

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *SIT when sung by cantors*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE OPENING PRAYER

(Readers please wait until the Collect is concluded)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING *Ecclesiasticus 27:33-28:9 SIT*

A reading from the book of Sirach

Resentment and anger, these are foul things,
and both are found with the sinner.
He who exacts vengeance will experience the
vengeance of the Lord,
who keeps strict account of sin.
Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you,
and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.
If a man nurses anger against another,
can he then demand compassion from the Lord?
Showing no pity for a man like himself,
can he then plead for his own sins?
Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment;
who will forgive him his sins?
Remember the last things, and stop hating,
remember dissolution and death, and live by the
commandments.
Remember the commandments, and do not bear your
neighbour ill-will;
remember the covenant of the Most High, and
overlook the offence.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 102(103):1-4,9-12*

✠ **The Lord is kind and merciful:
slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

1 My soul, give thanks to the Lord
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings.

✠ **The Lord is kind and merciful:
slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

2 It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion.

✠ **The Lord is kind and merciful:
slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

3 His wrath will come to an end;
he will not be angry for ever.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults.

✠ **The Lord is kind and merciful:
slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

4 For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.

✠ **The Lord is kind and merciful:
slow to anger, and rich in compassion.**

THE SECOND READING *Romans 14:7-9*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the
Romans

The life and death of each of us has its influence on
others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die,
we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to
the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came
to life: it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead
and of the living.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE ALLELUIA VERSE *STAND*

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 18:21-35*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

✠ **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time" he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me" he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

SIT

PROFESSION OF FAITH

STAND

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *(all bow:)* was incarnate of the Holy Spirit

and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death, and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Lord, hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

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At the conclusion:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are the Body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange the greeting of peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY HYMN *NEH 285*

at 10:00am: Cantors only please

1 For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies,

**Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.**

- 2 For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon, and stars of light,
- 3 For the joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and brain's delight,
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight,
- 4 For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild,
- 5 For each perfect gift of thine
To our race so freely given,
Graces human and divine,
Flowers of earth and buds of heaven,
- 6 For the Church that evermore,
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
This pure sacrifice of love,

F. S. Pierpoint 1835–1917

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.

The Priest then says the Prayer over the Gifts

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Priest continues with the Preface, after which is sung:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna
in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

KNEEL

The Priest continues with the Prayer of Consecration.

After the Words of Institution, when he has replaced the chalice on the altar and genuflected, the Priest says:

The mystery of faith.

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

The Priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer with these words:

. . . in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

The Priest invites all to join in the Lord's Prayer.

**Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth
as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from
evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are
yours now and forever. Amen.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the
help of your mercy, we may be always free from
sin and safe from all distress, as we await the
blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus
Christ.

As he begins to break the Bread, the Priest says:

We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one Bread.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us your peace.**

The Priest then invites the people to Communion:

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes
away the sin of the world. Blessed are those called
to the supper of the Lamb.

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter
under my roof, but only say the word and
my soul shall be healed.**

Those who are to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing come forward. At home, please make an act of spiritual communion.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

STAND

The Priest says the Post-Communion prayer

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.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Priest gives the blessing and all respond: Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

FINAL HYMN

NEH 461

at 10:00am: Cantors only please

- 1 **There's a wideness in God's mercy,
Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in his justice,
Which is more than liberty.**

- 2 **There is no place where earth's sorrows
Are more felt than up in heaven;
There is no place where earth's failings
Have such kindly judgment given.**

- 3 **For the love of God is broader
Than the measure of man's mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind.**

- 4 **But we make his love too narrow
By false limits of our own;
And we magnify his strictness
With a zeal he will not own.**

- 5 **There is plentiful redemption
In the blood that has been shed;
There is joy for all the members
In the sorrows of the Head.**

- 6 **There is grace enough for thousands
Of new worlds as great as this;
There is room for fresh creations
In that upper home of bliss.**

- 7 **If our love were but more simple,
We should take Him at his word;
And our lives would be all gladness
In the joy of Christ of our Lord.**

F. W. Faber 1814–63

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A Prayer Book for Australia, Broughton Books, 1995
The New English Hymnal, Canterbury Press, 1986
Together in Song, HarperCollins 1999

This Sunday

8:00am Holy Eucharist

10:00am Solemn Eucharist

Live-streamed on our website
(watch live or any time after it has concluded)

6:00pm Evening Prayer (Vespers)



FROM THE RECTOR

13 September 2020

Dear Friends,

The readings this Sunday are all about forgiveness and reconciliation, and the consequences faced by those who will not forgive as they have been forgiven.

The divine call to healing and reconciliation must be heard throughout the world today as we pray in humble penitence for peace, and ask God for the grace that will change people's hearts and enable us—while helping us to defend all that is good, and just, and right—to move beyond the past to care for each other and respect one another's human rights.

With every blessing,

Fr Steven

Parish News

Limited singing: Following severe restrictions in Victoria and increased restrictions in NSW due to the increase in Covid-19 infections, group singing has been severely restricted.

A small number of singers/cantors will provide music on behalf of the whole congregation, while the remainder of the choir are standing ready to lead us in worship again as soon as restrictions are further eased.

Parking on Rectory Front Lawn: The front of the rectory will **not be available for parking** for approximately ten days from **Monday 14 September to Wednesday 23 September**. This is to enable the area to be levelled and concreted to allow better for parking facility in the future. *Please make alternative arrangements that week, especially on Sunday 20 September, if you normally use the rectory lawn to park.*

Op Shop: Unfortunately, it is still not the right time to re-open the op shop. As soon as we feel it is safe for both staff and customers we will advertise and let everyone know. Please continue to bring in your donations. *Thanks, Bev*

St John's Book Club: The next meeting will be held on Monday 28 September at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre. The book selected for this meeting is the recently published book "*the dickens boy*" by Tom Keneally. It is an historical novel based on the tenth child of Charles Dickens (Edward) who came to Australia aged sixteen with his brother Alfred in the late 1860's. Edward (known at Plorn) ends up working on a sheep station in remotest New South Wales. The book focuses on his experiences and the people he meets. *For further information contact Neralie Cocks (m: 0409 040 489).*

Please Pray: "*Cynthia and Anne would like to thank everyone for their constant support and prayers. We're travelling a very hard road at the moment and we would appreciate you continuing to prayer.*" *Thanks, Anne*

Happy Birthday to Jean Knight (16th), Pamela Francis (17th), Graeme Couch (18th)

Masks in churches: The NSW Government has recommended that masks be worn in a number of public venues, including places of worship.

The Archbishop wishes us to encourage this in churches throughout the Diocese. This is not a legal requirement, but is nevertheless strongly enjoined.

Wearing a mask will not be a condition for worshipping with us. However, we encourage you to do so as a **sign of consideration and respect for the safety and peace of mind of others**, especially those who are vulnerable or anxious.

Masks will in any case be removed temporarily by those carrying out specific duties during the liturgy, such as reading, leading prayers and preaching in accordance with the Archbishop's advice.

Please show courtesy and respect for each other, whether choosing to wear a mask or not.

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13 September – 24th Sunday in Ordinary time – Rostered Duties

	8:00am	10:00am	6:00pm
Welcomers:	Bev Bingham Helen Bennett	Barbara Emmett Heather Andrews	<i>Vespers (in Chapel)</i>
Readers:	Roz Peterson Dianne Greenhalgh	Jill Sharkey Valda Ashover	
Servers:	Anne Seddon Brian Butler Robyn Couch	Adam Roberts Debby Roberts Jill Sharkey Mathew Robinson	
Morning Tea:	Marj Croft <i>and helper</i>	Helen Hastings Denise Gadd	
Brass:	Dianne Greenhalgh		

20 September – 25th Sunday in Ordinary time – Rostered Duties

	8:00am	10:00am	6:00pm
Welcomers:	Bev Bingham Dianne Greenhalgh	Ian Ellis-Jones Elspeth Ellis-Jones	<i>Vespers (in Chapel)</i>
Readers:	Jess Rynd Peter Cunningham	Judy Lindeman Mark Ashover	
Servers:	Jess Rynd Brian Butler Robyn Couch	Adam Roberts Debby Roberts Jill Sharkey	
Morning Tea:	Marj Croft <i>and helper</i>	Diana Coleman Krisztina Keller	
Brass:	Pam Fisher		

THE WEEK AHEAD AT ST JOHN'S

The church is open during the day (from 1 July) for personal prayer. Morning and Evening Prayer is normally said each day (except Tuesday) at 8:15am and 5:15pm.

Mon 14 Sep EXULTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Work taking place on parking area in front of the rectory all this week

8:30am Op Shop Sorting
12noon Holy Eucharist
3:30pm Serbian Group

Tue 15 Sep *Our Lady of Sorrows*
No service today

Wed 16 Sep *S. Ninian*
10:00am Holy Eucharist and Healing Prayers
1:30pm Funeral of Edgar Matthews
5:30-7:30pm *Street Mission: Wednesday Night Café (Takeaway only)*

Thu 17 Sep **12noon Holy Eucharist**

Fri 18 Sep **9:00am Holy Eucharist**

5:30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation <i>(A priest is normally available in the church for Confessions from 5:30pm to 6:00pm or contact Fr Steven for other times)</i>

Sat 19 Sep *BVM Saturday memorial*
9:00am Holy Eucharist

Sun 20 Sep TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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8:00am Holy Eucharist

10:00am Solemn Eucharist <i>streamed on our website and Facebook page</i>

6:00pm Evening Prayer (Vespers) in the chapel
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For more information please visit our website www.stjohnsdeewhy.org.au

<i>St John's Anglican Church acknowledges the traditional custodians of this land and pays respect to all Aboriginal people, and to their families past and present.</i>
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Weekly Offerings: Regular weekly giving is vital for the mission and ministry of St John's to continue in the current crisis. A convenient way to do this is do make a direct debit from your bank account weekly or monthly—whatever suits you.

<i>If this is your preference our bank details are:</i> BSB: 032094 ACCOUNT: 810026
