Welcome to

St Peter's Eastern Hill

Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia Parish Church of the City since 1846



Diego Velázquez, "Coronation of the Virgin" (1635-6)

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 15 August 2021

Almighty ever-living God, who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the mother of your son, body and soul into heavenly glory, grant, we pray, that, always attentive to the things that are above, we may merit to be sharers of her glory. Through our lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the holy spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*

WEEKLY MUSINGS

The human body is at the centre of the Christian faith. Centuries ago, Christians declared the body-negating Gnostics to be heretical, placing the reality of the body—especially Christ's body—at the heart of orthodoxy. After all, the mystery of the Incarnation is centred on the uncreated and eternal descending to earth within a real human body. And the Incarnation required the participation of another human body—Our Lady's. The importance of the body in our faith defeats spiritualising tendencies and the safety of metaphor.

Christ's resurrection was corporeal, not spiritual. We understand Christ's presence in the Eucharist to comprehend his body, blood, soul and divinity. We even dare to claim that our own bodies, although created, will ultimately be dignified by being raised up. Paul's declaration: "If the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised" deliberately ties the destiny of our bodies with Christ's body to allay any suspicion of allegory. Our faith does not abrogate the carnal: the final exaltation of our bodies is God's promise to us.

Today, we are called to commemorate the exaltation of the Blessed Virgin Mary's body at the end of her earthly life. Mary's body was, like ours, created not divine. And the claims we make about Mary's body are no different to the claims we make about the bodies of all the faithful, but with the difference that Mary's body has already been taken up to heaven; ours will be taken up later. Mary was accorded this singular privilege because of her role in the Incarnation. Consider the superabundant graces she brought to Elizabeth's house at the visitation, filling Elizabeth with the Holy Spirit and sanctifying John the Baptist. Even before his birth, Christ was working through Mary as a harbinger of redemption and divine grace.

Tradition has often paralleled Christ and his mother with Adam and Eve. Adam's disobedience was redeemed by Christ's obedience; Mary became a site for rebirth in Christ where Eve was a means by which death came into the world. Christ prefigures the ultimate triumph over sin and death; Mary is the first fruits of creation assumed into paradise. She presages the raising of our own bodies. The beatific vision she sees in paradise is the same vision we hope to see ourselves. Here is the audacious thought that illuminates our faith: through the body of one man came the exaltation all bodies. The assumption of Mary's body points to the ecstatic union of the created with the Creator.

Alae Taule'alo – Authorised Lay Minister

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Please stand for the beginning of the Mass. The people's responses are printed in **bold**.

Mass setting: Sharon Sandstrom Congregational Mass.

The sanctuary party processes to the altar steps; the celebrant then censes the altar.

INTROIT

There appeared a great wonder in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars. Vs. O sing unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things.

Glory be to the Father &c.

Celebrant:

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 celebrant chants the collect for purity. The cantor sings:

Lord have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have mercy.

The celebrant introduces the confession:

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 celebrant pronounces the absolution. The cantor begins the Gloria:

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.

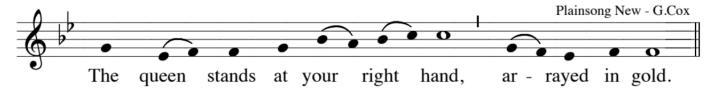
The celebrant chants the collect of the day. Please then sit for the readings.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

REVELATION 11.19; 12.1-6; 10 read by Eugene Chin.

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple. A great portent appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pangs, in the agony of giving birth. Then another portent appeared in heaven: a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. Then the dragon stood before the woman who was about to bear a child, so that he might devour her child as soon as it was born. And she gave birth to a son, a male child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron. But her child was snatched away and taken to God and to his throne; and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, so that there she can be nourished for one thousand two hundred sixty days. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, "Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah." Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 45 led by the cantor, please join in the responsory.



Daughters of kings are among your ladies of honour; at your right hand stands the queen in gold of Ophir. Hear, O daughter, consider and incline your ear; forget your people and your father's house. **R.**

The king will desire your beauty. Since he is your lord, bow to him; The princess is decked with golden robes; in many-coloured robes she is led to the king; behind her the virgins, her companions, follow. **R.**

With joy and gladness they are led along as they enter the palace of the king. I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations; therefore the peoples will praise you forever. **R.**

1 CORINTHIANS 15.20-26 chanted by Alae Taule'alo.

Brothers and sisters, Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For Christ must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

GRADUAL

Audi, fília, et vide, et inclína aurem tuam, et concupívit rex speciem tuam. Hearken, O daughter and see, incline your ear; for the king greatly desires your beauty.

ALLELUIA



THE GOSPEL

Chanted by the celebrant:

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (1:39 - 56)

+ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

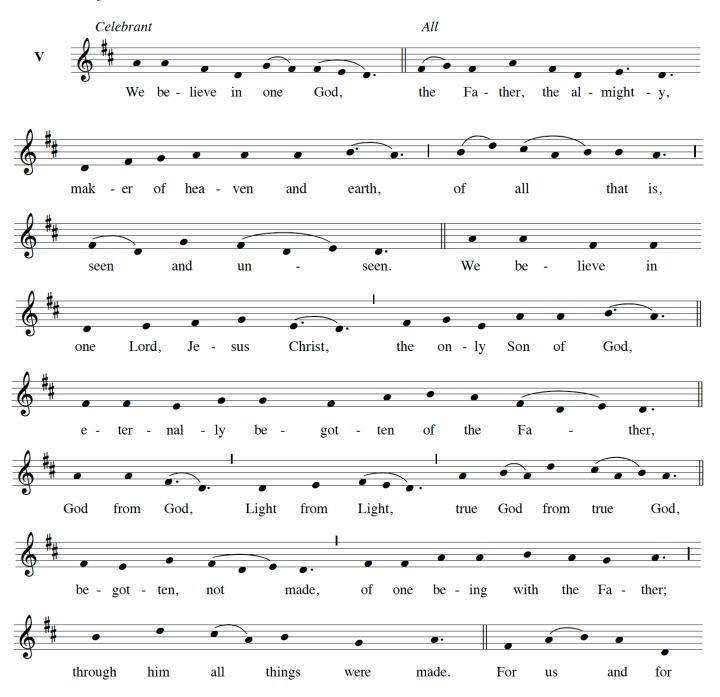
Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord." And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the

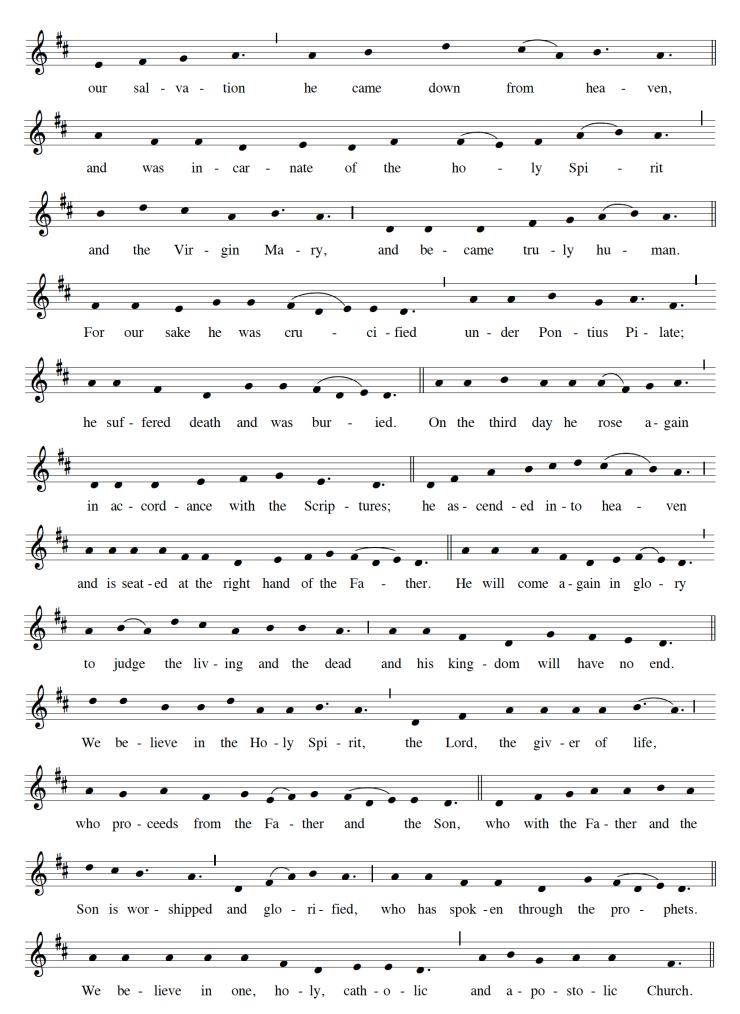
thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever." And Mary remained with Elizabeth about three months and then returned to her home.

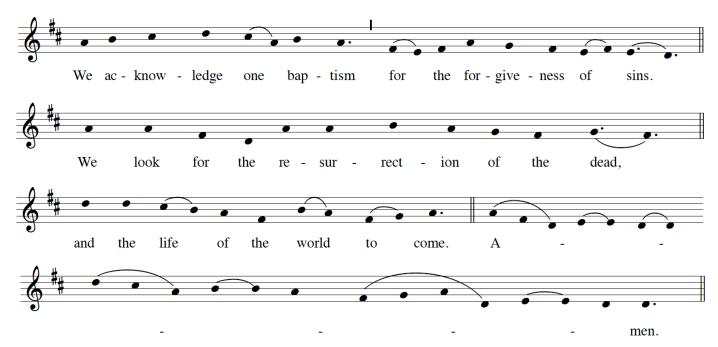
The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit for the homily by Alae Taule'alo.

Please stand for the Credo.







Please kneel for the Prayers of the People, led by Eugene Chin. After each petition:

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

And at the end:

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord

And let light + perpetual shine upon them.

Celebrant:

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.

Please stand for the Greeting of Peace.

Celebrant:

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

OFFERTORY

Mary has been taken up into heaven; the Angels praising the Lord together and blessing him, alleluia.

OFFERTORY MOTET

Louis Vierne (1870-1937) Ave Maria Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum.

Benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Iesus. Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and in the hour of our death. Amen.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Celebrant:

Blessed are you, Lord God . . . Blessed be God forever.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant:

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.

Please kneel. The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might Heaven and earth are full of Your glory Hosanna in the highest

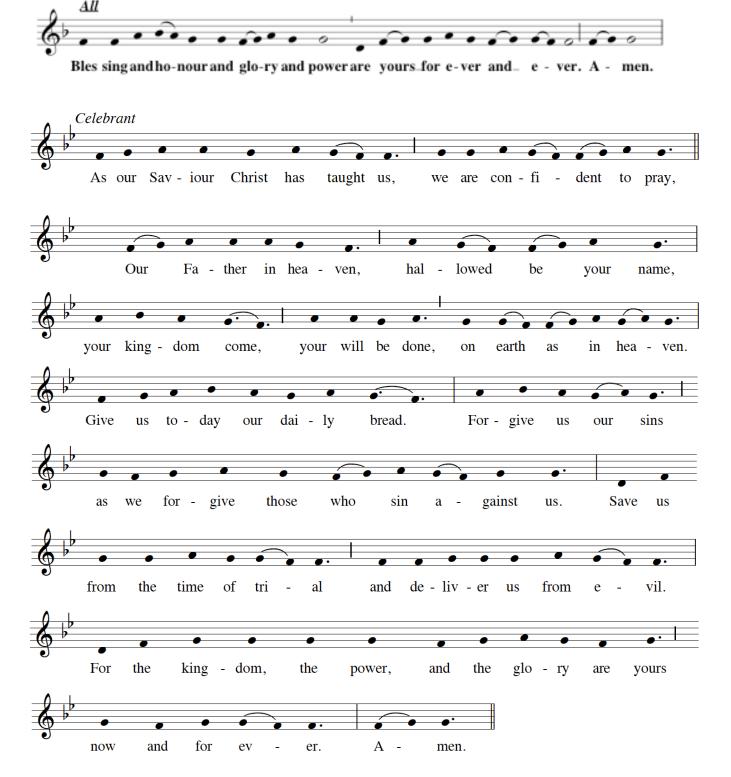
+Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith



The celebrant continues the prayer, ending with:



Celebrant:

We who are many are one body.

For we all share in the one bread.

All remaining kneeling as the cantor sings:

Jesus Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us. Jesus bearer of our Sins, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us. Jesus Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant:

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed 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 antiphon:

All generations shall call me blessed, for he that is mighty hath magnified me.

SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The celebrant sings the final prayer, leading to:

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 celebrant offers the final blessing, and then dismisses the congregation: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

THE ANGELUS

The sanctuary party recites the Angelus kneeling at the altar steps, led by the celebrant:

- . The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary:
- . And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

- . Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
- . Be it done unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary ...

- . And the Word was made flesh.
- . And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary ...

- . Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
- . That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord. **Amen.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The sanctuary party rises, genuflects and departs the chancel.

Postlude: Benjamin Britten (1913-76) Prelude and Fugue on a theme of Vittoria.



Fra Angelico, "The Dormition & Assumption of the Virgin" (1424-34)

DAILY INTERCESSIONS

FOR THE SICK:

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AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, David Bornstein, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Grace James, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Alice McCraith, Mary Montague, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Robin Page, Liz Prideaux, Graham & Judy Ryles, Jenny Sasse, John Stewart BISHOP, Margaret Sutherland, Ian Thornton, Barbara Ure-Smith & Jan.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED: John Jenner

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

- Sun 15th Isobel Allen, Gertrude Gorringe, Elizabeth McKenzie, Colin Stephenson PRIEST
- Mon 16th Georgina Lucy Grosvenor, Eleanor La Trobe, Raymond Pescu, Fred Simms
- Tue 17th Gerald Francis John Dart, Arthur Sedsman PRIEST
- Wed 18th Faith Colechin, Marie-Therese Dessewffy, Ada Nankivell
- Thu 19th Dolores Barber, Emma Griffith, Albert Macpherson PRIEST Stephen Nickson
- Fri 20th Dorothy Willis, Doris Emily Austin Wood
- Sat 21st Roger Martin Clarke, Margaret Gardner, Margaret Olivia Nelson Thomas Holyoak Rust PRIEST

FAITH FORUM

"Listen, the river is singing"

Mary Oliver and the gift of learning to pay attention



Sunday August 22nd, 12.30-1.30pm

Henderson-Newton Room St Peter's Eastern Hill Hall 15 Gisborne St Melbourne 3002

This month Carol O'Connor will facilitate a session on contemporary poet Mary Oliver. Mary Oliver's poetry is full of questions: about life, the natural world, the way we inhabit our environment. This session is a brief introduction to her poetry, discovering together some of her insights and sharing their meaning for us today. These sessions are open to all. No Cost. This is part of the Faith Forum series at St Peter's Anglican Church. Faith Forum is an opportunity to explore and discuss matters and issues of faith and spirituality.

Please contact Fr Greg to express your interest, and with any ideas for future forums: ph. 0417 992 976 or e-mail gregdavies121@icloud.com

OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM ROSARY GROUP

The Cell of Our Lady Walsingham went online last year, and our rosary group has now been meeting via Zoom for eighteen months!

We meet five days a week at 5pm (on weekends too during



lockdown) to pray for the community and the world and of course to offer devotions to Our Lady of Walsignham.

Ours is a diverse group, and via the magic of Zoom we're pleased to welcome members from interstate and overseas, with one of our regular rosary leaders dialling in from Singapore.

If you're interested, join us via the Zoom link: https://rmit.zoom.us/j/91989236310

You don't need to be a rosary expert to join us, nor are you expected to lead any of the sessions, unless you want to!

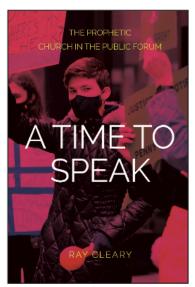
If you're interested in joining our prayer sessions feel free to follow the Zoom link or email <u>alaetaulealo@gmail.com</u>; we can even send a set of rosary beads and an instruction booklet to you. You can also email through any intentions you'd like the group to pray for.



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A Time to Speak is a challenge to the churches in Australia to recover their prophetic voice; to engage with Australian society and systems, to reflect on the tradition of the ancient prophets in Israel and the teachings of Jesus, calling people to care for one another, putting the other before the self.

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But to do this will require change within the churches – changes of style, changes of leadership, changes of structures, changes that will restore confidence that the Jesus tradition reveals the purposes of God for the world and its creatures, changes that will enable fresh ways of being church in a context where Christianity is no longer automatically valued and respected.

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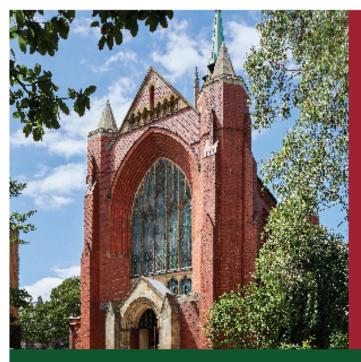
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Cost: \$110 per person

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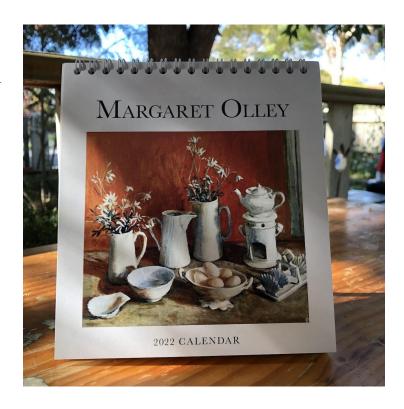
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