

# S.<sup>T</sup>JAMIES'

11:00am Choral Eucharist



*Love your enemies*, Melani Pyke, 2023, Acrylic  
From Melanie Pyke's February 2023 Series about the Sermon on the Mount.  
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**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

**SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

As Sydney's oldest church, St James' is a place of soul-stirring worship, challenging preaching and fine music. We are a progressive community that welcomes all people regardless of age, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religion.

We also acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship  
—the Gadigal of the Eora Nation.

*Please advise one of the Sidespersons if you would like Communion brought to you in the pew. If necessary, you are welcome to sit for those parts of the liturgy when it is normal to stand.*

## **Hymn 436**

*Please stand. You can find the words to the hymn in the green hymn book provided.*

## **Introit**

*Sung by the choir*

## **Welcome**

Celebrant ✠ In the Name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*The celebrant welcomes the people.*

## **Preparation**

Celebrant Let us pray.

**All 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.**

## **Kyrie**

*Sung by the choir*

GREEK TEXT

Κύριε ἐλέησον

Χριστέ ἐλέησον

Κύριε ἐλέησον

PRAYER BOOK TEXT

Lord, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

Deacon Christ the Son of God has been revealed as a light to the nations.

*A silence for self-examination follows.*

Let us bring our darkness to his light, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**All 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.**

Celebrant 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.**

# Gloria

*Sung by the choir.*

## LATIN TEXT

*Gloria in excelsis Deo,  
et in terra pax hominibus  
bonæ voluntatis.  
Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus te.  
Glorificamus te.  
Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam  
tuam. Domine Deus, Rex cælestis, Deus Pater  
omnipotens.  
Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe. Domine  
Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.  
Qui tollis peccata mundi:  
Suscipe deprecationem nostram.  
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,  
miserere nobis.  
Quoniam Tu solus sanctus. Tu solus Dominus.  
Tu solus Altissimus,  
Iesu Christe. Cum Sancto Spiritu  
✠ in gloria Dei Patris.  
Amen.*

## PRAYER BOOK TEXT

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.

## Collect

Celebrant Let us pray.  
God of compassion,  
keep before us the love you have revealed in your Son,  
who prayed even for his enemies.  
In our words and deeds  
help us to be like him, through whom we pray,  
Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please sit.*

## First Reading

**Genesis 45.3-11, 15**

A reading from the Book Genesis.

Joseph said to his brothers, 'I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?' But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, 'Come closer to me.' And they came closer. He said, 'I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither ploughing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty." And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

*A short silence is observed.*

Reader For the Word of the Lord,  
**All Thanks be to God.**

*Sung by the choir to a chant by Day.*

*Fret not thyself because of the ungodly :  
neither be thou envious against the evil-doers.  
For they shall soon be cut down like the grass :  
and be withered even as the green herb.  
Put thou thy trust in the Lord, and be doing good :  
dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.  
Delight thou in the Lord :  
and he shall give thee thy heart's desire.  
Commit thy way unto the Lord, and put thy trust in him :  
and he shall bring it to pass.  
He shall make thy righteousness as clear as the light :  
and thy just dealing as the noon-day.  
Hold thee still in the Lord, and abide patiently upon him :  
but grieve not thyself at him whose way doth prosper,  
against the man that doeth after evil counsels.  
Leave off from wrath, and let go displeasure :  
fret not thyself, else shalt thou be moved to do evil.  
Wicked doers shall be rooted out :  
and they that patiently abide the Lord, those shall inherit the land.  
Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone :  
thou shalt look after his place, and he shall be away.  
But the meek-spirited shall possess the earth :  
and shall be refreshed in the multitude of peace.  
But the salvation of the righteous cometh of the Lord :  
who is also their strength in the time of trouble.  
And the Lord shall stand by them, and save them :  
he shall deliver them from the ungodly, and shall save them,  
because they put their trust in him.*

## Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15.35 - 50

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

But someone will ask, 'How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?' Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. Not all flesh is alike, but there is one flesh for human beings, another for animals, another for birds, and another for fish. There are both heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is one thing, and that of the earthly is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; indeed, star differs from star in glory. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, 'The first man, Adam, became a living being'; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

*A short silence is observed.*

Reader For the Word of the Lord,

**All Thanks be to God.**

## Hymn 366

*Please stand. You can find the words to the hymn in the green hymn book provided.*

*Please remain standing and turn towards the Gospel reader.*

## Gospel Acclamation

**All Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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

**All Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## Holy Gospel

**Luke 6.27 - 38**

Deacon The Lord be with you.

**All And also with you.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
according to St Luke.

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

Jesus said to his disciples, 'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

'If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

'Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.'

Deacon For the Gospel of the Lord,

**All Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Sermon

*A silence for reflection follows the sermon.*



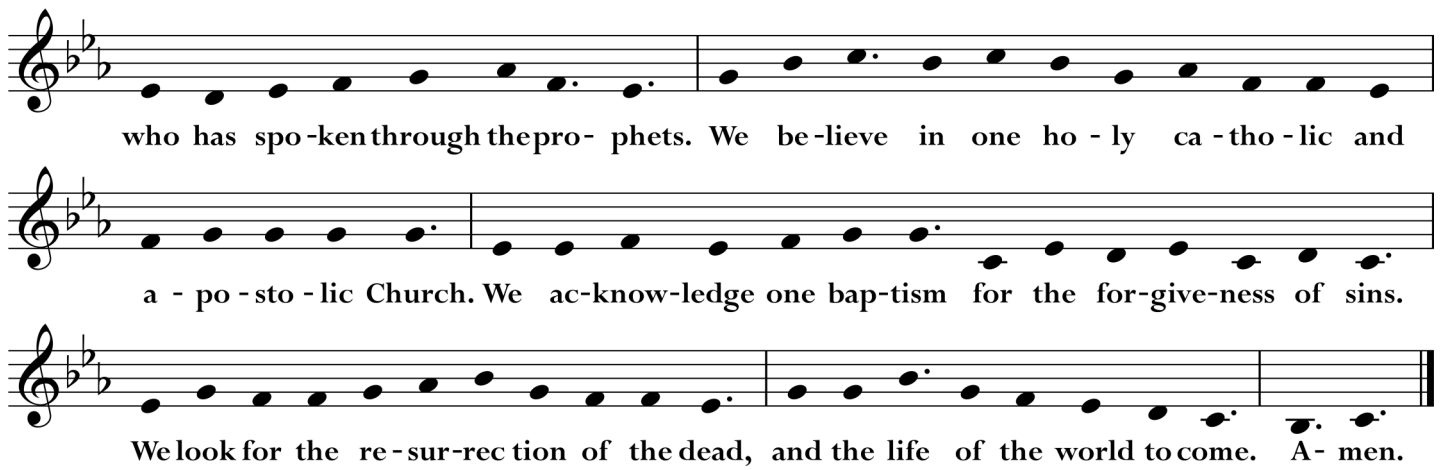
# Nicene Creed

*Please stand.*

Celebrant:

All:

We be-lieve in one God, the Fa-ther, the al-migh-ty, ma-ker of heav'n and earth,  
of all that is, seen and un-seen. We be-lieve in one Lord, Je-sus Christ, the on-ly  
Son of God, e-ter-nal-ly be-got-ten of the Fa-ther, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, be-got-ten, not made, of one be-ing with the Fa-ther,  
through him all things were made. For us and for our sal-va-tion he came down from heav'n,  
*(Bow)* was in-car-nate of the Ho-ly Spi-rit and the Vir-gin Ma-ry and be-came tru-ly hu-man. *(Rise)*  
For our sake he was cru-ci-fied un-der Pon-tius Pi-late; he suffered death and was bu-ried.  
On the third day he rose a-gain in ac-cor-dance with the Scrip-tures; he as-cen-ded  
in to heav'n; and is seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther. He will come a-gain  
in glo-ry to judge the liv-ing and the dead; and his king-dom will have no end.  
We be-lieve in the Ho-ly Spi-rit, the Lord, the gi-ver of life, who pro-ceeds  
from the Fa-ther and the Son, who with the Fa-ther and the Son is wor-shipped and glo-ri-fied,



who has spo-ken through the pro- phets. We be-lieve in one ho - ly ca - tho - lic and  
a - po - sto - lic Church. We ac-know-ledge one bap-tism for the for-give-ness of sins.  
We look for the re-sur-rec tion of the dead, and the life of the world to come. A- men.

## Intercessions

Deacon Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

*Please be seated for the prayers. The following response may be used,*

Lord, in your mercy

**All Hear our prayer.**

*At the conclusion of the prayers the deacon says,*

Deacon Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

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

## Greeting of Peace

*Please stand.*

Celebrant Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

**All We meet in his name and share his peace.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## Hymn 307

*Please stand. During this hymn a collection for the church's ministry will be received. You may wish to make your offering at [sjks.org.au/donate](http://sjks.org.au/donate), using the tap machines in church, or via this QR Code.*



*Please remain standing.*

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;  
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All things come from you,  
and of your own do we give you.**

### **Sursum Corda**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**All 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.**

### **Great Thanksgiving**

Celebrant All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ,

who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary  
and lived as one of us.

You anointed him as Messiah, the light of the nations,  
and revealed him as the hope

of all who thirst for righteousness and peace.

By his death on the cross

and rising to new life,

he offered the one true sacrifice for sin

and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,

and with all the company of heaven,

we proclaim your great and glorious name,

for ever praising you and singing:

## Sanctus and Benedictus

*Sung by the choir.*

### LATIN TEXT

*Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,*

*Dominus Deus Sabaoth.*

*Pleni sunt cæli et terra gloria tua.*

*Hosanna in excelsis.*

✠ *Benedictus qui venit in nomine*

*Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.*

### PRAYER BOOK TEXT

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.

Celebrant Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat.

This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you.

This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Deacon Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Celebrant Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, 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:

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

*The bell is rung and silence is kept.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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

**All 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 for ever. Amen.**

### **Breaking of the Bread and Invitation to Communion**

*The celebrant breaks the Eucharistic Bread and says:*

Celebrant We break the bread of life,  
and that life is the light of the world.:

**All God here among us,  
light in the midst of us,  
bring us to light and life.**

Deacon God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**All**  
**Jesus Christ is holy,**  
**Jesus Christ is Lord,**  
**to the glory of God the Father.**

## **Agnus Dei**

*Sung by the Choir.*

### LATIN TEXT

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.*

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.*

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.*

### PRAYER BOOK TEXT

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

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

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

*Communion will be distributed at the High Altar rail. Baptised Christians from all traditions are welcome to receive Communion. Others are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing. You are also advised to take any valuables with you to Communion to ensure their security. If you prefer not to receive from the chalice the nature of the Sacrament is such that it is acceptable to only receive the Host. **For health reasons intinction is not permitted.***

## **Motet**

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.  
Exsulemus et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum. Et ex  
corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.*

Where charity and love are, there is God. The love of Christ has brought us together into one flock. Let us rejoice and let us be glad in that love. Let us fear and love the living God; and let us love one another from a pure heart. Amen.

Words: Antiphon at the foot-washing, Maundy Thursday, Latin rite  
Music: Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

*At the end of the Communion silence is kept.*

## Post-Communion Prayer

*Please stand.*

Celebrant God of the nations,  
we thank you for nourishing us with this holy sacrament.  
Guide us by your presence,  
that we may bring your light to those who dwell in darkness,  
and establish your justice in the earth.

**All Most loving God,  
you send us into the world you love.  
Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage  
in the power of your Spirit. Amen.**

## Notices

### Hymn 235

*Please stand. You can find the words to the hymn in the green hymn book provided.*

## Blessing and Dismissal

Celebrant May Christ the Son of God be manifest to you,  
that your lives may be a light to the world;  
and the blessing of God almighty  
✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

**All In the name of Christ. Amen.**

## Organ Voluntary

Buxtehude - *Præludium in D*, BuxWV 139

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