Choral Evensong

5:30pm, Wednesday 2nd April 2025

FOURTH WEEK IN LENT



Preces and Responses

John Reading (c.1645-1692)

Psalm 78.1-8

The choir sings the Psalm to a chant by Oakley:

Hear my law, O my people:

incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable:

I will declare hard sentences of old;

Which we have heard and known:

and such as our fathers have told us;

That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come: but to shew the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.

He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law:

which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children;

That their posterity might know it:

and the children which were yet unborn;

To the intent that when they came up:

they might shew their children the same;

That they might put their trust in God:

and not to forget the works of God, but to keep his commandments.

Gloria Patri...

Lessons

Jeremaiah 13.20-27 & 1 Peter 1.17-2.3

Canticles

Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623) - Short Service

Collect of the Day

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Collect for Lent

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Anthem

Michael Leighton Jones (b. 1947) - A Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

Prayers

Hymn

NEH 76 - Take up thy cross, the Saviour said

During this hymn a collection will be taken for the work and ministry of the parish.

Organ Voluntary

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) - An Wasserflüssen Babylon, BWV 653

Those leading this service

Officiant The Rev'd Christopher Waterhouse *Rector*

Choir The Choir of St James'

Conductor Thomas Wilson *Director of Music*

Organist Marko Sever Organist & Assistant Director of Music

James Brew Margaret Norman Organ Scholar

Notices and upcoming events

Sydney Chamber Choir Concert

Sydney Chamber Choir presents Fauré
Requiem on Saturday 5th April, 5pm at
St James' King Street conducted by Sam
Allchurch with Angela Brun (soprano),
Andrew O'Connor (baritone) and
Thomas Wilson (organ). Also on the
program are works by Mendelsssohn
and Australian composer Brooke
Shelley. Tickets available from
sydneychamberchoir.org

St James' Institute Seminar: Hope and Hell

On Sunday 6th April at 2pm the St James' Institute welcomes Dr Tony Golsby-Smith to present a seminar called Hope and Hell: How I came to a larger vision of redemption. Tony is the founder of Gospel Conversations (gospelconversations.com). He originally studied English Literature with an emphasis on poetry, and worked as a secondary school teacher. In more recent years he has worked in strategy consulting, and founded the consultancy firm 'Second Road'. The seminar is held in St James' Hall, Level 1, 169-171 Phillip Street, Sydney. Tickets \$25, free for St James' Institute subscribers. Choral Evensong follows at 4pm.

Lent Study Sessions

As usual, there are several Lenten Study groups meeting at various times and locations. We have five weeks of studies commencing this week.

Mondays 10am at Chatswood

with Gail Ball and Fr John Stewart.

Tuesdays 9:30am online

with Libby Hindmarsh.

Tuesdays 11am at Bowden Brae

with Sue Mackenzie (from 4th March)

Tuesdays 1pm St James' Hall

with Kumar Rasiah.

Wednesdays 6:30pm St James'

Hall with the Rector.

Please register for the group of your choice at events.humanitix.com/lent -studies

Wednesday Evensong during Lent

During Lent this year we are adopting a different pattern of evening services on Wednesdays. Evensong is at the earlier time of 5:30pm, a short service of Compline (Night Prayer) is offered at 8pm. Those attending the Wednesday evening study group may wish to attend Evensong first and then attend the study group, which will conclude in time to attend Compline for those who wish to conclude the day in prayer.

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During Lent, (12th March- 9th April) Wednesday evening

services times will change

5:30pm: Choral Evensong*

8:00pm: Compline

Parish of St James' King Street

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Monday to Friday: 10:00am-4:00pm Saturdays: 8:00am-1:00pm Sundays: 7:00am-4:00pm

Please submit all requests for notices by the Wednesday

preceding the service.

Please consider paying your offering directly into the church account.

The details are: BSB 032 007, A/C 250025, Churchwardens St James' Gen. A/C.