

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

4:00pm Choral Evensong



*The Road to Emmaus* Nicholas Mynheer  
Oil on handmade paper, 2016

Sunday 4th May

**THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER**

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

# *Order of Service*

*Please stand at the entry of the choir and clergy.*

## **The Sentences and Confession**

Officiant      Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

*Please sit or kneel.*

All              **Almighty and most merciful Father;  
we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep.  
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our  
own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws,  
we have left undone those things which we ought to have  
done; and we have done those things which we ought not  
to have done; and there is no health in us.  
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable  
offenders; spare thou them, O God, which confess their  
faults, restore thou them that are penitent;  
according to thy promises, declared unto mankind in  
Christ Jesu our Lord.  
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake;  
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober  
life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.**

Officiant     Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn  
from his wickedness and live; and hath given power, and  
commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his  
people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins:  
✠ He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent,  
and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.  
Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance,  
and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do  
at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure,  
and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray,

**All            Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;  
In earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **Preces**

*The Preces and Responses are sung to a setting by William Byrd.*

Officiant     ✠ O Lord, open thou our lips.

Choir        *And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.*

✠ O God, make speed to save us.

*O Lord, make haste to help us.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end.*

*Amen.*

Praise ye the Lord.

*The Lord's name be praised.*

## Psalm 116.11-18

*Please sit. The Choir sings the psalm to a chant by John Goss.*

What reward shall I give unto the Lord :  
for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?  
I will receive the cup of salvation :  
and call upon the Name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people :  
right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.  
Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant :  
I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid;  
thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.  
I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving :  
and will call upon the Name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people :  
in the courts of the Lord's house,  
even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

## Psalm 117

*The Choir sings the psalm to a chant by Frederick Bridge.*

O praise the Lord, all ye heathen :  
praise him, all ye nations.  
For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us :  
and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Ghost.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.*

Here begins the 53rd chapter of the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account. Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Here ends the First Lesson.

## Office Hymn 101i

*Please stand. Please use the green hymn book provided.*

### Magnificat

*Please remain standing as the Choir sings the Magnificat sung to a setting by Paletstrina - Magnificat primi toni.*

✠ *My soul doth magnify the Lord:  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.  
For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his hand-maiden.  
For behold from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.  
And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations.  
He hath shewn strength with his arm:  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
He hath put down the mighty from their seat:  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.  
He hath filled the hungry with good things:  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.  
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:  
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed forever.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.*

*Please be seated.*



## Second Lesson

## Luke 24.13-35

Here begins the 13th verse of the 24th chapter of the Gospel according to St Luke.

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognising him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognised him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Here ends the Second Lesson.

## Nunc Dimittis

*Please stand. The Choir sings Nunc Dimittis to a setting by Herbert Howells written for Westminster Cathedral.*

✠ *Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word.  
For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation;  
Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all thy people;  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen.*

## Apostles' Creed

Officiant	I believe in God
All	<b>the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried, He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, ✠ And the Life everlasting. Amen.</b>



## Responses

Officiant     The Lord be with you.

Choir        *And with thy spirit.*

Let us pray.

*Please sit or kneel.*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Our Father, which art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name.*

*Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread.*

*And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive them that trespass against us.*

*And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

*O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.*

*And grant us thy salvation.*

*O Lord, save The King.*

*And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*

*Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.*

*And make thy chosen people joyful.*

*O Lord, save thy people.*

*And bless thine inheritance.*

*Give peace in our time, O Lord.*

*Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

*God, make clean our hearts within us.*

*And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

## Collects

### *The Collect for The Second Sunday after Easter*

Almighty God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life: Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Amen.*

### *The Collect for Peace*

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

### *The Collect for aid against all perils*

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

## Anthem

*Please be seated. The Choir sings the anthem.*

This Christ rising again from the dead now dieth not.  
Death from henceforth hath no power upon him.  
For in that he died but once to put away sin; but in that liveth unto God. And so likewise, count yourselves dead unto sin, but living unto God, in Christ Jesus our Lord. Christ is risen again, the first fruit of them that sleep. For seeing that by man came death, by man also cometh the resurrection of the dead. For as by Adam all men do die, so by Christ all men shall be restored to life. Alleluia.

Words: Romans 6.9-11

1 Corinthians 15.20-22

Music: William Byrd (c.1540-1623)

## Sermon

## Hymn 115

*Please stand. Please use the green hymn book provided.*

## Prayers

*Please kneel or be seated. Prayers are offered for the world and for the church concluding with*

**All            ✕ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost,  
be with us all evermore. Amen.**

## Hymn 408i

*Please stand. During this hymn a collection is taken for the work and ministry of the parish. You may wish to consider making your offertory using the card machine at the entrance, online at [sjks.org.au/donate](https://sjks.org.au/donate) or via this QR code.*



## Blessing

**Officiant      Christ is risen! Alleluia!  
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ  
has given us the victory,  
give you joy and peace in your faith;  
and the blessing of God Almighty  
✕ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

## Organ Voluntary

Martin Baker - *Improvisation*

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