

S.^TJAMES'

9:30am Choral Matins



Sunday 14th September

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER TRINITY

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.

Order of Service

Please stand as the Choir and Ministers enter.

Welcome

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

The Officiant welcomes the people and introduces the Opening Hymn.

Hymn 332 (omit *)

You will find the words of the hymn in the green hymn book provided.

Confession

Officiant Dear friends, the Scriptures urge us to acknowledge our sins, and not to conceal them from God our heavenly Father, but to confess them with a penitent and obedient heart, so that we may be forgiven through his infinite goodness and mercy. We ought always to admit our sins before God, and especially when we come together to give thanks for the good things we have received at his hands, to offer the praise that is his due, to hear his holy word, and to ask what is necessary for the body as well as the soul. Therefore, let us draw near to the throne of our gracious God, as we pray:

Please sit or kneel.

All Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.

Absolution

Officiant May the almighty and merciful Lord
grant unto you ✠ pardon and remission of all your sins,
time for amendment of life,
and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.


Please stand. The Preces and Responses are sung by the choir and congregation together.


Officiant

O Lord, open thou our lips.


All

And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.


 ♪ O God, make speed to save us, ♪ O Lord, make haste to help us.



♩ Gloria be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost.



Kyrie eleison

♩ Praise ye the Lord. ♪ The Lord's name be praised.

The Venite

We remain standing to sing the Venite together.

J. Battishill



O come let us | sing un • to the | Lord :

Let us heartily rejoice in the | strength of | our sal- | vation.

Let us come before his | presence • with | thanksgiving :

And shew ourselves | glad in | him with | psalms.

For the Lord is a | great_ | God :

And a great | King a- | bove all | gods.

In his hand are all the | corners • of the | earth :

And the strength of the | hills is | his_ | also.

The sea is | his and • he | made it :

And his | hands pre- | pared the • dry | land.

O come let us worship and | fall_ | down :

And | kneel be • fore the | Lord our | Maker.

For he is the | Lord our | God :

And we are the people of his | pasture •

and the | sheep • of his | hand.

Today if ye will hear his voice | harden • not your | hearts:

As in the provocation *

and as in the day of temp- | tation | in the | wilderness.

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. * A- | - - | men.

Please sit.

Psalm 126, 127

The choir sings the psalms.

In convertendo

When the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion :
then were we like unto them that dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter :
and our tongue with joy.
Then said they among the heathen :
The Lord hath done great things for them.
Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already :
whereof we rejoice.
Turn our captivity, O Lord :
as the rivers in the south.
They that sow in tears :
shall reap in joy.
He that now goeth on his way weeping,
and beareth forth good seed :
shall doubtless come again with joy,
and bring his sheaves with him.

Nisi Dominus

Except the Lord build the house :
their labour is but lost that build it.
Except the Lord keep the city :
the watchman waketh but in vain.
It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early,
and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness :
for so he giveth his beloved sleep.
Lo, children and the fruit of the womb :
are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.
Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant :
even so are the young children.
Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them :
they shall not be ashamed
when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

Gloria Patri...

Here begins the 24th verse of the 44th chapter of the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, who formed you in the womb: I am the LORD, who made all things, who alone stretched out the heavens, who by myself spread out the earth; who frustrates the omens of liars, and makes fools of diviners; who turns back the wise, and makes their knowledge foolish; who confirms the word of his servant, and fulfils the prediction of his messengers; who says of Jerusalem, 'It shall be inhabited', and of the cities of Judah, 'They shall be rebuilt, and I will raise up their ruins'; who says to the deep, 'Be dry—I will dry up your rivers'; who says of Cyrus, 'He is my shepherd, and he shall carry out all my purpose'; and who says of Jerusalem, 'It shall be rebuilt', and of the temple, 'Your foundation shall be laid.'

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things. Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the skies rain down righteousness; let the earth open, that salvation may spring up, and let it cause righteousness to sprout up also; I the LORD have created it.

Here ends the First Reading.

Te Deum

Please stand.

Choir *We praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.
To thee all Angels cry aloud :
the heavens, and all the powers therein.
To thee Cherubin and Seraphin : continually do cry,
Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty : of thy glory.
The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.
The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee;
The Father : of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honourable, true : and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.
Thou art the King of Glory : O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man :
thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death :
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants :
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory everlasting.
O LORD, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.
Govern them : and lift them up for ever.
Day by day : we magnify thee;
And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.*

Please sit.

Here begins the 12th chapter of the Revelation to St John the Divine.

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 and sixty days.

And war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

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, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!’

Here ends the Second Reading.

Jubilate

Please stand.

Choir *O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands :
serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God :
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise :
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting :
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
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 remain standing.

Apostles' Creed

Officiant I believe in God
All **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.**

The Responses are sung by the choir and congregation together.

Officiant All

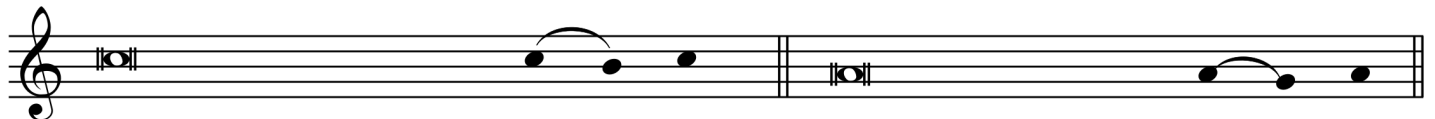


ψ The Lord be____ with____ you. R And with thy____ spi - rit.

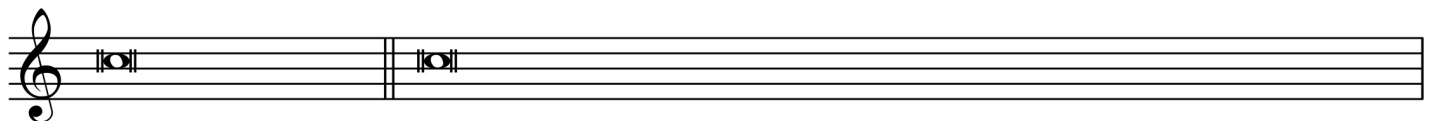
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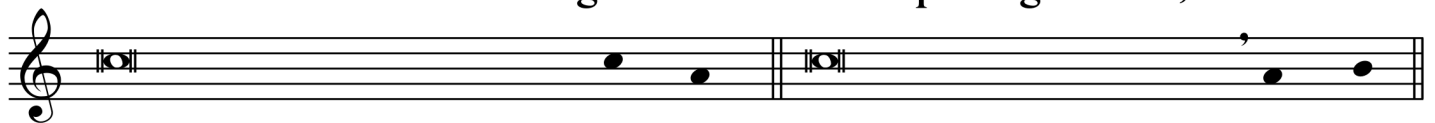
ψ Let us____ pray. Lord, have mercy up - on____ us.




R Christ, have mercy up - on____ us. ψ Lord, have mercy up - on____ 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 temp - ta - tion, But deliver us from evil. A - men.



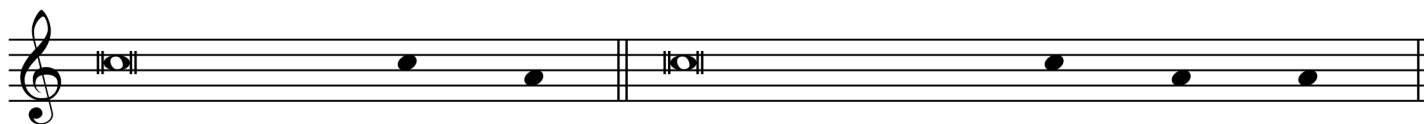
ψ O Lord, shew thy mercy up - on us. R And grant us thy sal - va - tion.



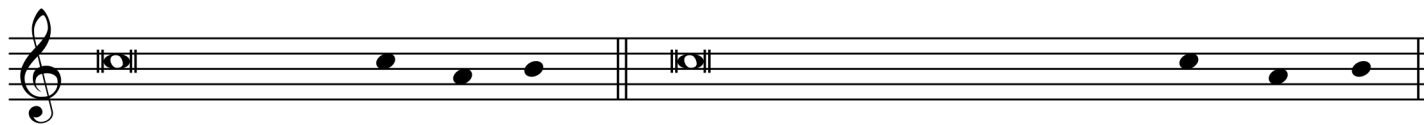
ψ O Lord, save the King. R And mercifully hear us
when we call up - on thee.



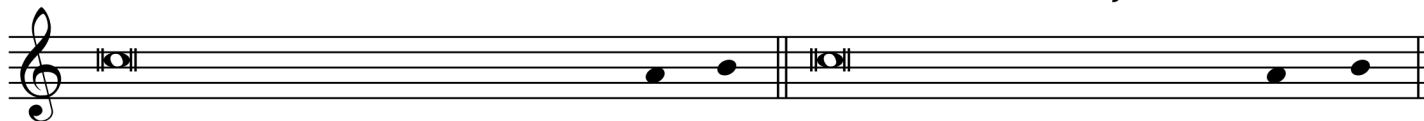
ψ Endue thy ministers with right-eous-ness. R And make thy chosen people joy-ful.



Ÿ O Lord, save thy peo - ple. R And bless thine in - he - ri - tance.

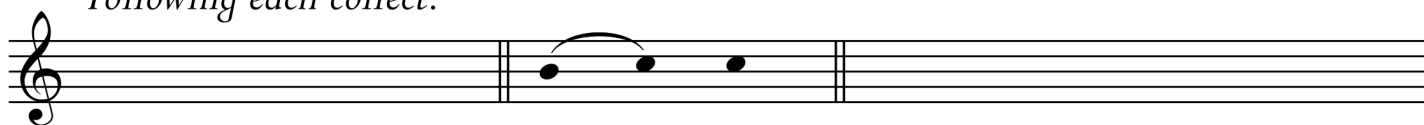


Ÿ Give peace in our time, O Lord. R **Because there is none
other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.**



Ÿ O God, make clean our hearts with - in us. R **And take not
thy holy Spirit from us.**

Following each collect:



R A - men.

Collects

The Collect for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Collect for Peace

God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord,
in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life,
whose service is perfect freedom:
Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies;
that we, surely trusting in thy defence,
may not fear the power of any adversaries;
through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Collect for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God,
who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day:
Defend us in the same with thy mighty power;
and grant that this day we fall into no sin,
neither run into any kind of danger;
but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance,
to do always that is righteous in thy sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Hymn 271

You will find the words of the hymn in the green hymn book provided. During the last verse of this hymn the choir retires to the vestry to prepare for the next service of the morning.

Sermon

Hymn 476

*You will find the words of the hymn in the green hymn book provided.
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, using the tap machines in the church or via the QR code provided.*



Blessing

Officiant The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts
and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus
Christ our Lord 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

Blow - *Cornet Voluntary in A minor*