



St John the Divine
Eucharist service
2nd Sunday after Pentecost

6th June 2021

WELCOME!

Welcome to our worship and community life at St John the Divine, and to our live-streamed service, linked from our parish website: www.stjohndivine.org.au

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

Sentence

Jesus said: 'Whoever does the will of God is my brother and my sister and my mother.'

Mark 3.34–35

Hymn: Jesus comes with all his grace

*Charles Wesley (1707-88) alt. - tune: Orientis Partibus
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- 1. Jesus comes with all his grace,
comes to save a fallen race,
object of our glorious hope,
Jesus comes to lift us up.**
- 2. Let the living stones cry out,
every child of Abraham shout;
praise we all our lowly king,
give him thanks, rejoice and sing.**
- 3. He has our salvation wrought,
he our captive souls has bought,
he has reconciled to God,
he has washed us in his blood.**
- 4. We are now his lawful right,
walk as children of the light;
we shall soon obtain the grace,
pure in heart, to see his face.**
- 5. We shall gain our calling's prize;
after God we all shall rise,
filled with joy, and love, and peace,
perfected in holiness.**

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

My sisters and brothers,
as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ
in word and sacrament,
let us call to mind and confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

In the wilderness we find your grace;
you love us with an everlasting love.
Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

There is none but you to uphold our cause;
our sin cries out and our guilt is great.
Christ, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

Hear us, O Lord, and we shall be healed;
restore us and we shall know your joy.
Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA AND COLLECT

**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.**

Let us pray.
Almighty God,
give us such a vision of your purpose,
and such an assurance of your love and power,
that we may ever hold fast the hope
which is in Jesus Christ our Lord;
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A reading from Genesis 3.8–15

The man and the woman heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' Then the Lord God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' The Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.'

I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will strike your head,
and you will strike his heel.'

May your word live in us,
and bear much fruit to your glory.

Hymn: From the deep places, hear my cry
Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926),
based on Psalm 130 - tune: Breslau
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- 1. From the deep places, hear my cry,
those hidden depths of guilt within:
O God of mercy, God Most High,
keep no account of all my sin.**
- 2. Before your glory none can stand,
no mortal eye behold your face:
extend to me your kingly hand,
the sovereign touch of saving grace.**
- 3. O Lord, in whom all needs are met,
draw near in love to me, I pray,
for on your word my hopes are set,
as watchmen wait for coming day.**
- 4. As watchmen wait till dawn appears,
so God's redeeming love is shown;
to shed, unfailing through the years,
the dew of blessing on his own.**

A reading from Paul's second letter to the church in
Corinth 4.13–5.1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in
accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—
we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that
the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with
Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes,
everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to
more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to
the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is
wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by
day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us
for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure,
because we look not at what can be seen but at what
cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but
what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is
destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not
made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

May your word live in us,
and bear much fruit to your glory.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
St Mark 3.19b–35

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Then Jesus went home; and the crowd came together
again, so that they could not even eat. When his family
heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were
saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.' And the scribes

who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has
Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out
demons.' And he called them to him, and spoke to them
in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a
kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot
stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house
will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up
against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his
end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's
house and plunder his property without first tying up the
strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.
'Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and
whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever
blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have
forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin'— for they had
said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing
outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was
sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother
and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for
you.' And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my
brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he
said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever
does the will of God is my brother and sister and
mother.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

**We believe in one God,
who made and loves all that is.
We believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was born, lived, died and rose again,
and is coming to call all to account.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who calls, equips and sends out God's people,
and brings all things to their true end.**

This is our faith, the faith of the Church:

**We believe in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

Response:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

We are all one in Christ Jesus.
We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Offertory hymn: In Christ there is no east or west
William Arthur Dunkerley (1852-1941) alt. - tune: St Bernard
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- 1. In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love
throughout the whole wide earth.**
- 2. In Christ shall true hearts everywhere
their high communion find,
his service is the golden cord
close-binding humankind.**
- 3. Join hands, then, people of the faith,
whate'er your race may be;
who serves my Father as his child
is surely kin to me.**
- 4. In Christ now meet both east and west,
in him meet south and north,
all Christlike souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.**

Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

All thanks and praise, glory and honour,
be yours at all times, in every place,
holy and loving Father, true and living God.

We praise you that through your eternal Word
you brought the universe into being
and made us in your own image.

You have given us this earth to care for and delight in,
and with its bounty you preserve our life.

We thank you that you bound yourself to the human race
with the promises of a gracious covenant
and called us to serve you in love and peace.

Above all, we give you thanks for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ:
born as one of us, he lived our common life
and offered his life to you
in perfect obedience and trust.

By his death he delivered us from sin,
brought us new life,
and reconciled us to you and to one another.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
with apostles, and prophets,
with holy women and men of every age,
we proclaim your great and glorious name:

**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.**

Holy God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine,
and we pray that we who eat and drink them
in obedience to our Saviour Christ,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
may be partakers of his body and blood,
and be made one with him and with each other
in peace and love.

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.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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.

As we eat and drink this holy sacrament,
renew us by your Spirit
that we may be united in the body of your Son
and serve you as a royal priesthood
in the joy of your eternal kingdom.

Receive our praises, Father,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom and in whom,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you in songs of never-ending praise:
**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

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

**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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

As this broken bread was once many grains which have been gathered together and made one bread:

so may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.**

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving. **Amen.**

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you, and be thankful. **Amen.**

SENDING OUT GOD'S PEOPLE

Let us pray.
Gracious God,
we thank you that in this sacrament you assure us of your goodness and love. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and help us to grow in love and obedience that we may serve you in the world and finally be brought to that table where all your saints feast with you for ever.

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.**

Hymn: The kingdom of God is justice and joy
by Bryn Rees (1911-1983) alt. - tune: Paderborn
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- 1. The kingdom of God is justice and joy,
for Jesus restores what sin would destroy;
God's power and glory in Jesus we know,
and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.**
- 2. The kingdom of God is mercy and grace,
the captives are freed, the sinners find place,
the outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share,
and hope is awakened instead of despair.**
- 3. The kingdom of God is challenge and choice,
believe the good news, repent and rejoice!
His love for us sinners brought Christ to his cross,
our crisis of judgement for gain or for loss.**
- 4. God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal,
in Jesus begun, in heaven made whole;
the heirs of the kingdom shall answer his call,
and all things cry 'Glory!' to God all in all.**

The peace of God which passes 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 among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:
In the name of Christ. Amen.

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THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sun 6 th June	<u>2nd Sunday after Pentecost</u> 8am — Eucharist cancelled 10am Eucharist - live-stream only
Mon 7 th June	-
Tue 8 th June	5.30pm community meal: TDRM St John's turn to cook
Wed 9 th June	10am — Eucharist cancelled 5.30pm community meal: Winter Shelter
Thu 10 th June	-
Fri 11 th June	<u>Vicar's day off</u> 7.30pm *AI Anon meeting
Sat 12 th June	7am *AA meeting 11am *Focus on Faith & Friendship group 7pm *Lai Christian Church service
Sun 13 th June	<u>3rd Sunday after Pentecost</u> 8am *Eucharist 9am *Welcomers workshop 10am Eucharist 8pm *AA meeting

* these will only occur if the lockdown ends on Thursday midnight

NOTICES

New digital piano

Earlier this year a donation of \$2,000 was received from the family of the late Coszette Probert for the purpose of developing performing arts within the Parish.

Music and art were an important part of Coszette's life, and it was desire of her family to fill the church with music for her farewell. The donation was given in appreciation of the musicians who so generously made this possible, and in recognition that all the arts, in all their many forms and genres, are a gift from God.

The money has now been used to purchase a Roland FP60 digital piano for the Parish. This significantly increases our music resources and expands our potential repertoire for worship, services, and other events.

Rosters

Sunday Worship Services: June to September

Rosters for the Sunday morning worship services for the period June through September are currently being prepared. We presume that those people who have already offered to be on the rosters are happy to continue, but please let us know ASAP if this is not the case.

It is good to have new people to take on different roles so if you are interested in any of the following duties, please email the parish office or speak to Fr John.

We need the following:

- Liturgical assistants* (8am & 10am)
- Readers (8am & 10am)
- Intercessors (8am & 10am)
- Welcomers (8am & 10am)
- Counters (following 10am)

* Liturgical assistants: for the present time we need to move away from the more traditionally defined roles of acolyte, eucharistic assistant, lay reader, and so on. As we re-establish our Sunday liturgy in a hopefully soon to be post-covid regulatory world, we need to start with the basics again. So we are looking for volunteers to assist Fr John, and any locum when he's away, generally before, during and after the services. Such assistants will be given direction and training as needed.

Welcomers Workshop

The planned Sunday 9am workshop has been postponed to the first Sunday that we are back on site after the lockdown ends. This is for anyone who wants to continue as an usher, or for any person new to this role - and even for new parishioners.

Fr John's leave

Fr John was planning to take leave over June, and spend part of that with his brother in Tasmania. The lockdown has interrupted these plans, so he'll continue conducting the live-streamed services, and re-assess once the lockdown has ended.

Songs for Aria

This is a musical event designed to raise funds and awareness for the combined non-for-profit charities SANDS (Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Support) and Red Nose. The concept and name was created by Aria's parents who, as musicians, wished to celebrate and remember the short life of their daughter who was stillborn. 'Songs for Aria' will celebrate and honour all families whose lives have been forever changed by miscarriage, stillbirth, neo-natal death, or infertility.

'Songs for Aria' will showcase a number of musicians and vocalists, including Aria's father Adrian Glaubert, an acclaimed opera and music theatre performer. The CEO of Red Nose will be our keynote speaker, using the platform to help educate the community about the purpose and mission of Red Nose, and to provide support and comfort for those grieving.

The concert will take place on Sunday the 11th of July, 2021, at 3.00pm in the afternoon at the Anglican church of St John the Divine in Croydon.

Tickets are \$30, under 15 enter free.

People can directly access the TryBooking page here:

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=763763&>

or via the church website: [http://](http://www.stjohndivine.org.au/event/songs-for-aria/)

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