



Mary, Mother of the Lord—Patronal Festival

12 September 2021

Dates for Calendar

Saturday 23rd October - Mini-Fete.

Sunday 21st November - Christ the King Joint service 9:30am, including confirmation with Bp Paul Barker.

Sunday 28th November - 1st Sunday of Advent Joint service 9:30am, Annual Meeting afterwards.

Sunday 19th December - Normal morning services 8am and 10am, Carol Service 5pm.

Friday 24th December - Christmas Eve Children & Families Service 5pm, Christmas Midnight Service 11pm.

Saturday 25th December - Christmas Day 9:30am (one service only).

Sunday 26th December - Christmas 1 9:30am (one service only).

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, the people of the Kulin nation, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

This parish is committed to Child Safety and complies with Diocesan and State requirements. This is a shared responsibility of staff and parish. Please see the back of pew leaflet for contact details.

At Worship Today:

Loving God,
who chose the blessed virgin Mary
to be the mother of your incarnate Son:
grant that we, who are redeemed by his blood,
may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

10.00 am

Preaching & Presiding:

Revd Greg

Cantor:

Brian Copple

Liturgy Setting:

Curtis Stephan 'Mass of Creation'

Introit:

'Mary, Mother of our Lord' (*tune TIS 369*)

Sentence:

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his
Son born of woman: so that we might receive
adoption as God's children.

First Reading:

Isaiah 61: 10 - 62: 3

Psalm Response:



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Second Reading:

Galatians: 4: 4 – 7

Gradual:

TIS 323 'Born in the Night, Mary's Child'

Gospel Acclamation:



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Gospel:

Luke 2.1—7

Offertory:

'Be still, for the Presence of the Lord'

Recessional Hymn:

TIS 161 'Tell Out, My Soul'

First Reading: Isaiah 61: 10 - 62: 3

10 I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.¹¹ For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.⁶² For **Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch.**² The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give.³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Second Reading: Galatians: 4: 4 – 7

4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, **crying, 'Abba! Father!'** ⁷ **So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.**

Gospel Reading: Luke 2.1- 7

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. ² This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³ All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴ Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. ⁵ He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷ And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands

of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Mary, Mother of our Lord'

1. Mary, mother of our Lord,
Alleluia!
bore the true and living Word.
Alleluia!
May we, too, consent today
and, with her, our God obey.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
2. When she did not understand
Alleluia!
what would come of God's command,
Alleluia!
still she served the Holy One;
may we, too, in faith go on.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
3. Mary, listening, took her part,
Alleluia!
treasured all things in her heart;
Alleluia!
so, with Mary, may we find
Jesus' wisdom, strong and kind.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
4. Mary weeping, at the cross,
Alleluia!
loved her son and knew the cost;
Alleluia!
may our love, as hers, be strong
though the way of pain be long.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
5. **Mary knew the Spirit's power**
Alleluia!
in the Church as wind and fire;
Alleluia!
may our Church be open still
to the Spirit's gracious will.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Words: Elizabeth J. Smith

GRADUAL HYMN
'Born in the Night, Mary's Child'

1. **Born in the night, Mary's child,**
a long way from your home;
coming in need, Mary's child,
born in a borrowed room.
2. **Clear shining light, Mary's child,**
your face lights up our way;
Light of the world, Mary's child,
dawn on our darkened day.
3. **Truth of our life, Mary's child,**
you tell us God is good;
prove it is true, Mary's child,
go to your cross of wood.
4. **Hope of the world, Mary's child.**
you're coming soon to reign;
King of the earth, Mary's child,
walk in our streets again.

Geoffrey Ainger 1925 -

OFFERTORY HYMN
'Be still, for the Presence of the Lord'

- 1 Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here;
come bow before Him now
with reverence and fear:
*in Him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.
Be still for the presence of the Lord,
the holy One is here.*
2. Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire;
with splendour he is crowned:
*how awesome is the sight?
Our radiant King of Light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.*

3. Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place:
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister His grace.
*No work too hard for Him,
in faith receive from Him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.*

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RECESSIONAL HYMN
'Tell Out, My Soul'

1. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God by Saviour shall my heart rejoice.
2. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has
done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name – the Lord, the Mighty One.
3. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to
flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
4. Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

*Timothy Dudley-Smith
1926—*

SPONSOR A PLANT!

The garden plot in the centre of the carpark, where the old Eucalypt used to be, is being transformed into a contemplative native garden, as you might be aware. Already the Garden Group has laid a cross-shaped path and has planted out the grasses and shrubs.

A Eucalypt tree and a bird-bath, have been donated and will be positioned and dedicated on the Patronal Day, 12th September – lockdown permitting.

The Garden Group, would love the wider community of St. Stephen and St. Mary to become involved in this project by way of Sponsorship of the plants.

The three categories of sponsorship are: “Small”, “Medium” and “Large” plants. The total numbers of plants in each category, species of plants and financial levels of sponsorship are:

- 42 Small - \$10 per plant *Poa labillarderei, Dichelachne crinita*
- 14 Medium - \$15 per plant *Banksia serrata prostrate, Eremophila glabra*
“Kalbarri Carpet”, *Xerochrysum viscosum, Brachyscome angustifolia.*
- 22 Large - \$20 per plant *Correa reflexa reflexa, Crowea exalata, Epacris longifolia, Epacris impressa, Grevillea hybrids.*

Nearly all the plants are native to Victoria; the two exceptions being the *Eremophila* which is endemic to drier parts of inland Australia including S.A. and N.S.W., and *Epacris longifolia* which occurs along the Great Dividing Range in N.S.W. But both are glorious in shape and flower and have proved hardy in Melbourne gardens.

We will appreciate your generosity to benefit the parish for generations to come, so to that end your sponsorship won't mean your ownership but will be a blessing to all parishioners. The Garden Group will do everything in its power to look after the plants – lockdowns permitting – **but it can't guarantee life everlasting. It doesn't have sufficient spiritual proficiency to be able to do that!**

Thus, if you would like to become a plant sponsor, would you please either:

- a. directly transfer your sponsorship money into the St. Stephen and St. Mary general **account marking it “Plant Sponsor”, or**
- b. **place money in an envelope in the Sunday offertory bowl marked “Plant Sponsor”.**

The money raised will be used for the general running of the parish of St. Stephen and St. Mary.

Many thanks for your participation in this project. The Garden Group.

Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday Patronal Festival of St Mary

- September 12, 2021

10.00 am Eucharist via zoom

Monday 13

Tuesday 14

10.00 am Morning Prayer (zoom)

Wednesday 15

Thursday 16

Friday 17

Saturday 18

Sunday 19 Pentecost 17

10.00 am Eucharist via zoom

Next Sunday Pentecost 17

- September 19, 2021

10.00 am

Reader Ron Ritchie
James 3: 1 - 12

Gospel Mark 9: 30 - 37
Clergy

Intercessor Graeme Dellora

The Thursday Evening Meditation Group

We continue to meet on Zoom on the second and fourth Thursday evenings of the month at 7.30pm. Our next session will be on September 23rd at 7.30pm. Zoom links are emailed to members prior to the sessions or enquiries can be directed to Michael Mosley.

Afternoon Meditation Gatherings

1st Wednesday of the month at 2.30pm in the Chapel, based on Ignatian Spirituality. A Sacred Space where you can find rest and stillness, listen and centre yourself. Spiritual food is offered to aid reflection and meditation. Contact Val Dyke. Next session will be on 6th October 2021.

Tamil Christian Church services

2nd and 4th Sunday from 3pm

Joyriver Chinese Church

Saturdays from 3pm

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Children's and Families' Minister (Tues 10.00 am - 3.00 pm, Wed 9.30 am - 2.30 pm, Sun 10.30 am - 12.30 pm)	Lisa Eames
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SERVICES:	
	Sunday 8.00 & 10.00 am
	Thursday 10.00 am