

# First Sunday in Lent 6 March, 2022

We welcome you to St. Oswald's Church and to this service, especially if you are new or a visitor among us. Please make yourself known to the welcomers, so that they may introduce you to other members of the congregation. Please join us in the hall for refreshments after the service.

We acknowledge the sovereign country of the Wurrundjeri people of the Kulin nation on which we gather.

Outline of Today's Service from A Prayer Book for Australia [Eucharist Setting Together in Song 756 and Hymns 10 am Service only]

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## **Today's Ministries**

| 8 am  | Reader      |              |
|-------|-------------|--------------|
| 10 am | Reader      | T. Andrews   |
|       | Cantor      | P. Johnson   |
|       | Intercessor | R. Pritchard |
|       | Welcome /   | J. Williams  |
|       | Offertory   | P. Williams  |
|       | Morning Tea | R. Adams     |
|       |             | C. Adams     |
|       |             |              |

# From the Vicar

Modern science, medicine and management have discovered mindfulness, the utilitarian recruitment of eastern meditation and philosophy. It is sold to us to relieve stress, discover balance, be present in the now and to be more productive at work, a better parent or partner or whatever you choose really.

Unlike mindfulness, meditation and contemplation does not necessarily lead to less stress, more balance, a comfortable place in the world or more production or even being a better parent. Contemplation and meditation are an encounter with the deep, the unimaginable, the unknowable and the unnameable. They bring us out of our duality (this and that) into a confronting unity with that which we cannot name.

Contemplation and meditation are disturbing, or should be, if we detach ourselves from our devices of denial and avoidance. It should raise in us questions about who we are, what we are doing, the why in what we do, the truth in what we do or are asked to do and to bring us to the possibility of not doing what we have been expected to do.

This is the story of Jesus in the wilderness, a story which was pivotal to his understanding of self and his place in the world.

## Leave:

I am on "Katrina" leave from Monday 7 - Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March. All enquiries are to be made to the Wardens and/or Carol during this period. All enquiries are to be made to the Wardens on 0400 621 554 (Parish Mobile) and/or Carol during this period.

Locums for Sundays are as follows: Rev. Stephen Ames, Rev. Dr Garry Deverell and Bishop Paul, in that order.

No Wednesday service during this period.

## Glenn

# **Music during the Eucharist**

The music for the ordinary parts of the Eucharist will be sung from Colin Brumby's "A Simple Service" e.g. "Lord have Mercy on us" and "Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy Lord". Parishioners may remember that Colin, many years ago, wrote a complete Eucharist Setting specifically for St. Oswald's.

| Diary for the Week                   |                             | Parish Contacts               |  |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| St Oswald's Facebook page            | Church Office               | 9885 0149                     |  |
| https://www.facebook.com/            | Open Monday-Wedne           | Open Monday-Wednesday 9am-1pm |  |
| stoswaldchurchgleniris               | Vicar                       |                               |  |
| go to Videos on left side of screen  | Rev. Glenn Loughrey         |                               |  |
|                                      | Mobile                      | 0418 911 714                  |  |
| Wednesday 9 March, 2022              | Churchwardens               |                               |  |
| No Wednesday Service until 30 March. | Tim Andrews                 | 9885 4659                     |  |
| Thursday 10 February                 | Dick Adams                  | 9885 1054                     |  |
| 7.30 pm <b>Choir Practice</b>        | Organist                    |                               |  |
| Sunday 13 March — Live streamed      | Daniel Brace                | 0412 806 034                  |  |
| Second Sunday in Lent                | Treasurer                   |                               |  |
| 8 am Holy Communion                  | Helen Rehn                  | 9885 7477                     |  |
| 10 am Family Eucharist               | Vestry Secretary            |                               |  |
| Readings 13 March                    | Tom Fetherston              | 0411 730 752                  |  |
| Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18              | Carol Harrison )            |                               |  |
| Psalm 27                             | Hall Hire                   | 0419 535 085                  |  |
| Philippians 3: 17—4:1                | Pew Sheet Notices           |                               |  |
| Luke 13: 31—35                       | Email carolh@bigpond.net.au |                               |  |
|                                      | St. Oswald's Website        |                               |  |
| http://www.stoswaldsgleniris.net.au  |                             |                               |  |

#### Intercessions

#### For the church:

The Anglican Church of Korea; The Diocese of The Murray; Ridley College; St Alban's, Hamlyn Heights (Jonathan Taylor).

#### For those who face challenges in daily living:

Lesley Whitehead, Gaye Loughrey.

#### Departed

Ruth Walsh, Harold Boddy.

Today we read of Christ's Temptation in the Judean wilderness, where he was tempted away from playing his part in God's mission by a Scripture-quoting Satan, before he returned, filled with the Spirit's power, to minister in Galilee. This Lent, may we be on the look out for anything diabolical that keeps us as individuals or as the Church from following Jesus as our role model in playing *our* part in God's mission.

- Lord, put a lock on my mouth, lest I use Scripture as a weapon against others. Guard my ears against any who would use the Bible as a way of following them, rather than you, the living Way to the Father. May your Spirit help us point others to you this Lent.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the *Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui,* the Anglican Church of Hong Kong.

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# **Covid-19 Regulations**

- Do not attend Church is you are experiencing flu like symptoms or if you are waiting for the results of a Covid-19 test. Please maintain social distancing at all times (keep 1.5 meters from other parishioners). Windows will be open and you are encouraged to use the hand sanitizer at the entrance.
- All are welcome at Church services (regardless of vaccination status). There is no limit on the number of people attending church services.
- Check in is not mandatory for people attending church services. However you must check into St Oswald's using the QR Code poster if you are eating or drinking (this includes breakfast or morning tea after services).
- Mask wearing is not mandatory in a church setting except for people serving food and drinks. However you may prefer to wear a mask. Covid-19 is not over, and you will have heard Government announcements that mask wearing is still required in public transport, hospitals and aged care facilities.
- Refreshments before or after services are for fully vaccinated people. There is no density limit for food and drink. People serving refreshments after services or at catered functions must wear masks. Self-service food is discouraged.

# From the Organist

With the world on the brink of war, the pandemic raging, and politics threatening to tear us apart, you could say we've had a serious start to Lent.

Margaret Rizza, whose music you will hear at communion over the next few weeks is now 94 years old. She started composing after she made a discovery in 1983, that no matter what, she had faith. In her words, "faith that is fragile, battered by worries, busyness and the barrage of information and developing technology, but that by trust it will hold up."

Margaret's music has strength and purpose, it is also prayerful and reflective. To quote Margaret again, "the language of music can touch us in ways words can't touch us. It connects us in a very different way." If your faith is like mine, perhaps it is a little fragile with everything that's going on. Margaret's music, then, is a special gift for you and me.

Don't forget the postludes of the next five weeks are Toccatas of Frescobaldi. For more about these works, including some guides to listening, please visit <u>undamaris.me</u>. **Daniel Brace** 

Please stand

#### Opening Hymn TiS 591

Forty days and forty nights you were fasting in the wild, forty days and forty nights tempted, and yet undefiled:

Let us your endurance share and from earthly greed abstain. with you watching unto prayer, with you strong to suffer pain.

And if Satan on us press flesh or spirit to assail, Victor in the wilderness, grant we may not faint or fail.

Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear, ever constant by your side, that with you we may appear at the eternal Eastertide.

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Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

#### Greeting

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

#### **Opening Sentence**

Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him. Luke 4.8

#### Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God to whom all hearts are open,

|         | all desires known,<br>and from whom no secrets are hidden:<br>cleanse the thoughts of our hearts<br>by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,<br>that we may perfectly love you,<br>and worthily magnify your holy name,<br>through Christ our Lord. Amen.                                      |  |
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| Collect | God of the wilderness,<br>your Spirit leads us<br>to face the truth, unprotected and exposed:<br>in our times of trial,<br>help us to resist the worship of empty power<br>and the illusion of invulnerability<br>that we might find our true food<br>in Jesus Christ, the Broken Bread. Amen |  |

# <u>A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy</u> [Deuteronomy 26: 1–11]

<sup>1</sup> When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, <sup>2</sup> you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. <sup>3</sup> You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' <sup>4</sup> When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, <sup>5</sup> you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. <sup>6</sup> When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, <sup>7</sup> we cried to the Lord , the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.<sup>8</sup> The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; <sup>9</sup> and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. <sup>10</sup> So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord , have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. <sup>11</sup> Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church Thanks be to God. Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16



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## Cantor:

| <sup>1</sup> Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High<br>and abides under the shadow of the Almighty,<br><sup>2</sup> Shall say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my stronghold,<br>my God, in whom I put my trust.'   | R |
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| <sup>9</sup> Because you have made the Lord your refuge<br>and the Most High your stronghold,<br><sup>10</sup> There shall no evil happen to you,<br>neither shall any plague come near your tent.   | R |
| <ul> <li><sup>11</sup> For he shall give his angels charge over you,</li> <li>to keep you in all your ways.</li> <li><sup>12</sup> They shall bear you in their hands,</li> <li>Lest you dash your foot against a stone.</li> </ul>  | R |
| <ul> <li><sup>13</sup> You shall tread upon the lion and adder;</li> <li>the young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot</li> <li><sup>14</sup> Because they have set their love upon me,</li> <li>therefore will I deliver them;</li> <li>I will lift them up, because they know my name.</li> </ul> | R |
| <ul> <li><sup>15</sup> They will call upon me and I will answer them;</li> <li>I am with them in trouble,</li> <li><sup>16</sup> I will deliver them and bring them to honour.</li> <li>With long life will I satisfy them</li> <li>and show them my salvation.</li> </ul>                                       | R |
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# <u>A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Romans</u> [Romans 10: 4–13]

<sup>4</sup> For Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes. <sup>5</sup> Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' <sup>6</sup> But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?" ' (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup> 'or "Who will descend into the

abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup> But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup> because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. <sup>11</sup> The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' <sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Please stand



Gospel AcclamationNo one lives on break alone,<br/>but on every word that comes from the mouth of God

# <u>The Gospel</u>

[Luke 4: 1-15]

# Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>1</sup> Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, <sup>2</sup> where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. <sup>3</sup> The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' <sup>4</sup> Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone." ' <sup>5</sup> Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. <sup>6</sup> And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. <sup>7</sup> If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' <sup>8</sup> Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." ' <sup>9</sup> Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup> for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", <sup>11</sup> and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." / <sup>12</sup> Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." ' <sup>13</sup> When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.<sup>14</sup> Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the

surrounding country. <sup>15</sup> He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

For the Gospel of the Lord Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Please sit

## Sermon

Please stand

## The Creed

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.

We believe in one God, the Father. the almightv. maker of heaven and earth. of all that is. seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light true God from true God. begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven. was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

Please sit or kneel

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

#### **Prayer Responses**

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

#### Silence

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.

#### Please stand

#### Invitation to Confession

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy, welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord's table.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

## Confession

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Absolution

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

## Trisagion

# Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal have mercy on us.

## The Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ. His Spirit is with us. The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

## Offertory Hymn TiS 464

Refrain Seek, O seek the Lord, while he is near; trust him, speak to him in prayer, and he will hear.

God be with us in our lives, direct us in our calling; break the snares the world contrives, keep us from falling.

God, increase in us the life, that Christ by dying gave us: though we faint in mortal strife his blood will save us.

Strengthen in our hears the love we owe to one another; how can we love God above and not each other?

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## **Offertory Prayer**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts of bread and wine to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom. Blessed be God for ever.

## The Great Thanksgiving 2

[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.

It is right to praise you, faithful God, Always and everywhere, for with your only begotten Son and life-giving Spirit, you are the one true God from everlasting to everlasting

At the dawn of time you wrought from nothing a universe of beauty and splendour, bringing light from darkness and order from chaos.

You formed us in your image, and endowed us with creative power.

We turned away from you but you did not abandon us. You call us by name and searched us out, making a covenant of mercy, giving the law, and teaching justice by the prophets.

And so we praise you,

joining with your faithful people of every time and place, singing the eternal song:

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.]

When the fullness of time was come, you sent your Son to be born of Mary. Bright image of your glory, he learnt obedience to you in all things, even to death on a cross, breaking the power of evil, freeing us from sin, and putting death to flight.

You raised him from death, exalting him to glory, and the new day dawned.

On the night he was betrayed your son Jesus Christ shared food with his friends, his companions on the way.

While at table he took bread, blessed, and broke it, and giving it to them said: 'Take, eat; this is my body.'

He took a cup of wine,

and, giving thanks, he gave it to them, and said, 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Do this in remembrance of me.'

> Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore, living God, as we obey his command, we remember his life of obedience to you, his suffering and death, his resurrection and exaltation, and his promise to be with us for ever. With this bread and this cup we celebrate his saving death until he comes.

Accept, we pray, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. and send your Holy Spirit upon us and our celebration that all who eat and drink at this table may be strengthened by Christ's body and blood to serve you in the world.

As one body and one holy people, may we proclaim the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord. through whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, eternal God, now and for 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.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body

for we all share in the one bread.

Lord have mercy on us, Christ have mercy on us, Lord have mercy on us.

[The gifts of God for the people of God.]

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The people come forward to receive Holy Communion

*The sacrament is given with the following words, after which the communicant responds* **Amen.** 

The body of Christ the bread of heaven keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The blood of Christ the cup of salvation keep you in eternal life. **Amen.** *After Communion* 

## THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Living God, in this holy meal you fill us with new hope. May the power of your love, which we have known in word and sacrament, continue your saving work among us, give us courage for our pilgrimage, and bring us to the joys you promise.

Most loving God,

you send us into the world you love. Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of your Spirit.

#### Final Hymn TiS 595

O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end; Lord, be for ever near me, my master and my friend: I shall not fear the battle if you are by my side, nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.

Still let me feel you near me: the world is ever near; I see the sights that dazzle, and tempting sounds I hear; my foes are ever near me, around me and within; but, Jesus, draw me nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will; Lord, speak to reassure me, to chasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, true guardian of my soul.

Lord, let me see your footmarks and in them plant my own; that I may follow boldly and in your strength alone; O guide me, call me, draw me, uphold me to the end; and then in heaven receive me, my Saviour and my friend.

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#### Dismissal

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 upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

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