

The Anglican Diocese of Gippsland



Solemn Choral Evensong to commemorate
the life, work and witness of



Her Majesty Elizabeth II

St Paul's Cathedral, Sale
7pm Thursday 15th September 2022

WELCOME

Welcome to St Paul's Cathedral, Sale, the home church for Anglicans in Gippsland.

We are delighted that you are with us to share in this solemn commemoration of the long life and faithful witness of our late Sovereign, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Defender of the Faith and Supreme Governor of the Church of England.

Whether you are Anglican, from another Christian Church or another faith tradition, you are warmly welcome to take part in the service.

We worship on the traditional lands of the Brayakaulung clan of the Gunaikurnai peoples and we acknowledge and pay our respect to their elders past and present and to Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders with us today or watching online.

Please join us in singing the hymns and saying those parts of the service printed in **bold** type. This service is livestreamed. Please ensure that mobile phones and other devices are switched off.

MUSICIANS

Tonight's Choir is comprised of members of St Mary's Cathedral Choir, Sale, the *Schoir* from Gippsland Grammar, and members of the Gippsland Grammar community, with direction from Michele Wakeham and Kevin Cameron

Organist – Julie Peevey

THE PROCESSION

Crucifer

Canons of the Cathedral

Cathedral Clergy

The Dean of Sale

The Bishop of Gippsland

The Bishop's Chaplain

ORDER OF SERVICE

During the processional hymn the sanctuary party enters the church

Please stand



1 All my hope on God is—foun-ded; he doth still my trust re-new, me through
change and chance he gui-deth, on - ly good and on - ly true. God un -
known, he a - lone calls my heart to be— his own.

2
Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray his trust;
what with care and toil he buildeth,
tower and temple fall to dust.
But God's power, hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

3
God's great goodness aye endureth,
deep his wisdom, passing thought:
splendour, light and life attend him,
beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore from his store
newborn worlds rise and adore.

4
Daily doth the almighty Giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow;
his desire our soul delighteth,
pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand at his hand;
joy doth wait on his command.

5
Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ, his Son.
Christ doth call one and all:
ye who follow shall not fall.

Words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930)
based on the German by Joachim Neander (1650-1680)
Tune: Michael

Please remain standing, as you are able, for the Bidding

THE BIDDING & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS

The Very Reverend Keren Terpstra, Dean of Sale

Dear friends in Christ, we gather today on the lands of the Brayakaulung clan of the Gunaikurnai peoples. We give thanks for their ancestors and acknowledge the ongoing right and responsibility of their elders to care for this Country, and we pay our respects to all First Nations people.

As one family under God, we come together to give thanks for the life and service of our most gracious Sovereign Lady, Elizabeth, our late Queen: her grace, humanity and sympathy, for her courage in adversity, for the happiness she brought to so many, for her steadfast pilgrimage of faith, for her example of service, and for the duty which she rendered unflinchingly to this nation and the Commonwealth of Nations, we thank and praise Almighty God.

As we commend his servant Elizabeth to God's mercy, let us especially pray for her son, King Charles, and Queen Consort Camilla, her grandson William, Prince of Wales, and all her family in their loss:

Father of all mercies and God of all consolation,
you pursue us with untiring love
and dispel the shadow of death
with the bright dawn of life.
Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
by dying has destroyed our death,
and by rising, restored our life.
Your Holy Spirit, our comforter,
speaks for us in groans too deep for words.
Come alongside your people,
remind them of your eternal presence
and give them your comfort and strength. **Amen.**

THE OPENING RESPONSES

Led by the Bishop; please remain standing and join the Choir in the responses

O Lord, open thou our lips;
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, and is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.**

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

All sit for the Psalm and the Readings

PSALM 121

Led by Annette Hollonds

I lift up my eyes to the hills:

but where shall I find help?

My help comes from the Lord:

who has made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer your foot to stumble:

and he who watches over you will not sleep.

Be sure he who has charge of Israel:

will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself is your keeper:

the Lord is your defence upon your right hand;

The sun shall not strike you by day:

nor shall the moon by night.

The Lord will defend you from all evil:

it is he who will guard your life.

The Lord will defend your going out and your coming in:

from this time forward for evermore.

THE FIRST READING

Ecclesiastes 12.1-7

Councillor Carmel Ripper

Remember your creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come, and the years draw near when you will say, 'I have no pleasure in them'; before the sun and the light and the moon and the stars are darkened and the clouds return with the rain; on the day when the guards of the house tremble, and the strong men are bent, and the women who grind cease working because they are few, and those who look through the windows see dimly; when the doors on the street are shut, and

the sound of the grinding is low, and one rises up at the sound of a bird, and all the daughters of song are brought low; when one is afraid of heights, and terrors are in the road; the almond tree blossoms, the grasshopper drags itself along and desire fails; because all must go to their eternal home, and the mourners will go about the streets; before the silver cord is snapped, and the golden bowl is broken, and the pitcher is broken at the fountain, and the wheel broken at the cistern, and the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the breath returns to God who gave it.

Here ends the first lesson.

Please stand as you are able, to say

THE MAGNIFICAT

The Song of Mary, St Luke 1.46-55

**My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord:
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
Who has looked with favour on his lowly servant:
from this day all generations will call me blessed;
The Almighty has done great things for me:
and holy is his name.
God has mercy on those who fear him:
from generation to generation.
The Lord has shown strength with his arm:
and scattered the proud in their conceit,
Casting down the mighty from their thrones:
and lifting up the lowly.
God has filled the hungry with good things:
and sent the rich away empty.
He has come to the aid of his servant Israel:
to remember the promise of mercy,
The promise made to our forebears:
to Abraham and his children for ever.
Glory to God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
as in the beginning, so now, and for ever. Amen.**

All sit

THE SECOND READING

Revelation 7.9-17

Fr Francis Otopo, Dean, St Mary's Cathedral, Sale

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me,

'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

Here ends the second lesson.

Please stand as you are able, to say

NUNC DIMITTIS

The Song of Simeon, St Luke 2.29-32

**Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace:
your word has been fulfilled.**

**My own eyes have seen the salvation:
which you have prepared in the sight of every people:**

**A light to reveal you to the nations:
and the glory of your people Israel.**

**Glory to God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:
as in the beginning, so now, and for ever. Amen.**

All remain standing and are invited to say together

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*The Bishop leads the Lesser Litany and Collects;
please join the Choir in the Responses and the Lord's Prayer*

THE LESSER LITANY

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

All sit or kneel

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father,
who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

RESPONSES

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.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECTS

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us with your servant Elizabeth, our late Queen, and all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection: that, in the last day, when you will gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord.
Amen.

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works proceed; give unto your servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey your commandments, and also that by you 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.**

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

All sit as the Choir sings

THE ANTHEM

Henry Purcell (1659-1695), Thou Knowest Lord

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts;
shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayers;
but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty.
O holy and most merciful Saviour,
thou most worthy Judge eternal,
suffer us not, at our last hour,
for any pains of death, to fall from thee. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer 1662, Funeral Sentences

THE PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

The Dean introduces the prayers

In faith let us pray to our risen Lord Jesus Christ, who is the resurrection and life of all who trust in him, remembering before him our late Sovereign Elizabeth, Queen of Australia, whom we now recall in a moment of silent prayer.

Silence is kept

Jacque Postlethwaite, Associate Pastor Sale Baptist, prays

God of all grace, you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to bring life and immortality to light: we give you humble thanks that by his death he destroyed the power of death, and by his glorious resurrection he opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Grant us to know that because he lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, shall be able to separate us from your love, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

Samuel Lindsay, Flooding Creek Community Church, prays

Almighty God, Father of all mercies and giver of all comfort: deal graciously, we pray, with those who mourn, that casting all their care on you, they may know the consolation of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Neil Ross, St Columba's Uniting Church, prays

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly pray you to bless our most gracious Sovereign, King Charles, Camilla, Queen Consort, William, Prince of Wales, and all the Royal Family: endue them with your Holy Spirit, enrich them with your heavenly grace; prosper them with all happiness; and bring them to your everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

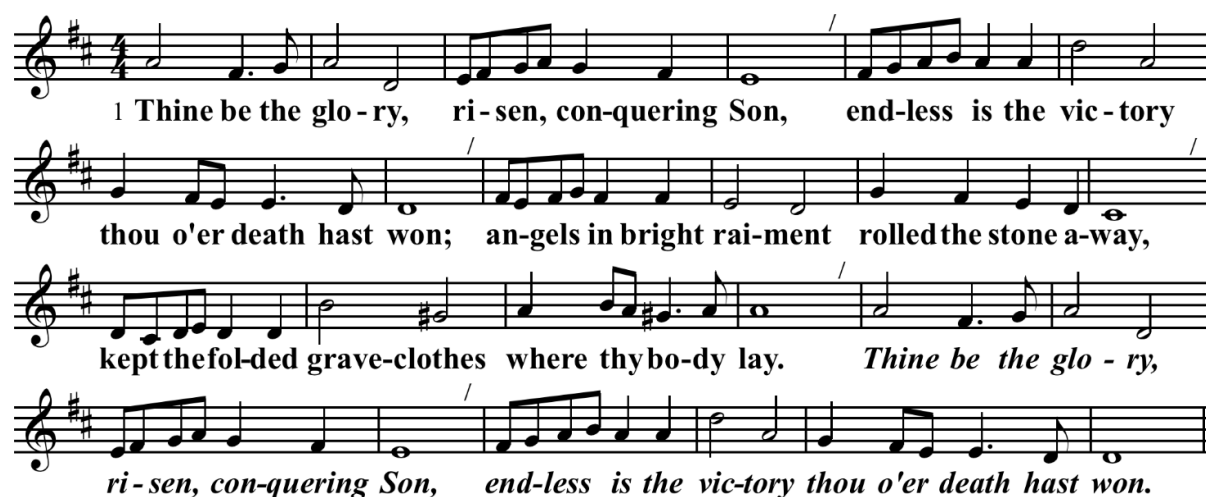
Honorary Canon David Head prays

Eternal Lord God, you hold all souls in life: shed forth, we pray, upon your whole Church in paradise and on earth the bright beams of your light and heavenly comfort; and grant that we, following the good example of our late Queen Elizabeth and those who have loved and served you here and are now at rest, may at the last enter with them into the fullness of your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Dean concludes

O eternal God, our Heavenly Father, we bless your holy name for all that you have given us in and through the life of your daughter Elizabeth, our late Queen. We give you thanks for her love of family and her gift of friendship; for her grace, dignity and courtesy; for her humour, generosity and sheer love of life. And we praise you for the courage that she showed in times of hardship; the depth and reality of her Christian faith; the good example that she set for us to follow. We offer you our heartfelt thanks for the deep affection she drew out of everyone she met. Let light perpetual shine upon her, and work in her the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All stand to sing



Thine be the glo-ry, ri-sen, con-que-ri-son, end-less is the vic-tory
thou o'er death hast won; an-gels in bright rai-ment rolled the stone a-way,
kept the fol-ded grave-clothes where thy bo-dy lay. Thine be the glo-ry,
ri-sen, con-que-ri-son, end-less is the vic-tory thou o'er death hast won.

2

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord is living, death has lost its sting:

Thine be the glory ...

3

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;
life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above:

Thine be the glory ...

Words: Edmond Louis Budry (1854-1932),
translated by Richard Birch Hoyle (1875-1939)
Tune: Maccabaeus

THE SERMON

The Very Reverend Keren Terpstra, Dean of Sale

All stand to sing



1 Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voi - ces, who
won - drous things hath done, in whom his world re - joi - ces; who
from our mo - ther's arms hath blessed us on our way with
count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.

2

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world and the next.

3

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and Holy Ghost,
one Lord in highest heaven,
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heav'n adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

*Words: Martin Rinkart (1586-1649),
Translated by Catherine Winkworth (1827-78)
Tune: Nun Danket Alle Got*

HER LATE MAJESTY'S LETTER TO THE 2022 LAMBETH CONFERENCE

*The Bishop reads a letter from the late Queen, which was read to delegates
at the recent Lambeth Conference by the Bishop of London*

MUSICAL REFLECTION

*John Rutter (born 1945),
The Lord Bless You*

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make His face to shine upon you,
to shine upon you and be gracious,
and be gracious unto you.

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make His face to shine upon you,
to shine upon you and be gracious,
and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you;
the Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you,
and give you peace, and give you peace;
and give you peace, and give you peace. Amen.

Aaronic Blessing

Please stand as you are able

AN ACT OF ENTRUSTING AND COMMENDING

The Bishop

Let us commend our sister, Elizabeth our late Queen,
to the mercy of God, our Maker and Redeemer:

O heavenly Father, by your mighty power you have given us life, and in your love you have given us new life in your beloved Son: we entrust our sister, ELIZABETH, to your merciful keeping, in the faith of the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who died and rose again to save us and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

Please remain standing

THE BLESSING

The Bishop

May God in his infinite love and mercy bring the whole Church, living and departed in the Lord Jesus, to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of his eternal kingdom; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Australians all let us rejoice,
for we are one and free;
we've golden soil and wealth for toil;
our home is girt by sea;
our land abounds in nature's gifts
of beauty rich and rare;
in history's page, let every stage
advance Australia fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
advance Australia fair.

Please remain standing

THE HYMN TO THE KING'S MAJESTY

God save our gracious King,
long live our noble King,
God save the King.
Send him victorious,
happy and glorious,
long to reign over us:
God save the King.

Thesaurus Musicus (c. 1743)

*Please remain standing as the Sanctuary party leaves the church,
after which you are invited to sit and remain, and to listen to*

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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