



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL GRAFTON

open doors ... open hearts ... open minds ...

5 July 2020

5th Sunday after Pentecost

A generous faith community—centred on Jesus, seeking wisdom for life and acting with compassion—in the heart of Grafton since 1842.

Welcome to worship for the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost.

<i>President</i>	Archdeacon Tiffany Sparks
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<i>Mass setting</i>	<i>A Community Mass</i> (Richard Proulx)



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Introit

Cantors

Suscépinus (Plainsong)

Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country

Processional Hymn

I heard the voice of Jesus say [TIS 585]

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Come unto me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down
your head upon my breast.'
I came to Jesus as I was,
weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting-place,
and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down and drink and live.'
I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise,
and all your day be bright.'
I looked to Jesus, and I found
in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk
till travelling days are done.

Horatius Bonar 1808-89 alt.

The presiding minister greets the people.

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of Approach

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

Cantor: Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy

Cantor: Christ, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

Cantor: Lord, have mercy

Lord, have mercy.

Confession

We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

Silence may be kept.

Let us then run our race, laying aside every weight and bringing our sins to the Lord in penitence and faith.

Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you
in thought and 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.

The 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.

The Gloria

Cantors

*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, Amen.*

Prayer of the Day.

Almighty God,
your Son Jesus Christ has taught us
that what we do for the least of his brothers and sisters
we do also for him:
give us the will to serve others
as he was the servant of all,
who gave up his life and died for us;
yet lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Genesis 24:34–38,42–49,58–67

So he said, ‘I am Abraham’s servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master’s wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, “You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father’s house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.”

‘I came today to the spring, and said, “O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, ‘Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,’ and who will say to me, ‘Drink, and I will draw for your camels also’—let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master’s son.”

‘Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water-jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, “Please let me drink.” She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, “Drink, and I will also water your camels.” So I drank, and she also watered the camels.

Then I asked her, “Whose daughter are you?” She said, “The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor’s son, whom Milcah bore to him.” So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshipped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master’s kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left.’

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, ‘Will you go with this man?’ She said, ‘I will.’ So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham’s servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her,

‘May you, our sister, become
thousands of myriads;

may your offspring gain possession
of the gates of their foes.'

Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.

Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, 'Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?' The servant said, 'It is my master.' So she took her veil and covered herself.

And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

Hear the word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 45:10-17

Cantors

- 10 Hear, O daughter, consider and incline your ear:
forget your own people and your father's house.
- 11 The king desires your beauty:
he is your lord, therefore bow down before him.
- 12 The richest among the people, O daughter of Tyre:
shall entreat your favour with gifts.
- 13 The king's daughter is all glorious within:
her clothing is embroidered cloth-of-gold.
- 14 In robes of many colours she is led to you, O king:
and, after her, the virgins that are with her.
- 15 They are led with gladness and rejoicing:
they enter the palace of the king.
- 16 In place of your fathers you shall have sons:
and make them princes over all the land.
- 17 And I will make known your name to every generation:
therefore the peoples shall give you praise for ever.

The Gospel

Matthew 11:15-19,25-30

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;

You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Let anyone with ears listen!

‘But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,

“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.”

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, “He has a demon”; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, “Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!” Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.’

At that time Jesus said, ‘I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.

All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ‘Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

Nicene Creed

Let us together affirm the faith of the church.

We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
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
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 FAITHFUL

Encouraged by our fellowship with all the saints, let us make our prayers to the Father through our Lord Jesus Christ.

We pray for churches in our local community and across the nation as restrictions continue to impact on our opportunities for worship and for service to others. We pray especially for Murray our Bishop, Tiffany our Diocesan Archdeacon and Greg our Dean. Lord, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

We give thanks for those who devote themselves to community service and national leadership, and we pray for those serving in the Clarence Valley Council or as parliamentary representatives. Lord, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

We give thanks for the schools across our Valley and we pray for students and staff as they now enjoy a break after a demanding term.

Lord, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Your Son sent out disciples to preach and heal the sick. Look with mercy on all those who yearn to hear the good news of salvation, and especially Joy Baldwin, Gail Gilmore, Betty Ford, Ruth Kingsley, Robert Lindley, Kay Metcalfe, and Tammy Uren. Lord, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

We give thanks for the life and service of Shirley Adams, OAM and pray especially for her family at this time. We also pray for Ailsa Tester, Carl Schaeffer, Hugh Harris, Lorna Juett and Ray Matchett whose year's mind occurs this week.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Please join me as we say the Cathedral Prayer together:

Living and eternal Christ bless the ministry of this Cathedral as a place of pilgrimage and prayer. May our doors always be open to pilgrims, may our hearts always be open to one another, and may our minds always be open to new truth. Draw us deeply into the mystery of your life, your death and your resurrection, now and always. Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

The president says

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

THE OFFERTORY

The gifts are brought to the Lord's Table.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this wine to offer.
Fruit of the vine and work of human hands,
it will become our spiritual drink

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have these gifts 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

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 glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty Creator, ever living God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary
and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross,
and rising to new life,
he offered the one true sacrifice for sin,
and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name.
for ever praising you and singing:

**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.

Merciful God, we thank you
for these gifts of your creation,
this bread and wine,
and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink them
may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

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.'

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.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit,
unite us in the body of your Son,
and bring us with all your people
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
we worship you, Father,
in songs of never-ending praise.

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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 celebrant breaks the bread.

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.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace

The celebrant says

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Holy things for holy people.
Broken things for broken people.

Communion Anthem

Panis Angelicus

(Cesar Franck)

Notices

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Mission Hymn

Praise the God who changes places [TIS 178]

Praise the God who changes places, leaves the lofty seat,
Welcomes us with warm embraces, stoops to wash our feet.

*Friends, be strong!
Hold your heads high!
Freedom is our song! Alleluia!*

Praise the Rabbi, speaking, doing all that God intends,
Dying, rising, faith renewing, calling us his friends.

Praise the Breath of Love,
whose freedom spreads our waking wings,
Lifting ev'ry blight and burden till the spirit sings.

Praise, until we join the singing far beyond our sight,
With the Ending and Beginning, dancing in the light.

Brian Wren, 1936–

The president says

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

Blessing

God give you grace to follow
Peter, Paul and all the saints
in faith and hope and love;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
All Amen.

A minister says

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

Organ Postlude

Sortie - (Cesar Franck)

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SHIRLEY ADAMS, OAM

On Monday (6 July) at 11.00am we have a service at the Cathedral to celebrate the life and community service of Shirley Adams, OAM. Shirley was Jacaranda Queen in 1952 and devoted many years to community service, including an extended period in local government as well as leadership within the Girl Guides Association. Shirley was the last person to hold the office of Mayor of Grafton prior to the formation of Clarence Valley Council. We give thanks for her many contributions to the wellbeing of our community and extend our condolences to her husband, John, as well as other members of her family. Due to the restrictions under the current public health order numbers at the service will be restricted to 50 persons in the congregation.

CATHEDRAL ORGAN REBUILD

Last year the Parish Council accepted a proposal for a major rebuild of the organ console and commissioned Ian Brown & Associates to undertake the work. The total cost for the contract is \$123,767 (excluding GST).

The new drawstop units and rocker tabs for couplers and the new operating system for the whole console from Peterson Electro Musical Products Inc in the USA have arrived and are in the organ builder's factory in Ballina awaiting installation in the console.

The Low note unit to complete the 32ft Contra-Posaune on the pedal has not yet been despatched due to COVID-19. However, it can be installed at a later date when it arrives from the USA. The



new keyboards from P&S Organ supply in the UK have been made and we await their arrival from the UK.

We expect the work will take place between mid/late July and the beginning of September. The organ will be unplayable during this time.

RESIDENTIAL AGED CARE MINISTRY

During the COVID-19 pandemic access to the residential aged care facilities has been very limited. For the most we only have access if the resident or their family have requested us to make a pastoral visit to them. If you have family in one of these facilities and would like Camellia to call by, please let us know so that we can use that request as the basis for permission to enter the facility.

CATHEDRAL HERITAGE PROJECT

We expect work to commence soon on the replacement of the roof over the Chapel, including the northern transept entry to the Cathedral. Final approvals for the work to begin have now been issued. We have a grant of \$85,000 from Heritage NSW to assist with the work, but the total cost will be \$220,000 so we need to find the difference of \$135,000 from Cathedral funds.

CATHEDRAL OP SHOP

There has been a real buzz of activity around the Op Shop as it relaunched in the past two weeks. A special thank you to Allen Madden for his generosity in creating a wonderful set of shelving to assist with the Cathedral Pantry which now functions as part of the community well-being hub centred on the Cathedral Op Shop.



Flyer about Roz's project

Cathedral Parish Directory

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Prayers for those in need

Joy Baldwin
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Brian Holley
Fay Kelly
Ruth Kingsley
Doris Lee
Joan Marr
John McAnally

Kay Metcalf
Eileen Rogan
Val Rogers
Muriel Shepherd
Tammy Uren
Jessie Usher

Remembering those who have died

Recently departed: Shirley Adams, OAM

Year's Mind: Ailsa Tester, Carl Schaeffer, Hugh Harris, Lorna Juett, Ray Matchett

Cathedral Prayer

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Around the Parish this Week

Today	<p>FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</p> <p>9.00am – Cathedral Live Online: https://www.graftoncathedral.org.au/this-sunday</p> <p>11.00am Dean’s Forum: Parables of Jesus</p>
Weekdays	<p>Morning Prayer & Evening Prayer will continue to be said at 8.30am and 5.30pm. We gather using Zoom with people from across the Diocese often joining us. Please email us for the link if you wish to join this online prayer community from time to time.</p> <p>Both the Bookshop and the OpShop have now re-opened. Other parish activities remain suspended, unless otherwise advised.</p> <p>Please ensure that we have your email address and mobile number so we can reach out to you with information, news and pastoral support.</p> <p>Download the Cathedral App for daily spiritual messages as well as other information from the Cathedral.</p> <p>If you have a Facebook account, please join us in the private Grafton Anglicans Facebook Group for a more interactive online community.</p> <p>If you need pastoral care or other support, please call either the Dean or Rev Camellia.</p>

Next Sunday	<p>SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</p> <p>9.00am – Cathedral Live Online: https://www.graftoncathedral.org.au/this-sunday</p>
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