



# St Patrick's Cathedral Weekly Newsletter

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## REFLECTION By Sr Veronica Lawson rsm

The constitutions of my religious institute remind me that “the tender mercy of our God has given us one another”. The implications of this profoundly beautiful truth are spelt out thus: “In our communities, we try to live in the friendship of Christ’s disciples [John 15:15]. To so live calls forth relationships of equality, a real acceptance of ourselves and others, a forgetfulness of anything that does not make love its message.” Living in the friendship of Christ’s disciples is at the heart of a gospel way of living. It is the commission at the heart of today’s reading and seems to be exactly what Pope Francis reminded all believers in his Apostolic Exhortation on the Call to Holiness in Today’s World, Gaudete et Exultate: “We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do”.

As we listen to the proclamation of the gospel, we might attend to the repetition of “joy”, to the three-fold repetition of “friends” and to the nine-fold repetition of “love”. We might attend to the way in which the pronouns I/my/me and you/your function in the passage. We may also notice the reference to “commands” and “commandments”.

We tend not to associate “commands” with friendship and love because those we count as our friends are not usually in the habit of commanding or ordering us to do what they want. We derive little joy from being ordered to do something. And yet, there is no resiling from the juxtaposition of these terms. God, imaged in the gospel passage as “Father”, loves Jesus. Jesus remains or abides in God’s love so deeply that this love flows on to his friends. They are to love one another as Jesus has loved them. This is his commandment or commission to them and, by extension, to us. It directs them/us to live for each other and put their lives/our lives on the line for one another. Countless volunteers in the tragic war zones of our world are doing precisely that.

Remaining in the love of God or of Jesus and doing what God or Jesus commands seem to be one and the same thing. In other words, love is not just an emotion: it is always expressed in action that is in tune with and for the sake of the other. The disciples need no further explanation. Jesus’ whole life and his courage in the face of impending death have shown them what it means to love one another.

Living in the friendship of Christ’s disciples is not some abstract goal. Too often we affirm the goodness of our selfless companions on the journey only when we come to lay them to rest. As we approach the end of the Easter season, we might give thanks for the love of our friends, for their witness to holiness and for the joy that they bring to our lives.



## CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

This weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (previously held during the month of August).

CatholicCare Victoria works with individuals, families and communities to build strength, resilience, and empowerment to reach their full potential. Your generous donation will help the most vulnerable members of our community – those facing unemployment and homelessness, those experiencing mental health challenges, families struggling with relationship problems, people in hospitals and prisons, newly arrived refugees, and those experiencing grief and trauma.

**Please donate to CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal.** Your compassion and generosity will help the most vulnerable and marginalised in our community. You can donate using the appeal envelope available, donate online at [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au) or call (03) 9287 5513.



Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the Rosary.

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One Family in Faith | One Family in Mission

**World Mission  
May Rosary Prayers**

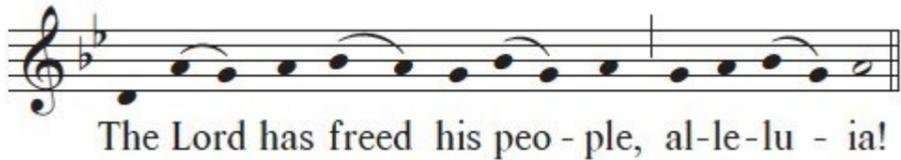
Mon - Fri  
Time: 2pm Brisbane / Melbourne time  
12pm Perth time  
Join Zoom Meeting:  
<https://tinyurl.com/cmprayer>  
Meeting ID:  
893 8798 2280  
Password:  
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GO AND INVITE  
**EVERYONE**  
to the banquet

**catholic mission**  
Reach out. Give life.

**Entrance Antiphon**

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;  
proclaim to the ends of the earth:  
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.



**Entrance Hymn**

**CWB II 497 V1,2,3**

God has spoken by his prophets,  
spoken his unchanging word,  
each, from age to age proclaiming  
God, the One, the righteous Lord.  
In the world's despair and turmoil  
one firm anchor holds us fast:  
God eternal reigns forever,  
God the first, and God the last.

God has spoken by Christ Jesus,  
Christ, the everlasting Son,  
brightness of the Father's glory,  
with the Father, ever One;  
spoken by the Word incarnate,  
God from God, ere time began,  
Light from light, to earth descending,  
God, revealed as Son of Man

God is speaking by the Spirit,  
speaking to our hearts again,  
in the age-less Word declaring  
God's own message, now as then.  
Through the rise and fall of nations  
one sure faith yet standing fast:  
God still speaks, his word unchanging,  
God the first, and God the last.

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Tune: HYMN TO JOY 87.87D; melody - Ludwig van Beethoven 1770-1827, arr. Edward Hodges, 1796-1867

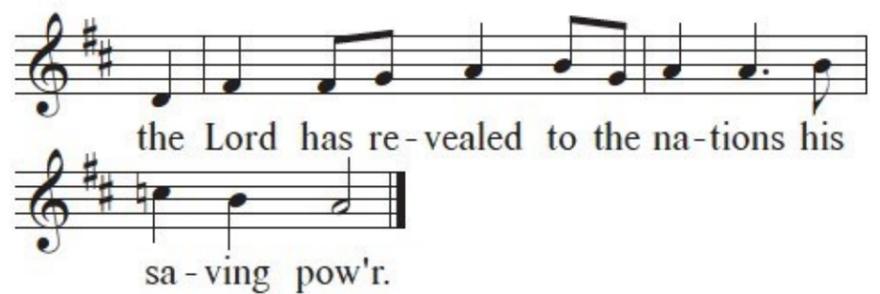
**First Reading Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26. 34-35. 44-48**

***The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the gentiles also.***

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said, 'I am only a man after all!' Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said, 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.' While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 97:1-4**



1. Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. **R**
2. The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. **R**
3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. **R**

**Second Reading**

**1 John 4:7-10**

***God is love.***

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

**Gospel Acclamation**



All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel**

**John 15:9-17**

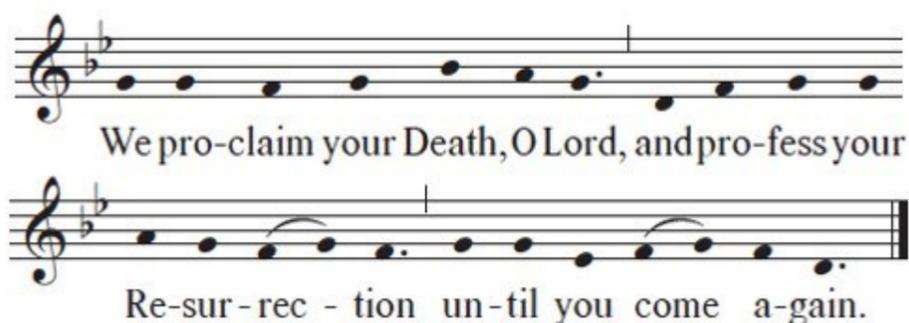
***No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.***

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you, I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell;  
on the third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
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 life everlasting.  
Amen.

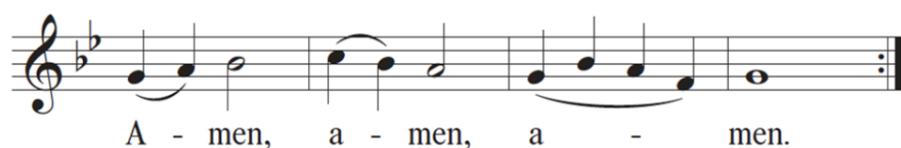
## Memorial Acclamation



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Music: Tuuk, 'Acclamation' from Mass of the Holy Trinity, 9-10.

## Amen

*All (sung twice):*



Marty Haugen, 'Amen' from Mass of Creation (Chicago: GIA Publications, 2010 [ICEL]), 30.

## Communion Antiphon

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,  
and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete,  
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.



## Communion Hymn

CWB II 645

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known.  
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare.  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world  
around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and  
you in me?

Lord your summons echoes true when you but call my  
name.

Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.

In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Text John L. Bell, b.1949 and Graham Maule, b.1958, from Heaven Shall Not Wait.  
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## Post-Communion/ Recessional Hymn

CWB II 499

God is love, let heav'n adore him; God is love,  
let earth rejoice; let creation sing before him,  
And exalt him with one voice. God, who laid the earth's  
foundation, he who spread the heav'ns above,  
and who breathes through all creation  
God is love, eternal Love.

God is love, and gently enfolding all the world in one  
embrace, with unfailing grasp is holding  
ev'ry child of ev'ry race. And when human hearts are  
breaking under sorrow's iron rod,  
then they find that selfsame aching  
deep within the heart of God.

God is love, and, though with blindness  
sin afflicts all human hearts,  
God's eternal loving kindness holding,  
guiding, grace imparts.  
Sin and death and hell shall never  
o'er us final triumph gain;  
God is love, so love for ever  
o'er the universe must reign.

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## Mass Setting

**11am:** Missa Brevis in C Major, K.220 – Mozart

**6.30pm:** Missa Quarti Toni – Victoria

## Offertory

**11am:** Ave Maria – Schubert  
(Cello – Dóra Gyimesi-Horváth)

*In memory of Maria Patak*

**6.30pm:** If Ye Love Me – Tallis

## Communion

**6.30pm:** *Ego vos elegi* (plainchant)

## Organ Postlude

**11am:** Toccata sur Victimæ Paschali Laudes – Bedard

**6.30pm:** Praeludium in G minor – Tunder

*Wedding Congratulations*

*Maddison McLeod & Steven Hrkac*



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'Rights and Responsibilities' and

'Feel safe and be Safe at Our Church'

at the entrances of the Cathedral

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**The next St Patrick's Cathedral Young Adult Ministry (SPCYAM) meeting will be held**

on Wednesday 8 May 2024 at 6.30pm - 8.30pm. Come and join us for a night of fellowship, praise and worship, divine mercy chaplet, and scriptural reflection based on Mk 16:15-20. Meet us at the Cathedral Room, CKC, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne.

For information please email to [jaycee.napoles@cam.org.au](mailto:jaycee.napoles@cam.org.au) or [info.spcyam@gmail.com](mailto:info.spcyam@gmail.com).

We look forward to seeing you there!



## EXTRAORDINARY FORM LATIN MASS

In the Sacred Heart Chapel at St Patrick's Cathedral every Wednesday at 5.30pm

## HOLY HOUR HELD IN THE CATHEDRAL EVERY THURSDAY AT 6.30PM

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Each Friday at the conclusion of the 1.00pm Mass, in the Sacred Heart Chapel. Exposition until 2.15pm.

## CATHEDRAL MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday: 7.00am and 1.00pm (1.00pm live streamed - Link: [www.youtube.com/user/archmelb](http://www.youtube.com/user/archmelb)) Saturday 8.00am and 6.00pm. (Vigil)

Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am and 6.30pm. (11.00am televised on C31. and live streamed on CAM) Link: [www.youtube.com/user/archmelb](http://www.youtube.com/user/archmelb)

Reconciliation will be held Tuesday to Friday at 12pm - 12.45 pm and on Saturday mornings at 8.30am.

## INTERCESSORY PRAYER

We pray for the sick, especially **Laura Bird** and for all who have asked for our prayers.

We pray for all those who have died recently, especially **Maria Thom Luu** and those whose anniversaries we remember at this time, especially **John Hai Vu** and **Peter Haythornthwaite**.

## St Patrick's Cathedral Young Adult Ministry (SPCYAM) (age 18 to 40 yrs old)

Every 2nd & 4th Wednesday at Cathedral Room, CKC Centre, 383 Albert St, East Melbourne

Last Saturday of each month; 6pm mass, followed by meal.

Contact Fr. Jaycee Napoles ([Jaycee.Napoles@cam.org.au](mailto:Jaycee.Napoles@cam.org.au)) or [info.spcyam@gmail.com](mailto:info.spcyam@gmail.com)