

12 February 2023 | Morning Prayer | 10:00 and 12:00

O come all ye people! **Let us worship the Lord**

Opening Hymn 25 All things bright and beautiful

*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.*

2 Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
he made their glowing colours,
he made their tiny wings.

3 The purple-headed mountain,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brightens up the sky:

4 The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
he made them every one.

5 He gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty,
who has made all things well.

Greeting and Introduction

The Lord be with you **And also with you**

Confession and Absolution

**Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate
fault;
by what we have done and by what we have failed to do.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Versicles

O Lord, open our lips **and our mouth will proclaim your praise.**

O God, make speed to save us. **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

Praise the Lord. **The Lord's name be praised.**

Venite 1-7 - A Call to Worship

1 O come let us sing out to the Lord; •
**let us shout in triumph to the rock of
our salvation.**

2 Let us come before his face with

thanksgiving •

and cry out to him joyfully in psalms.

3 For the Lord is a great God •

and a great king above all gods.

4 In his hand are the depths of the earth
• **and the peaks of the mountains are his also.**

5 The sea is his and he made it, •
his hands moulded dry land.

6 Come let us worship and bow down •
and kneel before the Lord our maker.

7 For he is the Lord our God; •
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and
to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

Lesson Matthew 6: 25–34

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? ‘And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith. So do not worry, saying, “What shall we eat?” or “What shall we drink?” or “What shall we wear?” For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Children’s Section: Do not worry!

Hymn 596 Seek ye first the Kingdom of God

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
and His righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto
you; alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu, alleluia!

knock, and the door shall be opened
unto you; alleluia, alleluia!

3 We shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of the
Lord; alleluia, alleluia!

2 Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
seek, and ye shall find;

Sunday Club begins

Thanks to the leaders who volunteer and serve each week to nurture children in the faith their parents promised to share with them!

Psalm 136:1-9

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious, •

for his mercy endures for ever.

2 Give thanks to the God of gods, •
for his mercy endures for ever.

3 Give thanks to the Lord of lords, •
for his mercy endures for ever;

4 Who alone does great wonders, •
for his mercy endures for ever;

5 Who by wisdom made the heavens, •
for his mercy endures for ever;

6 Who laid out the earth upon the waters, •

for his mercy endures for ever;

7 Who made the great lights, •
for his mercy endures for ever;

8 The sun to rule the day, •
for his mercy endures for ever;

9 The moon and the stars to govern the night, •

for his mercy endures for ever;

26 Give thanks to the God of heaven, •
for his mercy endures for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; •

as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

Lesson Romans 8: 18-25

A Reading from Romans Chapter 8: beginning to read at verse 18:

I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Creed, Lord's Prayer & Prayers

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 again; he

ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again 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 Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Show us your mercy, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.

O Lord, save the King
and grant his government wisdom.

Let your ministers be clothed with
righteousness

and let your servants shout for joy.

O Lord, save your people
**and bless those whom you have
chosen.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord,
**and let your glory be over all the
earth.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us
And renew us by your Holy Spirit.

The Collect and Occasional Prayers

Offering Hymn 657 O God of Bethel

O God of Bethel, by whose hand
thy children still are fed;
who through this earthly pilgrimage
hast all thy people led;

2 our vows, our prayers, we now
present before thy throne of grace;
God of our fathers, be the God
of their succeeding race.

3 Through each perplexing path of life
our wandering footsteps guide;
give us each day our daily bread,
and raiment fit provide.

4 O spread thy covering wings around,
till all our wanderings cease,
and at our Father's loved abode
our souls arrive in peace.

5 Such blessings from thy gracious hand our humble prayers implore;
be thou to us, O Lord our God, our portion evermore.

Sermon

Closing Hymn 6 Immortal, Invisible - God only wise

1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

2 Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

3 To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree,
then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.

4 Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Dismissal Prayer

Parishes Bible Study
in The Rectory 700 Saintfield Road
Tuesday at 8:00. Bring your bibles.
Read and reflect on Galatians 1:1-10
Midweek Communion
at St Ignatius Church
Wednesday at 10:00 am