



# CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL GRAFTON

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

## Christ the King 20 November 2022

Gathering in God's name

Page 119 (Green "A Prayerbook for Australia")  
*Setting A community Mass – Richard Proulx (1937-2010)*

### Introit

*Let all the world in every corner sing –*

music "Luckington" Basil Harwood (1859-1949) arr R Eather; text George Herbert (1593-1933)

### Entrance Hymn

224 TIS All hail the power of Jesus' name

### Sentence

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Zechariah 9.92

### Invitation to Confession

"If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7:14

### *Silence may be kept*

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.  
Page 120 **Merciful God**....

### The Collect of the day

Eternal God,  
you exalted Jesus Christ to rule over all things,  
and have made us instruments of his kingdom:  
by your Spirit empower us to love the unloved, and to minister to all in need,  
then at the last bring us to your eternal realm

where we may be welcomed into your everlasting joy  
and may worship and adore you for ever;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

Jeremiah 23.1–6

‘Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore, thus’ says the Lord, ‘the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings,’ says the Lord. ‘Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing,’ says the Lord.

‘The days are surely coming,’ says the Lord, ‘when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The Lord is our righteousness.’”

Hear the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

### The Song of Zechariah (Benedictus)

*Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel:  
who has come to his people and set them free.  
The Lord has raised up for us a mighty Saviour:  
born of the house of his servant David.  
Through the holy prophets, God promised of old:  
to save us from our enemies, from the hands of  
all who hate us,  
To show mercy to our forebears:  
and to remember his holy covenant.  
This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,  
Free to worship him without fear:*

*holy and righteous before him, all the days of our life.  
And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High:  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
To give his people knowledge of salvation:  
by the forgiveness of their sins.  
In the tender compassion of our God:  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,  
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and  
the shadow of death:  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.  
Glory to God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:  
as in the beginning, so now, and for ever. Amen.*

## **Second Reading**

Colossians 1.11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

## **The Gospel**

Luke 23.33-43

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.***

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Offertory Hymn**                      517 TIS *Hallelujah! Sing to Jesus*

**The Great Thanksgiving**                      Thanksgiving 1 on page 128

**The Lord's Prayer**                      Page 141

**Communion Anthem**                      *Ave Verum* – Gabriel Faure 1845 - 1924

**Post Communion**                      Page 143

**Mission Hymn**                      216 TIS *Rejoice the Lord is King*

**Organ Postlude**                      *Grand Choeur* – Theodore Dubois 1837 - 1924

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## Honorary Fellowship of the Guild of Church Musicians



It was recently announced that our Cathedral Director of Music, Mr Robert Eather, has been awarded an Honorary Fellowship of the Guild of Church Musicians. The HonFGCM is conferred on someone who has made an exceptional contribution to Church Music, going above and beyond the general expectations of a professional position. This award is also given in recognition of the extraordinary dedication, longevity and commitment to the music programme at Christ Church Cathedral, Grafton which is no longer commonplace in regional Australian cathedrals and churches.

The Guild of Church Musicians is a charity which helps encourage high standards in church music. It offers members examinations, courses, and awards. The Guild was founded in 1888 by the Archbishop of Canterbury as the Church Choir Guild. It was incorporated in 1905 to become known as the Incorporated Guild of Church Musicians. Although the organization was mainly Anglican since its founding, the guild now strives to support and encourage church musicians across all denominations and contexts.

Awards, certificates and diplomas offered by the Guild are designed to focus on the unique contexts of each church musician, and to attempt to build on their strengths, while recognising a range of ability levels and available resources.

Membership of the Guild is open to anyone interested in church music and whilst the majority of members live in the UK the Guild has members living in all parts of the world and there is a separate branch of The Guild in Australia.

The Guild's Patrons are The Most Revd. and Rt. Hon. the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury and His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster.

## “Just a moment” – with Father Rod

There was a fuss a few years ago when we tried to be too politically correct. Changing our language to be properly inclusive is loving, but going to the PC lengths of the time was ridiculous. We happily changed our Prayer Book in the '90's to suit, but attempts within our society to ban 'man-hole' and change 'manipulate' into 'personipulate' was, well, over the top. We have sensibly settled down to Chair, rather than Chairman or Chairwoman, and Principal instead of Headmaster or Headmistress. In short, socially we have come generally to a balance, where gender is not the issue. I appreciate the desire of many 'actresses' to be now 'actors'. And then the term itself changes its meaning to be more inclusive. Like the term priest. Yes, the term 'priestess' was *briefly* discussed, but the meaning, since the 1992 ordination of female priests in Australia has become more inclusive, and for my money, richer in meaning. More about that next week!

For this week however, our thoughts are about our Patronal Festival of Christ the King, which we usually celebrate on the Sunday 'next before Advent'. "patronal"? Haven't we changed that? No, because the Dictionaries are quite clear. 'patron' comes with a different meaning that is genderless. It is 1. *one who enables or supports a particular activity or enterprise in some way;* or 2. *one who frequents, like a customer, an establishment of activity on a regular basis.*

We rejoice this Sunday in the 'patronage' of Christ himself, as King in this Cathedral, and all the support Christ enables in fact, and by this focus. And we rejoice this Sunday in the 'patronage' of many of both our worshiping community and general public who make regular use of this special sacred place, whether in-place or on-line. And we give thanks for the patronage of 'us' as well as the patronage of Christ the King. No wonder tradition has called it a Feast Day! So join in, at 9am Sunday in particular!!

And what about the word 'patronize', which actually comes from the same origins as 'patron'? Well, if your experience is similar to mine, then you will know that this rather derogatory term is not gender specific either!

Many blessings on this our annual Feast Day!

Rod



## All-In-Church-Sunday

9.00am 4 December

With free brunch to follow

All welcome

## Cathedral Parish Directory

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### Prayers for those in need

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### Remembering those who have died

**Recently Departed:** Aunty Lillian Williams (nee Laurie), Garry Sills, Darrin Johnstone, Judy Richardson, Marlene Scroop & Margaret Duff

**Year's Mind:** Merle Amos, Elsie Braund, Darrell Brown, Iris Ferguson, Dulcie James, Diane Cross, Bryson Gilbert, Colleen Martin, Laurence Marchant, Stan Mussared & Muriel Shepherd

### Cathedral Prayer

**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.**

## Around the Parish this Week

<b>Today</b>	<p><b>CHRIST THE KING – Last Sunday after Pentecost</b>  <b>9.00am – Cathedral Live &amp; Online:</b>  <a href="http://www.graftoncathedral.org.au">www.graftoncathedral.org.au</a></p>
<b>Bank Details</b>	<p><b>BSB: 705 077</b>  <b>Acc: 00033630</b>  <b>Name: Anglican Parish of Grafton</b></p>
<b>Weekdays</b>	<p><b>Morning Prayer &amp; Evening Prayer</b> will continue to be said at 8.30am and 5.30pm. <b>You are welcome to join us any time you are free, either in person or via Zoom: Simply use the link on the Cathedral web page CALENDAR</b></p> <p><b>Cathedral Office</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>9.00am–4.00pm(9-7 Tues)</b></span></p> <p><b>Cathedral Bookshop</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>9.30am–3.30pm</b></span></p> <p><b>Cathedral OpShop</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>10.00am–4.00pm</b></span></p> <p><b>Cathedral Pantry</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Mon, Tue &amp; Thur</b></span></p> <p><b>Wednesday Worship</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>at 10.00 am</b></span></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. If you need pastoral care or other support, please call either Father Rod, Canon Camellia or Deacon Grant.  <b>PLEASE MAINTAIN HIGH LEVELS OF VIGILANCE AND PERSONAL HYGIENE AS WE SEEK TO LIMIT THE SPREAD OF THE COVID-19 VIRUS</b></p>
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<p><b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>  <b>9.00am – Cathedral Live &amp; Online:</b>  <a href="http://www.graftoncathedral.org.au">www.graftoncathedral.org.au</a></p>
<b>Birthdays this coming week</b>	<p><b>Happy birthday to Elaine Stephenson</b></p>

### Prayer for a New Dean

**Bountiful God, give to this parish a loving leader and generous pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling.**

**Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.**