



Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 21 June 2026

Setting: St Thomas Mass – David Thorne (1950-)

President & Preacher: **The Reverend Canon Zoe Everingham**

Gathering in God's name Page 119 (Green "A Prayerbook for Australia")

Introit

Exáudi, Dómine – Plainsong

Entrance Hymn

464 TIS Seek, O seek the Lord

Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country

Sentence

Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for Jesus' sake will find it.

Matthew 10.39

Invitation to Confession

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' Jesus said: 'This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

Silence may be kept.

Let us therefore bring our sins before the one true God, in penitence and faith.

The Collect of the day

Gracious God,
we who were baptised into Christ Jesus
were baptised into his death:
we pray that, as you raised him from death,
so by the power of the Holy Spirit we may live the new life to your glory,
knowing ourselves to be dead in sin
but alive for you in Jesus Christ;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Genesis 21.8-21

⁸ The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. ⁹ But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. ¹⁰ So she said to Abraham, 'Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave

woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.’¹¹ The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son.¹² But God said to Abraham, ‘Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named after you.’¹³ As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.’¹⁴ So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beersheba.¹⁵ When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes.¹⁶ Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, ‘Do not let me look on the death of the child.’ And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept.¹⁷ And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, ‘What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is.’¹⁸ Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.’¹⁹ Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.²⁰ God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow.²¹ He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

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

Psalm 86.1-10 (Chant – adapted from James Frazier)

*¹ Incline your ear to me, O God, and answer me:
for I am poor and in misery.*

*² Preserve my life, for I am faithful:
My God, save your servant who trusts in you.*

*³ Be merciful to me, O Lord:
for I call to you all the day long.*

*⁴ O make glad the soul of your servant:
for I put my hope in you, O Lord.*

*⁵ For you, Lord, are good and forgiving:
of great and continuing kindness
to all who call upon you.*

*⁶ Hear my prayer, O Lord:
and give heed to the voice of my supplication.*

*⁷ In the day of my trouble I call upon you:
for you will surely answer.*

⁸ Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord:

nor are there any deeds like yours.

*⁹ All the nations you have made
shall come and worship before you:
O Lord, they shall glorify your name.*

*¹⁰ For you are great and do marvellous things:
and you alone are God.*

Second Reading

Romans 6.1-11

¹ What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸ But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Matthew 10.24-39

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Jesus says, The Spirit of the Lord will testify on my behalf,
and you also are to testify.*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁴ 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master;

²⁵ it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶ 'So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known.
²⁷ What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops.
²⁸ Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.
²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father.
³⁰ And even the hairs of your head are all counted.
³¹ So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.
³² 'Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven;
³³ but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.
³⁴ 'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.
³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;
³⁶ and one's foes will be members of one's own household.
³⁷ Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me;
³⁸ and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me.
³⁹ Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

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

Sermon **The Reverend Canon Zoe Everingham**

Offertory Hymn 499 TIS Lord Jesus, joy of loving hearts

The Great Thanksgiving Thanksgiving 3 on page 133

The Lord's Prayer Page 141

Communion anthem Anima Christi – Ettore Pozzoli (1873-1957)
I give you a new commandment – Peter Aston (1938-2013)

Post Communion & Blessing Page 143

Notices

LLM Robyn Vicary

Mission Hymn

691 TIS Faith will not grow from words alone

Organ Postlude

Tocatta in G minor P.468 – Johann Pachelbel



**The Anglican Diocese
of Grafton
NAIDOC SERVICE**

Saturday 4 July 2pm
Grafton Cathedral



**NAIDOC
WEEK
50 YEARS
DEADLY
5-12 JULY 2026**

RSVP appreciated for catering purposes:
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**ANNUAL CATHEDRAL
QUIET DAY**

*Being Petrichor:
Hope in barren & parched lands*
Led by

REV KATHERINE BOWYER

SAT 5 Sept 2026 10am-3pm
Grafton Cathedral

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL:
<https://events.humanitix.com/cathedral-quiet-day-2026>

Petrichor is the scent of rain, and, in times of drought, is a sign of hope in parched lands.

Come and be refreshed with the Living Water in Scripture, silence, music and prayer.



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Prayers for those in need

Joy Baldwin Sue Cotter Gail Gilmore Amy McArdle Betty Gilbert	Ruth Kingsley Roy Ford Mervyn Kingsley Brian Fowler Lynelle Lichon	Francis TeTana Kevin Vaughan Colin Clague Margaret Petersen	Aneta Jones Grace Clague Kahla Clague Patrick Fleming
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Remembering those who have died

Recently Departed: Janeen Hampson

Year's Mind: Marlene McInnes, Charles Moulds, Jason Wilkes, John Adams
& Val Ensbey

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Around the Parish this Week

Today	<p>FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9.00am – Cathedral Live & Online: www.graftoncathedral.org.au/livestream</p>
Weekdays	<p>Morning Prayer 8.30am Mon - Fri at the Cathedral & via Zoom Evening Prayer 5.15 Mon - Fri Zoom only</p> <p style="color: red;">Simply use the link on the Cathedral web page CALENDAR to access via Zoom</p> <p>Cathedral Office 9.00am–5.00pm(9-3 Fri)</p> <p>Cathedral Bookshop 9.30am–3.30pm(Tues-Fri)</p> <p>Cathedral OpShop 10.00am–4.00pm (Mon – Fri) 9.00-12.00 (Sat)</p> <p>Wednesday Worship Eucharist at 10.00 am</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 Dean Naomi or Deacon Grant.</p>
Next Sunday	<p>FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 9.00am – Cathedral Live & Online: www.graftoncathedral.org.au/livestream</p>
Birthdays this coming week	<p>Happy birthday Mrs Margaret Costello</p>

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.

2026 CATHEDRAL CALENDAR



APRIL

1-TAIZE
2-MAUNDY THUR
3-GOOD FRIDAY
4-EASTER VIGIL
FAMILY SERVICE
5-EASTER SUNDAY

MAY

1-EVENSONG FOR
EASTERTIDE
3-FAMILY SERV 4PM
6-TAIZE
9-MEN'S BBQ BREK
12-PARISH COUNCIL
24-PENTECOST
31-TRINITY SUNDAY

JUNE

3-TAIZE
7-FAMILY SERV 4PM
9-PARISH COUNCIL
30- PARISH COUNCIL

JULY

1-TAIZE
4-ECUMENICAL NAIDOC
SERVICE 2PM
5-FAMILY SERV 4PM
5-12- NAIDOC WEEK
11-MEN'S BBQ BREK
19-DEDICATION
FESTIVAL

AUGUST

2-FAMILY SERV 4PM
5-TAIZE

SEPTEMBER

1-5 OCT SEASON OF
CREATION
2-TAIZE
4-EVENSONG FOR
CREATIONTIDE 5PM
5-CATHEDRAL QUIET DAY
6-FAMILY SERV 4PM
8-PARISH COUNCIL
12-MEN'S BBQ BREK

OCTOBER

4-FAMILY SERV 5PM
7-TAIZE
10-BLESSING OF PETS
30-8 NOV - JACARANDA
FESTIVAL

NOVEMBER

1-JACARANDA
ORGAN RECITAL 3PM
1-JACARANDA
ECUMENICAL SERVICE
4-TAIZE
6-EVENSONG FOR
ALL SOULS 6PM
14-MEN'S BBQ BREK
17-PARISH COUNCIL
22- CHRIST THE KING

DECEMBER

2-TAIZE
6-FAMILY SERV 5PM
18-CAROLS &
LESSONS 6.30PM
24-CHILDREN'S
SERVICE
24-CHRISTMAS EVE
MIDNIGHT
25-CHRISTMAS DAY

