



St Mark's
NATIONAL THEOLOGICAL CENTRE



Grief (Desconsuelo) by Eduardo Kingman
'Do not grieve the Holy Spirit'. Ephesians 4:29.

Morning Prayer

Tuesday 20th September 2022

Welcome to our livestreamed chapel.

Join live 10.30am AEST Tuesdays—Thursdays

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If what we do is new to you, please feel free to let it wash over you, and join in as you are able. We say the short **bold sections** together, not caring if internet latency makes it a little garbled. If you are attending in person please make sure you are registered as being on site.

We will proclaim the name of the Lord.

Ascribe greatness to our God.

Deuteronomy 32.3

Glory to God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

as in the beginning, so now, and forever. Amen.

The Opening Canticle, A Song of God's Mercy

God who is rich in mercy:
out of the great love with which he loved us,
Even when we were dead through our trespasses:
made us alive together with Christ,
And raised us up with him:
and made us sit with him
in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,
That he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace:
in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2.4–7

The Opening Prayer

The night has passed and the day lies open before us;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence may be kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
so may the light of your presence, O God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you;
now and forever. **Amen.**

The Psalms as appointed. A pause is observed after each.

Psalm 48

- 1** Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised:
in the city of our God.
- 2** High and beautiful is his holy hill:
it is the joy of all the earth.
- 3** On Mount Zion, where godhead truly dwells,
stands the city of the Great King:
God is well known in her palaces as a sure defence.
- 4** For the kings of the earth assembled:
they gathered together and came on;
- 5** They saw, they were struck dumb:
they were astonished and fled in terror.
- 6** Trembling took hold on them, and anguish:
as on a woman in her travail;
- 7** Like the breath of the east wind:
that shatters the ships of Tarshish.
- 8** As we have heard, so have we seen
in the city of the Lord of hosts:
in the city of our God,
which God has established for ever.
- 9** We have called to mind your loving-kindness, O God:
in the midst of your temple.
- 10** As your name is great, O God, so also is your praise:
even to the ends of the earth.
- 11** Your right hand is full of victory
—let Zion's hill rejoice:
let the daughters of Judah be glad,
because of your judgements.

12 Walk about Zion, go round about her,
and count all her towers;
consider well her ramparts, pass through her palaces;
13 That you may tell those who come after that such is God:
our God for ever and ever, and he will guide us eternally.

At the end of the (last) pause there may follow

Lord, our God, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier: we ask you to cleanse us from all hypocrisy, to unite us to our fellow men and women by the bonds of peace and love, and to confirm us in holiness; now and for ever.

Amen.

One or two Readings from the Bible as appointed.

Ephesians 4.29-5.5

4 Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

5 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. But fornication and impurity of any kind, or greed, must not even be mentioned among you, as is proper among saints. Entirely out of place is obscene, silly, and vulgar talk; but instead, let there be thanksgiving. Be sure of this, that no fornicator or impure person, or one who is greedy (that is, an idolater), has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

The readings may be followed by a period of silence for reflection, a hymn or

May your word live in us

and bear much fruit to your glory.

The Canticle, A Song of the Blessed

Blessed are the poor in spirit:
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are those who mourn:
for they shall be comforted.
Blessed are the meek:
for they shall inherit the earth.
Blessed are those who hunger
and thirst for what is right:
for they shall be satisfied.
Blessed are the merciful:
for mercy shall be shown to them.
Blessed are the pure in heart:
for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers:
for they shall be called the children of God.
Blessed are those who are persecuted
for righteousness' sake:
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5.3–10

The Prayers

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

The Lord's Prayer and the Collect of the Day

**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 forever. Amen.**

Tuesday

Prayer of the day [A Martyr]

**Almighty God,
by whose grace and power
your holy martyr N triumphed over suffering
and was faithful even to death:
grant that we, who now remember him/her in thanksgiving,
may be so faithful in our witness to you in this world,
that we may receive with him/her the crown of everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Prayer of the Week

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

Intercessions and Thanksgivings may be made according to local custom and need.

The Morning Collect

Lord and heavenly Father,
you have brought us safely to this new day:

keep us by your mighty power, protect us from sin,
guard us from every kind of danger,
and in all we do this day
direct us in the fulfilling of your purpose,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us praise the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

May the Lord bless us and keep us; the Lord make his face to shine upon us, and be gracious to us; the Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and give us peace.

Amen.

Numbers 6.24–26