



# Liturgy and Prayer Book

The Second Assembly of the Fifth Plenary  
Council of the Catholic Church in Australia

*"Listen to what the Spirit is saying..."*

**THURSDAY 7 JULY 2022, 6.00 PM**  
ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL SYDNEY



## Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.  
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia  
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.

Give us the grace to see your face in one another  
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.

Give us the courage to tell our stories  
and to speak boldly of your truth.

Give us ears to listen humbly to each other  
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.

Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,  
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.  
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

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## Prayer

Creating and Redeeming God,  
beneath the Southern Cross and in its light  
you have called together a people for Christ  
among the many peoples of this land;  
you have made us new in the image of Jesus, your beloved Son,  
and breathed into us the Spirit of sons and daughters of God.

Look on the face of your Church in Australia today:  
see our brokenness and sorrow  
for the crimes of abuse and hardness of heart  
that have wounded so many individuals and families;  
see our hope for the future and longing for your kingdom,  
and give us new hearts – hearts of flesh not of stone –  
that we might burn with your divine love for the world.

Teach us to read the sign of the times in the light of the Gospel,  
with deep listening and patient discernment,  
and send your Spirit to lead us into all truth,  
that the journey of the Fifth Plenary Council  
may strengthen the participation and communion  
of all members of the Church in this land,  
and raise up a living witness to your presence  
among all peoples and through all creation.

Mary, Mother of the Church and Help of Christians, pray for us.  
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.

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# Blessed Peter To Rot, martyr

Presider: Most Rev Peter Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne

Homilist: Most Rev Gregory Homeming OCD, Bishop of Lismore

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

### Entrance In Faith and Hope and Love

Antiphon In faith and hope and love  
with joyful trust we move  
towards our Father's home above.

1. Christ, our star, our map, our road  
To the Father's high abode. **R.**
2. Christ, our bread along the way;  
Christ, our rescue when we stray. **R.**
3. Christ, our shelter, Christ our friend,  
Our beginning and our end. **R.**
4. Christ, our hope and our reward;  
Our redeemer and our Lord. **R.**

### Penitential Rite

### Kyrie Eleison

### Roman Missal

Ky-ri - e\_\_ e - lé - i - son. **R.** Ky-ri - e\_\_ e - lé - i - son.

Chri-ste\_\_ e - lé - i - son. **R.** Chri-ste\_\_ e - lé - i - son.

Ky-ri - e\_\_ e - lé - i - son. **R.** Ky-ri - e\_\_ e - lé - i - son.

## Collect

Let us pray.

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that we may follow with due devotion  
the faith of blessed Peter To Rot,  
who, for spreading the faith,  
merited the crown of martyrdom.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading (Rom 8:31-39)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us – he rose from the dead, and there at God’s right hand he stands and pleads for us.

Nothing therefore can come between us and the love of Christ, even if we are troubled or worried, or being persecuted, or lacking food or clothes, or being threatened or even attacked. As scripture promised: For your sake we are being massacred daily, and reckoned as sheep for the slaughter. These are the trials through which we triumph, by the power of him who loved us.

For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no angel, no prince, nothing that exists, nothing still to come, not any power, or height or depth, nor any created thing, can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm (Ps 33)



Cantor: The Lord set me free,  
the Lord set me free from all my fears.

All: **The Lord set me free,  
the Lord set me free from all my fears.**

I will bless the Lord at all times, with praise always  
on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its  
boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us praise  
his name. I sought the Lord and was answered;  
from my terrors God set me free. **R.**

Look towards the Lord and shine in light; let your  
faces be not ashamed. This poor man called;  
the Lord heard him and rescued him from all  
his distress. **R.**

The angel of the Lord is encamped around those  
who revere him. Taste and see that the Lord is  
good. They are happy who seek refuge in him. **R.**

### Gospel Acclamation (Jas 1:12)

*Murray Alleluia*



Blessed are they who stand firm when  
trials come;  
when they have stood the test, they will win the  
crown of life. **R.**

## **Gospel (Mt 10:28-33)**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his apostles: 'Do not be afraid of those that kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## **Homily**

### **The Universal Prayer**

Presider: Sisters and brothers, with joy we honour the extraordinary catechist, Blessed Peter To Rot of Papua New Guinea during this second General Assembly of the Plenary Council. We place before God the needs of our Church and world mindful of God's love and mercy.

1. We pray for the Church suffering persecution in many parts of the world, that each person will be sustained in faith, secure in hope, and abounding in merciful charity, as was Blessed Peter To Rot.  
Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

2. We pray for the people of Papua New Guinea, and in particular those of New Britain, the place of Blessed Peter To Rot's birth, life and martyrdom, that like him they will be faithful in prayer, devoted to the Scriptures, compassionate to the sick, and strong in family life.  
Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**
3. We pray for the lay faithful of this Plenary Council, that following the example of Peter to Rot, who worked closely with his pastors, and who was a leader among his people, that they will embrace the call of their Baptism and be confident in their leadership.  
Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**
4. We pray for a vibrant laity in the Church, that witnessing to faith in Jesus, they will work in the world as apostles to their peers, embracing those who struggle in life, assisting the poor and distressed, and encouraging all who struggle to find faith and purpose in their life.  
Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**
5. We pray for peace in those places where war and violence is dividing nations and bringing death and destruction, that all will experience the truth that nothing can come between them and the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus, our Lord.  
Lord, hear us.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Presider: Father of mercies, look with love upon all who, in their sufferings, are united to your crucified Son, that with a spirit of patience and charity, they too will be sustained by your grace.  
Through Christ our Lord,  
**Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### Preparation of Gifts

**Veritas Mea** (George Malcolm)

My truth and my love shall be with him,  
by my name his might shall be exalted.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands  
for the praise and glory of his name,  
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

As we commemorate the martyrdom of blessed Peter to Rot,  
O Lord, we make our offerings at your altar,  
praying that we, who celebrate the mysteries  
of our Lord's Passion, may imitate what we now do.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### The Eucharistic Prayer

*Various Needs 4: Jesus, Who Went About Doing Good*

### Preface

The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right and just.**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Father of mercies and faithful God.

For you have given us Jesus Christ, your Son,  
as our Lord and Redeemer.

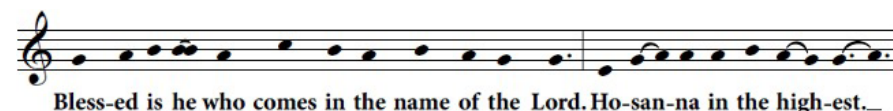
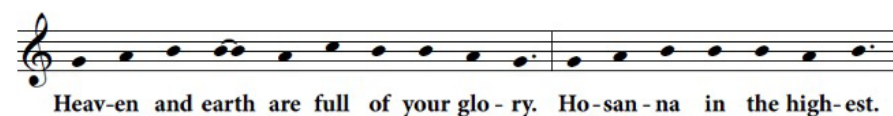
He always showed compassion  
for children and for the poor,  
for the sick and for sinners,  
and he became a neighbour  
to the oppressed and the afflicted.

By word and deed he announced to the world  
that you are our Father  
and that you care for all your sons and daughters.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints,  
we exalt and bless your name  
and sing the hymn of your glory,  
as without end we acclaim:

### Holy, Holy

*Roman Missal*



PC: You are indeed Holy and to be glorified, O God,  
 who love the human race  
 and who always walk with us on the journey of life.  
 Blessed indeed is your Son,  
 present in our midst  
 when we are gathered by his love  
 and when, as once for the disciples, so now for us,  
 he opens the Scriptures and breaks the bread.

CC: Therefore, Father most merciful,  
 we ask that you send forth your Holy Spirit  
 to sanctify these gifts of bread and wine,  
 that they may become for us  
 the Body and + Blood  
 of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the day before he was to suffer,  
 on the night of the Last Supper,  
 he took bread and said the blessing,  
 broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,  
 FOR THIS IS MY BODY,  
 WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,  
 he took the chalice, gave you thanks  
 and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
 FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
 THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT  
 WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY  
 FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.  
 DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

PC: The mystery of faith.

## Memorial Acclamation

*Roman Missal*

♩ We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res - ur - rec - tion,  
 un-til you come a-gain.

CC: Therefore, holy Father,  
 as we celebrate the memorial of Christ your Son,  
 our Saviour,  
 whom you led through his Passion and Death on the Cross  
 to the glory of the Resurrection,  
 and whom you have seated at your right hand,  
 we proclaim the work of your love until he comes again  
 and we offer you the Bread of life  
 and the Chalice of blessing.

Look with favour on the oblation of your Church,  
 in which we show forth  
 the paschal Sacrifice of Christ that has been handed on  
 to us,  
 and grant that, by the power of the Spirit of your love,  
 we may be counted now and until the day of eternity  
 among the members of your Son,  
 in whose Body and Blood we have communion.

C1: Bring your Church, O Lord,  
 to perfect faith and charity,  
 together with N. our Pope and N. our Bishop,  
 with all Bishops, Priests and Deacons,  
 and the entire people you have made your own.

Open our eyes  
to the needs of our brothers and sisters;  
inspire in us words and actions  
to comfort those who labour and are burdened.  
Make us serve them truly,  
after the example of Christ and at his command.  
And may your Church stand as a living witness  
to truth and freedom,  
to peace and justice,  
that all people may be raised up to a new hope.

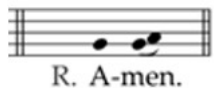
C2: Remember our brothers and sisters (N. and N.),  
who have fallen asleep in the peace of your Christ,  
and all the dead, whose faith you alone have known.  
Admit them to rejoice in the light of your face,  
and in the resurrection give them the fullness of life.

Grant also to us,  
when our earthly pilgrimage is done,  
that we may come to an eternal dwelling place  
and live with you for ever;  
there, in communion with the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
Mother of God,  
with the Apostles and Martyrs,  
(with Saint N.: the Saint of the day or Patron),  
and with all the Saints,  
we shall praise and exalt you  
through Jesus Christ, your Son.

PC/CC: Through him, and with him, and in him,  
O God, almighty Father,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honour is yours,  
for ever and ever.

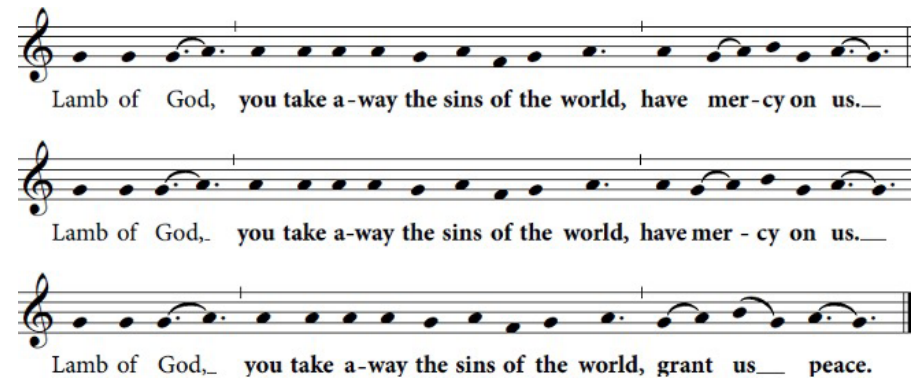
**Amen**

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**Lamb of God**

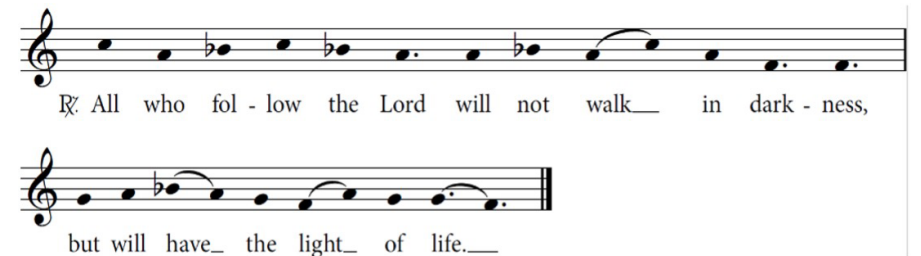
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**Communion**

**Processional Antiphon (Jn 8:12, verses Ps 16)**

*The Common of Martyrs*





## **Anthem**

*Iustorum animae* (Charles Villiers Stanford)

The souls of the just are in the hands of God,  
and no torment of wickedness shall touch them;  
in the sight of the unwise they seemed to die,  
but they are at peace.

## **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray.

As we celebrate the heavenly banquet,  
we beseech you, Lord,  
that, in following such a great example of faith,  
we may be encouraged by the remembrance  
of the blessed Martyr Peter to Rot.  
and led on by his gracious intercession.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Recessional**

Organ postlude

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## Mary's Song of Praise (Luke 1:46-55)

"My soul magnifies the Lord,  
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,  
<sup>48</sup>for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.  
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;  
<sup>49</sup>for the Mighty One has done great things for me,  
and holy is his name.  
<sup>50</sup>His mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.  
<sup>51</sup>He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.  
<sup>52</sup>He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,  
and lifted up the lowly;  
<sup>53</sup>he has filled the hungry with good things,  
and sent the rich away empty.  
<sup>54</sup>He has helped his servant Israel,  
in remembrance of his mercy,  
<sup>55</sup>according to the promise he made to our ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

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