Welcome to Holy Hermits Online Worship

16th Sunday after Pentecost,
4th Sunday in Season of Creation

Holy Hermit Sergius of Radonezh

+Holy Hermit St Jerome of Stridon

Welcome Bishop Doug our guest preacher!

We begin our time together with bells from

St Mary's Cathedral, Melbourne curated by Paul

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qnLOn-lunRQ

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Community Pledge

Holy Hermits Online commits to being a *borderless* community, *welcoming* all people, and *respectful* of difference.

Embracing technology in a safe, secure space we commit to:

- journeying, growing, exploring and discerning the Christian faith together, grounded in the Anglican tradition;
- sharing Jesus' love through uplifting each other in community with worship, prayer, study and support; and
- our responsibility for the attentive caretaking of creation, including our pets as part of our Church family.

Community pledge: 2022, may evolve with us over time.

The Greeting

The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you.

And also with you.

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Gathering Invitation

Praise the Lord! Come, praise the Lord!
Everything in heaven and earth, praise God!
Praise the Lord, all creation – sun, moon and shining stars,
Everything in heaven and earth, praise God!
Praise the Lord, sea and land, animals, birds and all nature,
Everything in heaven and earth, praise God!
Rulers and nations, young and old together,
Everything everywhere, praise the Lord!

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Gathering Prayer

We pray together:

Amazing and loving God,
as we meet together –
inspire us by your word,
renew us with your Spirit
and unite us as we worship you,
creator, redeemer and sustainer.
Amen.

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Sentence

Cantor:

Confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.

James 5.16

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Centering Prayer

We pray together:

We gather to approach our God.
A God of justice and of love.
A God who hears the cries of those in need,
and who calls us to live in loving ways.
May we draw near to God;
may God draw near to us:
Father, Son, Spirit – the triune One.
Amen.

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Hymn

In Christ Alone (My Hope is Found)

https://youtu.be/rn9-UNer6MQ

We will all stay on mute to sing together

Curated by Fleur

Prayer of Adoration

God of kindness and compassion,
God of fairness and justice,
God who sees all and hears all,
we worship you.
God of infinite love and boundless hope,
who calls us to life with you,
now and always, we worship and adore.
Amen.

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Preparing for Confession

O guardian of our hearts,
so often we have focused on the wrong things
and turned away from those who need our help.
Whether through thoughtlessness, presumption or fear,
we have not embodied the abundant life you offer us.
Re-tune our hearts to your Spirit and your perfect love,
motivate us to find ways of helping,
even when we feel limited or without resources.
May we never turn away from doing something
because we cannot do everything.
Help us be light wherever we are, not keeping it to ourselves
but working together to show your generosity.
Forgive us, restore us, and guide us, we pray.
Amen.

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Assurance of forgiveness prayer

Loving God,
thank you that it is not too late.
Every day is a new chance to serve you,
to love others and to be the people you made us to be.
Thank you for forgiving us when we get it wrong.
Thank you for being ever willing to begin again.
May we dispense kind words and generous actions.
May we be known for an attitude of love,
that honours you and all you have made.
Amen.

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Introduction 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.

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All:

Merciful God, our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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The Absolution

Almighty God who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith; pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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Collect for the Day

O God,
from whom light rises in darkness for those who seek you:
grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties,
the grace to ask what you would have us do,
that in your light we may see light,
and in your narrow path may not stumble;
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.

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Collect prayer

O Creator God, you are known by your loving embrace of the undeserving and those who suffer:
Grant us sight of your justice and conviction to love all creatures;
through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.
Amen.

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Reflection Time

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD
Prayer for Illumination
Be still and know that I am God
Be still and know that I am
Be still and know that I
Be still and know that
Be still and know
Be still and
Be still
Be

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The 1st Reading is from Jeremiah 32.1-3a, 32.6-15

1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of King Zedekiah of Judah, which was the eighteenth
year of Nebuchadrezzar. 2 At that time the army of the king of Babylon was besieging Jerusalem, and the prophet Jeremiah
was confined in the court of the guard that was in the palace of the king of Judah, 3 where King Zedekiah of Judah had
confined him. Zedekiah had said, 'Why do you prophesy and say: Thus says the Lord : I am going to give this city into the
hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it; 6 Jeremiah said, The word of the Lord came to me: 7 Hanamel son of your
uncle Shallum is going to come to you and say, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth, for the right of redemption by purchase is
yours.' 8 Then my cousin Hanamel came to me in the court of the guard, in accordance with the word of the Lord , and said
to me, 'Buy my field that is at Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, for the right of possession and redemption is yours; buy it
for yourself.' Then I knew that this was the word of the Lord . 9 And I bought the field at Anathoth from my cousin
Hanamel, and weighed out the money to him, seventeen shekels of silver. 10 I signed the deed, sealed it, got witnesses,
and weighed the money on scales. 11 Then I took the sealed deed of purchase, containing the terms and conditions, and
the open copy; 12 and I gave the deed of purchase to Baruch son of Neriah son of Mahseiah, in the presence of my cousin
Hanamel, in the presence of the witnesses who signed the deed of purchase, and in the presence of all the Judeans who
were sitting in the court of the guard. 13 In their presence I charged Baruch, saying, 14 Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God
of Israel: Take these deeds, both this sealed deed of purchase and this open deed, and put them in an earthenware jar, in
order that they may last for a long time. 15 For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Houses and fields and
vineyards shall again be bought in this land.

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

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Psalm 91.1-6, 14-16

1 Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High: who abide under the shadow of the Almighty,
2 They will say to the Lord
‘You are my refuge and my stronghold: my God in whom I trust.’
3 For he will deliver you from the snare of the hunter: and from the destroying curse.
4 He will cover you with his wings, and you will be safe under his feathers: his faithfulness will be your shield and defence.
5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night: or of the arrow that flies by day,
6 Of the pestilence that walks about in darkness: or the plague that destroys at noonday.
14 ‘You have set your love upon me,’ says the Lord, ‘and therefore I will deliver you: I will lift you out of danger, because you have known my name.
15 ‘When you call upon me I will answer you: I will be with you in trouble, I will rescue you and bring you to honour.
16 ‘With long life I will satisfy you: and fill you with my salvation.’

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The 2nd Reading is from **1 Timothy 6.6-19**

6 Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; 7 for we brought nothing into the world, so that
we can take nothing out of it; 8 but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. 9 But those who want to
be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and
destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered
away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. 11 But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue
righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal
life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. 13 In the
presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good
confession, I charge you 14 to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus
Christ, 15 which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord
of lords. 16 It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see;
to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen. 17 As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be
haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for
our enjoyment. 18 They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, 19 thus storing up for
themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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

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The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke, Chapter 16, beginning at the 19th verse

All: **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

19 ‘There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. 20 And at his gate lay a
poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, 21 who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even
the dogs would come and lick his sores. 22 The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich
man also died and was buried. 23 In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus
by his side. 24 He called out, “Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool
my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.” 25 But Abraham said, “Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your
good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. 26 Besides all this,
between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no
one can cross from there to us.” 27 He said, “Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house— 28 for I have five
brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.” 29 Abraham replied, “They have
Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.” 30 He said, “No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the
dead, they will repent.” 31 He said to him, “If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if
someone rises from the dead.” ’

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

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The Sermon

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Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

https://youtu.be/Zy7t2Uasqe8

We will all stay on mute to sing together

Curated by Rose

The Greeting of Peace

If we are in Christ, we are becoming a new creation.
We see God around us. We see God within us.
We give thanks to our Creator.

Let us greet each other as a sign of God's justice of peace,
love, forgiveness and grace.
The peace of our Creator be with you in all things.
And also with you.

You are invited to share the peace with your neighbour, and speak a word of peace to the land in which you gather, and the creatures who share this common home.
(adapted from Celebrating Creation: Honouring Indigenous People, Kelly Sherman-Conroy, ELCA)

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Prayer of Thanksgiving before Intercessions

God, thank you for being a God of restoration.
Thank you for reaching out to us all.
Thank you for caring about how we treat each other,
and for your encouragement as we live our lives.
Help us to share what we have
– whatever that may be –
and together make our world a better place.
Thank you for inspiring us to do this!

We give special thanks today for Ruth's return to home and wellness as well as for the medical team who cared for her in hospital; we give thanks for Bobby's healing from infection, and all who have journeyed with her – her Mum, Caroline and Sarah; we give thanks for the peace work of Churches around the world.
Amen.

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Intercessions

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant us such a measure of your grace that, running in the way of your commandments, we may obtain your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure.

Mercifully grant us such a measure of grace that we can be of service to the environment around our community. Let us consider all of creation when we are choosing our actions and guide us to advocate on behalf of the natural world. Thank you for guardians of our environment – the gardeners, the farmers, the people who care for the parks and gardens. Please guide our policy makers towards an approach that is more sustainable and let the love of your light shine through to bring clarity and peace.

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

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Mercifully grant us such a measure of grace that we can be of service to others in our community. Thank you for showing mercy to those who find each day bewildering and are stepping through difficult times. Let us offer our hand in friendship to each other and know our willingness to be involved is a chance to let the love of your guiding light shine through to bring clarity and peace.

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Mercifully grant us such a measure of grace that we can be of service to others outside of our community. Thank you for the acceptance of difference and bringing forward the chance to have healing conversations with peoples of all nations. Let us be considerate and accommodating in our opinions and let the love of your guiding light shine through to bring clarity and peace.

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

We pray for and name aloud and in our hearts those we offer prayers for at this time;

Those recovering from Covid: Dave and Marilyn; Fleur, Ron and Jordan;

Those living with cancer; Angela and her family; Paul and Darhon; Heather and her family; Liam, and Bob, Desley and Mark; Willie and all those supporting him.

Those living with pain or illness, are preparing for surgery or are in recovery: Dr Julie; Sally; Matt; Helen C; Gary; Kerry; Jan; Bob; Shirley; Joan; Mike; Lachlan; Andrew, Juliana; Julie;

Those undertaking healing medicine; Leese(y); Mary with her specialist eye drops; Rev'd Julianna in her brain surgery tomorrow; Helen C as she goes to hospital this week to prepare for surgery the following week; please empower all surgeons and nursing staff who will offer their vocations of care, give perseverance and patience to all who are in need of your touch while they are in hospital;

Those in need of your transforming love: Jordan; Douglas; Sonja and her family in Ukraine; Andrew and Noah;

Those who are lost: Kitty;

Those who are still recovering from natural disaster and flood, especially Julie and Ray, may they have a way made for grants and rebuilding work.

Those who are grieving; May and all who mourn Graham; Lynette and all who mourn Garnett, including Julie and Ray; and all who grieve the loss of Queen Elizabeth, especially the royal family.

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Mercifully grant us such a measure of grace that we can be of service. Thank you for hearing our prayers today and every day. Let us feel heard, seen and comforted by your presence this day and let the love of your guiding light shine through to bring clarity and peace.

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Prayers composed by Kristine

Pray Daily Cycle of Prayer

We uplift to you...

- The Anglican Church of Burundi
- The Diocese of The Murray: †Keith Dalby; Clergy and People
- The Parish of Kenmore-Brookfield: Jan Crombie, David Dean, Geoffrey Reeder, Josie Yarham, Colin Nicholson, Sandra Kjellgren
- St Martin's Residential Aged Care - Taigum
- All Anglican Schools Business Managers/Bursars and Senior Leaders

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Let us join together in the prayer which Jesus gave us saying:

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 for ever. Amen.

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We now come to our Devotions

Please be comfortable,
change your body position if you need,
and take some deep breaths

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Prayer for Christ's mercy by Holy Hermit St Jerome

O Lord, show Your mercy to me
and gladden my heart.
I am like the man on the way to Jericho
who was overtaken by robbers,
wounded and left for dead.
O Good Samaritan, come to my aid.
I am like the sheep that went astray.
O Good Shepherd, seek me out
and bring me home in accord with Your will.
Let me dwell in Your house all the days of my life
and praise You forever and ever with those who are there.

Within this space, in this time, set aside for worship,
we turn to the mystery of God.
Acknowledging our need for calm, we allow the peace and stillness
of Divine Love to embrace us.

Eternal God, source of vitality, joy, and love, Companion of Peace,
Strength Provider, and Comforter in our darkest moments,
link our heads and hearts in stillness and calm.
Let us leave behind all haste and fury rush and contempt
all need to consume and corrupt and,
in a quiet moment of oneness with God and our world,
listen for earth to speak to our innermost being…

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Be still…. Videos for reflection. (ecocongregationscotland.org)

We enter our time of silence with a Personal Prayer and Image on this slide and the Spiritual Communion on the next slide.

We will spend 2 mins here before moving to the next.

Let us be still and sit in silence.

God of all creation,
you love every part of all that you have made.
Open our eyes to see the world us as you see it.
Teach us to care so much,
and fill our hearts with so much love,
that we notice those who need your love.
Amen.

Making a Spiritual Communion

O my Lord Jesus,
I turn to you present on the Altar and in the Tabernacle.
I believe that you are present in the most holy Sacrament
of your most sacred Body and Blood.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.
I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally in Holy Communion.
Come, spiritually, into my heart.
Purify it, sanctify it.
Render my heart like your own heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly with you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.
Amen.

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Our Final Hymn

What a Beautiful Name!

What A Beautiful Name - Hillsong Worship - YouTube

We will all stay on mute to sing together

Curated by Viki and Phil

Profession of Faith:

We believe in God, who creates all things, who embraces all things, who celebrates all things, who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.

We believe in God as the source of all life, who baptizes this planet with living water. We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one, the malnourished one, the climate refugee, who loves and cares for this world and who suffers with it.

And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life, who came to reconcile and renew this world and everything in it.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God, who moves with God and who moves among and with us today. We believe in everlasting life in God.

And we believe in the hope that one day God will put an end to death and all destructive forces.

(Gurukul Theological college, India / adapted by Keld B. Hansen 2009)

Celebrating HHO's 2nd Birthday – A thanksgiving

Loving God, we give you thanks that you call us to be community online.
As we gather may we be filled with your Holy Spirit and enabled in our various vocations in your Church.

We pray blessings on each and every member of our community, past, present and future.

May we be a light to the nations and bring your good news to those who need your message of hope and forgiveness.

We especially thank you for all we have learned in the online space during our first 2 years of formation as a community.

Please continue to guide us as we seek to join you in mission using the vehicle of technology and do outreach in your name to the glory of your Kingdom.
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Sending Prayer

Let us pray our sending prayer together:

God of the lost,
open our eyes to see the world as you do.
Forgive us when we fail to see the lost.
Help us to look for those who need your love,
and give us the courage, not only,
to offer them signs of your love
but, by our actions and words,
to share your love with them.
Amen.

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The Blessing

Go out into the world rejoicing, and encounter the
Creator who waits to meet you there;
Rejoice in its richness and diversity and live as
those who praise God for its bounty;
and the blessing of the Creator God,
the Eternal Father,
the Risen Son
and the Promised Holy Spirit
bless you that you might be a blessing to others
today and always. **Amen**

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Notices

- 70's Faith-music party tonight! 6-8pm. Registrations open until mid-day.
- Pet Service next Sunday – send in your animal pics!
- Contemplative service 6pm next Sunday
- Please pray for the Teams set up and Web3 Abbey re-launch 5th October
- Happy Birthday HHO!

We appreciate your gifts online @ https://holyhermits.com.au/give

God, who unshackles,
lead us to freedom with justice
Christ, Word made flesh
Help us cherish the Earth
Wild Wind, who remakes through the cycles of nature
repurpose our lives as Good News for Creation

Everyone unmutes for the Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ,

Amen.

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