Leader: Welcome to Holy Hermits Online Worship

It is the 25th Week after Pentecost

The 2nd Week of our extended Advent season

When we celebrate the 2nd 'O' Antiphon: O Adonai

and remember Holy Hermit Sister Maria Boulding Link

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Leader: Sister Maria Boulding was an English nun, writer and translator, who was born in Surrey. Although rarely appearing in public, she made a conference tour of the Holy Land, Australia and Japan in 1980. Afterwards, she lived as a hermit from 1985 to 2004 with her dog and cat. From 2004, until her death (from cancer) in 2009, she travelled and continued translating and revising, including a translation of *The Confessions* of St Augustine.

Sayings: *"In today's world silence is in short supply; this is a serious problem for our society, and anything we can do to help people recover a sense of silence as a necessary and positive element in human life is a contribution to the general sanity."*

"Flesh is the turmoil of times of change. Flesh is the opaque, ambiguous, messy character of most of our human experience. And flesh is precisely where the paschal mystery operates."

I now invite everyone to mute, as we begin with a Gregorian Chant O Adonia
https://youtu.be/dn1cloz0ssQ?si=11VZ0Q6s-EPqrv21

To read more about our hermit today please scan QR code above or visit the send out for the link

We will be led by our Leader with our Cantor as the voice of all
Leader and Cantor unmute

Leader: The Greeting

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

All: And also with you.

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O Antiphon – O Adonai

Leader:

O Adonai, and leader of the house of Israel, who appeared in the bush to Moses in a flame of fire, and gave him the law of Sinai: Come and deliver us with an outstretched arm.

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Gathering Prayer

All:

Creator God, who has furnished us with all that we have,
we give you praise and thanks.
Remind us of our gifts when we lose sight of them.
Show us where and how to share them.
Give us the courage to offer them freely, as you give to us.
What others may seek to destroy, help us to protect and care,
and give us the conviction to stand fast when we are called to do so.
This we ask of you, in Jesus' name.
Amen.

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Sentence

Leader: I now invite our cantor to proclaim the sentence for today.

Cantor:

God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other.

1 Thessalonians 5: 9.11

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Leader: We pray the prayer of approach.

All:

Let us enter into the light of God's glorious presence,

bringing our all, big and small, in faithful worship.

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Prayer of Adoration

Leader: I invite you to shout BIG GOD! and spread arms wide as we pray together.

Majestic God, our dwelling place before the world was formed.

Our God is a BIG GOD!

Creator God, we look up and marvel at the vast universe.

Our God is a BIG GOD!

Eternal God, you are beyond time – everlasting to everlasting.

Our God is a BIG GOD!

All-seeing God, we stand in your light where nothing is hidden.

Our God is a BIG GOD!

Amen.

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Our first hymn is

Come down, O Love Divine

We will stay on mute to sing together
or allow the music to nourish us.

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Leader mutes

O Adonai Prayer

Leader:

O Lord our God, you gave your law that righteousness might abound:

Put it into our hearts to love justice for others

as much as we desire it for ourselves,

that, as we know you to be our judge,

so we may welcome your reign

as it is manifested through Jesus Christ our Saviour;

to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. **Amen**.

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The Deacon Introduces 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 Priest offers 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 Prayer

Leader:

Ever living God, before the earth was formed,
and even after it shall cease to be, you are God.
Break into our short span of life
and show us those things that are eternal,
that we may serve your purpose in all we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

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The first reader unmutes

The 1st Reading is from **Judges 4.1-10**

1 The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD , after Ehud died. 2 So the
LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the
commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. 3 Then the Israelites
cried out to the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had
oppressed the Israelites cruelly for twenty years. 4 At that time Deborah, a prophetess,
wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. 5 She used to sit under the palm of Deborah
between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to
her for judgement. 6 She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in
Naphtali, and said to him, 'The LORD , the God of Israel, commands you, "Go, take position
at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of
Zebulun.

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7 I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his
chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand."' 8 Barak said to her, 'If you will go
with me, I will go; but if you will not go with me, I will not go.' 9 And she said, 'I will surely go
with you; nevertheless, the road on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the
LORD will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman.' Then Deborah got up and went with Barak
to Kedesh. 10 Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh; and ten thousand warriors went
up behind him; and Deborah went up with him.

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

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Leader: We now say the psalm antiphonally, I invite the first reader to lead and we will all respond along with our cantor as our voice. **Psalm 123**

1 To you I lift up my eyes: you who are enthroned in the heavens.

2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master:

or as the eyes of a maid toward the hand of her mistress,

3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God:

until he show us his mercy.

4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:

for we have had our fill of derision.

5 Our souls overflow with the mockery of those at ease:

and with the contempt of the proud.

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Leader: Thanks 1st reader, I now invite the 2nd reader to unmute and offer the 2nd lesson when ready.

The 2nd Reading is from the first letter to the 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

1 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do
not need to have anything written to you. 2 For you yourselves know very
well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. 3 When
they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come
upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be
no escape! 4 But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise
you like a thief; 5 for you are all children of light and children of the day;
we are not of the night or of darkness.

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6 So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake
and be sober; 7 for those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who
are drunk, get drunk at night. 8 But since we belong to the day, let
us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for
a helmet the hope of salvation. 9 For God has destined us not
for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus
Christ, 10 who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep
we may live with him. 11 Therefore encourage one another and
build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

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We pause for a moment to reflect and breathe before the Gospel

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew Chapter 25: 14-30

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

14 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to
them; 15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his
ability. Then he went away. 16 The one who had received the five talents went off at once and
traded with them, and made five more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the two
talents made two more talents. 18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug
a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves
came and settled accounts with them. 20 Then the one who had received the five talents came
forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I
have made five more talents."

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21 His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in
a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."22 And
the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two
talents; see, I have made two more talents." 23 His master said to him, "Well done, good and
trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many
things; enter into the joy of your master." 24 Then the one who had received the one talent also
came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not
sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your
talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours."

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26 But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did
not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with
the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. 28 So take
the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29 For to all those who have,
more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what
they have will be taken away. 30 As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness,
where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

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

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We pause for a moment after the Gospel to reflect and breathe

The Leader and Cantor mute.

Sermon

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Leader unmutes

Our next Hymn:

O Come O Come Emmanuel

We will stay on mute to sing together
or allow the music to nourish us.

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Leader and Cantor mute

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The Leader and Cantor unmute

The Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ
All: His Spirit is with us

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All: And also with you.

Prayer of Thanksgiving before Intercessions

Leader: As we now enter prayer, I invite the 2nd reader to unmute, to lead our intercessions on the next slide. Please feel free to change your body position if you need to, as we offer this thanksgiving prayer.

We praise you, majestic God of light.
We thank you for your light in our lives;
for the love light in your created people,
shining in the faces of those we know and love;
for the light shining in the words and actions of all who know you,
and use their time and talents to serve well;
for the joy that pours in, lights up and empowers us
when we let go and trust you with all we have.
We praise and thank you, loving majestic God of light.
Amen.

Intercessions

Reader 2: We pray for our communities, the people, animals and creation we share our lives with.

We pause for a few moments to name either in our hearts, or out loud, or in the chat, those we bring to the Lord in prayer.

We entrust to you the community of Holy Hermits Online and our ministry partners:
St John's Cathedral Brisbane
The Anglican Diocese of Southern Queensland
St Gabriel's Carindale
The Episcopal Diocese of Texas
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Prosper the work of our hands and show us the way to your new creation.

Creator God, **Hear our prayer.**

Eternal Trinity of Love, we raise to you the people and places we love and worry about:

Kerry and Les, Jake,
Dr Julie and Jasmine,
Julie and Ray, Tracey, Shane,
Alecia, Martin and Aidan,
Judy and Mary
George, Wendy and Kristine and Claire
Leese(y)
Barry
Dilys and Tony,
Paul and Darhon,
Jess and Leah
Jim and Margo and Ruth
Mark, Desley and Bob
Aaron and Andrea

We pause for a few moments to name either in our hearts, or out loud, or in the chat, those we bring to the Lord in prayer.

We entrust to you those who have died, those who have died peacefully and those who have died violently, the old and the young. We remember Benny today.

Receive them into your kingdom.

Amen.

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Pray Daily Cycle of Prayer

Leader: Loving God, joining with the Church in our cycle of prayer, we ask your blessings on:

- The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)
- The Diocese of North West Australia: †Darrell; Clergy and People
- The Parish of Manly: Rev'd Keith - Locum, Dianne, Judith
- Ecumenical Tertiary Chaplaincy
- Toowoomba Anglican School, Toowoomba: Head of School - Simon; Chaplaincy team; Chair of School Council - Mac; members of School Council; staff & students

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

All: 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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Devotions

Leader:

You are invited to scan the QR code to visit the commitment prayers for the week, in this quiet time, as we enter silence together.

This week we are praying for our Companion Animal Ministry and for Archbishop elect, Bishop Jeremy. We will be still together for a few moments before Spiritual communion on the next slide.

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Making a Spiritual Communion

Oh, my Lord Jesus I turn to you present at the Altar and in the Tabernacle. I believe that you are present in the 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

Leader unmutes

Our final song is

Jesus is My Saviour

We will stay on mute to sing together
or allow the music to nourish us.

https://youtu.be/bbAntGcJOWY?si=LI2ZDfdvx-alR1ZW

Leader mutes

Leader and cantor unmute

Sending Prayer

All:

This earth, this good earth,

The sunlight, the moonlight,

The sky that reaches over us,

The soil beneath our feet.

We will hold all this in our hands with gentleness and love.

Amen.

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The Priest offers the Blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

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Notices

- Cathedral Annual Meeting today 11.15am
- Today at 2pm CAM Task-Group Workshop to work on Christmastide subs
- Wednesday study group, The 'O' Antiphons Advent Study continues 6pm
- Servers 'Open Day' hour, 26th Nov at 11am
- Contemplative Services Team meeting 26th Nov at 2pm

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Leader: I invite everyone to unmute for the Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: In the name of Christ,

Amen.

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Fellowship time

Thanks for Leading Fellowship Julie!

Please feel welcome to linger or pop a message in the chat and head off when you are ready.

Extra resources developed by Roots on the Web

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