



CATHEDRAL OF ST FRANCIS XAVIER

ADELAIDE

The Ascension of the Lord
Vigil, 9am and 11am Mass

1st June 2025

Entrance Hymn: A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

A hymn of glory let us sing!
New hymns throughout the world shall ring:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ by a road before untrod,
Ascends unto the throne of God
Alleluia, alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The holy apostolic band
Upon the Mount of Olives stand,
Alleluia, alleluia!
And with the virgin mother see
Their Lord ascend in majesty
Alleluia, alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

To whom the shining angels cry
"Why stand and gaze upon the sky"
Alleluia, alleluia!
"This is the Saviour!" thus they say,
"This is his glorious triumph day!"
Alleluia, alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O risen Christ, ascended Lord
All praise to you let earth accord
Alleluia, alleluia!

You are, while endless ages run,
With Father and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Text: Hymnum canamus gloriae; Venerable Bede, 673-735; trans. Elizabeth Rundle Charles (1858) alt. ©1978 Augsburg Fortress Publishers.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 46:2-3. 6-9. R. v.6

**(R.) God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Go and teach all people my gospel.
I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia

Hymn: Hail the day that sees him rise

Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia!
To his throne above the skies; Alleluia!
Christ, a while to mortals giv'n, Alleluia!
Enters now the highest heav'n Alleluia!

There for him high triumph waits; Alleluia!
Lift your heads eternal gates! Alleluia!
Wide unfold the radiant scene, Alleluia!
Let the King of glory in! Alleluia!

Heaven now its Lord receives, Alleluia!
Yet he loves the earth he leaves, Alleluia!
Though returning to his throne Alleluia!
Still calls humankind his own. Alleluia!

See! He lifts his hands above; Alleluia!
See! He shows his prints of love; Alleluia!
Hark! His gracious lips bestow Alleluia!
Blessings on his Church below. Alleluia!

Still for us he intercedes, Alleluia!
His prevailing death he pleads; Alleluia!
Near himself prepares our place, Alleluia!
He the first fruits of our race. Alleluia!

There we shall with you remain, Alleluia!
Partners of your endless reign; Alleluia!
There your face unclouded view, Alleluia!
Find our heav'n of hea'vns in you. Alleluia!

Text: Charles Wesley 1707-1788

Communion Hymn: Godhead Here in Hiding

Godhead here in hiding, whom I do adore,
Masked by these bare shadows, shape and nothing more,
See Lord, at thy service low lies here a heart
Lost, all lost in wonder at the God thou art.

Seeing, touching tasting are in thee deceived;
How says trusty hearing? That shall be believed;
What God's son has told me, take for truth I do;
Truth himself speaks truly, or there's nothing true.

On the cross thy Godhead made no sign to men;
here thy very manhood steals from human ken
both are my confession, both are my belief,
and I pray the prayer of the dying thief.

I am not like Thomas, wounds I cannot see,
but can plainly call thee Lord and God as he;
this faith each day deeper be my holding of,
daily make me harder hope and dearer love.

O thou our reminder of Christ crucified,
living bread, the life of us for whom he died,
lend this life to me then; feed and feast my mind,
there be thou the sweetness we were meant to find.

Jesus whom I look at shrouded here below,
I beseech thee send me what I long for so,
Some day to gaze on thee face to face in light
And be blest forever with thy glory's sight.

Text: Adoro te devote; attrib. St Thomas Aquinas, c.1227-1274; trans. Gerard Manley Hopkins 1844-1889, alt.

Recessional Hymn: Rejoice the Lord is King

Rejoice! the Lord is King; your Lord and King adore;
Let all give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore:

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

Jesus the Saviour reigns, the God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above.

His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n:

Text: based on Philippians 4:4; Charles Wesley 1707-1788 alt.

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