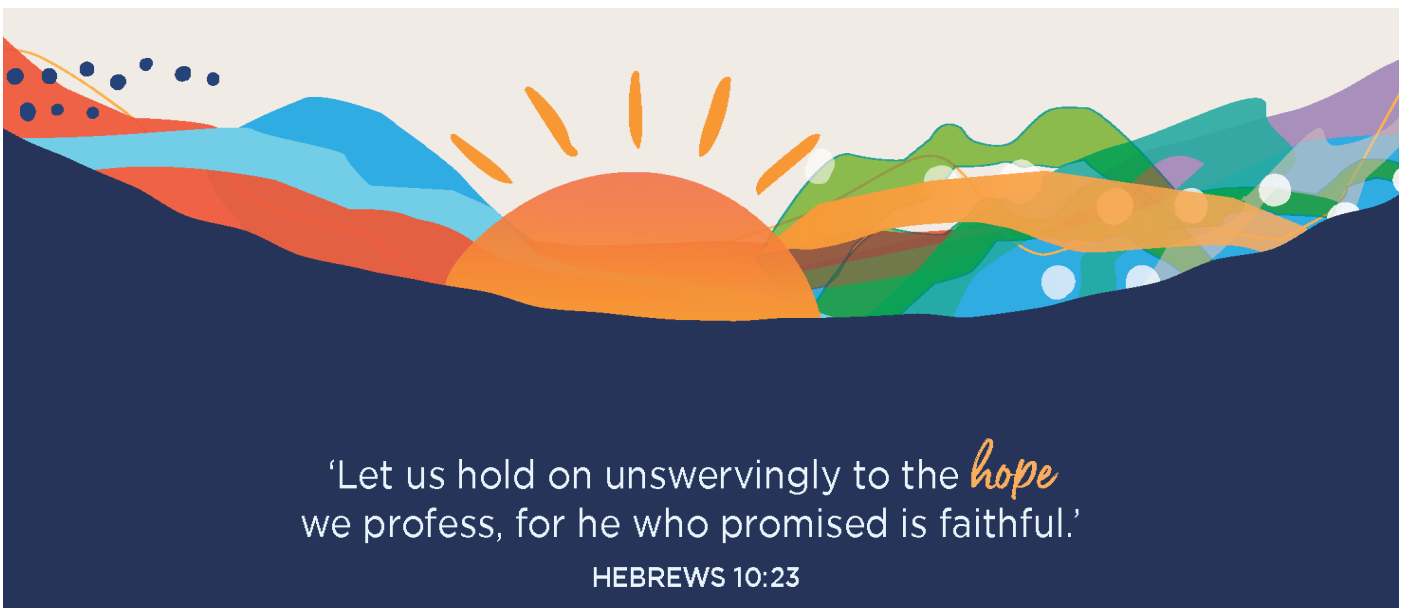


MORNING PRAYER

Saturday 22 June 2024



(responses are in bold italics)

Prayers led by Forum representatives of the Catholic Church

Opening Prayer

Lord our God,
Your Son Jesus gave himself totally
to those He loved - that is, to all.
Give us a share of His unselfish love
that we too may learn from experience
that there is more joy in giving ourselves
than in receiving honours or favours.
May the Spirit make us also so much one
that we graciously share with one another
our God-given riches and gifts as people.
We ask You this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Gospel Reading

John 17: 20-26

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Reflection – Professor Anne Pattel-Gray

Intercessory Prayers

We pray for all Christian Churches throughout the world. That we will answer our call
to serve Christ in all peoples and in creation.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer

We pray for wisdom for leaders of governments and those in authority across the
world. That they may promote peace and justice amongst their own people and their
neighbours.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for families in Australia. That they will speak the truth and bring unity,
protection, right relationships; be given meaningful work and love God and one
another.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all Indigenous peoples who are experiencing loss of identity,
displacement and generational trauma from the effects of colonisation. We

especially ask that our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and non Aboriginal Australians work together for restoration, justice and healing in Christ's name.
Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all the youth of the world, those in our nation and in our communities. We pray that God will bring people into their lives that help build up their faith in Christ and strong characters to follow the calling God has for them in their lives.
Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the poor, sick, hungry, people of the world. We remember especially those who are affected by trauma, addictions, war and natural disasters that they will experience God's unconditional love, salvation and healing.
Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Sign of Peace

Lord Jesus Christ,
Who said to your apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,
Look not on our sins,
But on the faith of your church,
And graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

Amen

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit.

Let us offer each other a sign of God's peace.

Closing Prayer

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
and Father of all people,
we believe in You
and we know that You loved Jesus
with a deep and trusting, lasting love.
Let Your Holy Spirit pour out this love
into the hearts of all those
who believe in Jesus, our Saviour and shepherd.
Let this love unite us in one common bond
of understanding and respect for one another
and let that love lead us

to live for one another and to serve one another
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen
