



80th anniversary of the **Brotherhood** of **St Laurence**

Wednesday 8 December 2010
St Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne
2.30pm – 3.30pm



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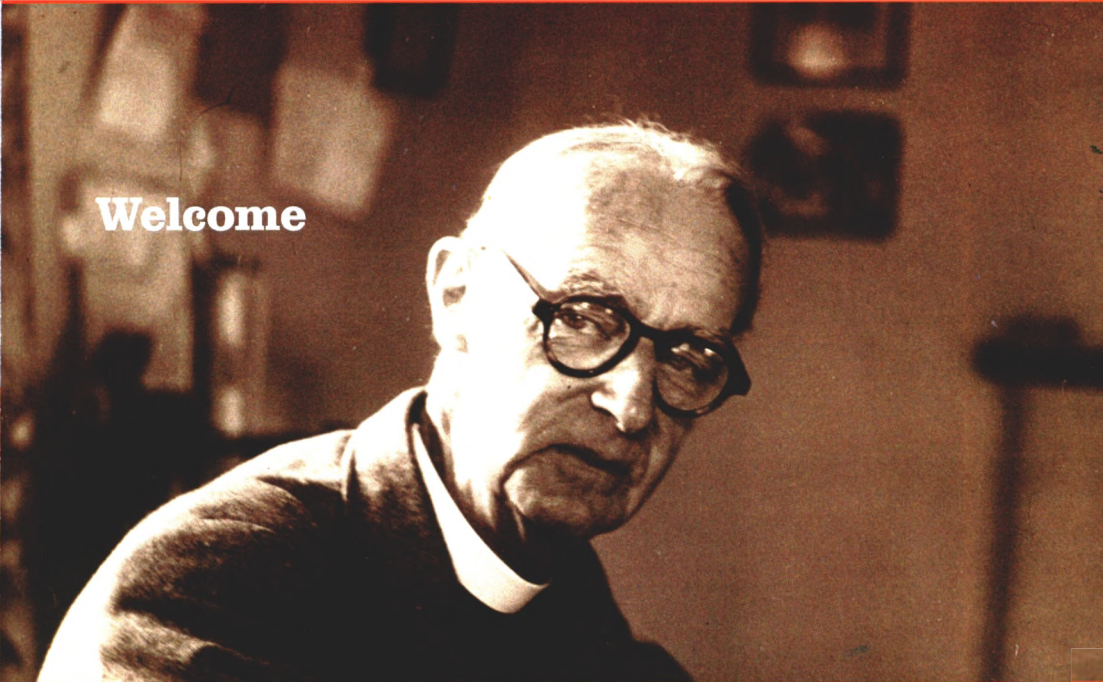
Brotherhood of St Laurence
Working for an Australia free of poverty

Building better lives since 1930

**'The eradication of poverty
in Australia is achievable.
It is simply a matter of will.'**

Fr Tucker – founded the Brotherhood of St Laurence in 1930

Welcome



**Thank you for joining with us today to celebrate 80 years
of working for an Australia free of poverty.**

Procession

Participants: Archbishop Phillip Freier, Archbishop of Melbourne; Bishop Philip Huggins, Chair, Board, Brotherhood of St Laurence, Bishop of Northern and Western Regions; Tony Nicholson, Executive Director, 2004–present, Brotherhood of St Laurence; Bishop Mark Burton, Dean of Melbourne; The Rev'd Canon Rachel McDougal, Precentor, St Paul's Cathedral; Bishop Michael Challen, Executive Director, 1991–1999, Brotherhood of St Laurence; Bishop Peter Hollingworth AC OBE, Executive Director, 1980–1990, Brotherhood of St Laurence; The Rev'd Elizabeth Alfred, Sumner House; Fr Jeff O'Hare, Chaplain, Brotherhood of St Laurence; Debra Saffrey-Collins, Chaplain, Brotherhood of St Laurence; Fr Chaplain Soma Jackson, Chaplain, Brotherhood of St Laurence; Bev Hewlett, Education Consultant, Brotherhood of St Laurence; Fr Hugh Kempster, Senior Chaplain, Geelong Grammar School (GGS); Liv O'Hare, School Captain, GGS; Blake Nielsen, School Captain, GGS; Lizzie Houghton, Chapel Captain, GGS; Ellie Carless, Chapel Captain, GGS; Nicky Wilton, Chapel Captain, GGS

Organist: Laclan Redd

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Music will be played before the service

*Please stand for the procession of the members of the Melbourne
Fire Brigade, partners of the Brotherhood of St Laurence*

Please remain standing for the hymn and procession

Hymn

Praise, my soul, the king of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him, praise him, hallelujah
praise the everlasting king!

Praise him for his grace and favour
to his people in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless;
praise him, praise him, hallelujah
glorious in his faithfulness!

Father-like he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes;
praise him, praise him, hallelujah
widely as his mercy flows!

Frail as summer's flower we flourish,
blows the wind and it is gone;
but while mortals rise and perish
God endures unchanging on.
Praise him, praise him, hallelujah,
praise the high eternal one!

Henry Francis Lyte

1793–1847

Based on Psalm 103

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Gathering

Relatives and friends of Fr Gerard Tucker gather to present symbols of Fr Tucker's legacy and ministry, which include:

- the St Laurence icon – Patron Saint
- Fr Tucker's chalice – a symbol of the sacraments and Fr Tucker's vivid and challenging ministry
- Fr Tucker's girdle – obedience, discipline and service
- Fr Tucker's prayer book – Anglican foundation
- the Brotherhood of St Laurence's banner – an outward sign of our presence and community
- memorial plaque – those who have gone before us
- Fr Tucker's books – record and reflection on our journey and relationships.

Lighting of candles as we begin our prayers

Prayer for the Brotherhood of St Laurence

All

**God of life and blessing, we praise you for giving yourself in Christ for the healing of your people and world;
For love's sake you inspired your servants Laurence and Gerard Tucker to serve and cherish the poor, the sick and the aged as treasures of your church.
Be with the Brotherhood of St Laurence in all we undertake to establish your 'new Society',
that we may care for your precious children, pursue that justice which brings true and lasting peace and nurture your beautiful creation.
We ask you to hear our prayer through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen**

Welcome to Country

Welcome to the Cathedral

The Dean of Melbourne, The Right Rev'd
Dr Mark Burton

Welcome from the Brotherhood of St Laurence

Fr Jeff O'Hare, General Manager, Chaplaincy and
Diocesan Partnerships, Brotherhood of St Laurence

First reading

From the Book of the Prophet Micah, Chapter 6, Verses 6–8

Fr Chaplain Soma Jackson, Chaplain, Brotherhood of St Laurence
and Curate, Parish of Footscray

For the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Hymn

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green, he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again;
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
ev'n for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill:
for thou art with me; and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me;
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling place shall be.

Scottish Psalter

1650

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Second reading

From the Gospel According to Matthew, Chapter 5, Verses 1–16

Debra Saffrey-Collins, Chaplain, Brotherhood of St Laurence

For the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon

The Right Rev'd Philip Huggins, Chair of the Board, Brotherhood of St Laurence and Bishop of the Northern and Western Regions of the Diocese of Melbourne

Reflection

The Choir of Hope and Inspiration sing *Hallelujah* (Leonard Cohen 1984)
Conducted by Dr Jonathon Welch

Thank you

Tony Nicholson, Executive Director, Brotherhood of St Laurence

Please stand

Hymn

What a friend we have in Jesus
all our sins and griefs to bear,
what a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer:
O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations,
is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged:
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness:
take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Jesus is our only refuge:
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer;
in his arms he'll take and shield you,
you will find a solace there.

Joseph Medlicott Scriven

1819–1886 alt.

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The prayers of the people

The prayers will be led by members of staff

**Let us give thanks for 80 years of ministry
and service and pray for all humanity**

Please kneel or sit as is your custom

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

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 forever.

Amen

Freehills Choir

The Freehills choir will perform *Seasons of Love* and *Africa*

Freehills have been partners of the Brotherhood of St Laurence for the last 50 years

Please stand!

A collection for the work of the Brotherhood of
St Laurence will be taken during the offertory hymn

Offertory hymn

Community of Christ,
who make the Cross your own,
live out your creed and risk your life
for God alone:
the God who wears your face
to whom all worlds belong,
whose children are of every race
and every song.

Community of Christ,
look past the Church's door
and see the refugee, the hungry,
and the poor.
Take hands with the oppressed,
the jobless in your street,
take towel and water, that you wash
your neighbour's feet.

Community of Christ,
through whom the word must sound –
cry out for justice and for peace
the whole world round:
disarm the powers that war
and all that can destroy,
turn bombs to bread, and tears of
anguish into joy.

When menace melts away,
so shall God's will be done,
the climate of the world be peace
and Christ its Sun;
our currency be love
and kindness our law,
our food and faith be shared as one
for evermore.

Shirley Erena Murray

1931–

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A symbol of the future

Michael Tucker and David Scott, relatives of Fr Tucker, present a candle to The Rev'd Elizabeth Alfred (Fr Tucker's colleague and Brotherhood resident) and Akuch Deng (a member of the Brotherhood of St Laurence's Breakfast Club). Together, they give the candle to Tony Nicholson as a symbol of the future life of the Brotherhood.

Final blessing

The Archbishop of Melbourne, The Most Rev'd Dr Phillip Freier

Massed choirs (Choir of Hope and Inspiration and Freehills Choir) sing *Ode to Joy* conducted by Dr Jonathon Welch

Congregation join in singing, with the choir

Please stand for the final hymn and procession

Hymn

God has spoken by his prophets
spoken his unchanging word,
each from age to age proclaiming
God, the one, the righteous Lord.
In the world's despair and turmoil
one firm anchor holds us fast:
God is king, his throne eternal,
God the first and God the last.

God has spoken by Christ Jesus,
Christ, the everlasting Son,
brightness of the Father's glory,
with the Father ever one;
spoken by the Word incarnate,
God from God, ere time began,
Light from Light, to earth
descending,
God revealed as Son of Man.

God is speaking by his Spirit,
speaking to our hearts again,
in the age-long word expounding
God's own message, now as then,
through the rise and fall of nations
one sure faith yet standing fast;
God still speaks, his word
unchanging,
God the first, and God the last.

George Wallace Briggs

1875–1959 alt.

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Celebrating 80 years of building better lives

The Brotherhood has been working with disadvantaged Australians since 1930, helping people at every stage of life to participate fully in the economic and social activity of the nation. For many people this means being able to work and earn a secure and adequate income. It also means feeling closely connected to family, friends and the local community. Our programs increase social cohesion and build confidence and wellbeing in disadvantaged communities. In 80 years we have seen many things change, but the plight of disadvantaged people in Australia remains a serious challenge.

Please help us continue our research, advocacy and services as we work towards an Australia free of poverty.

**Make a financial gift to the
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household goods or clothing
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**Your support makes our work possible.
Thank you.**

Thank you for joining us on this special occasion and for your ongoing support of the Brotherhood of St Laurence

Organ postlude

Widor's Toccata from symphone 5

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