



SAINT MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH KANGAROO POINT

READINGS AND PRAYERS

Two important parts of the service are the Readings from Scripture and the Prayers of the People.

There is to be at least one reading from either the Old Testament or the New Testament – you can have more if you wish.

It is suggested that you ask family members or friends to read one of the Readings. Likewise, you might consider having one or more people lead the Prayers of the People.

There are two styles of Prayers for the service from which to choose. Please discuss this with your Priest.

You could also have one or more readings from a 'secular' source such as The Art of Marriage or Captain Corelli's Mandolin. Some of these can be sourced from Saint Mary's Office, or you could find your own from the web.

Suggested Readings from Scripture:

1. 1 Corinthians Ch 13: vs 4-13 Love is patient....
2. John Ch. 2: 1-11. The Wedding in Cana
3. Ephesians: Grounded in Love Eph. Ch 3. 14-21
4. Ephesians: Husband and Wife – Eph. Ch 5.: 20-33
5. The Song of Songs. 'The Lovers' Song of Songs Ch. 2: 8-14
6. 1 John Ch 4: 7-16 'The Love of God'.
7. Colossians Ch 3. 12-19
8. Abiding in Christ's Love: John Ch. 15 9-17
9. Made in God's Image - Genesis Ch 1: 6 to Ch 2: 4
10. One Flesh. Genesis Ch.2: 4-9 & 15, 18-24.
11. Psalms that are appropriate: Psalm 23, 128, 37(3-7), 100, 110, 121, 138

HYMNS

Hymns bring something to a service if they are sung by the congregation and not just one or two. Therefore the choice of hymns requires careful consideration. Some hymns or tunes, are better known than others. Christopher Wrench or Fr. Stephen will help you choose if you have any trouble with this. Some tunes are easy to sing, such as the tune from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, *Ode to Joy*; *I vow to thee my Country* is popular but there are better words to adapt to the tune. Likewise, *Morning has Broken* and *All things bright and beautiful* are easy to sing. A traditional hymn is *O perfect love* and it remains a favourite through the generations.

Suggested Hymns from our Hymn Book (Together in Song):

603	O Perfect Love
699	A New Commandment
156	Morning has broken
217	Love Divine all Love's excelling
398	Come Down O Love Divine
106	Now thank we all our God.
137	For the beauty of the earth
134	Praise my soul the King of Heaven
135	All things bright and beautiful
59	All people that on earth do dwell
10	The Lord's my Shepherd
627	Praise and Thanksgiving (Tune – Morning has Broken)
626	Lord of Creation (Tune – Slane)
654	When Love is found (Tune – Ode to Joy)
152	Joyful, joyful (Tune – Ode to Joy)
698	When the Light of first Creation (Tune – Ode to Joy)
	O God beyond all Praising – (Tune – I vow to thee my country)