

Welcome to
ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

*Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia
Parish Church of the City since 1846*



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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
21 JANUARY 2024

WORSHIP AT ST PETER'S

SUNDAY

8.00am Low Mass (Traditional Language)

9.30am FAMILY MASS

11.00am HIGH MASS

6.00pm Evensong & Benediction (2nd & 4th Sundays)

6.00pm Low Mass (1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays)

WEEKDAYS

Daily Low Mass – 8.00am Monday to Friday (Live streamed on Facebook and YouTube)

Wednesday – 1.15pm & Saturday 12noon Low Mass in the Handfield Chapel.

DAILY INTERCESSIONS

FOR THE SICK: Baby Leo, Grace Mcauliffe, Steven Clark, Rob Berryman, Margaret Browne, Geoffrey Wratten, Jane Brennan, Shelley Young, Julie-Anne Bird, Susanne Marsden, Nelson Rufatt, Sue Tan, Robert Saliba, Janine Stewart, Bp John Stewart, Bp John Parkes.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED: Damian Clarke, John Bolwell, John Pollard.

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK

- January 21 Albert Groat, Wayne Maunder, Charles Vines
 22 Harry Dawson, Alice Penrose
 23 Ralph Clarkson, Beatrice Elsie Yonge
 24 Gordon Lake, Farnham Edward Maynard PRIEST, Herbert
 Frank Willoughby PRIEST
 25 Sister Eleanor CHN, Josephine Montgomerie
 26 Vernon Cornish BISHOP, Sister Gwendoline CHN, Pamela
 Keating, Francis Morton, Brenda Ruth Williams
 27 Alec Graeme Bond, Sister Rachel CHN

Please contact the Parish Office or email office@stpeters.org.au to have names added to the sick list. They will remain on our prayer list for one month unless requested to be extended.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Please stand for the beginning of the Mass. The people's responses are printed in bold.

Mass setting: William Byrd (c.1539-1623) *Mass for Four Voices*

Introit Hymn NEH 55 Hail to the Lord's Anointed!

At 11.00am the sanctuary party enters the chancel to prepare for the Asperges.

Cantor

All

Pu - ri - fy me, O Lord, with hys - sop and I shall be clean:

Fine

wash me, O Lord, and I shall be whi - ter than snow.

Cantor

Have mer - cy on me, O God, in your en - du - ring good - ness: -

All

ac - cor - ding to the fulness of your compassion blot out my of - fen - ces. -

Wash me tho - rough - ly from my wick - ed - ness: -

Cantor

and cleanse me from my sin. Glo - ry to God:

All

Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Spi - rit: as in the be - gin - ning so now,

Repeat antiphon

and for e - ver. A - men.

The sanctuary party re-enters the chancel. The celebrant intones the responsory.

Priest

People

O Lord, show your mercy u-pon us And grant us your salva - tion

Priest

People

O Lord, hear our prayer And let our cry come to you

Priest

People

The Lord be with you And also with you

Priest

Graciously hear us, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and ever-last - ing God,

and may it please you to send your holy angel from heaven to keep, cheer, guard, visit and defend all who are gathered together in this holy place

People

through Jesus Christ our Lord A - men

The sanctuary party re-enters the chancel. The celebrant censes the altar during the Introit.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

V. Declare his glory among the nations; his wonders among all the peoples.

O sing a new song...

Celebrant:

In the name of the Father, ✠ and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Please Kneel

The Deacon introduces the Confession:

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.

The celebrant pronounces the Absolution.

Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness to all
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.**

The Kyries are sung by the choir at 11.00am

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy

Please then stand for the Gloria which is sung by the choir at 11.00am.

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand
of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
+ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Celebrant prays the Collect.

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Please sit for the readings.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Genesis 14.17-20

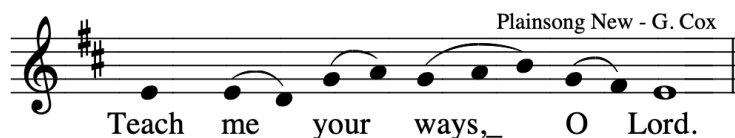
A reading from the book Genesis.

After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!' And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25



Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation. **R.**

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.
According to your steadfast love remember me,
for your sake of your goodness, O Lord! **R.**

Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way. **R.**

SECOND READING: Revelation 19.6-10

chanted by the Sub-Deacon

A reading from the book of Revelation

Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out, ‘Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready; to her it has been granted to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure’—for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

And the angel said to me, ‘Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.’ And he said to me, ‘These are true words of God.’ Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, ‘You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.’

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The kingdom of God is near:
repent and believe the good news!

Deacon:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John 2.1-11**

✠ **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit for the Homily by Fr Philip Gill

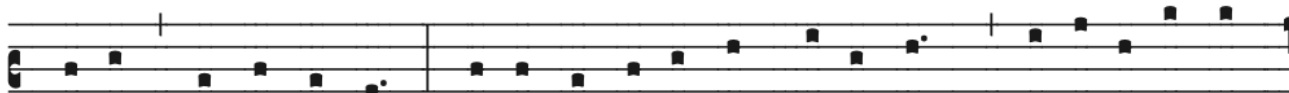
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The Creed

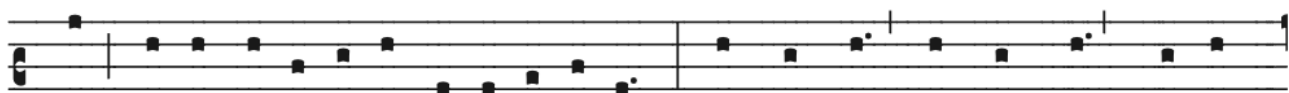
All stand and sing together facing the High Altar. The priest intones the opening phrase.



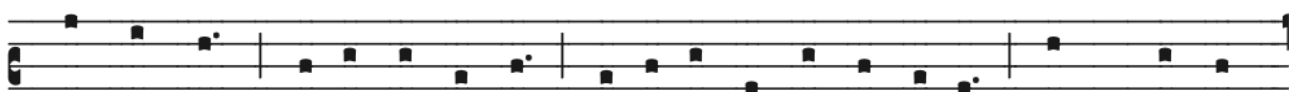
✠ **We be-lieve in one God,** the Fa-ther, the al-migh-ty, ma-ker of heav'n and earth of all



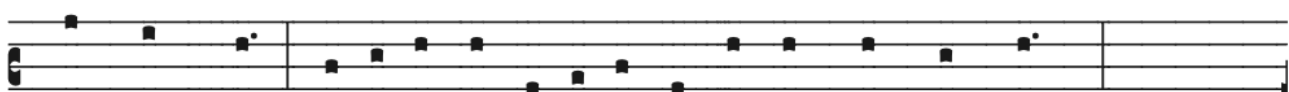
that is, seen and un-seen. We be-lieve in one Lord, Je-sus Christ, the on-ly Son of



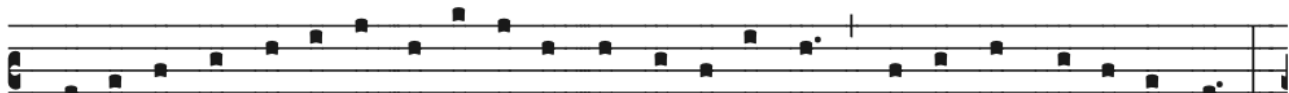
God, e - ter-nal-ly be-got-ten of the Fa-ther, God from God, light from light, true God



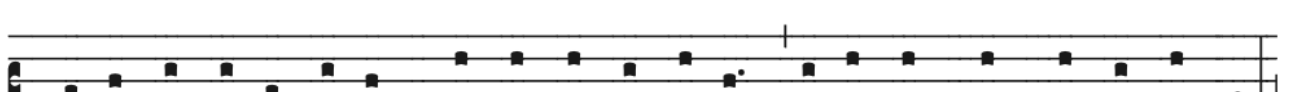
from true God, be- got-ten, not made of one be- ing with the Fa- ther through him all



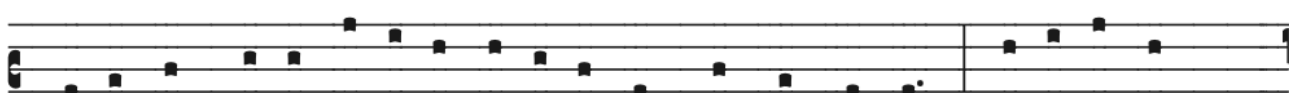
things were made. For us and for our sal-va- tion he came down from heaven,



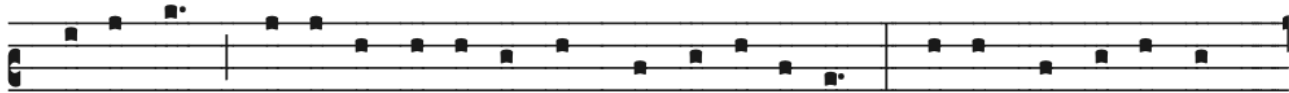
was in-car-nate of the Ho- ly Spi-rit and the vir- gin Ma-ry, and be-came tru-ly hu-man.



For our sake he was cru-ci-fied un-der Pon-tius Pi-late, he suf-fered death and was bu-ried.



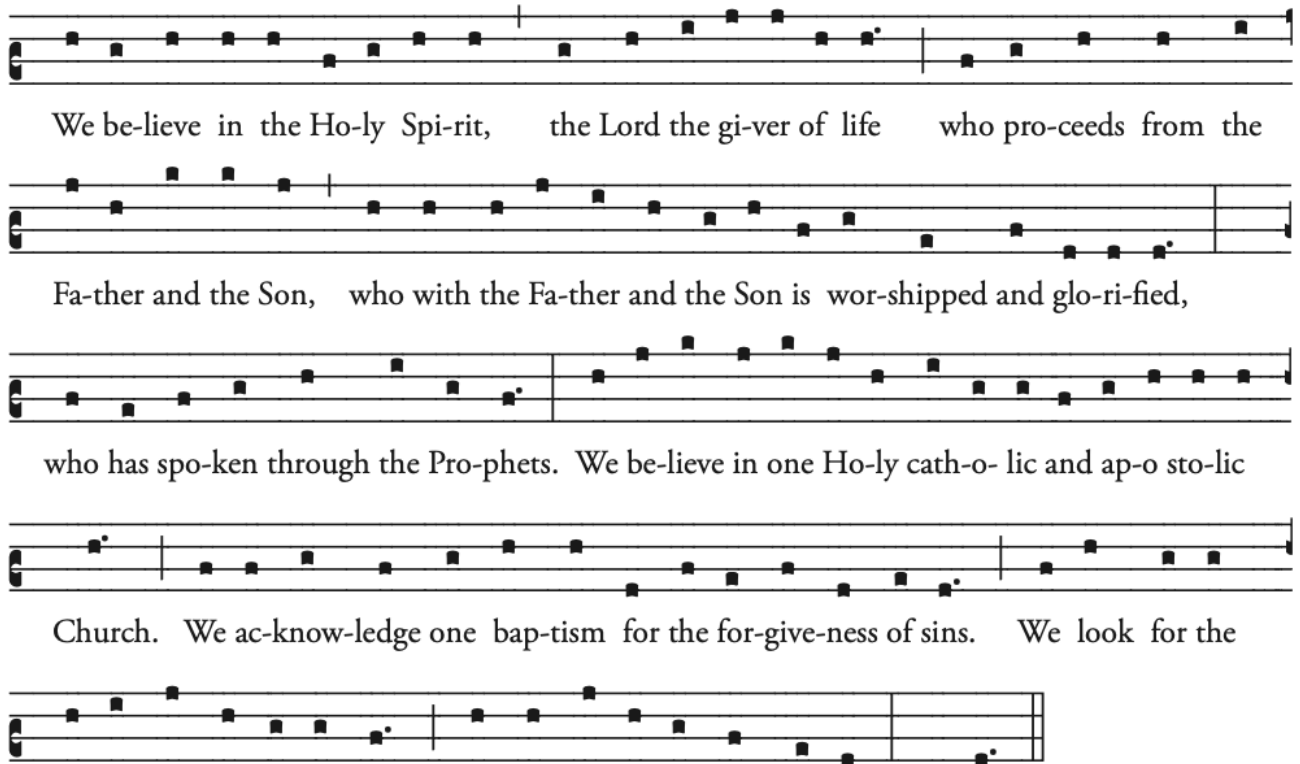
On the third day he rose a- gain in ac-cor-dance with the scrip-tures. He as-cen-ded



in- to heav'n, and is seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther. He will come a- gain in



glo-ry to judge the liv- ing and the dead and his king-dom will have no end.



We be-lieve in the Ho-ly Spi-rit, the Lord the gi-ver of life who pro-ceeds from the
 Fa-ther and the Son, who with the Fa-ther and the Son is wor-shipped and glo-ri-fied,
 who has spo-ken through the Pro-phets. We be-lieve in one Ho-ly cath-o-lic and ap-o sto-lic
 Church. We ac-know-ledge one bap-tism for the for-give-ness of sins. We look for the
 re-sur- rec-tion of the dead, ✠ and the life of the world to come. A-men.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please kneel. After each petition:

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

And at the end:

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord.

And let light ✠ perpetual shine upon them.

Celebrant:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand for the Greeting of Peace. Celebrant:

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

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

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON [*Sung by the choir*]

The right hand of the Lord has struck with power; the right hand of the Lord has exalted me; I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

Offertory hymn NEH 302 O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Celebrant:

Blessed are you, Lord God..... **Blessed be God forever.**

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Holy Church.

The Celebrant prays the Prayer over the Offerings. People respond with Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Please kneel. The celebrant continues the prayer.

At 11.00am the choir sings the Sanctus.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
 God of power and might,
 Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 + Blessed is he that comes in the name of the
 Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to:

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith


All



Christ has_ died. Christ is___ ri - sen. Christ will_ come_ a - gain.---


The celebrant continues the prayer, ending with:

All

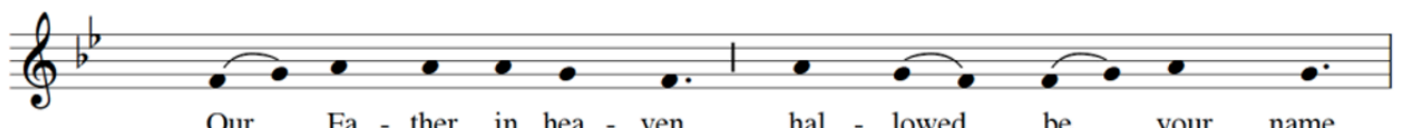


Bles sing and ho-nour and glo-ry and power are yours for e-ver and_ e - ver. A - men.

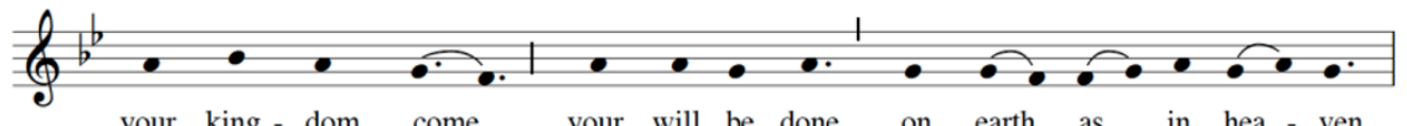
Celebrant



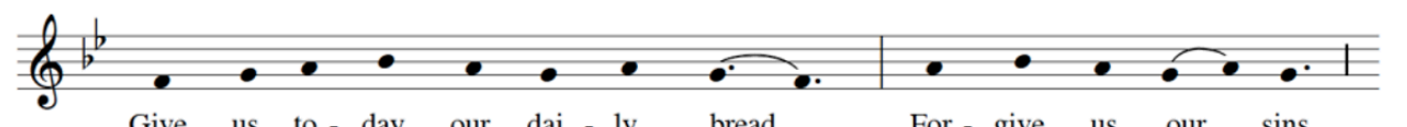
As our Sav - iour Christ has taught us, we are con - fi - dent to pray,



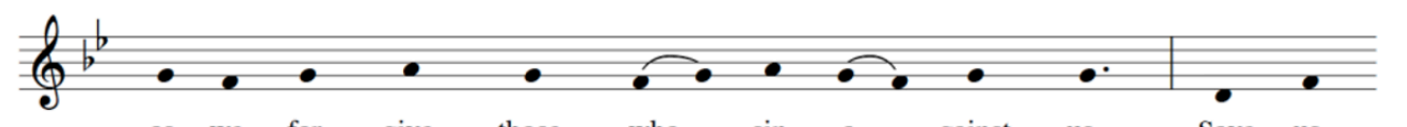
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your name,



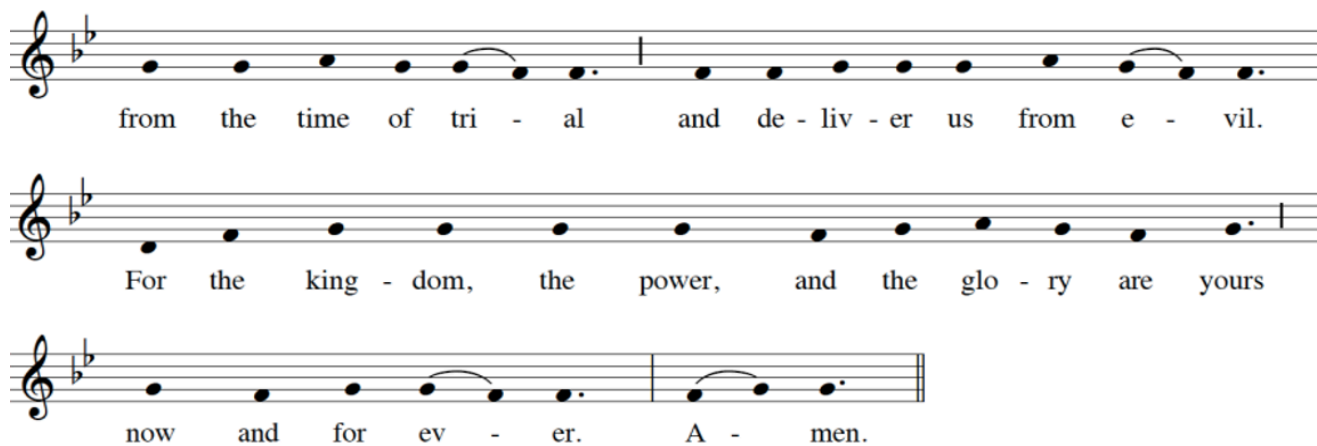
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.



Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins



as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us



from the time of tri - al and de - liv - er us from e - vil.

For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours

now and for ev - er. A - men.

Celebrant:

We who are many are one body.
For we all share in the one bread.

All remaining kneeling as the Agnus Dei is sung by the choir at 11.00am.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant:

Behold the Lamb of God,
 behold him who takes away the sin of the world.
 Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.

The Celebrant recites silently the Communion Antiphon.

Communicant members of any Christian church are invited to receive the sacrament.

All others are very welcome to come forward for a blessing.

COMMUNION MOTET *Sung by the choir at 11.00am*

Motet: Anton Bruckner (1824-96) *Dextera Domini*

Please stand for the Post-Communion hymn.

NEH 56 Songs of thankfulness and praise

THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Celebrant sings the final prayer, leading to:

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

Notices are given here.

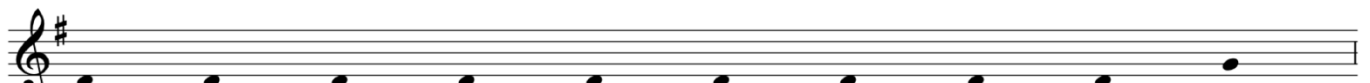
The Celebrant offers the blessing and the Deacon dismisses the congregation:

Go in the peace of Christ
Thanks be to God.


THE ANGELUS



The Angel of the Lord brought ti - dings to Mary: And she conceived by the Ho - ly Ghost.



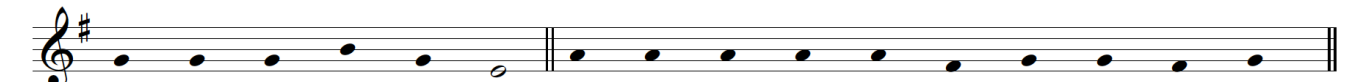
Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee,



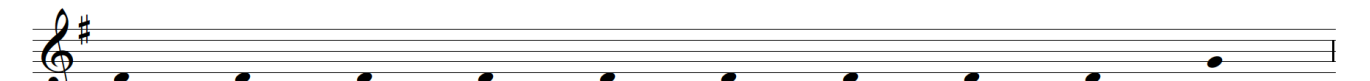
Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Je - sus:



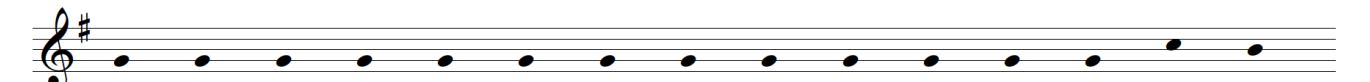
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. A - men.



Behold the handmaid of the Lord: Be it unto me ac - cord - ing to thy word.



Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee,



Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Je - sus:



Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. A - men.

And the Word was made flesh: And dwelt a - mong us.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee,

Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Je - sus:

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. A - men.

Pray for us O Holy Mother of God. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. We beseech thee O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that as we have known the incarnation of thy son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Sanctuary party processes to the West door for the final prayers and dismissal.

Postlude: Dawn Canticle by Ross Edwards (b. 1943)

If you are a new parishioner, or a visitor to St Peter's, please introduce yourself to the clergy at the door as you leave the church. All are welcome for refreshments after the Mass in the Parish Hall.

Readings for the Fourth Sunday after Epiphany are:

Deuteronomy 18.15–20; Revelation 12.1–5a; Mark 1.21–28

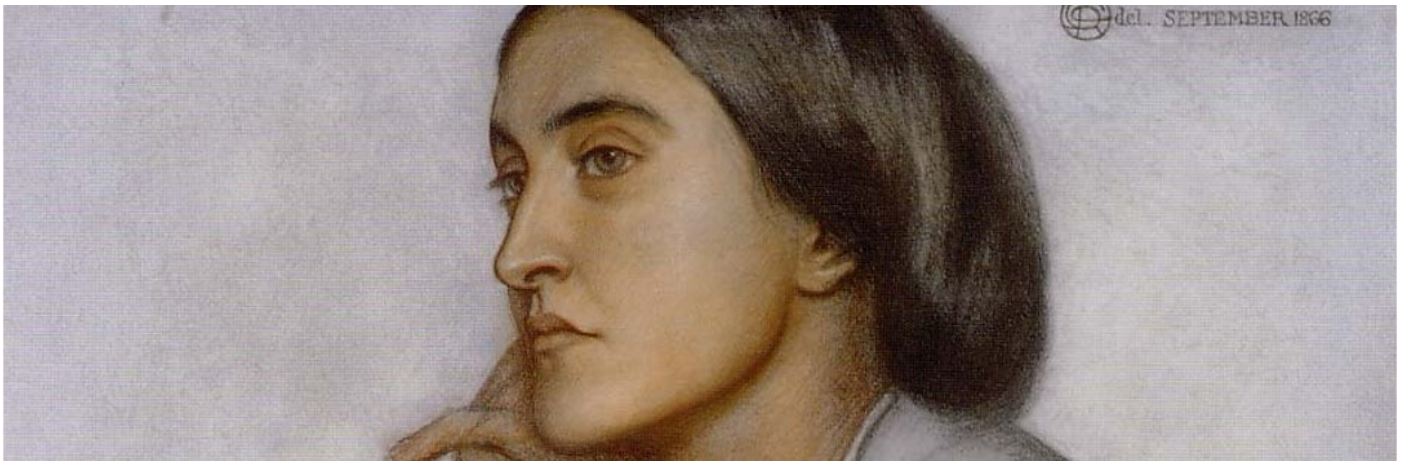
NOTICES

For your Diary

CANDLEMAS

Friday 2 February 7pm

Please come and join us for Candlemas



Poets and the Faith 2024

Second Tuesday of the Month

6-7.30pm

Wine and cheese on arrival, with suggested \$10 donation

The Hall of St Peter's Eastern Hill

More details: <https://www.stpeters.org.au/poets2024>

For inquiries or to register your interest, please email: poets@stpeters.org.au

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The Three Great Days: The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil

Sundays in Lent, after High Mass: 18th February, 25th February, 3rd March, 17th March (no session 10th March)

On the Sundays of Lent after High Mass, Mthr Kathryn will be giving a series of talks exploring the liturgy of the three great days ("Triduum") - that is, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil.

Each year, over these days, the Church journeys with Jesus through his last mortal days into the dawning light of his resurrection. The liturgy that carries us through these days took shape particularly in the city of Jerusalem in the fourth century, and has continued to develop into the modern Western rites as we observe them today. In these sessions we will explore the history and the significance of these rituals, with an eye to understanding how they draw us, as the Church, into the great mystery of Salvation by uniting us with our Crucified and Risen Lord.

Weekly Reflections

From Philip Harvey: Some poets write on John 2.1-11

As happens in life, we suddenly find ourselves at a wedding. Everyone is here, it seems. We are told it is the third day, a familiar expression. Thomas Merton puts it this way in his poem 'Cana':

Once when our minds were Galilees,

And clean as skies our faces,

Our simple rooms were charmed with sun.

Our thoughts went in and out in whiter coats than God's disciples.

But somehow the party is flagging and it's Mary who flags the problem, "They have no wine." Views vary on her exchange of words with Jesus. Rainer Maria Rilke reads it thus ('Of the Marriage at Cana'):
And so she followed after him, amazed.

But there on that day at the wedding feast
when, unexpectedly, more wine was needed,
she looked, and begged a gesture at the least
and did not understand when he protested.

Then he did it. And she saw much later
how she had thrust him then upon his way.
Now he'd become a real miracle-maker,
and in this act unalterably there lay
the sacrifice.

Alexander Pope says what happens next in a one-liner: "The conscious water saw its master and blushed." A line Pope seems to have elaborated from Richard Crashaw and John Dryden, but what is language in all its abundance, if it isn't here to share?

Graciously invited by Jesus, the first to test the waters is the chief steward, whose middle management job is defined by Seamus Heaney in 'Cana Revisited' as "to supervise consumption or supplies." So, imagine his surprise and relief at finding the best wine kept until now, the weight of responsibility lifted in an act of equalising grace. There is more than enough for everyone. This is called the first miracle Jesus performed and it is an epiphany, revealing God in our midst, then and now for everyone.

Malcolm Guite, in one of his sonnets, says it is "A truth that you can taste upon the tongue ... Where you can taste and touch and feel and see,/ The spring of love, the fount of all forgiving,/ Flows when you need it, rich, abundant, free." Cana astounds, but it is not a transitory event. This good wine is offered to everyone to partake, as Guite states clearly in conclusion:

Better than waters of some outer weeping,
That leave you still with all your hidden sin,
Here is a vintage richer for the keeping
That works its transformation from within.
'What price?' you ask me, as we raise the glass,
'It cost our Saviour everything he has.'

St Peter's Bookroom & Church Supplier

Would you like to learn more about some of our Medieval English Christian mystics?



For Thy Great Pain Have Mercy on My Little Pain by Victoria Mackenzie was released last year and imaginatively explores Margery Kempe's visit to the anchoress, Julian of Norwich, in her monastic cell early 15th century. "A novel of rare brightness and clarity...it illuminates the meeting of two extraordinary women like a shaft of sunlight..." Imogen Hermes Gowar.
\$29.95

The coffee cart is back, so please spread the word that Heaven at the Hill (soon to be re-named) is back, and pop round for a coffee and say hi to the crew.



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Office Hours: 10am to 1pm, Monday - Thursday

Sunday Services

8.00am Low Mass [BCP]; 9.30am Family Mass; 11.00am High Mass
6pm Low Mass [1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays] 6pm Evensong & Benediction [2nd & 4th Sundays]

Weekday Services

Mon-Fri Mass at 8.00am (9.00am on Public Holidays); Wednesday 1:15pm Mass; Saturday 12noon Mass
Special Devotion to Our Lady of Walsingham on the 1st Saturday of the month
Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 7.00pm

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Charitable Foundation:	Krystyna Campbell-Pretty	03 9662 2391
Children's Church:	Katherine Barnett	0403 352 256
Churchwardens:	Michael Gronow	0411 289 318
	Helena Hughes	-
	Daniel Ferguson	0419 572 033
Child Safety Officer:	Rachel Ellyard	0419 335 793
Flowers:	Michael Upson	0492 964 984
Guild of St Benedict:	Daniel Ferguson	0419 572 033
Head Server:	Anthony Schepis	0400 578 952
Director of Music:	Christopher Watson	0401 826 325
Organist:	Rhys Arvidson	0405 277 853
Parish Administrator:	Eugene Chin	0401 826 325
Pastoral care:	Di Clark	0407 354 987
Prayer Link & Pastoral:	Fr Roger Prowd	0417 323 112
Sacristan:	Naomi Johnson	03 9662 2391

Parish Council Membership

Fr Michael Bowie (President)
Daniel Mitterdorfer (Secretary)
Peter Griffin (Treasurer)
Anne Scott-Pendlebury
Craig Wilson
Geoffrey Bush-Coote
Marcus Roberts
Michael Upson
Terry Porter

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Christ
in the world".*