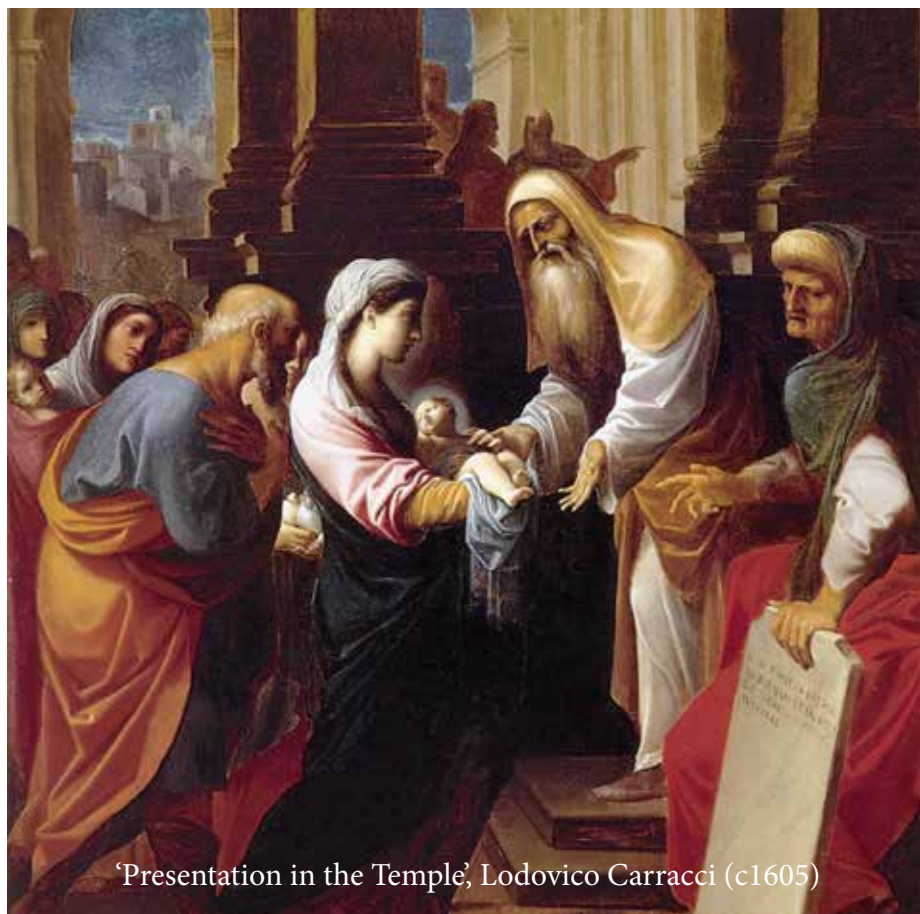


Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia
Parish Church of the City since 1847



'Presentation in the Temple', Lodovico Carracci (c1605)

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

3RD FEBRUARY 2019

Christ our cornerstone, you were recognized at your presentation in the temple as a sign of hope for the world, but also as a stumbling-block for many: help us so to present ourselves for your service, that, in sharing your scandal, we may become a people acceptable to you.

In your name we pray. *Amen*

Please feel free to take this pew sheet home.

VICAR'S MUSINGS

Welcome to St Peter's on this feast day of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, or Candlemas. This Feast is an important and fully integrated festival of the Christmas cycle. It is not an optional extra, but the natural climax, after forty days, of the Christmas and Epiphany season. Although it might seem that the end of our annual celebration of the Incarnation follows the twelfth day of Christmas, the weeks of January explore Epiphany themes, culminating in Candlemas. Today's feast is our conclusion to the Christmas and Epiphany narrative and is an important turning point in the Christian year.

Candlemas is a feast rich in meaning, with several related themes running through it: presentation, purification, meeting, light for the world. The several names by which it has been known in Christian history illustrate just how much it has to teach us, and how significant it is as a Christian celebration. In the northern hemisphere this celebration of light, in the midst of the dark and bitter cold of winter, is in many ways an anticipation of what is to come: the light and warmth of spring, the passion, death and glorious resurrection of Christ. In the southern hemisphere, drenched as we are with the brilliant and scorching light of the sun and the heat of summer, this celebration of light takes on more of a celebration of the present: the joy of summer, our thanksgiving for Jesus Christ who came among us to be light for the world, as well as pointing us towards Lent and Holy Week beyond.

Perhaps the strongest symbolism of Candlemas is the bitter-sweet nature of what it celebrates. It is a feast day, and the revelation of the child Jesus in the Temple, greeted by Simeon and Anna, which calls for rejoicing. Today, however, we also reflect on the prophetic words of Simeon, which speak of the falling and rising of many and the sword that will pierce; words that draw us towards the Passion and the Paschal Mysteries. The scriptures and liturgy of the Christmas and Epiphany seasons do point to the suffering of the Lord, but none are so poignant as the words of Simeon. Coming as they do at the very end of the Christmas celebration, with Lent nearby, they make Candlemas a pivot in the Christian year. It is as if we say "One last look back to Christmas, and now we turn towards the cross!"

*A Candlemas reflection adapted from
previous years' St Peter's liturgies.*



Check out our new Parish Website: **www.stpeters.org.au**
We're excited to announce that our new website is now live.

Our new website supports our growing
social media and online presence,
and will help us showcase our programmes
and initiatives to an even wider audience.

Over the coming days, we'd love it if you'd look over
the new website and provide feedback.

Our previous website, expertly managed by Bruce Kellett,
will remain live as we continue to bring content
over to the new platform.

You can access the previous site on the homepage
of the new site or directly:
<http://webmail.stpeters.org.au>.

We'll be launching the new Parish Website officially on 10th February
2019 after High Mass. Please send comments and feedback to
alae.taulealo@rmit.edu.au

8:00 am Mass

Celebrant: Fr Hugh Kempster

Preacher: Fr Hugh Kempster

9:30 am Family Mass

Celebrant: Fr Philip Gill

Preacher: Fr Philip Gill

Deacon: Fr Hugh Kempster

Children's Talk: Fr Hugh Kempster

Reader: Jan Gordon-Clark

Intercessor: Eleanor Newton

Hymns: Entrance : 234(ii) Offertory : 157 Post-Communion : 44

Communion Voluntary: Peeters Aria

Postlude: attr. Bach Little Prelude & Fugue in D minor

11:00 am High Mass

Celebrant: Fr Hugh Kempster

Preacher: Fr Philip Gill

Deacon: Fr Greg Davies

Reader: Geoff Sutherland

Intercessor: William Southey

Hymns: Entrance : 156 Gradual : 44 Offertory : 280 Post-Communion : 157

Introit: Holst Nunc dimittis

Translation: LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation, Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Mass Setting: Pekiell arr. W. Evans Missa Brevis Bartłomiej

Motet: Eccard When to the temple Mary went

Postlude: attr. Bach Little Prelude & Fugue in D minor

6:00 pm Mass

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Hugh Kempster

Next Sunday 10th February: Ordinary Sunday 5

Mass Readings: Isa 6.1-2a,3-8, 1 Corinthians 15.1-11 & Luke: 5.1-11

Readers & Intercessors: A. Scott Pendlebury, C. Tedja, L. James & D. Clark

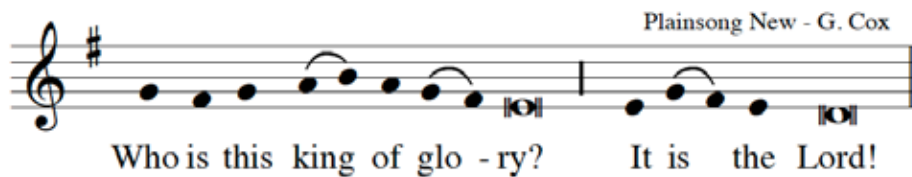
Celebrants: Fr Hugh Kempster & Fr Philip Gill

MASS READINGS

First Reading : Malachi 3.1-4

Thus says the Lord God: “See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight - indeed, he is coming,” says the Lord of hosts. “But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.”

Psalm : 24.7, 8, 9, 10



Lift up your heads, O gates!
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in. R.

Who is the King of glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle. R.

Lift up your heads, O gates!
and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the King of glory may come in. R.

Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory. R.

Second Reading : Hebrews 2.10-11, 13b-18

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the source of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, “Here am I,

and the children whom God has given me.” Since the children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that Jesus did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because Jesus himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Gospel : Luke 2.22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, the parents of Jesus brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. As it is written in the law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord,” and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.” Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, “Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.” The child’s father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, “This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too.” There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When the parents of Jesus had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

PRAYERS

FOR THE SICK:

Carole Ainio, Mary Armour, Chris Bennie, Gail Edwards, John Harvey, Noelene Jones, Trish Lawrence, Sam Lawson, Bill Loughnan, Kel McMeeken, Robert Moore, Lisa Morris, Allen Rei, John Ross, George Shaw, Peter Swindells, Hugh Todd, and John Willis.

AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, Michael Boyle PRIEST, John Crocker, Cliff Gornall, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Reg Mills PRIEST, Joyce Newton, Liz Prideaux, Graham Ritchie, Helen Rowley, Bella Saadala, Barbara Ure-Smith, Ruth Tindale, Annette Wood; and also Andrew, Jan and Chad.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED : Ian George BISHOP

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Sun	3	Christopher Bell, Keith Reynolds
Mon	4	Alice Bennie, Doris Fisher, Dorothy Joyce Garth, Rina Mackley
Tue	5	Ruth Isabel Curtis, Matthew Richmond, Lucy Synnot
Wed	6	Sophie Athanites, Archibald Smith
Thu	7	Ilona Helen Noel, Lionel Sarrof <small>PRIEST</small>
Fri	8	Jane Ethel Beatrice Eggington, James Hayward, Barbara Pauline Lamin, Esther Florence Miller, Leland Maynes Ponton, Irene Robins, Tracey Marie Winters
Sat	9	Edna Jane Everingham, John Farndon, Elizabeth Hall, Alice Herde, Alice Nicholls

PARISH DIARY

<i>Saturday 9th February</i>	Colleen Clayton and Lynda Crossley will be ordained as Deacons at 10.30am on Saturday 9th February 2019 at St Paul's Cathedral, followed by lunch in the St Peter's Hall.
<i>Sunday 10th February</i>	Commissioning of 2019 Parish Council, and prayers for others in Lay Leadership at all morning Masses; followed by launch of new Parish Website at 1:00pm. Blessing and Thanksgiving for the birth of Akuach Miyen at the 9:30am Family Mass. All are welcome.
<i>Tuesday 12th February</i>	Spiritual Care Australia Conference "Conflict, Reflection and Creativity" with keynote speaker Pdraig O Tuama, at the Royal Children's Hospital, Flemington Road Parkville, from 9am to 4pm.
<i>Wednesday 13th February</i>	'Friends of St Peter's' Mass in Church and Meal in the Hall, from 11am.
<i>Wednesday 13th February</i>	The Second Robin Sharwood Lecture in Church Law, "Anglican Canon Law: Identity, Ecclesiology and Ecumenism" at the Craig Auditorium, Gateway Building, Trinity College, Parkville at 7:30pm. Keynote speaker, Prof. Mark Hill QC
<i>Sunday 17th February</i>	Liturgy Committee meeting after High Mass in the Hughes Room at 1:15pm.
<i>Tuesday 5th March</i>	Shrove Tuesday pancakes and children's activities in the Parish Hall from 6pm, and burning of last year's Palm Crosses in preparation for Ash Wednesday.
<i>Wednesday 6th March</i>	Ash Wednesday Masses at 7:15am and 1:15pm, as well as a High Mass at 6.15pm, followed by a light meal. Also, following the 7.15am Mass a ministry team will take "Ashes to Go" for the commuters at Parliament Station.

HIGH MASS TODAY

Members of the congregation will be supplied with candles as they enter the church. These will be lit by the servers before the Mass begins. They should be extinguished after the procession. The candles will then be lit before the Gospel, after which they should again be extinguished.

FEAST DAY OF CHARLES, KING AND MARTYR - TODAY

Our friends at Christ Church Brunswick will be hosting a festival Evensong and lecture to mark the Feast Day of Charles, King and Martyr today 6pm at Christ Church Brunswick. The speaker will be Archbishop David Moxon, former director of the Anglican Centre in Rome and Archbishop of Canterbury's representative to the Holy See. The Archbishop will be reflecting on his life in Rome and his relationship with Pope Francis, as well as his important work with ecumenical education and refugee ministry.



The evening will include refreshments and all are warmly invited to join the community at Christ Church for what promises to be a wonderful evening.

For more info: <http://www.christchurchbrunswick.org/>

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

Flowers in church today are donated by Di Clarke in loving memory of her parents Alison Elaine Clark and Mervyl Wycliffe Clark.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MABOR AND MIYEN FAMILIES

Our congratulations to parishioner Akuch Mabor, at the birth of her firstborn, Akuach Miyen. Akuach was born just before midday on Tuesday 8th January, weighing in at 3.06kg. Congratulations also to grandparents Majur and Toma Mabor. On Sunday 10th February, at the 9:30am Family Mass, there will be a Blessing and Thanksgiving for the birth of Akuach Miyen. All are welcome to this celebration of our youngest new parishioner!



PÁDRAIG Ó TUAMA

CONFLICT, REFLECTION AND CREATIVITY

“Northern Ireland peacemaker, poet and theologian, Pádraig Ó Tuama’s work centres around themes of language, religion, conflict and art. Working fluently on the page and with groups of people from various religions and walks of life, Pádraig is a skilled speaker, teacher and group worker.”

Spend a day with Pádraig Ó Tuama on Tuesday, 12 February 2019. Pádraig inspired many SCA members and friends during the 2016 SCA Conference in Melbourne. Now you have the opportunity to kick off your professional development for 2019 with seminars with Pádraig. He will lead two sessions across the day and you can attend one or both.

TUESDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2019

MORNING SESSION 9AM – 12.30PM

A workshop-based session for Spiritual Care Practitioners and others that will explore their role in resolving interreligious, workplace and interpersonal conflict. The session will run for approximately three-hours and will be a mixture of didactic and practical exercises.

AFTERNOON SESSION 1.30PM – 4PM

A retreat-style workshop that aims to nourish attendees. Pádraig will lead us through a reflective process that will engage our inner self using creative approaches such as poetry, music and mindfulness.

ROYAL CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL, FLEMINGTON ROAD, PARKVILLE

COSTS:

PER SESSION \$65

WHOLE DAY \$120

THE COST INCLUDES MORNING AND AFTERNOON TEAS.
ATTENDEES CAN BYO LUNCH OR PURCHASE LUNCH IN ONE OF
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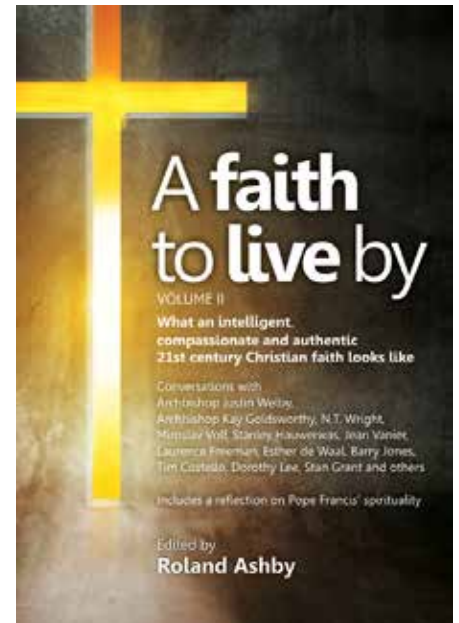
Spiritual Care Australia

ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

RECOMMENDED SUMMER READING!

A Faith to Live by - Roland Ashby

If Christianity is to continue to be a major force in the world it must be clear in both its message and practice that God is a God of love, compassion and justice who can transform lives. This book provides us with an insight into the experiences of 31 eminent Christians from around the globe. It confronts such questions as 'Why does God allow suffering and evil to exist?' while also demonstrating there is a rational and compelling basis for belief.



From the publisher: "This book of interviews is a timely one.

At a time when Christianity and religions in general, are under sustained attack from new atheists such as Richard Dawkins and the late Christopher Hitchens, there is an urgent need for intelligent, thoughtful, clear and honest reflections on faith which can be widely accessed and understood. In *A faith to live by* many of the interview subjects explain how they are able to believe in, and live by, their faith, and also deal with questions and doubts from within their belief and practice as Christians"

Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 9.30am to 4.30 pm Sunday - after 9.30am & 11am Mass

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Sunday Services

8.00 am Mass (BCP)
9.30 am Family Mass
11.00 am High Mass
6.00 pm Mass/Evensong & Benediction

Refreshments are available in the Parish Hall after each of the Sunday morning services

Weekday Services

Mon – Fri: Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays)
Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 6.15pm
Wed: Mass at 1.15pm
Sat: Mass at 9.00am (Cell of our Lady of Walsingham, 3rd Saturday of the month)

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William Southey
Rwth Stuckey
Peter Wild
Peter Yewers

*We are an inclusive
and welcoming Church,
built on the lands of the
Wurundjeri people.
We are committed to
social justice, equality and
diversity. Our mission
is: "Catholic Evangelism:
Growing in God's love".*