

Welcome to
ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL
Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia
Parish Church of the City since 1846



The Incredulity of Saint Thomas, Painting by **Paolo Moranda Cavazzola (1485-1522)**,
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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
7 APRIL 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: Irina Ishaq, Graham Ryles, Nelson Rufatt, Julie-Anne Bird, Sue Tan, Robert Saliba, Janine Stewart, Bp John Parkes.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED: Elizabeth Pemberton, Bp John Stewart.

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK

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| April | 7 | Thomas Bird, Claude Milton Kennedy PRIEST, Ernest John Withycombe PRIEST |
| | 8 | Alfred Edward Bates, Kathleen Davies |
| | 9 | John Barker, Cyril Brougham, Ellen Eliza Gordon, Donald Leggett, James Moorhouse BISHOP |
| | 10 | Jack Macmichael Armour, Vera Le Poidevin, Ian Patrick Roe, Marjorie Edna Sutton |
| | 11 | William Henry Gray, Doris Smith |
| | 12 | Ella Alice Armstrong, Maude de Serville |
| | 13 | Sister Christina 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: Harold Darke (1888-1976) *Communion Service in E*

Entrance Hymn: NEH 103 Alleluya! Alleluya!

The sanctuary party enters the chancel to prepare for the *Vidi Aquam*,

Antiphon VIII

Cantor *All*

I saw wa-ter* flow - ing from the right side

of the tem - ple, al - le - lu - ia:

it brought God's life and his sal - va - tion,

and the peo - ple sang in joy - ful praise: Al - le - lu - ia,

Fine Cantor
al - le - lu - ia. Ps. O give thanks to the Lord for he is good:

All Cantor
and his mer - cy en - dures for e - ver. Glo - ry to God,

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

All
and for e - ver. A - men. Repeat Antiphon: I saw wa - ter etc.

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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 celebrant censes the altar during the Introit.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Like newborn infants, alleluia, you must long for the pure spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

V. Sing joyfully to God our helper, shout in triumph to the God of Jacob.

Like newborn infants...

Celebrant:

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

Amen.

Christ is Risen. Alleluia.

He is Risen indeed. Alleluia.

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 who turn to him in faith:
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 at 9.30am and 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.

**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 Father,
you have given your only Son to die for our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness
that we may always serve you
in pureness of living and truth;
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ 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: Acts 4.32-35

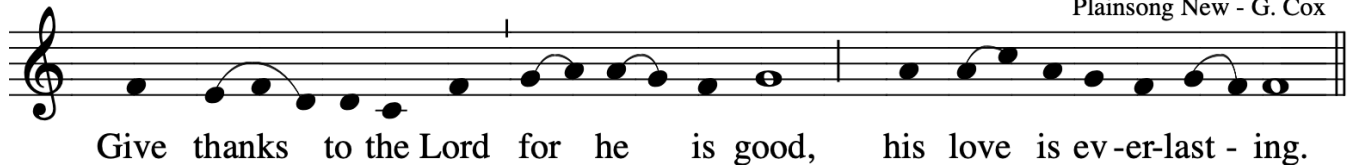
A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Hear the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 118

Plainsong New - G. Cox



Let Israel say,
“His steadfast love endures forever.”
Let the house of Aaron say,
“His steadfast love endures forever.”
Let those who fear the Lord say,
“His steadfast love endures forever.” **R.**

“The right hand of the Lord is exalted;
the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.”
I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord.
The Lord has punished me severely,
but he did not give me over to death. **R.**

The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the Lord’s doing;
it is marvellous in our eyes.
This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it. **R.**

THE EPISTLE: 1 John 1.1-2.2

A reading from the first letter of John.

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

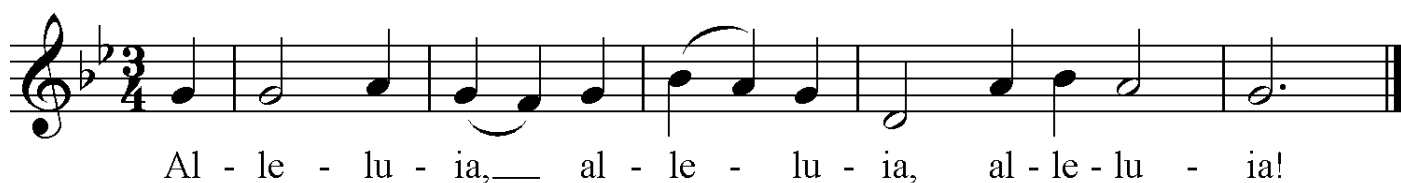
This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



'You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have no seen me, but still believe!'

Deacon:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John 20.19-end**

✠ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews,

Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

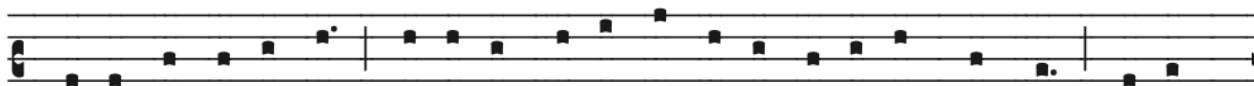
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit for the Homily by Fr Michael Bowie

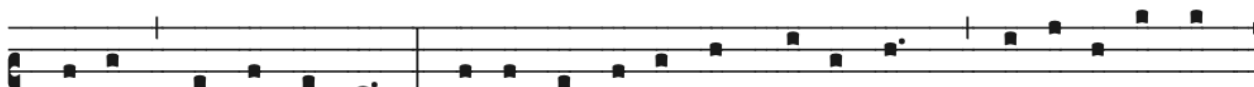
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The Creed

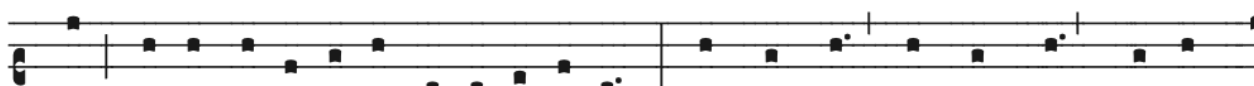
All stand and sing together facing the High Altar. The priest intones the opening phrase.



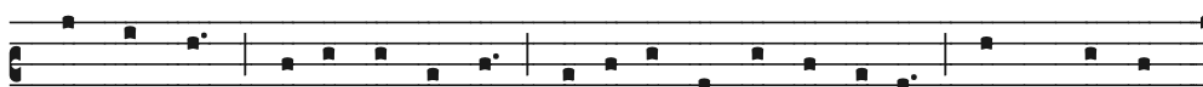
∇ We be-lieve in one God, the Fa-ther, the al-migh-ty, ma-ker of heav'n and earth of all



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



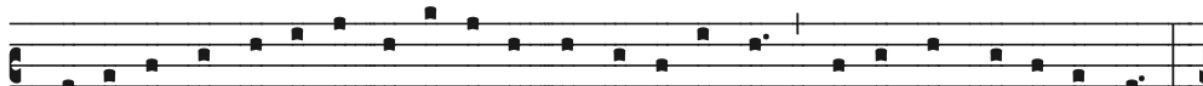
God, e - ter-nal-ly be-got-ten of the Fa-ther, God from God, light from light, true God



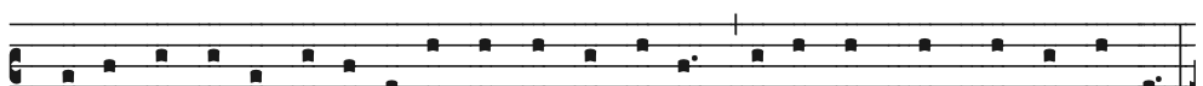
from true God, be-got-ten, not made of one be-ing with the Fa-ther through him all



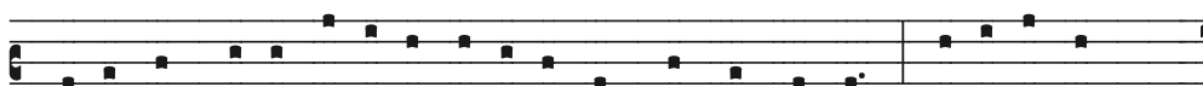
things were made. For us and for our sal-va-tion he came down from heaven,



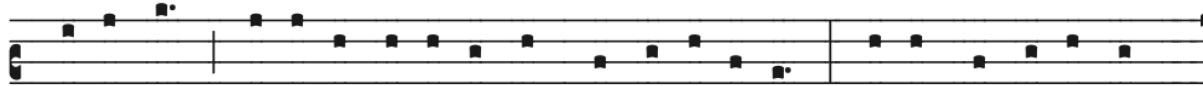
was in-car-nate of the Ho-ly Spi-rit and the vir-gin Ma-ry, and be-came tru-ly hu-man.



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



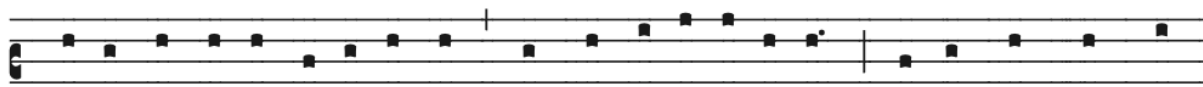
On the third day he rose a-gain in ac-cor-dance with the scrip-tures. He as-cen-ded



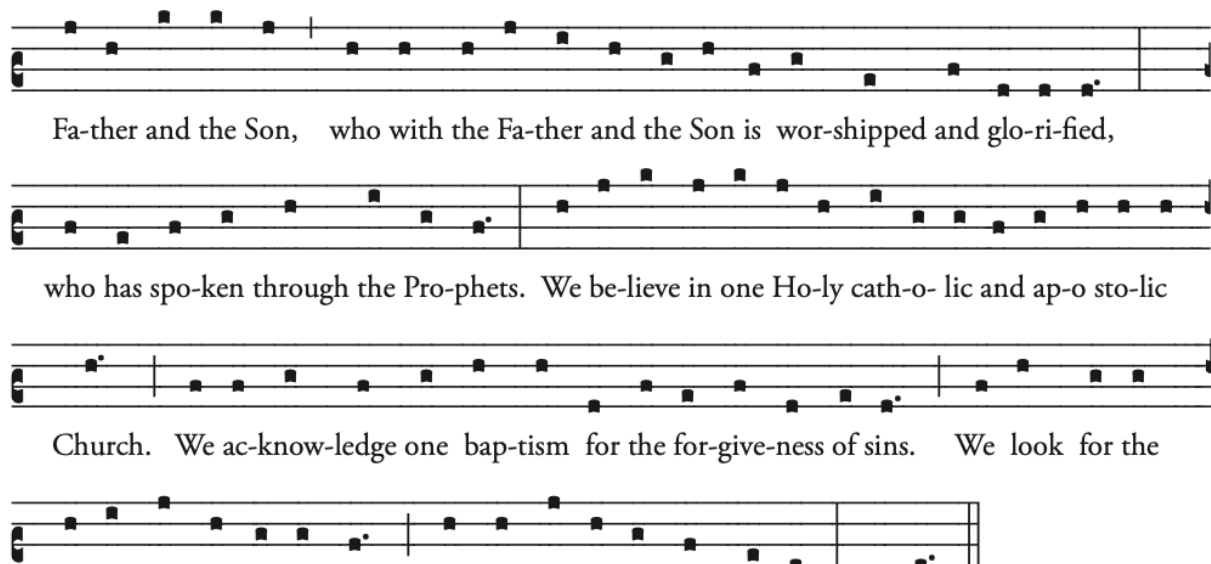
in- to heav'n, and is seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther. He will come a- gain in



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 at High Mass*]

The angel of the Lord came down from heaven and said to the women:
 “The One whom you seek has risen as he said he would,” Alleluia.

Offertory hymn NEH 106 Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

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 9.30am the Sanctus is sung by the people. 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.

[The Lords Prayer is said at 9.30am]

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 at 9.30am and 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.

*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*

Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921) *Ave verum corpus*

Please stand for the Post-Communion hymn.

NEH 124 Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

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. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

THE REGINA CAELI

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia.

He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia.

As he promised hath arisen, alleluia.

Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia, alleluia.

O God,

who by the Resurrection of thy Son,

our Lord Jesus Christ,

has given joy unto the world:

grant we pray that by the help of his Mother,

the Virgin Mary,

we may obtain the joys of life eternal,

through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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

Postlude: Camille Saint-Saëns *Allegro giocoso*, from *Sept Improvisations* (Op. 150 No. 7)

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 Third Sunday in Easter:

Acts 3.12–19 †; 1 John 3.1–7; Luke 24.36b –48

NOTICES

For your Diary

‘.....the life of steadfast attention.’



Denise Levertov presented by Carol O'Connor

Tuesday April 9th, 6-7.30pm

The intense lyricism and vivid imagery in the poetry of 20th century Anglo-American writer and teacher, Denise Levertov, reveals her lifelong passion to live attentively in the world.

Come along and explore this remarkable woman's life. Always moved by the mystery of existence, her journey to faith was a process of questioning and slow spiritual transformation.

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

Scan to QR code to book



Or go to <https://www.trybooking.com/COHCY>

Hear the choir of King's College Cambridge with other St Peterites 23 July (note corrected date)

The choir of King's College Cambridge is coming to Melbourne mid-year, performing at Melbourne Recital Centre on Tuesday 23 July at 7pm. The program is a mix of old 😊 and new 😞 and includes Giovanni Gabrieli: O Magnum Mysterium; John Bull: Almighty God, Which By The Leading Of A Star; Thomas Tallis: Videte Miraculum; Igor Stravinsky: Mass and world premiere of Damian Barbeler / Judith Nangala Crispin: Charlotte (2023).

We have booked 10 B reserve seats at \$87 each, (\$76 concession), first come, first served. If there is interest, we'll have a collective meal near or in the Recital Centre. Please let me know of your interest (Stephen.j.duckett@gmail.com 0447837741)

Stephen Duckett

Nelson Rufatt - Appeal for Donations



Many of you would know Nelson and Emma-May Rufatt, two of our choral scholars, and their new addition Nelson Junior; they are valued and beloved members of our church community. What some of you may not know is Nelson is currently fighting Stage Four leiomyosarcoma, a rare soft-tissue cancer. Specialists have advised that there is little more treatment that they can offer for his illness. There is some hope though: there are some evolving treatments that are available overseas, but these are not available publicly in Australia, and thus the full cost of this local treatment must be borne by the young family.

Nelson has established a GoFundMe campaign to raise the \$100,000 to pay for this treatment. The young family hopes that, as well as continuing to pray for Nelson, you might also consider making a donation. You can donate via the fundraising page at <https://shorturl.at/amvy4> or scan the QR code



Weekly Reflections

Reflections. April 2024.

When St Paul stood before the Areopagus addressing the Athenians, whose city was full of idols, he spoke of “God who made the world and everything in it” saying “he is not far from each one of us”. A little later he quoted a Greek poet saying “For we too, are his offspring”.

Paul was able to recognise God’s presence in that city of idolaters, in the clatter and busy-ness of city life. It is easy to compartmentalise our faith, expecting to encounter God only amongst Christian people or sacred places; passing him by in the streets without noticing; but Paul did not fall into that trap.

The disciples, already shocked, confused and grieving, must have been completely discombobulated by Jesus’ appearance on the evening of his resurrection, when they gathered, terrified, behind locked doors. Now here he was; alive! How totally unexpected! Of course Jesus had pre-warned them, but how could they have believed such a thing?

Time after time in Scripture, in the lives of the Saints, and in our own lives, in the darkest hour, are examples when faith seems extinguished by weighty sorrows, despair, or the aching desolation of feeling forgotten, ignored or abandoned by God;

then Jesus comes – in a surprising way, in an unexpected place or unlikely circumstances, and his very presence changes everything.

There is a certain vulnerability required of a person who removes the blinkers which narrow their spiritual sight; who risk keeping the doors of their heart open; and allow their mind the freedom to accept as truth what rationality cannot prove... such people sense and know the presence of God-in-Jesus everywhere, like St Paul. Receiving the Holy Spirit willingly and freely lays that person open to God's fiery love and bestows a degree of transparency, enabling others a glimpse of the risen Christ within. Christ, the one who is nearby: present in the locked room of our fears; in vast empty landscapes of meaninglessness; in the depths of human pain. Waiting. Waiting to step forward and say "Peace be with you".

And to his disciples he said "As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

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St Peter's Bookroom & Church Supplier

A New Range of Art Cards have come in recently. See them on our website or visit us instore.



NEW BOOK

Contemplating Country: More Gondwana Theology by Garry Worete Deverell

Contemplating Country picks up where **Gondwana Theology** (2018) left off. It extends and deepens the ways in which Aboriginal spirituality and Christian theology may talk to each other. Employing the image of conversation around a campfire, **Contemplating Country** invites the reader to consider the ways in which Christian theology, community, and practice may be transformed through a deep and profound encounter with Aboriginal ways of seeing, knowing, and doing.

Such transformation is necessary, according to this author, if Christianity is ever to leave behind its Eurocentric habits and truly arrive in the sovereign and unceded country of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander nations. \$38-

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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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	Helena Hughes	-
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Head Server:	Anthony Schepis	0400 578 952
Director of Music:	Christopher Watson	-
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Christ
in the world".*