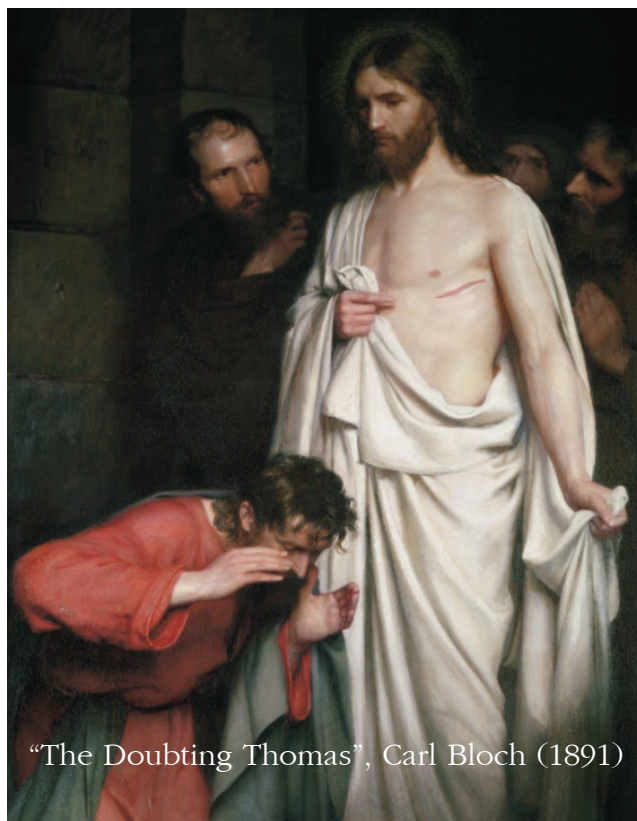


Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



"The Doubting Thomas", Carl Bloch (1891)

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

19TH APRIL 2020

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt: may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

VICAR'S MUSINGS

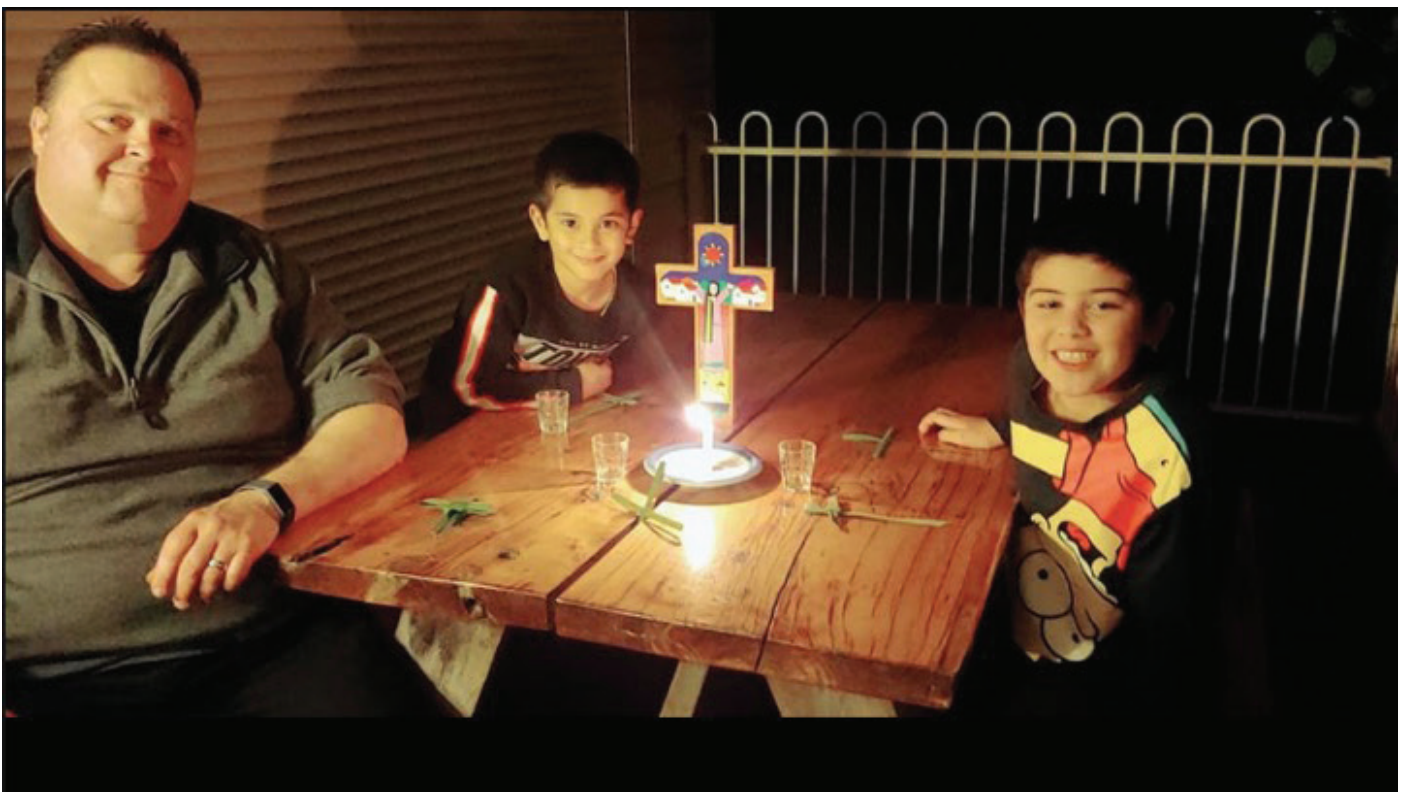
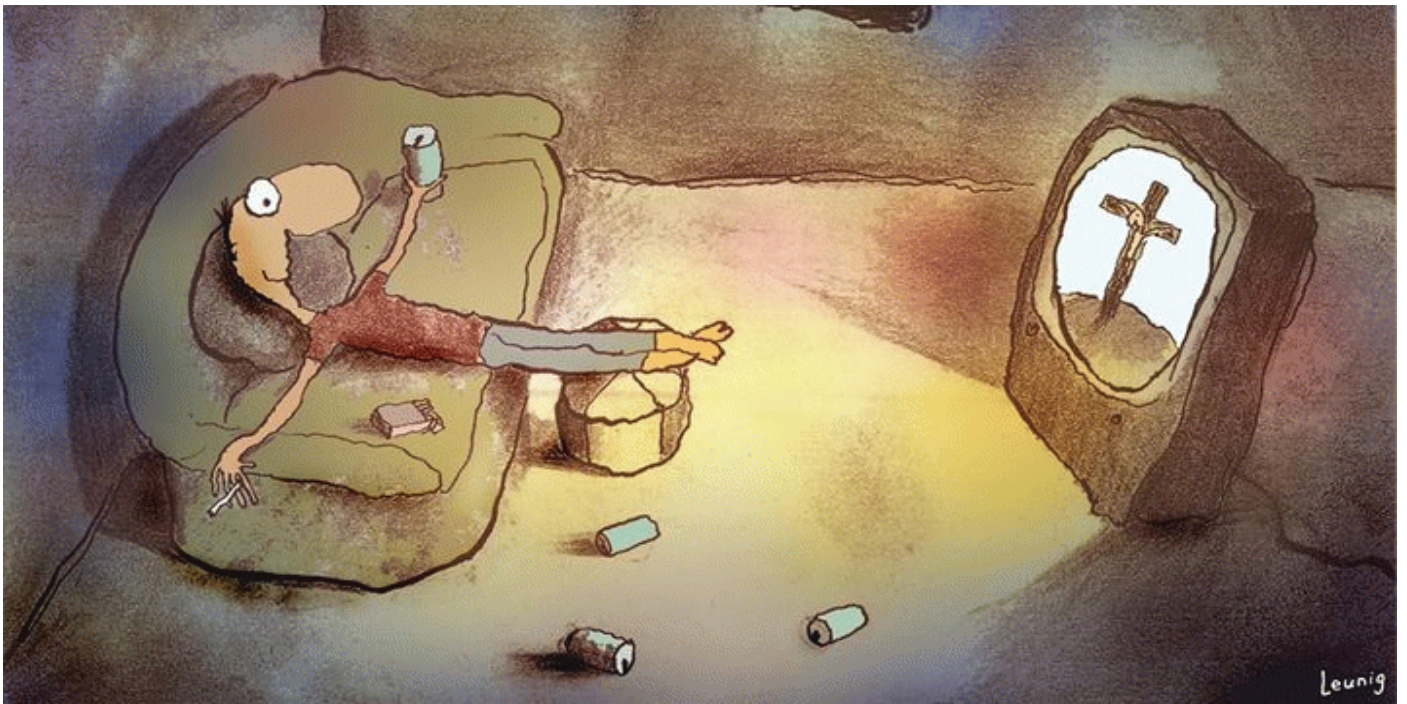
“Greet Prisca and Aquila, who work with me in Christ Jesus,
greet also the church in their house” *Romans 16:3*

“Give my greetings to the brothers and sisters in Laodicea,
and to Nympha and the church in her house” *Colossians 4:15*

It is now almost a month since public worship in all churches across Australia was banned. Never before, in the entire history of St Peter's Eastern Hill, have the church doors been locked to parishioners on a Sunday, let alone for the entire Easter Triduum. These are the strangest of times, and profoundly disheartening for all of us I am sure. That being said, I have been blessed with so many messages of hope from our scattered congregation in exile. The Spirit of God is irrepressible. I should have known that; but now I do, for sure. To quote just a few: “My remote Easter worship kit arrived today. Blessings for this Easter tide”; “It was such a delight to receive your Easter offering of cross and candle The cross is now a book-mark in my Bible and I lit the candle on Saturday night while participating on-line in the bit of the vigil that You Tube kindly allowed us to see. After the candle was finished, I went on meditating into the night – a most glorious experience of light”; and “Thought we'd have a cheeky Easter sing while rugged up in our PJs (don't worry we all live together)! Happy Easter all, missing you lots!!” [from a household of St Peter's choristers, who posted a delightful four-part rendition of “This Joyful Easter Tide”.] Many of your messages have been accompanied by photographs of beautiful Easter shrines and services that you have held in your homes, and I've included a couple of these too. The oddest Easter in our life-times, but there is no doubt: “Christ is Risen ... He is Risen indeed, Alleluia!”

TMA ONLINE EDITION

The April (Easter) edition of The Melbourne Anglican (TMA) is now available at <http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/this-months-tma> in various formats for reading online and printing.



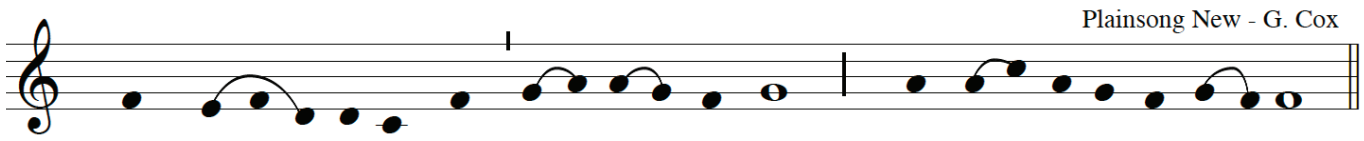
MASS READINGS

First Reading: Acts 2.42-47

Those who welcomed the message of Peter were baptized and many were added to the community. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Psalm : 118.2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Plainsong New - G. Cox



Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is ev-er-last - ing.

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.

I was pushed hard, so that I was falling,
but the Lord helped me.

The Lord is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory
in the tents of the righteous. 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.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1.3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead: a birth into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith - being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire - may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Gospel: John 20.19-31

It was evening on the day Jesus rose from the dead, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the authorities. 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.

THE DAILY OFFICE AT HOME

In these days of pandemic we are no longer able to gather as a worshipping community as we used to. Many parishioners, however, are finding it a comfort to worship and pray at home. It is a long-held tradition for Christians, Lay and Ordained, to pray the Daily Office. All you need is a Bible and A Prayer Book. If you only have one or neither of these at home, call Carol in the Bookroom, or online at : <http://www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au/>

	MORNING PRAYER	EVENING PRAYER
Monday	Ps 118 Leviticus 6.1-18 Matthew 28.1-10 <i>Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury (d. 1109)</i>	Ps 114; 115 Exodus 15.1-18 1 Peter 3.1-7
Tuesday	Ps 105.1-22 Leviticus 9.22 - 10.11 Matthew 28.11-20	Ps 105.23-45 Exodus 15.19-27 1 Peter 3.8-16
Wednesday	Ps 118.1-18 Leviticus 16.1-19 Luke 24.1-12 <i>George, Martyr (d. c. 303)</i>	Ps 118.19-29 Exodus 16.1-21 1 Peter 3.17 - 4.2
Thursday	Ps 124; 125: 126 Leviticus 16.20-34 Luke 24.13-27	Ps 127; 128; 129 Exodus 16.22-17.7 1 Peter 4.3-11
Friday	Ps 130; 131; 133 Leviticus 19 1-18 Luke 24.28-35 <i>Mark, Evangelist and Martyr</i>	Ps 136 Exodus 17.8 -18.9 1 Peter 4.12-19
Saturday	Ps 19 Isaiah 50.4-11 Acts 12.25 - 13.13	Ps 45 Ezekiel 1.4-15 2 Timothy 4.1-11

PRAYERS

FOR THE SICK:

Margaret Brown, Joe Butscher PRIEST, Hanna Christiansen, Alice McCraith, Grace James, John Lee PRIEST, Lyn Nicholas, Tania Burdick, Allan Rei, John Small, John Taaff, Evelina Thornton, Dennis Webster PRIEST, Paul Wheelton, Rosemary Wilcox, Geoffrey Wratten and George.

AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, Marja Barouh, Chris Bennie, Tania Burdick, John Crocker, Don Edgar PRIEST, Gail Edwards, Sr Gloria CHN, Cliff Gornall, Sr Hilary CHN, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Joyce Newton, Tim Peake, Liz Prideaux, Judith Ryles, Barbara Ure-Smith, Annette Wood, Anne Wuttke; Andrew, Cecilia, Chad, Jan, and Peter.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED: The victims of the COVID-19 virus.

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

- Sun 19 Alexander Brian Drummond, Thomas Sidney Frost,
Jonathan Hawkes Hooper, Jennifer Diane Merton,
Audrey Mary Penington
- Mon 20 Shirley June House, Ivy Jenner, John Andrew (Jack) McCraith
- Tue 21 John Alexander, Alice Bedwell, Isabella McNab
- Wed 22 Rita Alexander, Adrian Briggs, Ruth Faulkner,
Andrew Jack PRIEST, Doris Irene Catherine Letitia Roberts
- Thu 23 Susan Ikin, Arthur Michael Ramsay BISHOP,
Richard Butler Rigg, Evelyn Mary Wilson
- Fri 24 Margaret Nott, Richard Serpell
- Sat 25 Noel Bŷchervaise, Leslie Clifton Blackman, Charles Creswell,
Percy Griffith, Margaret Lewin, Dora Kathleen Walden,
George Ernest Yonge

NOTICES

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON YOUTUBE, EVERY SUNDAY MORNING

During these days of lock-down, all our Sunday Mass services are recorded. This Sunday's service will be posted early in the morning, so you can join us for remote worship at your usual Sunday worship time if you would like. Just tune into the St Peter's You Tube channel:

<https://bit.ly/34PFoBK>

SUNDAY MORNING TEA AT THE VICARAGE, BY ZOOM EVERY SUNDAY FROM 12.30PM

Usually, after Mass, we gather in the Hall for morning tea. As we can't do this in the same way anymore, the Vicar has started hosting a virtual "Sunday Morning Tea at the Vicarage" on Zoom. Do feel free to join in, by following the link: <https://bit.ly/3csplvY>

DEVOTIONAL RESOURCES ON THE PARISH WEBSITE

As we are no longer able to gather as a Parish for worship, our personal devotions will become increasingly important for nurturing our faith and our sense of God's presence in this crisis. Our Lay Minister, Alae Taule'alo, has put together a number of devotional resources that may be helpful to you over the coming weeks and months of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Link: <https://www.stpeters.org.au/devotional-resources>

ZOOM ROSARY AT ST PETER'S

The Rosary will be held thrice weekly: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 5pm via Zoom. Invites for the week's sessions with accompanying links will be sent out Sunday night to people on the Zoom Rosary mailing list. They'll be posted on Facebook the day of the session. To join an online session just follow the relevant meeting link. To download the Zoom app or join the meeting online visit the Zoom website: <https://zoom.us/>

If you're interested in being on the Zoom Rosary mailing list please email: alaetaulealo@gmail.com

Between 26th March and 11th April, Heaven At The Hill have distributed 2,168 delicious frozen meals, copious sandwiches, litres and litres of milk, seasonal fruit salads!

(thanks so much! @parliamentvictoria)

AND cartons and cartons of eggs.

(amazing! @parkhyattmelbourne)

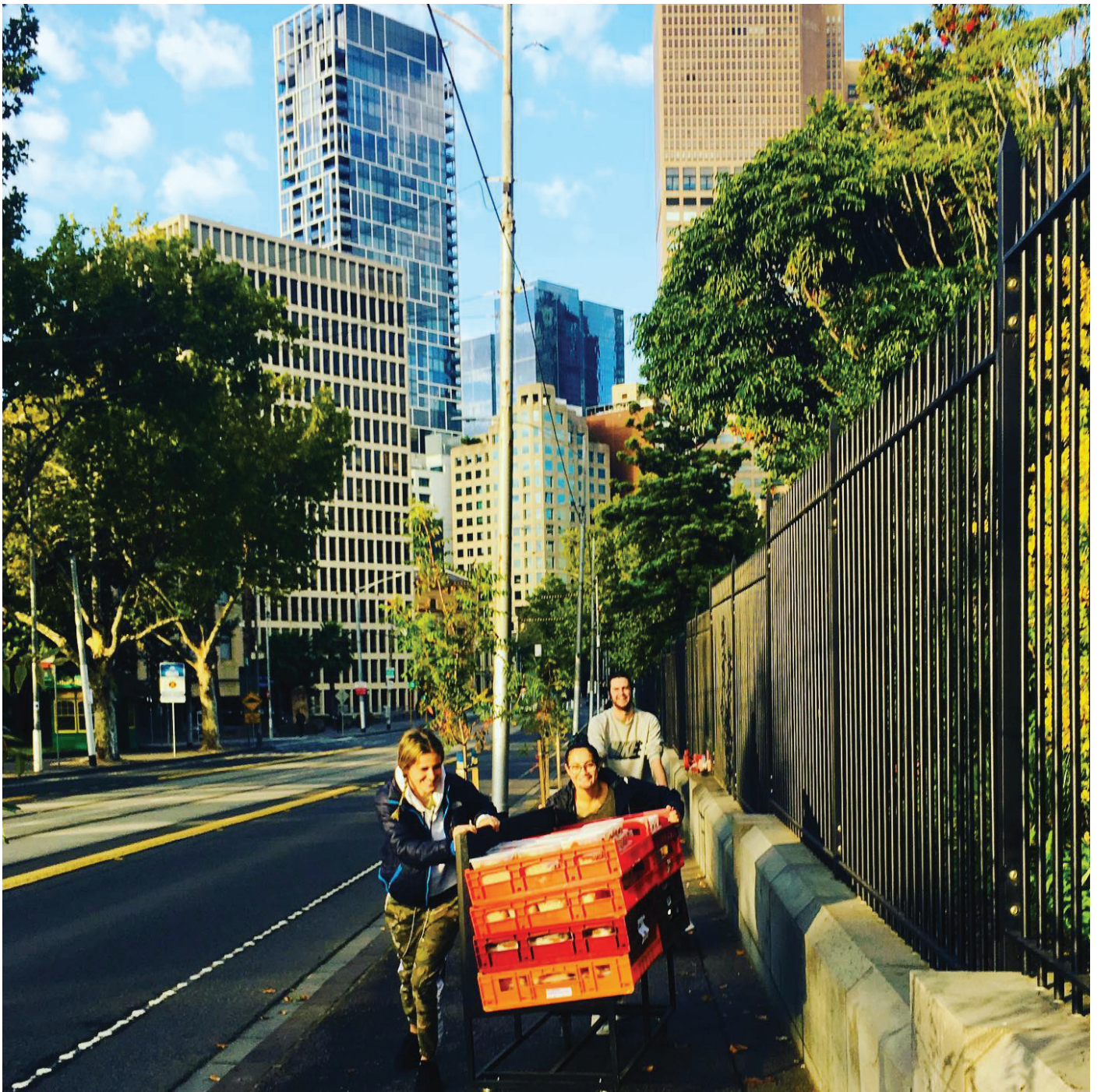
Remember, we are here to help!

Monday to Friday 9.30am - 11.00am

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ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

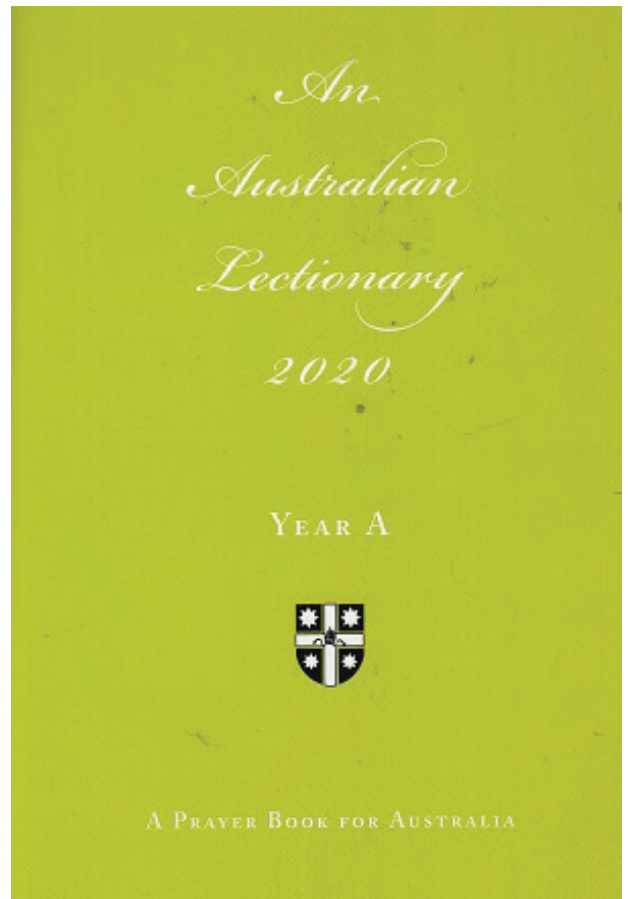
Dear Parishioner and Friends of St Peter's Bookroom

The Bookroom continues to remain open, operating alive and well behind closed doors.

Please explore the recent treasures poured into the Bookroom website. We have another new section this week - Soul Food for This Time. Here are many items – books, crosses, rosary beads, candles... that may be of assistance to you in your prayer during this period of Coronavirus.

We also recommend the APBA Lectionary 2020 which lists all the prayer readings for this year.

To purchase a Lectionary online, please visit: <https://bit.ly/2Vd0W8f>



God Bless

Carol

Opening Hours

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

15 Gisborne St Melbourne 3002

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Office Hours. 9.30am – 2.00pm Monday-Thursday

Sunday Services

8.00 am	Low Mass (BCP)
9.30 am	Family Mass
11.00 am	High Mass
6.00 pm	Low Mass (Evensong & Benediction on 4 th Sunday)

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

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, 3 rd Saturday of the month)

Clergy and Lay Ministers

Vicar:	Fr Hugh Kempster	0488 960 022
ASLM:	Alae Taule'alo	0409 802 892
Clergy:	Fr Greg Davies	0417 992 976
	Fr Don Edgar	0418 967 829
	Fr Philip Gill	0480 101 711
	Fr Ken Letts	03 9662 2391
	Fr David Peake	0412 299 839
	Fr Roger Prowd	0417 323 112
Klingner Scholar:	Xeverie Swee	03 9662 2391

Other Parish Ministries and Programs

Acting Sacristan	Eugene Chin	03 9662 2391
Bookroom:	Carol O'Connor	03 9663 7487
Cell of O.L.O.W:	Liz Prideaux	03 9662 2391
Charitable Foundation:	Krystyna Campbell-Pretty	03 9662 2391
Children:	Katherine Barnett	03 9387 4089
Child Safety Officer:	Rachel Ellyard	03 9662 2391
Churchwardens:	Stephen Duckett (Vicar)	0447 837 741
	Helen Drummond (People)	0419 897 973
	Rachel Ellyard (People)	0419 335 793
Director of Music:	Andrew Raiskums	0439 556 627
Flowers:	Helen Drummond	0419 897 973
Guild of St Benedict	Daniel Ferguson	0419 572 033
Head Server:	Anthony Schepis	0400 578 952
Music Administrator:	Sue Wuttke	0422 866 286
Organist:	Rhys Arvidson	0405 277 853
Parish Administrator:	Konstantine Soteriou	03 9662 2391
Pastoral Care:	Di Clark	0407 354 987
RMIT Chaplaincy:	Alae Taule'alo	0409 802 892
Weekday Mass	Christy Thiagarajah	03 9662 2391

Parish Council Membership:

Helen Drummond
Stephen Duckett (Chair)
Rachel Ellyard
Daniel Ferguson
Peter Griffin (Treasurer)
Stuart Hibberd
Fr Hugh Kempster (President)
Daniel Mitterdorfer (Secretary)
Terry Porter
William Southey
Rwth Stuckey
Peter Wild
Sue Wuttke

*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".*