

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



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**21 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 (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays)

**6.00pm Low Mass (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> 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:** Melarnie Lorraine Drever-Heywood, Margaret Collins, Irina Ishaq, Graham Ryles, Nelson Rufatt, Julie-Anne Bird, Sue Tan, Robert Saliba, Janine Stewart, Bp John Parkes.

**FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:**

### FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK

- April
- 21 John Alexander, Alice Bedwell, Isabella McNab
  - 22 Ria dta Alexander, Adrian Briggs, Ruth Faulkner, Andrew Jack  
PRIEST, Doris Irene Catherine Letitia Roberts
  - 23 Susan Ikin, Arthur Michael Ramsay BISHOP, Richard Butler  
Rigg, Evelyn Mary Wilson
  - 24 Mary Kathleen Kempster, Margaret Nott, Richard Serpell
  - 25 Noel Béchervaise, Leslie Clifton Blackman, Charles Creswell,  
Percy Griffith, Margaret Lewin, Dora Kathleen Walden, George  
Ernest Yonge
  - 26 Jane Eyre, Sr. Lois CHN
  - 27 William John Campbell McIver

*Please contact the Parish Office or email [office@stpeters.org.au](mailto: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: Charles Wood (1866-1926) *Communion Service in the Phrygian Mode*

Entrance Hymn: NEH 105(i) Christ the Lord is risen again

The sanctuary party enters the chancel to prepare for the Vidi Aquam.

Antiphon VIII

*Cantor* I saw wa-ter\* flow - ing from the right side  
*All* 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* and his mer - cy en - dures for e - ver. *Cantor* 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.



*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 God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:  
raise us, who trust in him,  
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,  
that we may seek those things which are above,  
where he 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 4.5-12**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, ‘By what power or by what name did you do this?’ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, ‘Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is “the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.” There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.’

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 118



O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever!

It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
than to put confidence in mortals.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
than to put confidence in princes. **R.**

I thank you that you have answered me  
and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing;  
it is marvellous in our eyes. **R.**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

We bless you from the house of the Lord.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

you are my God, I will extol you.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,  
for his steadfast love endures forever. **R.**

## **THE EPISTLE: 1 John 3.16-end**

A reading from the first letter of John.

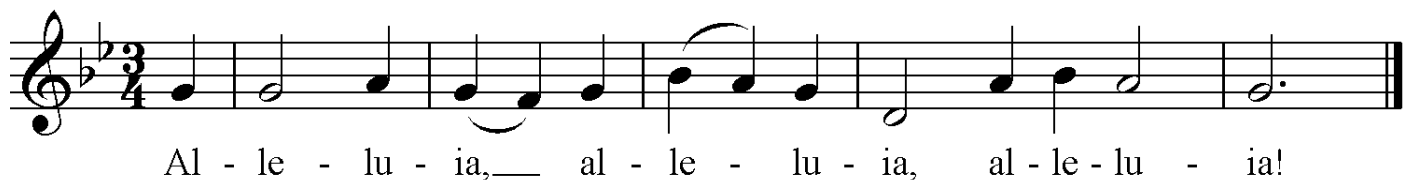
We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will

reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

*Deacon:*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John 10.11-18**

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

[Jesus said to the Pharisees:] ‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also,



and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Please sit for the Homily by Fr Michael Bowie*

## BAPTISM

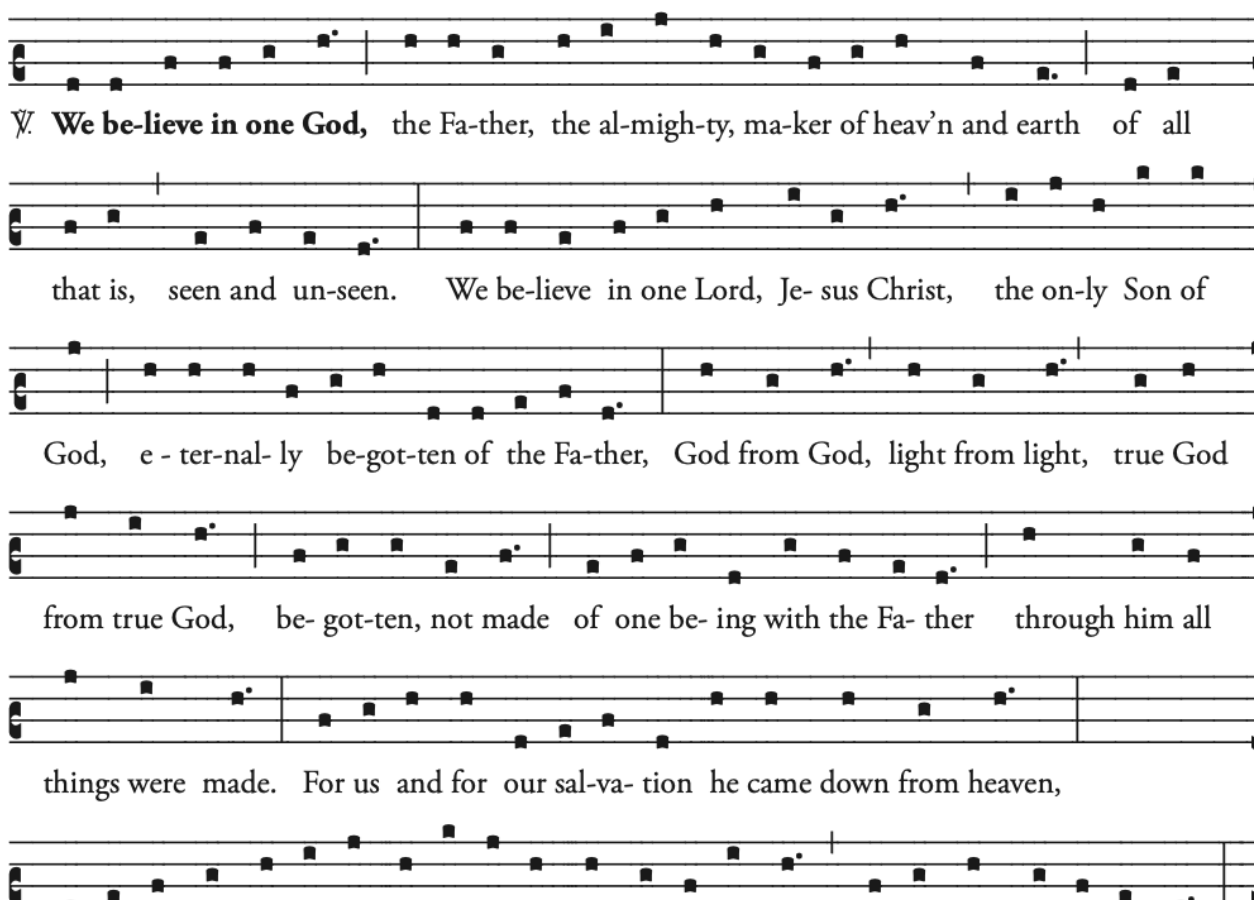
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## CREED

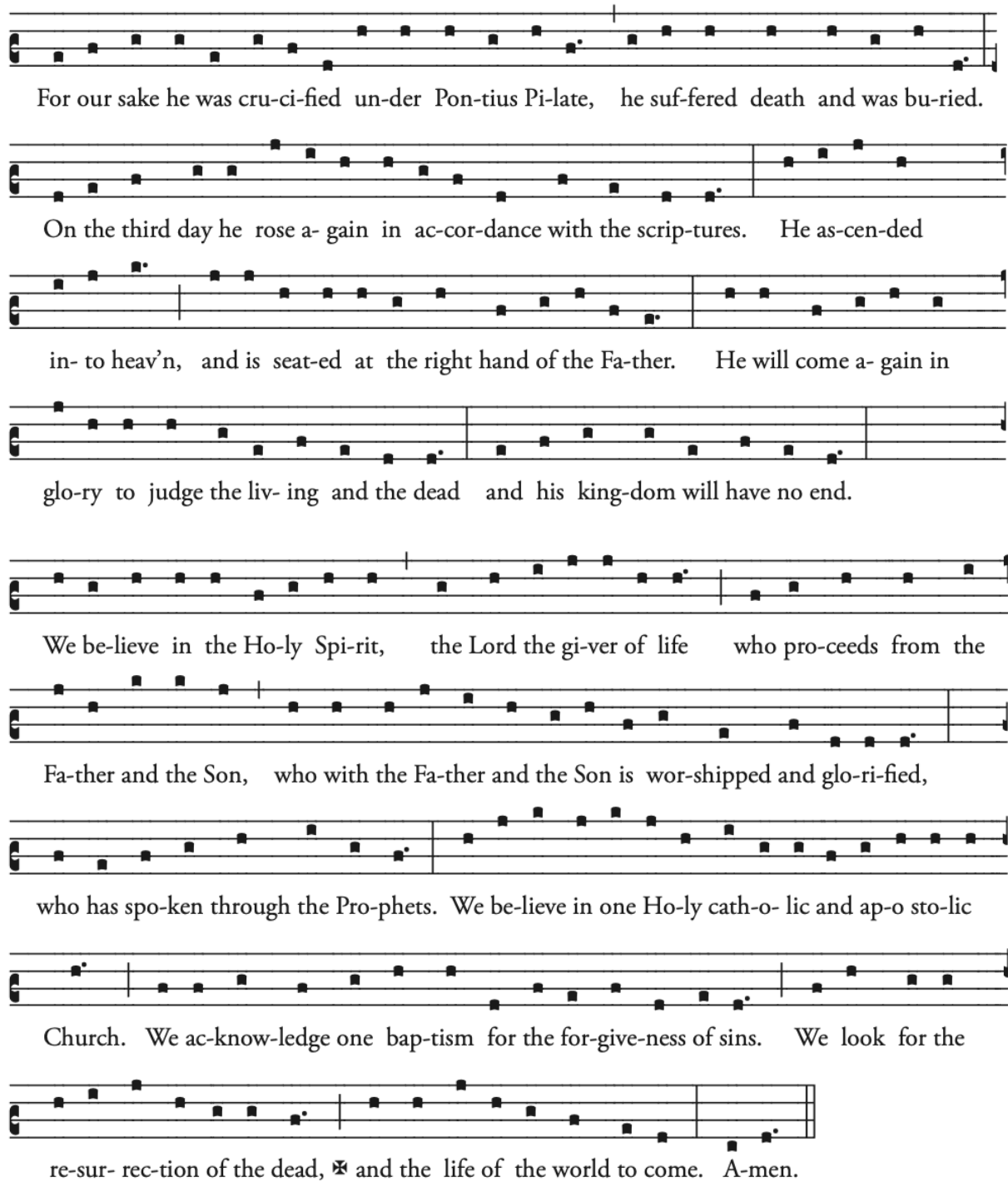
[At 9.30am, creed is said.]

### 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*]

O God, my God, to you do I watch at break of day, and in your name I will lift up my hands, alleluia.

*Offertory hymn* NEH 282 Faithful Shepherd, feed me

## **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.*

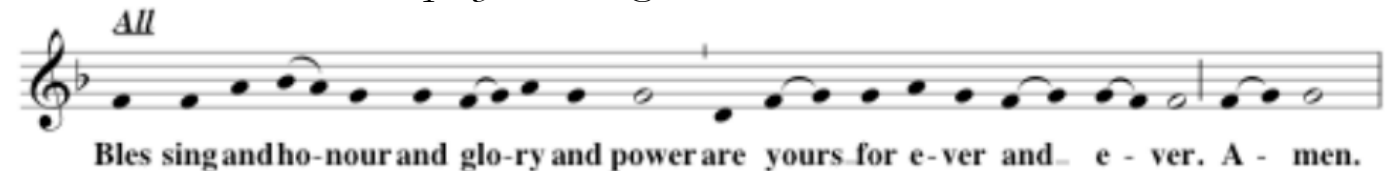
**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
+ Blessed is he that comes in the name of the  
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to:*

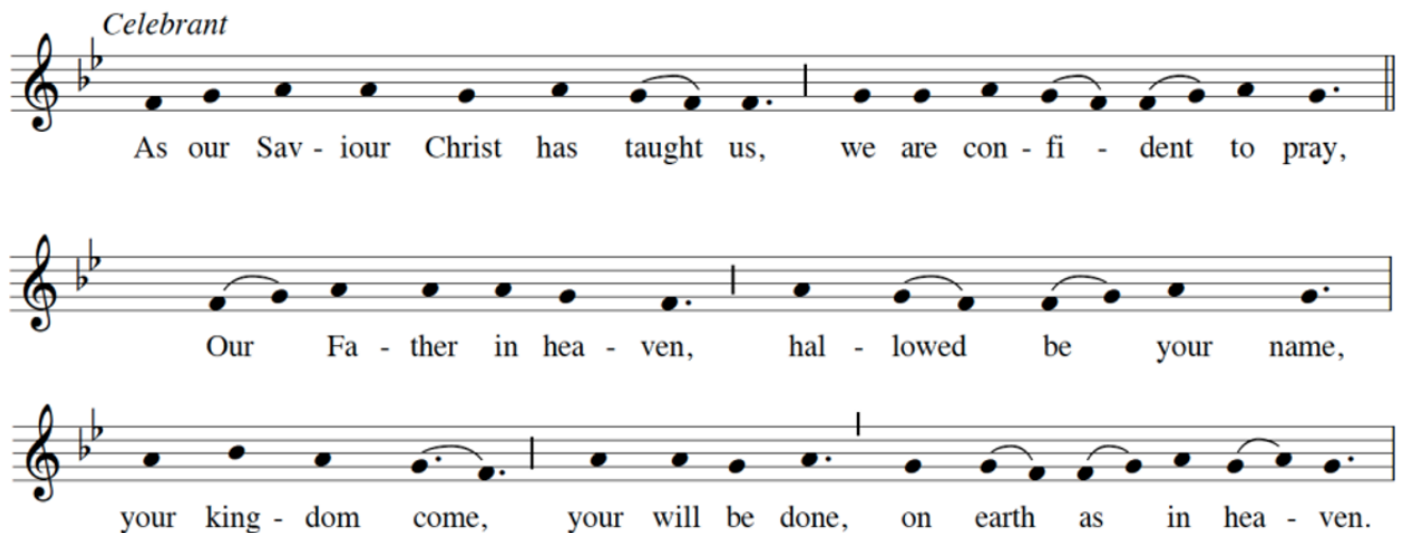
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith



*The celebrant continues the prayer, ending with:*



*[The Lords Prayer is said at 9.30am]*



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*

Constanzo Porta (1529-1601) *Ego sum pastor bonus*

*Please stand for the Post-Communion hymn.*

NEH 77 The God of love my Shepherd is

## **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: Kenneth Leighton (1929-88) *Meditation on 'St Columba'*

*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.*

Welcome, Nelson Lorenzo and Ren, to the family of the faith. May the Good Shepherd nurture, protect and guide you all your days.

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### **Readings for Fifth Sunday in Easter:**

Acts 8.26–end †; 1 John 4.7–end; John 15.1–8

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## **NOTICES**

### **The Sunday Liturgical Programme at St Peter's**

*Fr Michael writes*

As many of you will recall, during and after the recent pandemic there were various changes in St Peter's liturgical programme. When I arrived as Vicar in July 2022, I inherited a Sunday pattern of two morning Masses (9am Traditional Language and 10.30am High Mass) and a 6pm liturgy which was usually Low Mass, with Evensong and Benediction once a month.

During the appointment process, and at Parish Council after I arrived, a strong preference was expressed to return to the earlier pattern of three morning Masses, which I was delighted to encourage and enact. I also indicated that I would like to increase the frequency of Evensong and Benediction, ideally offering that liturgy weekly.

In October 2022 I therefore restored the earlier pattern of

**8am Mass** (Traditional Language)

**9.30am Sung Mass** (with provision for children's ministry)

and

**11am High Mass.**

At the same time the frequency of **Evensong & Benediction** was increased to twice monthly (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays).

That pattern has now been offered to the best of our ability for 18 months, and the 9.30am Mass has also been cared for attentively by Mthr Kathryn since her arrival a year ago. It has, however, become clear to me and many others that our current liturgical programme does not reflect the needs of the parish. The provision of up to 4 Sunday Masses is also over-stretching our resources.

My observation, after having been with you for nearly two years, is that we are achieving small but significant growth at High Mass and Evensong & Benediction, but that there is not at present a sufficiently large community to sustain the 9.30am Mass.

There are good reasons for this. As a city centre parish offering good Catholic liturgy, preaching and music, what attracts people to St Peter's on Sundays is our distinctive liturgical offering: **High Mass** and **Evensong & Benediction**. We therefore need to concentrate our energies on resourcing those liturgies as well as we can. Also, I believe our evening worship needs to be offered earlier than 6pm. Although our current resources will not allow weekly Evensong & Benediction (which remains my aspiration), I believe the current pattern of evening worship should continue, but at an earlier time.

Therefore, from Pentecost Sunday we shall revise our Sunday programme as follows:

**8am Low Mass** (Traditional Language)

**10.30am High Mass** (with provision for children's ministry)

**5pm Evensong & Benediction** (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays) or **Low Mass**



Our thanks are due to many people who have enabled the 9.30am Mass to be offered over the past 18 months. I want especially to thank Katherine Barnett and Rachel Ellyard who have ensured that there is provision for children during this liturgy and, together with our invaluable organist Rhys Arvidson, that the music offered can be of as high a standard as one would find in any parish.

We shall now need to make provision for children who attend High Mass. We need more volunteers to help with this ministry and I would be delighted if anyone with suitable skills and enthusiasm would speak either to me or Mthr Kathryn as we prepare for this change. Children will also be welcomed to read and serve at the 10.30am High Mass and we look forward to welcoming those who have been attending at 9.30am Mass into the High Mass family as our principal offering of worship for the week.

## For your Diary

**Port Arthur memorial** to take place on Sunday 28th at  
1.10pm.

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### 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](mailto:poets@stpeters.org.au)

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## Nelson Rufatt - Appeal for Donations

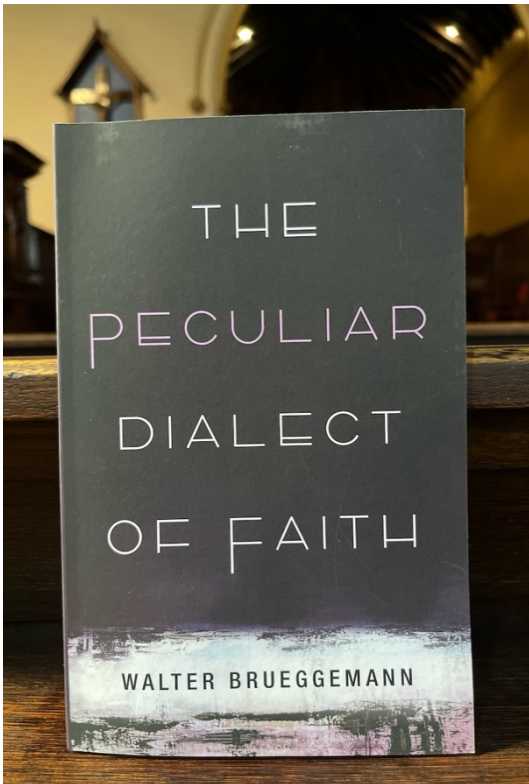


Many of you would know Nelson and Emma-Mae Rufatt, two of our choral scholars, and their new addition Nelson Junior; they are valued and beloved members of our church community. What some of you may not know is Nelson is currently fighting Stage Four leiomyosarcoma, a rare soft-tissue cancer. Specialists 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. **As of earlier this week, Nelson's appeal has passed \$80,000 mark but still has some way to go; any further donations would be most gratefully appreciated.** You can donate via the fundraising page at <https://shorturl.at/amvy4> or scan the QR code



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### **New Book!**

### **The Peculiar Dialect of Faith by Walter Brueggemann**

In this work, Brueggemann explores how the church must work to keep alive via biblical utterance, the relational, covenantal language of faith. The language of the church needs to remain available and compelling, probing the mystery of God's creation and its hidden complexity; not ideological conservative to the point of certitude or bewitched by the commodification of existence offered so commonly in the world.

"Thus attentiveness to our peculiar dialect is an important investment." -from the Preface

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

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## Sunday Services

8.00am Low Mass [BCP]; 9:30am Family Mass; 11.00am High Mass  
6pm Low Mass [1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays] 6pm Evensong & Benediction [2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month  
Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 7.00pm

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Associate Clergy:	Fr Graeme Brennan	0427 321 744
	Mthr Pirrial Clift	0407 453 306
	Fr Greg Davies	0417 992 976
	Fr Roger Prowd	0417 323 112
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	Helena Hughes	-
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Daniel Mitterdorfer (Secretary)
Peter Griffin (Treasurer)
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Craig Wilson
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Michael Upson
Stuart Hibberd
Terry Porter

*We are an inclusive and welcoming church,  
built on the unceded lands of the  
Wurundjeri people. Our mission is: "Wor-  
shipping Christ in the Eucharist; serving  
Christ  
in the world".*