

Welcome to
ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



EVENSONG & BENEDICTION

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

24TH APRIL 2022, 6PM

Preces & Responses: Chant

Canticles: Chant

PRECES AND RESPONSES

Please stand.

Officiant:

O Lord, open thou our lips;

Choir:

And our mouths shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us;

O Lord, make haste to help us.

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.**

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

THE PSALM

The choir will lead psalm. Please remain standing for the opening response, and then be seated until the Gloria Patri (Glory be to the Father...).

Psalm 33: Exultate, justi

REJOICE in the LORD, O ye righteous; * for it be-cometh well
the just to be thankful.

Praise the LORD with harp; * sing praises unto him with the lute,
and instrument of ten strings.

Sing unto the Lord a new song; * sing praises lustily unto him with
a good courage.

For the word of the LORD is true; * and all his works are faithful.
He loveth righteousness and judgment; * the earth is full of the
goodness of the LORD.

By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; * and all the
host of them by the breath of his mouth.

He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were upon an
heap; * and layeth up the deep, as in a treasure-house

Let all the earth fear the LORD: * stand in awe of him, all ye that
dwell in the world.

For he spake, and it was done; * he commanded, and it stood fast.
The LORD bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought, * and
maketh the devices of the people to be of none effect, and casteth

out the counsels of princes.

The counsel of the LORD shall endure for ever, * and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.

Blessed are the people whose God is the Lord JEHOVAH; * and blessed are the folk that he hath chosen to him, to be his inheritance.

The LORD looketh down from heaven, and beholdeth all the children of men; * from the habitation of his dwelling, he considereth all them that dwell on the earth.

He fashioneth all the hearts of them, * and understandeth all their works.

There is no king that can be saved by the multitude of an host; * neither is any mighty man delivered by much strength.

A horse is counted but a vain thing to save a man; * neither shall he deliver any man by his great strength.

Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon them that fear him, * and upon them that put their trust in his mercy;

To deliver their soul from death, * and to feed them in the time of dearth.

Our soul hath patiently tarried for the LORD; * for he is our help and our shield.

For our heart shall rejoice in him; * because we have hoped in his holy Name.

Let thy merciful kindness, O LORD, be upon us, * like as we do put our trust in thee.

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 with-*out* end.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Zephaniah 3:13 *Please be seated for the first lesson.*

Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem. The Lord hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: the king of Israel, even the Lord, is in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more. In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: and to Zion, Let not thine hands be slack. The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing. I will gather them that are sorrowful for the solemn assembly, who are of thee, to whom the reproach of it was a burden. Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth, and gather her that was driven out; and I will get them praise and fame in every land where they have been put to shame. At that time will I bring you again, even in the time that I gather you: for I will make you a name and a praise among all people of the earth, when I turn back your captivity before your eyes, saith the Lord.

Here endeth the first lesson.

*Please stand for the Office Hymn: NEH 100 The day draws on with golden light
(Verses 1, 2, 3 & 8)*

Please remain standing as the choir sings the first canticle.

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his name. And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations. He hath shown strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away. He, remembering his mercy, hath holpen his servant Israel: as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

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.

John 20:19 *Please be seated for the second lesson.*

Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained. But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe. And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God. Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed. And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

Here endeth the second lesson.

Please stand as the cantor or choir sings the second canticle:

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.

Remain standing for the Apostles' Creed, which is led by the officiant and sung together.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant: The Lord be with you;
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Please kneel.

Choir: Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy upon us
Lord have mercy upon us

Officiant: Our Father, **which art in heaven,**
Hallowed be thy name;
Thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
In earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Officiant O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
& Cantor: **And grant us thy salvation.**

O Lord, save the Queen.
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
And make thy chosen people joyful.
O Lord, save thy people;
And bless thine inheritance.
Give peace in our time, O Lord;
Because there is none other that fighteth for us,

but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us;

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Celebrant intones the collects:

Almighty Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to arise again for our justification; Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech thee that, as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anthem: Hildegard von Bingen (1098 – 1179) Nunc Gaudeant

Nunc gaudeant materna viscera
Ecclesie, quia in superna simphonia
filii eius in sinum suum collocati sunt.
Unde, o turpissime serpens, confusus
es, quoniam quos tua estimation in
visceribus suis habuit nunc fulgent in
sanguine Filii Dei, et ideo laus tibi sit,
Rex altissime. Alleluia!

*Now let the Church's mother womb rejoice!
For in the heavens' symphony her children
are gathered to her bosom. O vile snake, you
are confounded, for those your hollow
reckoning had thought it clutched within its
guts now sparkle in the blood of God's
Son—praise be to you, the King most high!
Alleluia!*

Please stand for the Post-Evensong Hymn: NEH 241 Before the ending of the day

DEVOTIONS BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Please kneel for the first Benediction Hymn:

NEH 269 (verses 5 & 6) O saving Victim, opening wide

Please then remain kneeling for the second Benediction Hymn:

NEH 268 (verses 5 & 6) Thee we adore, O hidden Saviour, thee

Officiant: Thou gavest them bread from heaven
Containing in itself all sweetness.

O God, who in a wonderful Sacrament hast left us a memorial of thy Passion; grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred Mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever feel within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption. Who livest and reignest, world without end.

Amen.

THE BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Please remain kneeling for the Benediction, followed by the Divine Praises.

(Repeat after the Officiant.)

Blessed be God.

Blessed be His Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the Name of Jesus.

Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most Holy.

Blessed be her Holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her Glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in His Angels and in His Saints.

PSALM 117

Officiant or Cantor: All:

Let us adore for ever the most holy Sacrament.

Cantor: 1. O praise the Lord all ye heathen:

All: Praise him all ye nations.

2. For his merciful kindness is ever more and more to-wards us:
and the truth of the Lord endureth for e-ver. Praise the^Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Ho-ly^Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever *shall* be :
world with-out end. Amen.

All: *Let us adore for ever..*