

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



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**PASSIONTIDE BEGINS**  
**17 MARCH 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:** Alasdair Mackinnon Love, Bp Peter Hollingworth, Toufan Abolghasemi, Tony Way, Graham Ryles, Susanne Marsden, Nelson Rufatt, Julie-Anne Bird, Sue Tan, Robert Saliba, Janine Stewart, Bp John Stewart, Bp John Parkes.

**FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:** David Minicucci, Marjy Stuckey, Elizabeth Pemberton.

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

- March 17 Robert Tait, Ruth Widdows  
18 Leslie Rupert Anton, Chandos Kingsley Blacker, Ernest Edward Crowle, Hedda Jolly, James Oliver Sullivan  
19 Robin Charles McKinnon Briggs, Penelope Page, Sarah Welch  
20 Geoff Goode, Geraldine Lugg, James Pullar  
21 Rex Thomas Reid, Dorothy May Robbins, Lois Jenning Smith, Annie Alexandra Steele  
22 Keith Bradshaw, Cameron Hammond, Simone Jablonski, Joseph James, Harold Rogers PRIEST  
23 Conrad Henry Jost

*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: Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988) Communion Service in D

Introit Hymn NEH 94 We sing the praise of him who died

9.30am Mass begins on page 4.

*At 11.00am the sanctuary party enters the chancel to prepare for the Asperges.*

Cantor  
Pu - ri - fy me, O Lord, with hys - sop and I shall be clean:  
wash me, O Lord, and I shall be whi - ter than snow. Fine

Cantor  
Have mer - cy on me, O God, in your en - du - ring good - ness:  
All  
ac - cor - ding to the fulness of your compassion blot out my of - fen - ces.  
Wash me tho - rough - ly from my wick - ed - ness:  
Cantor  
and cleanse me from my sin. Glo - ry to God:  
All  
Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Spi - rit: as in the be - gin - ning so now,  
Repeat antiphon  
and for e - ver. A - men.

*The sanctuary party re-enters the chancel. The celebrant intones the responsory.*



*Please kneel*

*At High Mass the Deacon introduces the Confession.*

*At 9.30am the words of penitence are sung by a cantor (solo singer) on behalf of all, while all join in Kyries (Lord have mercy).*

**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**

*The Celebrant prays the Collect.*

Most merciful God,  
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ  
delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross  
we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son 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

## Jeremiah 31.31-34

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the Lord’, for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 51



Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy  
blot out my transgressions.  
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin. **R.**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and put a new and right spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away from your presence,  
and do not take your holy spirit from me. **R.**

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and sustain in me a willing spirit.  
Then I will teach transgressors your ways,  
and sinners will return to you. **R.**



grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

‘Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—“Father, save me from this hour”? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.’ Then a voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, ‘An angel has spoken to him.’ Jesus answered, ‘This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.’ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

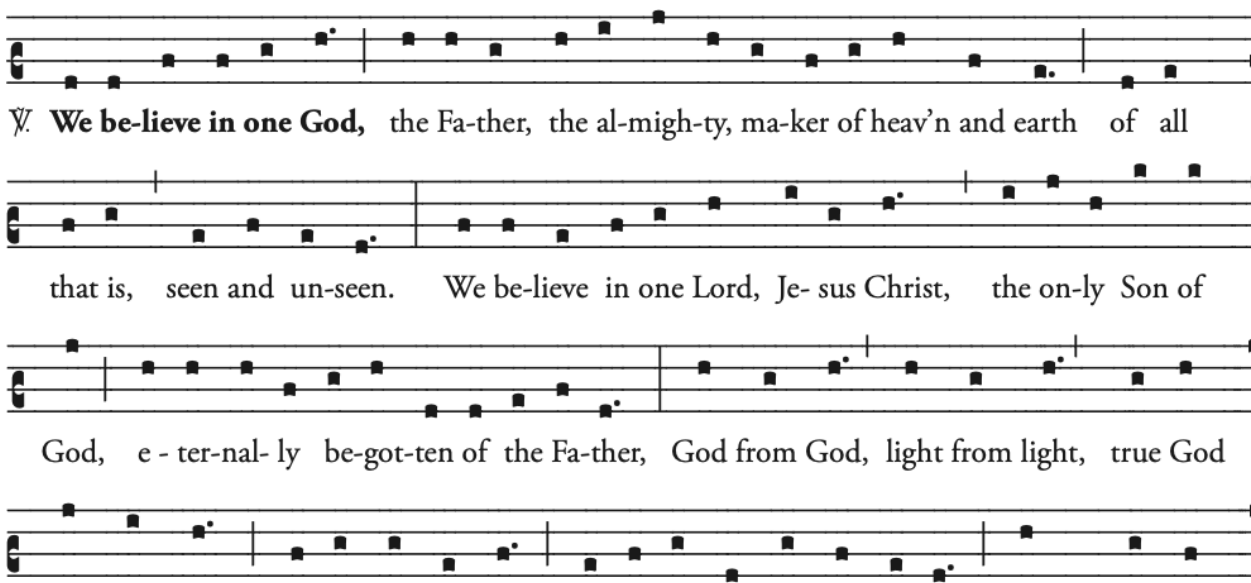
This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Please sit for the Homily by Fr Michael Bowie*

*Please stand for the Creed. [Said at 9.30am]*

### The Creed

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

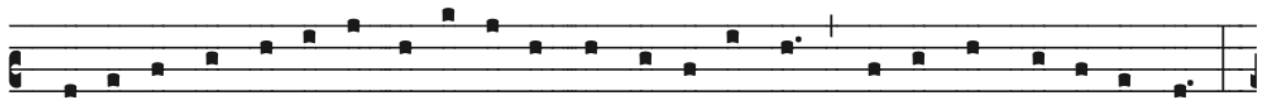


✠ We be-lieve in one God, the Fa-ther, the al-migh-ty, ma-ker of heav'n and earth of all  
that is, seen and un-seen. We be-lieve in one Lord, Je- sus Christ, the on-ly Son of  
God, e - ter-nal-ly be-got-ten of the Fa-ther, God from God, light from light, true God  
from true God, be- got-ten, not made of one be- ing with the Fa- ther through him all

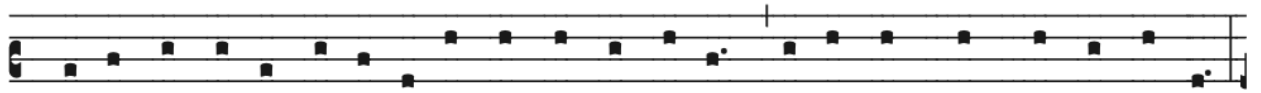




things were made. For us and for our sal-va-tion he came down from heaven,



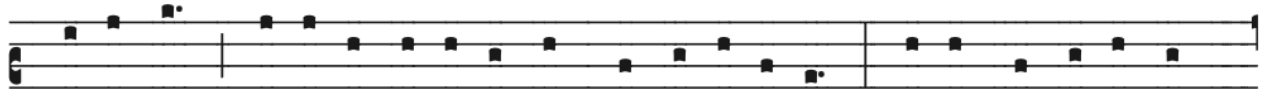
was in-car-nate of the Ho-ly Spi-rit and the vir-gin Ma-ry, and be-came tru-ly hu-man.



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



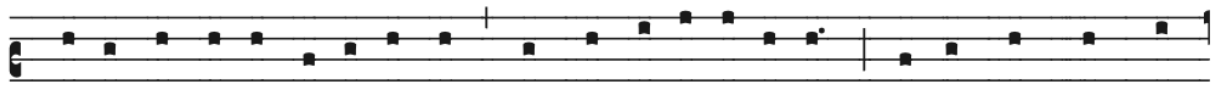
On the third day he rose a- gain in ac-cor-dance with the scrip-tures. He as-cen-ded



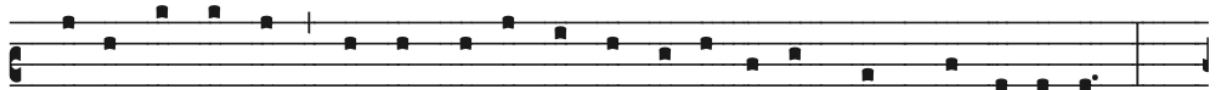
in- to heav'n, and is seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther. He will come a- gain in



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



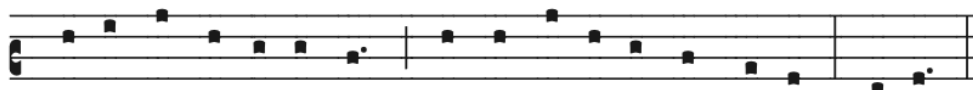
Fa-ther and the Son, who with the Fa-ther and the Son is wor-shipped and glo-ri-fied,



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*]

I will praise, O Lord, with upright heart. Deal bountifully with your servant, that I may live and keep your words. Enliven me according to your word, O Lord.

*Offertory hymn* NEH 84 It is a thing most wonderful

## 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.**

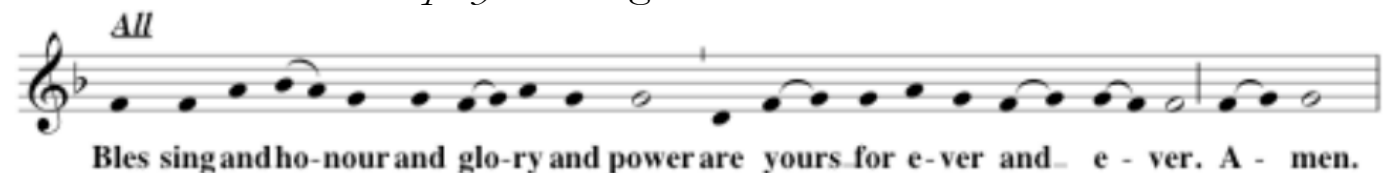
**+ Blessed is he that comes in the name of the  
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*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]*

*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*

Henry Purcell (1659-1695) *Lord, how long wilt Thou be angry*

*Please stand for the Post-Communion hymn.*

NEH 95 When I survey the wondrous cross

## 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.**

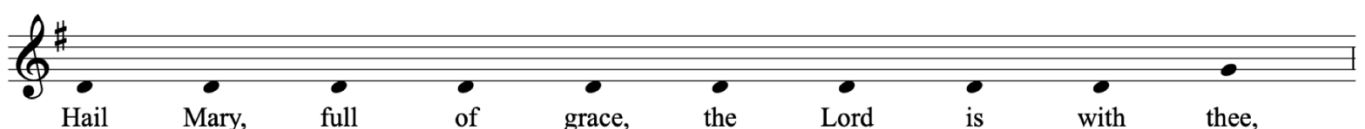
*Notices are given here.*

*The Celebrant offers the blessing and the Deacon dismisses the congregation:*

Go in the peace of Christ  
**Thanks be to God.**

## THE ANGELUS

*At 11.00am only The Angelus is led and sung by the Celebrant.*



Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Je - sus:

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. A - men.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord: **Be it unto me ac - cord - ing to thy word.**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee,

Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Je - sus:

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. A - men.

And the Word was made flesh: **And dwelt a - mong us.**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee,

Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Je - sus:

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. A - men.

Pray for us O Holy Mother of God. **That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Let us pray. We beseech thee O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that as we have known the incarnation of thy son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Postlude: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) *O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig*  
(BWV 656)

*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.*

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## Readings for Palm Sunday:

Mark 11.1-11; Isaiah 50.4-9a; Philippians 2.5-11 ; Mark 14.1—end of 15

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# NOTICES

## For your Diary

### Hughes-Cheong Lecture

This lecture was established in honour of Fr James Cheong, assistant priest in this parish from 1906-1941, a significant pastor and spiritual director who was, in Fr Maynard's words, 'one of God's best gifts to the Church in Australia'. His memorial in the south-west corner of St Peter's describes him simply as 'Our Priest', with the warm additional phrase, 'Father Rare and Dear'.

### Bearing Witness: An Approach to Christian-Muslim Dialogue

The **2024 Biennial Hughes-Cheong lecture**, will be presented by **Dr Joshua Ralston, Reader in Christian-Muslim Relations** at the School of Divinity, University of Edinburgh and visiting scholar at Trinity College Theological School.



**Thursday 21 March 2024, 7 – 9pm**, Craig Auditorium, Trinity College, 100 Royal Parade, Parkville VIC 3052, **Free registrations, but bookings essential** (COB 14 March 2024) <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1172330?>

Enquiries: Briony O'Halloran, 03 8341 0216, [events@trinity.unimelb.edu.au](mailto:events@trinity.unimelb.edu.au)

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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)

Scan to QR code to book



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

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## The Three Great Days: The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil

Sundays in Lent, after High Mass: 18th February, 25th February, 3rd March, 17th March  
(no session 10th March)

On the Sundays of Lent after High Mass, Mthr Kathryn will be giving a series of talks exploring the liturgy of the three great days ("Triduum") - that is, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil.

Each year, over these days, the Church journeys with Jesus through his last mortal days into the dawning light of his resurrection. The liturgy that carries us through these days took shape particularly in the city of Jerusalem in the fourth century, and has continued to develop into the modern Western rites as we observe them today. In these sessions we will explore the history and the significance of these rituals, with an eye to understanding how they draw us, as the Church, into the great mystery of Salvation by uniting us with our Crucified and Risen Lord.

It will be live streamed on our Facebook and YouTube pages - 12.45pm

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## The Windhover is off, off forth on swing... (Poets and the Faith)

On Tuesday night we were delighted by the first session of our Poets and the Faith series, with Dorothy Lee bringing the poetic vision of Gerard Manley Hopkins to life for us. Here are a few little snaps from the night...

Take a look at the details of our next session on Denise Levertov, a very significant twentieth-century poet, here: [Session details — St Peter's Eastern Hill \(stpeters.org.au\)](https://www.stpeters.org.au)

If you would like to join us on that occasion, please remember to register via this page: [Poets and the Faith — St Peter's Eastern Hill \(stpeters.org.au\)](https://www.stpeters.org.au)



Some photos from the wonderful evening.



Thank you to all who came and those who helped on the night.  
Look forward to seeing at our next session.

## **Easter Vigil Confirmations**

At the Easter Vigil on the 30th of March this year, four among us will be confirmed in the faith. As they prepare to receive that sacrament, please pray for: Cameron Arthur (baptism and confirmation), Bede Parry, Joseph Moore, and Kane Ord.

## **Holy Saturday Working Bee - Saturday 30/3/2024 @ 9.30am**

Volunteers are required to assist cleaning and preparing the church for Easter. Hot Cross Buns, Tea and coffee will be provided in the hall after. See Terry Porter if you are available.

## **Flowers for The Chapel of Repose and Easter**

Donations are required for flowers to adorn the Chapel of Repose and subsequently used at Easter. Donation can be placed in an envelope marked Flowers and placed in the collection plate or given to Michael Upson or the Vicar. We need a fabulous display for Our Lord

## **Weekly Reflections**

St Patrick, Patron Saint of Ireland, was actually born on the West coast of Roman Britain in 389, he was kidnapped by wild Irish raiders and carried off as a slave at 16 years of age. There he remained for six long years, during which, as he wrote in his 'Confessions' "I was chastened exceedingly and humbled every day in hunger and nakedness." Prompted by a dream he escaped, making his way to the coast and begging passage in a ship bound for the Continent, and later succeeded in returning to his home village.

As a youth his Christian faith sustained him in captivity: once free, he did not forget God, who had been everything to him when he had nothing. He was ordained Priest, and later consecrated Bishop. In his dreams he heard Irish voices crying out to him "We beseech you to come and walk once more among us." The Church was reluctant to validate what Patrick knew as God's call until 432 when permission was granted, and Patrick set sail for the Emerald Isle.

St Patrick made a huge contribution toward the Christianisation of Ireland, and died there, far from his home and relatives. The swirling mists of time



hold mythical tales which may distract us from his extraordinary Christian example - did he really banish snakes from Ireland, raise the dead, be first to use a shamrock to illustrate the Trinity for instance? Does it matter?

What we *do* know is that he trusted God's call to return to the place of his earlier torment with the Gospel, being willing to die for Jesus' sake: that he loved deeply - deeply enough to forgive his tormentors, returning good for evil. He served 30 years as Bishop, baptising thousands of people and ordaining hundreds of Irish Priests; ever humble and thankful, praising God for the privilege of his vocation.

The stirring words of the hymn 'St Patrick's Breastplate' attributed to Patrick are a testimony of Trinitarian grace, providence and faithfulness, and a proclamation of faith in Christ, which encapsulate the spirit of the man himself. The following is a short excerpt: 'I bind unto myself the name, the strong name of the Trinity... Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me... Christ in quiet, Christ in danger... Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.'

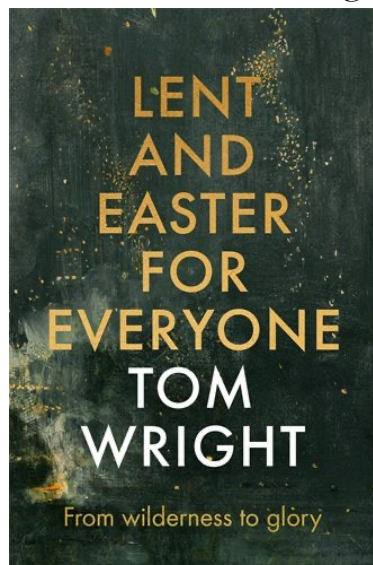
St Patrick, *pray for us.*

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## St Peter's Bookroom & Church Supplier

We are over half way through Lent but it's never too late to start a Lenten read. We still have lots of good reads for this special season. Explore our selection online, come in this morning after the 11am service or visit us during the week!



We recommend this new release for 2024:

**Lent and Easter for Everyone** by Tom Wright

Join Tom Wright on a transformative journey through the Gospels as he explores the life and impact of Jesus: the highs and lows of his earthly ministry, the power of his teaching and his victory over sin and death.

Offering seven weeks' worth of daily readings and reflections, **Lent and Easter for Everyone** enables you to relive Christ's journey - from his temptations in the wilderness to

the darkness of the cross and beyond into the glory of Easter. Each reflection is drawn from a key passage in Wright's immensely popular For Everyone series, and each one ends with practical suggestions for personal reflection or group discussion.

Whether used individually or in groups, Lent and Easter for Everyone serves as a trusted companion, encouraging spiritual growth, deepening understanding, and fostering a renewed sense of hope and purpose as you continue your Christian journey.

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Questions for discussion and reflection

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