

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



Jesus went up and sat on the mountain and taught them. Matthew 5.1-12

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

29 JANUARY 2023

WORSHIP AT ST PETER'S

SUNDAY

8.00am Low Mass

(Traditional Language in the Handfield Chapel)

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 in the Handfield Chapel.

This is also live streamed on Facebook.

Wednesday – 1.15pm & Saturday 12noon Low Mass in the Handfield Chapel.

DAILY INTERCESSIONS

FOR THE SICK: Eleanor Hamilton, Cheryl Duff, Andrew Sinn, Michael Bundy, Garnet Johnson, John Hall, Greg Hocking, Rob Whalley, Helen Drummond, Bp John Parkes, Margaret Armstrong, Pete Wild, John Capp

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Charles Northam, Lorna Sargaison, Joan Small, Jim Houston Priest,
Dom Placid Lawson OSB.

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Jan 29 Nellie Winifred Holland
30 Sophie La Trobe, Julia Scott, Edward Stuart Talbot BISHOP
31 Jack Gould Ashton, Margaret Matthews, Alison David
Feb 1 Hilda Anderson, Mervyl Wycliffe Clark, Sr Rosemary CHN,
Norley Weeks PRIEST
2 Agnes Edwards, Audrey Gaillard, Sr Katherine Mary CHN,
Mother Monica CHC
3 Christopher Bell, Keith Reynolds
4 Alice Bennie, Doris Fisher, Dorothy Garth, Rina Mackley

Please contact Fr Greg at 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: Lassus: Missa Tous les regretz

Entrance Hymn:

[9.30am & 11.00am] NEH 56 Songs of thankfulness and praise

9.30am Family Mass begins on page 4.

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

Cantor **All**

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.

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.

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

Priest People

through Jesus Christ our Lord A - men

The sanctuary party re-enters the chancel. The celebrant censes the altar during the Introit.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

V. Blessed are they who observe what is right, who do always what is just.

Save us, O Lord our God...

Celebrant:

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

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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 at 9.30am and sung by the choir at 11.00am.

**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.

Living God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Please sit for the readings.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Micah 6.1-8

A reading from the book of the prophet Micah.

Hear what the LORD says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains,
and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of
the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the LORD has
a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. ‘O my people,
what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I
brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house

of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.’ ‘With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?’ He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 15



Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?
who may abide upon your holy hill?
Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right,
who speaks the truth from his heart. **R.**

There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his friend;
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbour.
In his sight the wicked are rejected,
but he honours those who fear the Lord. **R.**

He has sworn to do no wrong
and does not take back his word.
He does not give his money in hope of gain,
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
Whoever does these things
shall never be overthrown. **R.**

THE EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 1.18-31

chanted by the Sub-Deacon

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength. Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.'

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Deacon:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew [5.1-12].

✠ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit for the Homily by Fr Greg Davies

Please stand for the Creed.

[A copy of the music for the Sung Creed is available at the back of the church.]

We believe in one God,
the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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*]

It is good to give praise to the Lord, and to sing to your Name,
O Most High.

Offertory hymn NEH 408 Love divine, all loves excelling

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:



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 said 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.**

The Celebrant recites silently the Communion Antiphon.

*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*

Arvo Pärt: The Beatitudes

Please stand for the Post-Communion hymn.

NEH 362 Glorious things of thee are spoken

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.

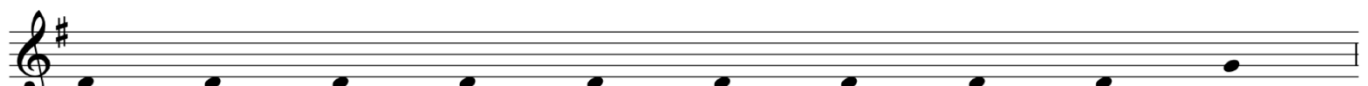
THE ANGELUS

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


The church bell rings three times during the recitation of the Hail Mary, and nine times during the final Collect.



The Angel of the Lord brought ti - dings to Mary: **And she conceived by the Ho - ly Ghost.**




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



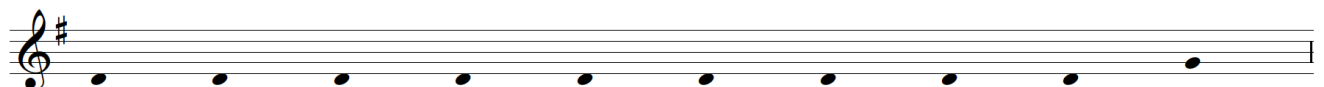
Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Je - sus:



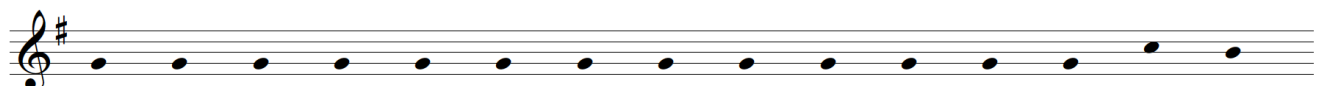
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. A - men.



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: D. Buxtehude (1636-1707) Praeludium in G (BuxWV 147)

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 the Fifth Sunday after Epiphany are:

Isaiah 58.1-12; Psalm 112; 1 Corinthians 2.1-16; Matthew 5.13-20

NOTICES

Thursday February 2nd at 7pm

Candle ceremonies and High Mass

Important Notice – Tram network upgrade in Gisborne Street, between Victoria Parade and Macarthur Street, East Melbourne.

This will have some impact on us here at St Peter's. **Early works**(minimal impact) – 9pm to 5am, Friday 3 February to Thursday 23 February.

Major works(significant impact) 10pm, Friday 24 February to 5am, Friday 3 March 2023. During the major works there will be extremely high levels of noise. There will also be detours for cyclists, pedestrians and traffic.

Access to St Peter's will need to be from Albert Street. Please take a brochure with more details from the back of the church. More information can also be found on the Yarra Trams website – yarratrams.com.au/projects

Exploring Faith Matters – EfM invite you to join a group discussion of our Interlude book for this year titled – *God Next Door – Spirituality and Mission in the Neighbourhood* by Simon Carey Holt – a Melbourne based teacher in spirituality and practical theology at Whitley College.

Start reading and join us for a discussion over two weeks.

Our conversation will be on zoom and/or face to face.

Wednesday evenings on zoom – Feb 1st and Feb 8th at 7.30pm

Sundays after 11am Mass – Feb 5th and Feb 12th at 1.00pm

Discussion will last for an hour. Please register by writing your name on the sheet at the back of the church or emailing Fr Greg – gregdavies121@icloud.com.

The book is available from the Bookroom at \$29.95 or it is available as an ebook.

Lent Study Program 2023 –

Fr Michael will give a series of addresses on each Sunday in Lent at 1pm in the church, titled *'The Eucharist makes the Church.'*

Rosary and Angelus on Fridays

... to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and seek him in his temple...

John and Pete say the rosary in the Chapel of Our Lady of Walsingham on Friday at 3.30 pm. The sorrowful mysteries are prescribed for Friday, but we vary this from week to week. Saying rosary takes about 20 minutes.

St Peter's Bookroom

Breath As Prayer - *Calm Your Anxiety, Focus Your Mind and Renew Your Soul* by Jennifer Tucker

Find hope amid anxiety through the spiritual practice of breath prayer in this beautifully illustrated and practical guide to connecting body, mind, and spirit during times of stress.

Breath as Prayer is a beautifully presented hardback which will lead you through the practice and the proven health benefits of Christian breath prayer: intentional prayers centered around Scripture that focus our minds on Christ as we calm our bodies through breathing.

Breath as Prayer offers:

- More than 80 breath prayers focused on Scripture, along with brief meditations
- Gorgeous original full-color illustrations
- A quick-start how-to guide to refer to as needed
- Guidance on how to implement a breath prayer practice
- The science behind breath work and prayer and why it works
- An invitation to reflect on the effect of breath prayers on your body
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With a beautiful foil-accented cover, **Breath as Prayer** is an ideal gift for:

- Anyone experiencing stress, anxiety, or fear
- Grief and anxiety support groups
- Prayer groups and prayer ministries
- Men and women looking for new avenues for connecting with God.
- Teens and young adults dealing with stress and anxiety
- Adult baptism and confirmation
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God created our bodies, minds, and spirits to be intimately connected with one another. Purpose-filled breathing is one of the most effective, calming ways to integrate all aspects of who we are, especially during times of intense stress. **Breath as Prayer** invites you to the crossroads of Christian contemplative practice, Scripture, psychology, and science to deepen your faith, bring peace to your body, and discover a new reliance on Christ.

Breathe deeply, lean into God's Word, and discover why every breath can be an invitation to pray. \$30 (Hardback)

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

From Stephen Duckett

What a lovely set of readings we have for this Sunday – the thread through them is about justice and the upending of the comfortable order. We see the same message occurring repeatedly throughout the scriptures in poetry and prose, and most beautifully expressed in Mary’s great song – the Magnificat.

Today’s excerpts were written in a different time and place – but they are all about God’s love and priority for the other. When we read and hear them we might feel complacent: of course we stand with the poor and hungry. But scripture continues to speak to us today because we recognise it was written in that different context and we purposively reflect to discern the contemporary implications.

How would Jesus preach the Beatitudes in 2023? Surely the start of the list would remain the same, but who else would be specifically added? Certainly, asylum seekers and refugees, and probably those oppressed by homophobia and transphobia; victims of racism, sexism, ableism would now also be added to those receiving blessings. Those in this country and elsewhere affected by climate change would also receive blessings.

*Blessed are the outcast and marginalised
for they will be welcomed with open arms*

But additions to those blessed are meaningless unless the blessings are effected, and we here at Saint Peter’s are part of God’s ‘effector arm’. Those who deserve the blessings will only inherit the earth etc if we are open to allowing God to work through us to achieve that.

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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 4th Saturday of the month
Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 7.00pm

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	Michael Gronow	0411 289 318
	(People's Wardens)	
	Rachel Ellyard	0419 335 793
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Sue Wuttke
Michael Gronow
Geoff Sutherland
Craig Wilson

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