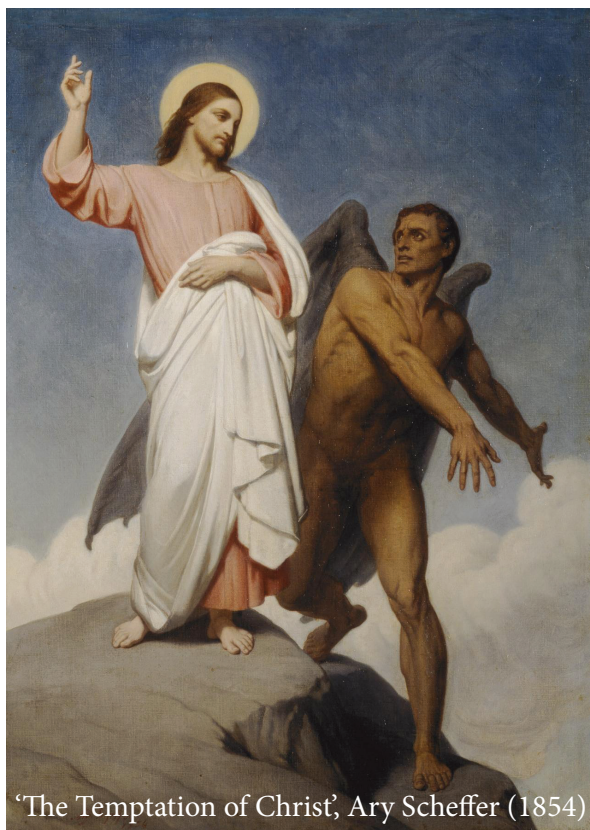


Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



'The Temptation of Christ', Ary Scheffer (1854)

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

21ST FEBRUARY 2021

God of the new and eternal covenant, as the forty days of the great flood swept away the world's corruption and watered new beginnings of righteousness and life: Grant to us, who are washed clean and born again in the saving flood of baptism, the wellsprings of your grace, that your gift of new life may flourish once again; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

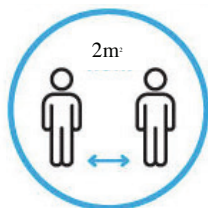
Our restrictions and rules for Mass often change in these pandemic times. Please read carefully and observe all the updated COVID-Safe guidelines below:

- **If you are feeling unwell, especially with COVID-19-type symptoms, you must not be at church; please go home now and get tested.**
- **Masks are now mandatory again indoors. Only the person leading or speaking in a service can be unmasked.**
- The passing round of the collection plate during the Offertory Hymn is no longer allowed, to prevent multiple people touching this object. For this reason there will now be a retiring collection in its place at the end of each Mass.
- Our current density quotient at St Peter's allows for up to 110 people in the pews, and a total congregation (including choir, servers, children's church, overflow etc) of up to 174 people.
- If you have booked a pew, a sidesperson will tick off your name on arrival.
- If you have not booked, you can scan the QR Code on your smart phone, or just give us your first name and phone number.
- The 2sqm spatial distancing rule essentially means keeping an elbow's distance from others at all times (other than partners and immediate family members).
- Please continue to sanitise your hands as you enter or leave church.
- Communion will continue in one kind only, with no common cup.
- Do not to shake hands, hug, or kiss others beyond your immediate family.
- All service booklets are single use only, so please take yours home.

Please note: we have a busy programme of worship and social service at St Peter's Eastern Hill, seven days a week, but the church and hall are cleaned and sanitised daily, under WorkSafe pandemic guidelines, so you can be assured of the cleanliness of our buildings and furnishings.



We have a COVID-Safe Plan and are committed to keeping you safe



Physical Distancing



Sanitising and washing hands



Please be kind and care for one another in these stressful times of change



A WORD FROM THE VICAR - OUT OF LOCKDOWN (AGAIN)

Well, we are out of lock-down (again) but thankfully just a five-day stint this time – a mere blink compared to 111 days – and almost back to where we were before. You may be interested to read the Archbishop’s COVID-Safe update, which makes it clear where we now stand: “Church services can resume face to face with the 2sqm rule where electronic booking or QR codes are operating. Masks must be worn indoors and outdoors, apart from the one person leading/singing at that time. Weddings and funerals can occur as previously under the same density rules for church services. Only five visitors can be at a private home, inside or out, so this may affect small groups or home meetings. Public gatherings are limited to twenty people but this does not apply to community groups, church meetings or religious services. However, such groups must be on church property and not in public places.”

Probably the biggest impact for us as a faith community at St Peter’s has been the canceling of our public Ash Wednesday services. I have spoken to a number of parishioners since then who have experienced this as a ripping out of the heart of the start of Lent. I am inclined to agree. We held two small services online (<https://bit.ly/3s7pxsB> & <https://bit.ly/2Zwrane>), but these of course lack the physicality of our usual practices. One option was to incorporate the imposition of ashes into our Sunday Masses, but after carefully considering this, and discussing the possibility with some of our priests and servers, I decided against it. Sundays are a feast day, and the first Sunday of Lent always opens at St Peter’s with a penitential Litany.

That being said, if you are feeling bereft, you may like to conduct a simple liturgy at home, before attending Mass this Sunday. You could burn last year’s palm cross (if you have it) and then impose ashes on yourself, or with another member of your household. Take a look at the ‘The Imposition of Ashes at Home’, a liturgy authorised and published by the Church of England (<https://bit.ly/3k93TBp>) that you may wish to use while or after watching one of our online Ash Wednesday liturgies.

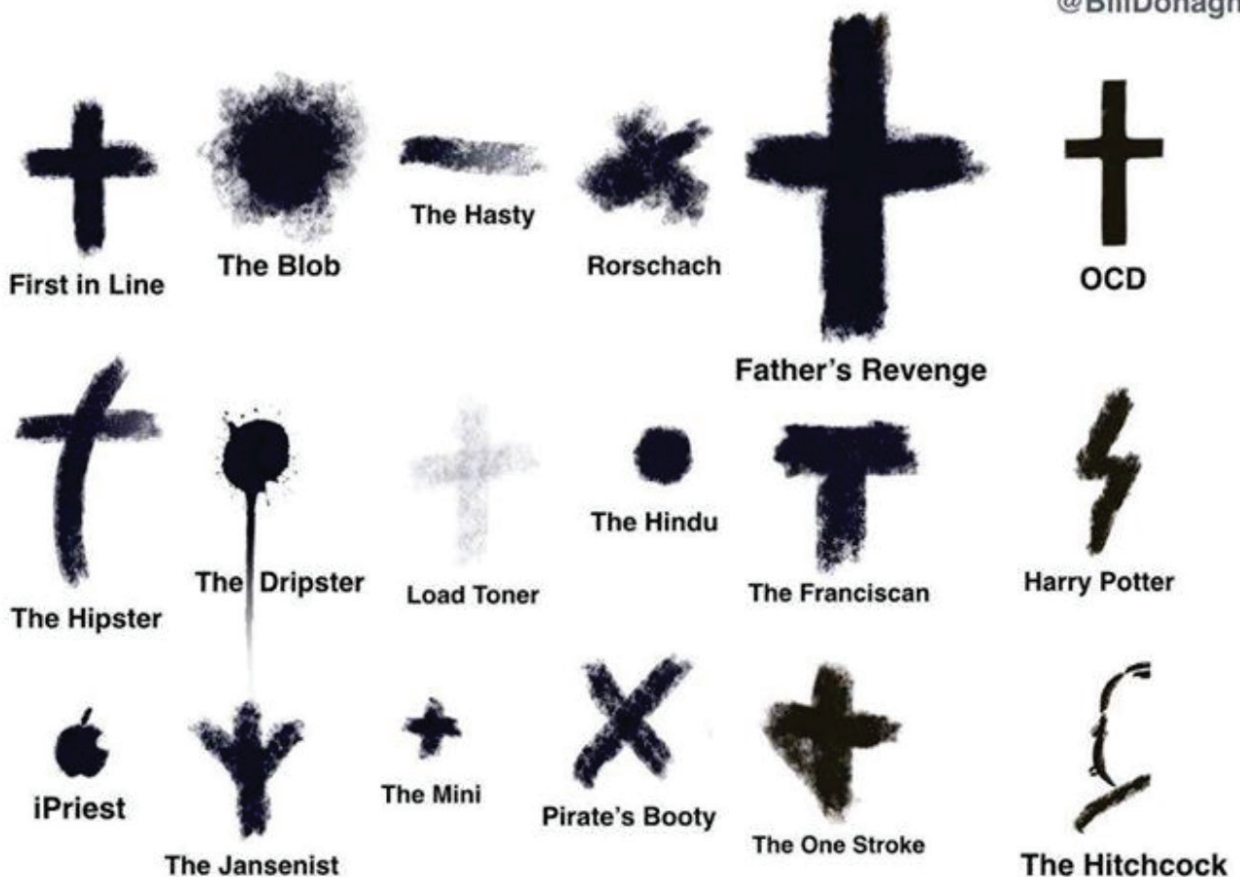
This Sunday, the first Sunday of Lent, we are essentially back to the way we were before the snap lock-down (other than mandatory wearing of masks at worship again). We are also going ahead with the planned introduction of two additional Sunday Masses: 9am BCP Mass and 6pm APBA Mass. The 10.30am High Mass with Children’s Church will continue as before the lock-down, and in due course we plan to

introduce a second group in the Hall, although not this week as we've not yet finalised a roster of teachers to make this happen each week.

Please note also that the "thank you" morning tea for Caroline Rutherford will go ahead on Sunday after the 10.30am High Mass, followed by a Lenten group in the Hughes Room, led by our Klingner Scholar, Xeverie Swee, and assisted by Alae Taule'alo and Carol O'Connor. On this coming Tuesday at 12 noon, we will launch the Lenten *Lectio divina* group in the church, and our two weekday online groups continue throughout Lent: Rosary, Monday to Friday at 5pm; and Meditation, Wednesday at 12 noon. Daily Mass also continues: this Saturday at 1:00pm for our monthly Cell of Our Lady of Walsingham Mass, and Monday to Friday at 7.15am. I do encourage you to take up one or more of these devotional and study opportunities, as part of your Lenten discipline.

A Catholic Guide to Ashes, *Extended Edition*

@BillDonaghy



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Please stand for the beginning of the Mass. The people's responses are printed in bold.

Prelude: J. S. Bach (1685 - 1750) *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier* (BWV 730)

Mass setting: Cristóbal de Morales (1500 - 1553) *Missa L'homme armé à 5*

Please stand for the opening litany.

God the Father

have mercy on us.

God the Son

have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit

have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God,

have mercy on us.

From all evil . . .

good Lord, deliver us.

Etc.

Hear our prayers, O Lord our God.

Hear us good Lord

Etc.

Help and comfort the lonely, the bereaved, and the oppressed.

Lord, have mercy.

Etc.

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your holy word.

Holy God,

holy and strong,

holy and immortal:

have mercy on us.

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 celebrant sings the collect for purity. 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 chants the collect. Please sit for the readings.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

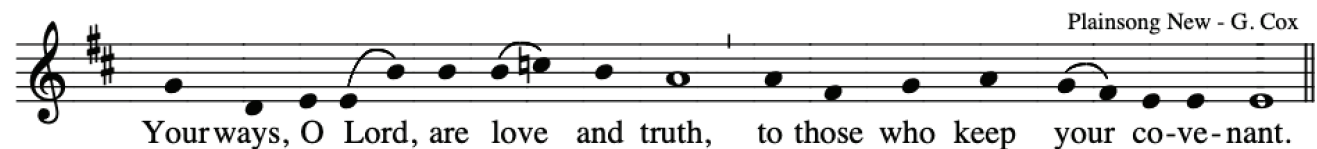
GENESIS 9.8 - 15 *read by Daniel Ferguson*

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.”

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 25 *led by the cantor, please join in the refrain*

Plainsong New - G. Cox



Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth, to those who keep your co-ve-nant.

Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation. **R.**

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

According to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord! **R.**

Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way. **R.**

THE EPISTLE: 1 PETER 3.18 - 22 *chanted by the sub-deacon*

Christ suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison. In former times these did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during

the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. Baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you - not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL *read by Daniel Ferguson*

Please stand. The cantor leads the Tract. Please join in the response:

G. Cox

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
King of endless glory.

Deacon:

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (1.12 - 15)

+ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After Jesus was baptised, the Spirit drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

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

Homily: Fr Roger Prowd

Please stand for the Credo.

Celebrant *All*

We be - lieve in one God, the Fa - ther, the al - might - y,
mak - er of hea - ven 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 hea - ven,
and 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 bur - ied. On the third day he rose a - gain
in ac - cord - ance with the Scrip - tures; he as - cend - ed in - to hea - ven
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 giv - er 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 spok - en through the pro - phets.

We be - lieve in one, ho - ly, cath - o - lic and a - po - sto - lic Church.

We ac - know - ledge one bap - tism for the for - give - ness of sins.

We look for the re - sur - rect - ion of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. A - - -

- - - men.

Please kneel for the Prayers of the People. Led by Xeverie Swee.

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.

Please stand for the offertory hymn.

1. Forty days and forty nights
Thou wast fasting in the wild,
Forty days and forty nights
Tempted and yet undefiled.
2. Sunbeams scorching all the day,
Chilly dewdrops nightly shed,
Prowling beasts about thy way,
Stones thy pillow, earth thy bed.
3. Let us thine endurance share,
And awhile from joys abstain,
With thee watching unto prayer,
Strong with thee to suffer pain.
4. And if Satan, vexing sore,
Flesh or spirit should assail,
Thou, his vanquisher before,
Grant we may not faint nor fail.
5. So shall we have peace divine,
Holier gladness ours shall be,
Round us too shall angels shine,
Such as ministered to thee.
6. Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear,
Ever constant by thy side,
That with thee we may appear
At the eternal Eastertide.

NEH 67
Text: G.H. Smyttan (1822—1870)
Melody: AUS DE TIEFE

THE HOLY 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 Church.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant:

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, leading to:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus

Dominus Deus Sabaoth

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua

Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Lord God of Hosts

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory

Hosanna in the highest

+ Benedictus qui venit in nomine

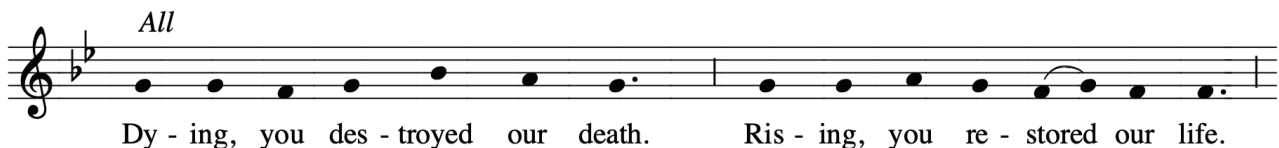
domini. Hosanna in excelsis

+Blessed is he that comes in the name of the

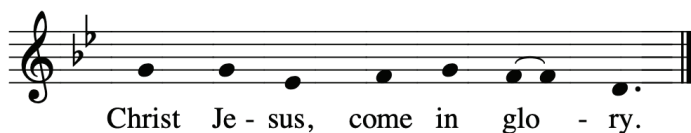
Lord. Hosanna in the highest

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith

All



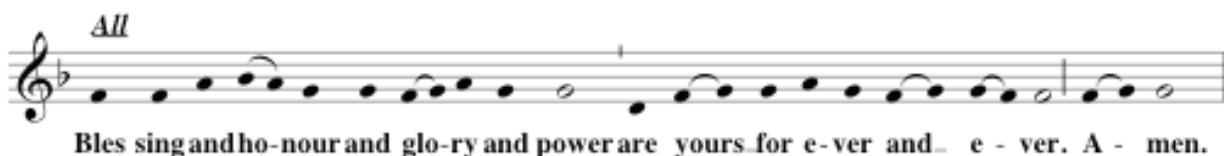
Dy - ing, you des - troyed our death. Ris - ing, you re - stored our life.



Christ Je - sus, come in glo - ry.

The celebrant continues the prayer, ending with:

All



Bles sing and ho - nour and glo - ry and power are yours for e - ver and e - ver. A - men.

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 choir sings:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
 miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
 miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
 dona nobis pacem.

*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, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those

who are called to his supper. **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: Henry Purcell (1659 – 1695): Remember not, Lord, our Offences
Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor th' offences of our forefathers;
Neither take thou vengeance of our sins, but spare us, good Lord.
Spare thy people, whom thou has redeem'd with thy most precious blood,
And be not angry with us for ever. Spare us, good Lord.

At the conclusion of the communion of the people, there is a time of silent prayer.

Please stand for the final hymn:

**1 Maker of earth, to thee alone
Perpetual rest belongs;
And those bright choirs around thy throne
May pour their endless songs.**

**2 But we--ah, holy now no more!
Are doomed to toil and pain;
Yet exiles on an alien shore
May sing their country's strain.**

**3 Father, whose promise binds thee still
To heal the suppliant throng,
Grant us to mourn the deeds of ill
That banish us so long;**

**4 And, while we mourn, in faith to rest
Upon thy love and care,
Till thou restore us with the blest
The song of heaven to share.**

**5 O God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Holy Ghost,
To thee be praise, great Three in One,
From thy created host. Amen.**

NEH 71
Text: Charles Coffin (1676 – 1749)
Melody: DUNFIRMLINE

SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

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.

The celebrant offers a blessing and the deacon dismisses the congregation:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please stand as the sanctuary party departs. A retiring collection will be taken at the door.

Recessional: F. Schubert (1797-1828) Fugue in E minor

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 to the Parish Hall for refreshments after the Mass.

FAREWELL TO CAROLINE RUTHERFORD - TODAY

A special Morning Tea will take place this morning after the 10.30 am Mass, to say thank you to Caroline Rutherford our much loved member of the Choir and member of the Guild of St Benedict Team. If you would like to help with the Morning Tea, please speak to Daniel Ferguson.

CONFIRMATION, BAPTISM & FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

All adults and children who would like to be Confirmed, Baptised or admitted to First Communion, please contact Fr Hugh or Fr Greg who will be conducting preparation classes ahead of the Easter Vigil Mass on 3rd April 2021.

KEBLE HOUSE FLAT AVAILABLE FOR LEASE

A one-bedroom, ground-floor flat at Keble House is available for rent from next month. The flat has road-frontage access onto Albert Street, and is zoned for either accommodation or business purposes. If you, or anyone you know, is interested in viewing the flat, please contact the Parish: 9662 2391 or sphoffice@stpeters.org.au

THE DAILY OFFICE AT HOME

In these days of pandemic we are nor currently able to gather in worship 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 118.1-18
Genesis 39
Luke 11.14-28

Ps 15
Jeremiah 25.1-17
Hebrews 3.1-15

Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, martyr (d. c 155)

Tuesday

Pss 3 & 6
Genesis 40
Luke 11.29-44

Pss 32 & 130
Jeremiah 25.27-38
Hebrews 3.16-4.10

Matthias, Apostle & martyr

Wednesday

Ps 80
Isaiah 66.1-4
Matthew 7.15-27

Ps 33
1 Samuel 1.21-28
1 Corinthians 4.1-13

Thursday

Ps 135
Genesis 41.37-57
Luke 12.8-21

Ps 136
Jeremiah 26-20-27.11
Hebrews 5.7-6.8

Friday

Ps 69
Genesis 42.1-17
Luke 12.22-34

Ps 139
Jeremiah 27.12-28.4
Hebrews 6.9-18

George Herbert, parish priest, poet (d. 1633)

Saturday

Ps 140
Genesis 42.18-38
Luke 12.35-48

Ps 31
Jeremiah 28.5-17
Hebrews 6.19-7.10

DAILY INTERCESSIONS

FOR THE SICK:

Rob Berryman, Margaret Bishop, Michael Christiansen, John Crocker, Wendy Hancock, Babu Mathew, Alice McCraith, Judy McCraith, Lyn Nicholas, Liz Prideaux, Jenny Sasse, John Small, John Stewart BISHOP, Paul Wheelton & Jan

AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, Chris Bennie, David Bornstein, Michael Boyle PRIEST, Joe Butscher PRIEST, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Siew-Hung, Grace James, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Graham & Judy Ryles, Margaret Sutherland, Evelina Thornton, Barbara Ure-Smith & Victoria

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Sun 21 William Aimé Gray

Mon 22 Peter Bayton, Keith David Edwin Harvey,
David William Leslie Hosking, William Ireland Jones Stewart,
Charles Waugh

Tue 23 Aimée McDonald McCraith, Andrew Schepis

Wed 24 Cyril Daniel Appolis, Doris Firth, Katrina Hughes

Thu 25 Jean Jones

Fri 26 Graham Butler, John William Sidney Fulford, Reginald James Smith,
Nora Patricia Styles, Evelyn Ure-Smith

Sat 27 Joyce Stanmore Alford, Cecil Garton,
Heather Millicent Macpherson

NOTICES

LENTEN STUDY SERIES AND DEVOTIONAL GROUPS

Over the six weeks of Lent there are a number of devotional groups and a study course that you may wish to connect with as part of your Lenten discipline:

- Study Group - Sundays in Lent, 12:30pm in the Hughes Room
- *Lectio divina* course - Tuesdays, 12 noon in the Church (and on Zoom)
- Online Meditation Group - Wednesdays, at 12 noon (on Jitsi)
- Weekday online Rosary Group - Mon to Fri, at 5:00pm (on Zoom)

For more information and to sign-up for online groups, see notices below, or contact the Parish Office on 9662 2391 or sphoffice@stpeters.org.au

LECTIO DIVINA - TUESDAYS AT 12 NOON THROUGHOUT LENT

As part of St Peter's Lenten offerings, *Lectio Divina* will be available on Tuesdays at 12 midday throughout Lent, both in the church and via Zoom. *Lectio Divina* (literally divine or sacred reading) is an ancient practice of reading and praying the Scriptures by listening with the "ear of the heart" for the gentle stirrings of the Spirit, and for a life-giving or life-transforming word God is offering us for our life today.



Abbess Christine Valters Paintner, author of *Lectio Divina: The Sacred Art*, describes *Lectio Divina* as

“being present to each moment in a heart-centred way. When we pray *Lectio* we see sacred text as God’s living words being spoken to our hearts in the moment. The practice allows us to encounter God in an active and intimate way. The invitation of *Lectio Divina*, therefore, is to cultivate a heart-centred intimacy with the sacred texts ... *Lectio* asks us to listen, savour and respond – not simply understand their meaning.”

Fr Hugh, Fr Greg, Xeverie Swee and Roland Ashby formed the core of St Peter's *Lectio Divina* group during Advent, and warmly invite St Peter's parishioners to join them throughout Lent, either in the church or via Zoom. Please email Fr Hugh if you would like to join the group: revekempster@gmail.com. If you would like a Zoom link to join the sessions on-line he will send this to you.

ST. PETER'S LENTEN SERIES



ST PETER'S LENTEN SERIES

Join us for St Peter's Lenten program
Six sessions on Sundays after church
Starts :Sunday 21st Feb -28th March
Time :12.30pm -13.30pm
Venue : The Hughes Room
R.S.V.P : 03 96622391
sphoffice@stpeters.org.au

*Refresh, Renew,
Recalibrate*



The Fourth Robin Sharwood Lecture in Church Law

Will the Ties that Bind Break Under the Strain?
– The Future for the Constitution of the Anglican Church of Australia

This topic is relevant in light of the current issues facing the Anglican Church after the Commonwealth legislative reforms permitting same sex marriage and the recent Appellate Tribunal decisions in regard to the blessing of marriages, including same sex marriages, and clergy discipline. The lecture will not be limited to these issues, but they will be used to highlight the broader issues with the current Constitution and explore what the future could be for the Constitution and the Anglican Church of Australia.

DATE:

Tuesday 16 March 2021 | 7.30pm | Craig Auditorium, Gateway Building, Trinity College, 100 Royal Parade, Parkville

Light refreshments will be served following the Lecture.

RSVP:

Friday 12 March 2021

PRICE:

Free, but registration essential

BOOKINGS:

trybooking.com/BNMDN

ENQUIRIES:

Matilda Sholly | events@trinity.unimelb.edu.au | 03 9348 7527

The fourth Robin Sharwood Lecture will be delivered by the Honourable Justice Debra Mullins AO. Justice Mullins is a judge of the Court of Appeal of the Supreme Court of Queensland. Since 2014 she has been the Chancellor of the Diocese of Brisbane, having previously served as Deputy Chancellor since 2004. Justice Mullins is the Chair of the Church Law Commission of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia.



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Save the Date

St Peters Eastern Hill
Charitable Foundation

Annual Dinner

6:30pm for a 7.00pm start
15 April 2021 at The Melbourne Club

Guest Speakers

Mr Geoffrey Blainey AO

The Hon Sally Capp,
Lord Mayor of Melbourne

Dear Parishioners of St Peter's Eastern Hill, the February edition of TMA is now available online: <https://bit.ly/3b2Pra8>



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The Revd Dr Colleen O'Reilly.

Retired vicar, former Melbourne Grammar leaders and barrister honoured

by Mark Brolly

A RETIRED vicar and pioneer of the ordination of women, a former chairman of the appeal to restore St Paul's Cathedral and the immediate past Headmaster of Melbourne Grammar School are among Anglicans recognised in the Australia Day Honours List.

The Revd Dr Colleen O'Reilly, who was Vicar of St George's Malvern for 12 years until reaching the mandatory retirement age in 2019, was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for the Ordination of Women – a spin-off of an English organisation – with Dr O'Reilly a co-founder with the late Dr Patricia Brennan.

National Anglican legislation for women's ordination was passed in 1985 for deacons and in 1992 for priests.

Dr O'Reilly is an adjunct lecturer at Trinity College Theological School in Parkville.

Mr Charles Clark, who chaired Melbourne Grammar's School Council from 2004-10, the St Paul's Cathedral Restoration and Renewal Appeal from

Churches brace for new normal as holidays end

by Stephen Cauchi

MOST CHURCHES WITHIN THE Diocese of Melbourne have reopened, although many may struggle to fit in their congregation when holidays finish, Bishop Paul Barker has told TMA.

Bishop Barker, who oversees the Jumbunna episcopate in Melbourne's south-east, said clergy were exhausted after the demands of 2020 and that the financial pressures on parishes would increase once JobKeeper finished in March.

Churches reopening
Bishop Barker said that despite the Black Rock COVID outbreak in early January, 80 per cent or more of Anglican churches remained open.

"There are a couple that haven't yet reopened. I'm not aware of any of them, because of the scare, closing again but I had a couple of churches approach me on that issue."

However, bigger churches faced problems "In half the churches, either the building's (too) small or they're the bigger churches for attendance – there is still the pressure of fitting in."

Most churches that did livestreaming in lockdown are trying to do something similar now that physical church has resumed, Bishop Barker said. However, "doing the hybrid thing is hard work because you're catering for two different audiences at the same time".

JobKeeper
Financially, annual reports indicated that JobKeeper had more than compensated in most parishes for the drop in congregational giving in 2020. However, parishes that relied on income from op shops or rents had suffered, he said.

"We're expecting bigger financial pressures in our parishes over the next six months because JobKeeper runs out at the end of March and so we think that financial pressures on churches will grow then."

Morale and fatigue
Morale generally within the churches was "generally positive", Bishop Barker said although "when people are tired, it's hard to feel positive".

"I think there's still an uncertainty for the future, so people are hoping for a better year this year. But people are still talking in terms of what happens in winter with a third wave."

Clergy, however, were fatigued by the demands of 2020 and the difficulty in taking leave during the year. "A lot of clergy are very tired and more than normal are taking parts of January as holidays."

Bishop Barker said he knew of at least

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