

Welcome to St Peter's Eastern Hill

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



“Jesus and the Apostles” fresco in the catacomb of Santa Domitilla (early 5th century)

Ordinary Sunday 12

21st June 2020
Parish Mass, 10.30am

Live-streamed on St Peter's FaceBook Page
Uploaded the following day on YouTube (<https://bit.ly/3aEZVuB>)

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, only congregations of up to 20 people are permitted to attend public worship, in addition to those officiating at the Mass. Our Archbishop has also advised that services should be led by an organist and cantor only, rather than a choir, and that we should keep congregational hymn singing to a minimum. So, our worship has certainly not yet returned to the way it was. If you can't come to Mass in person, we warmly invite you to join us online each Sunday. Today's Mass will be live-streamed on our FaceBook page, and the following day uploaded to YouTube (<https://bit.ly/3aEZVuB>).

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 chants the collect for purity.

Let us pray: Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleansing the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The cantor sings: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

The celebrant introduces the confession:

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in
God's forgiveness.

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 of sins
to all those 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 Gloria.

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
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 chants the collect for the day.

Gracious God, we who were baptised into Christ Jesus
Were baptised into his death: we pray that,
As you raised him from death, so by the power of
The Holy Spirit we may live the new life to your glory,
Knowing ourselves to be dead in sin but alive for you
In Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you
And the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20.7, 10-13

Jeremiah cried out: "O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughing stock all day long; everyone mocks me. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around!

Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. 'Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him.' But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers."

Hear the word of the Lord; **thanks be to God.**

Psalm 69

The cantor leads the singing of the Psalm. Please join in the response.

Plainsong New - G. Cox

Lord, in your great love, an-swer me.

THE EPISTLE: Romans 5.12-15

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, so death spread to all because all have sinned. Sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many.

Hear the word of the Lord; **thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 10:26-33

The cantor leads the singing of the antiphon. Please join in the response.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The celebrant: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you + Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus summoned the twelve and sent them out with the following instructions: “Have no fear; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.”

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

Sermon: Fr Greg Davies

The Nicene Creed.

The musical score is written on ten staves. The first staff is for the Priest and the second for All. The lyrics are: We be - lieve in one God, the Fa - ther, the al - migh - ty, ma - ker 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, 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 - cord - ance with the Scrip - tures; he a - scen - ded 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 li - ving 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 ca - tho - 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 - rec - tion of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. A - - - - - men.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant: Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

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.**

THE GREETING OF THE 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.

Proper is sung, as the altar is prepared, in place of the offertory hymn. No offerings are collected at this point, due to new COVID-19 restrictions, but there will be a retiring collection at the end of the service.

Celebrant: Blessed are you . . . **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
to 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.

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to

Celebrant: . . . forever praising you and saying:
**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
+ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to:

Celebrant: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith ...
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We worship you, Father Almighty,
in songs of never-ending praise ...
Blessing and honour and glory and power
Are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant: As our Saviour Christ has taught us,
we are confident to pray.

All



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 - li - ver us from e - vil.
For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours now and for e - ver. A - men.

Celebrant: We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.

All remaining kneeling.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**
**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**
**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sins 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.**

The sacrament is shared, in one kind (due to the pandemic we no longer share the common cup). Those who are accustomed to making their communion in any Christian tradition are most welcome to receive. All are warmly invited to come forward for a blessing. Please observe spatial distancing of 1.5m at all times, approaching the altar rail via the centre aisle and returning via the side aisles.

Communion motet: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625) This is the record of John.

At the conclusion of the communion of the people, there is a time of silent prayer. All then stand to join in singing the Post-communion hymn:

- 1. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home;**

- 2. Under the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.**

- 3. Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.**

- 4. A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.**

- 5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.**

**6. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.**

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Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)
Tune: ST ANNE

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The celebrant chants the post-communion prayer:

Living God,
In this holy meal you fill us with new hope.
May the power of your love,
Which we have known in word and sacrament,
Continue you saving work among us,
Give us courage for our pilgrimage,
And bring us to the joys you promise.

**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 blessing: The peace of God ...
And the blessing ...

The celebrant dismisses the congregation.

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

Postlude: C.S. Lang (1891-1971) Tuba Tune

“MORNING TEA AT THE VICARAGE” BY ZOOM, SUNDAY, 12.30PM

After Mass we used to gather in the Hall for morning tea. As we can't do this in the same way during the pandemic, Fr Hugh is now hosting a virtual “Morning Tea at the Vicarage” every Sunday from 12.30pm. If you have not used Zoom before, or have difficulty connecting text: 0488 960 022. Once you are signed up join us by putting this link into the search engine on your computer:

<https://bit.ly/2Lt6jds> (no password required)

SUNDAY AND WEEKDAY MASSES – ATTENDING IN PERSON

The West Door of the church is once again open to the public, for congregations of up to 20 people. But our worship is by no means back to the way it was before the pandemic. Many parishioners are choosing to remain at home, and join the Mass by YouTube or on FaceBook. If you would like to come back to church, however, you are welcome to join Fr Philip, Fr Greg, Fr Ken and Fr Hugh in person for one or more of the following Masses:

- Monday - Friday 7.15am
- Wednesday 1.15pm
- Saturday 9.00am
- Sunday 10.30am (the “**book a pew**” service)

Now that we can have 20 people at Mass (and probably extended to 50 next Sunday) the weekday services have plenty of capacity. But sadly, you cannot just turn up like you used to on a Sunday, because of the limited numbers allowed to attend public worship. So, you need to “book a pew” for each Sunday Mass at this stage. Booking your pew is a very simple procedure, but you must plan ahead, or you may risk being turned away from church (something none of us would want to happen).

Very important: you must “book a pew” at least 48 hours (2 days) in advance of any service you would like to attend.

Just e-mail the Parish Office (sphoffice@stpeters.org.au) or phone Kosta Soteriou on (03) 9662 2391. Make sure to leave your name and phone number, indicate which service you hope to attend, specify the date or dates of the service(s) you would like to attend. If all the places are taken, don't worry, we will call you to let you know. If you don't hear back from us, just come.

