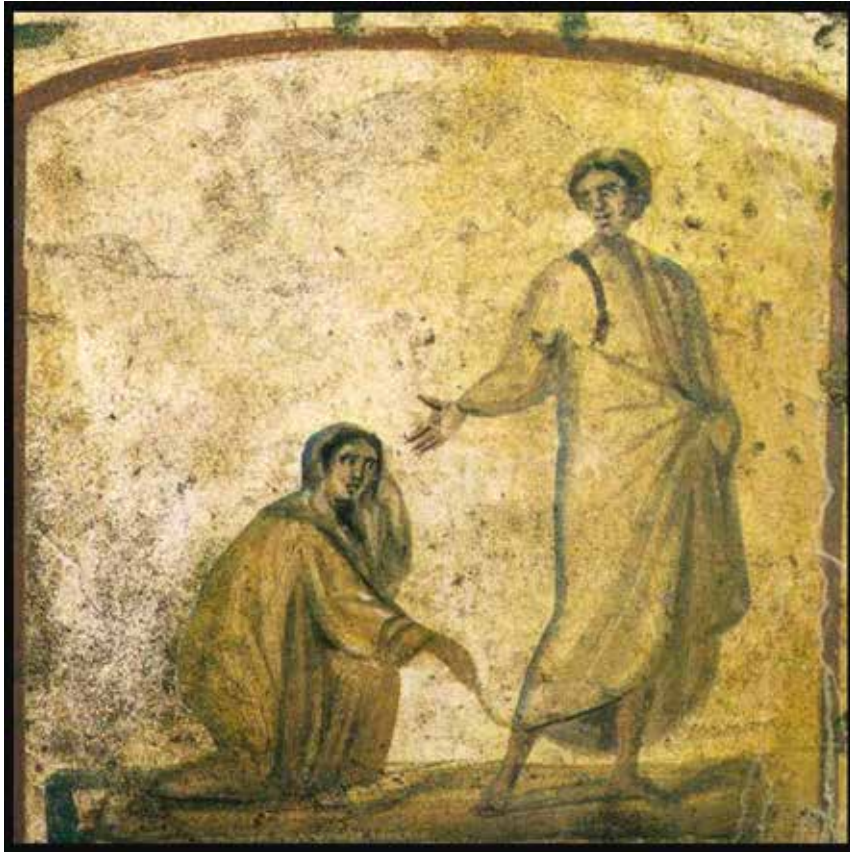


*Welcome to*

# ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



Catacombs of Rome, "Christ healing a bleeding woman" (c. 300)

## ORDINARY SUNDAY 13

## 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2021 - PEW SHEET

O Christ for whom we search, our help when help has failed: give us courage to expose our need and ask to be made whole, that, being touched by you, we may be raised to new life in the power of your name. *Amen*

# WEEKLY MUSINGS

As I reflect on my role at Peter Mac hospital, as a Clinical Pastoral Care intern, I come to think of it as a gift. In this role, I see extremely sick patients, as well as patients nearing the end of life. It is difficult to be in the face of suffering; albeit the “gifts” I get is priceless. Last week, a patient nearing the end of life asked me: “where is God in my suffering?” This is a difficult one, it caused me to dig into the Bible and into the Patristic tradition, which I hold dear to my heart. The Bible has never turned away from confronting questions. Suffering and pain is rampant in the world; whether we are Christians or not we all have to go through the same life cycle of birth, infancy, toddler years, childhood, puberty, adolescence, adulthood, middle age, senior years and eventually sickness and death. Although, some people experience a shorter cycle, and for some the cycle is brought forward with accidental death or illnesses. Nonetheless, we all go through suffering the same. But the question remains, where is God in all this?

Chapters 40 through 55 of the book of Isaiah is one of the high-water marks of Old Testament theology, one of the richest explorations of the nature of God. In it we consistently see the insistence that God is infinitely close to us and at the same time infinitely transcendent. In Isaiah 49 God shows us that he has inscribed us individually in the palm of his hands. That’s how close we are to God and how close God is to us, in pain and in joy we need to call on him while he can be found. Saint Augustine of Hippo explained it this way: God is *Interior Intimo meo et superior sumo meo*; he is closer to me than I am to myself, and he is higher than anything I could possibly imagine. At calvary, I am sure many of our Lord’s disciples asked the same question, “where are you God in the suffering of Jesus?” This question does not need a flash theological answer, just an honest one, as St Augustine posits: *Deus sit interior intimo meo, et superior sumo meo*; God is with us, within us, around us; and yet, he is above us.

*Xeverie Swee, Klingner Scholar*

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## “FAITH FORUM” - AFTER MASS, 12.15 TO 1.15PM

After Mass Fr Greg will be starting up a new study group: “Faith Forum”. The first meeting will be after High Mass on Sunday 27th June, in the Henderson-Newton Room (the new glass room off the Hall). The Forum is an opportunity to explore and discuss matters and issues of faith and spirituality. It is open to all, not just parishioners, so do feel free to invite others you know who may be interested. Participants are invited to suggest topics, questions or issues for discussion. Please contact Fr Greg to express your interest, and with your ideas:

ph. 0417 992 976 or e-mail - gregdavies121@icloud.com

# LAY MINISTER'S UPDATE

## **The *Asperges me* Rite**

You may have noticed over recent weeks that we have made changes to the *Asperges* rite that precedes our 10.30am High Mass. The objective of these changes has been to restore the *Asperges* to its correct place in the liturgy and bring back the versicle and response collect at the end of the *Asperges* that was previously truncated. The *Asperges* has long been a feature of our High Mass at St Peter's, but some of you may not be familiar with where the rite originated or its liturgical purpose. In the extraordinary form of the Roman rite, which we commonly call the Latin Mass, the *Asperges* is an entirely separate rite from the Mass; the opening greeting and the Introit always occur after it. The dual purposes of the *Asperges* are as a rite purification, which prepares us to celebrate the sacred mysteries of the Eucharist, and also as a rite of protection, where the sacred covenant between Christ and his people, instituted at our initiation into the priesthood of the baptised, is represented sacramentally through the sprinkling of blessed water. In the modern Roman rite, the *Asperges* is largely unknown, although when it is practised it usually takes the place of the Kyrie as the penitential rite at Mass. As Anglo-Catholics, we draw proudly on the unbroken traditions of the Catholic faith and as such have retained many ancient practices of the Church, including the use of three sacred ministers at High Mass, now abrogated in the modern Roman rite since the abolition of the sub-diaconate, and the use of ancient rituals such as the *Asperges*. The restoration of the final collect to the *Asperges* does, I believe, reinforce the sacramental purpose of the rite: to purify, bless and defend those gathered for the Mass.

## **The New RMIT Multi-faith Centre**

In an exciting development from RMIT multi-faith chaplaincy, I am excited to announce that RMIT, in partnership with the Government of Victoria, has announced its intention to fund and build a new multi-faith and wellbeing centre on the RMIT city campus. Given the significant problems with the existing facilities, this is a development that will have an appreciable impact not only on St Peter's ministry to RMIT but also on the experience of staff and students who use the multi-faith facilities. An aspirational timeline for the project will see the building's completion in spring next year; most likely late September. I thank the communities at RMIT and St Peter's for their prayerful support and advocacy for this exciting development, and look forward to being able to meet the needs of our diverse community with this new project. For more information, go to the RMIT website, news section, or link: <https://bit.ly/3dz4avB>

*Alae Taule'alo, Lay Minister and RMIT Senior Chaplain*

# SUNDAY MASS READINGS

**First Reading:** Wisdom 1.13-15; 2.23-24

God did not make death, and he does not delight in the death of the living. For he created all things so that they might exist; the generative forces of the world are wholesome, and there is no destructive poison in them, and the dominion of Hades is not on earth. For righteousness is immortal. For God created us for incorruption, and made us in the image of his own eternity, but through the devil's envy death entered the world, and those who belong to his company experience it.

**Psalm 30**



I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up,  
and did not let my foes rejoice over me.  
O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol,  
restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit. **R.**  
Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones,  
and give thanks to his holy name.  
For his anger is but for a moment;  
his favour is for a lifetime.  
Weeping may linger for the night,  
but joy comes with the morning. **R.**  
Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me!  
O Lord, be my helper!  
You have turned my mourning into dancing.  
O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever. **R.**

**Second Reading:** 2 Corinthians 8.7, 9, 13-15

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you— so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance.



As it is written, “The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.”

**Gospel:** Mark 5.21-43

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the synagogue leaders named Jairus came and, when he saw Jesus, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.” So Jesus went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him.

Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.” Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my clothes?” And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’” He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. Jesus said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the leader’s house to say, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?” But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” Jesus allowed no one to follow him. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, “Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. Then Jesus put them all outside and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about for she was twelve years of age. At this they were overcome with amazement. Jesus strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

# DAILY INTERCESSIONS

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## FOR THE SICK:

Helen Barnard, Margaret Bishop, Kate Castle, Isla Hodgkinson, Gwen Joyce, Russell Kennedy, Mary Montagu, Lyn Nicholas, Noleen Nicholls, Gary Robertson, Alex Robins, Jenny Sasse, John Small, Ian Thornton, Paul Wheelton, and Peter.

## AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, David Bornstein, Michael Boyle PRIEST, Joe Butscher PRIEST, David Curtis, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Siew-Hung, Wendy Hancock, Grace James, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Alice McCraith, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn CHN, Robin Page, Liz Prideaux, Graham & Judy Ryles, John Stewart BISHOP, Clive Tadgell, Barbara Ure-Smith, and Jan.

**FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:** Anne Bayton, Evelina Thornton

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

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Sun	27	Gwendoline Crowley, Isabella Cula, James Goding, Peter Schnell, Peter Steele SJ, John Taaff
Mon	28	Robert Bates PRIEST
Tue	29	Grace Hook, Elizabeth Hoyle, Gladys Hudson, Ron Thompson
Wed	30	Mary Croker, Grace Beatrice Lamble, Francis Lewin PRIEST, Albert Edward Lloyd, Paul Hosking, Oscar Ormsby, Frederick George Pitts
Thu	1	Jean Mary Henderson, William Arthur Holtman, Margaretta Irvine, Constance Lloyd, Sophie Rose, Thomas Stewart Watson
Fri	2	William Henry Bailey, Frank Hortin Callaway, Lorraine Clare Elliot, Margaret Robbins, Dennis John Varigos, Moreton Walhouse
Sat	3	Jeanie Adams, Mary Margaret Blackman, Walter Stedman Southwell, Phillip Wheeler

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## FLOWERS TODAY - IN LOVING MEMORY OF JOHN TAAFF

Flowers are donated by Norman Missen, in loving memory of John Taaff, whose year's mind occurs today - a much loved and longtime parishioner in this parish.

# THE DAILY OFFICE AT HOME

In these times of pandemic, many parishioners find comfort in praying 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, contact Carol in the Bookroom: <http://www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au/>

## MORNING PRAYER

## EVENING PRAYER

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Mon. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Pss 143; 146 1 Sam. 21.8 - 22.5 Acts 14.1-7	Pss 119.153-176 Sirach 35.1-17 Titus 1
<i>Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles and Martyrs</i>		
Tues. 29 <sup>th</sup>	Ps 145 1 Sam. 22.6-23 Acts 14.8-18	Ps 147 Sirach 37.1-16 Titus 2
Wed. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Pss 148, 149 1 Sam. 23.1-18 Acts 14.19-28	Pss 144, 150 Sirach 39.1-11 Titus 3
<i>Coming of the Light, first missionaries to the Torres Strait (1871)</i>		
Thurs. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Pss 1, 2 1 Samuel 23.19 - 24.7 Acts 15.1-11	Pss 3, 4 Sirach 43.1-12 Galatians 1.1-10
Fri. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pss 5, 6 1 Samuel 24.8 - 25.1 Acts 15. 12-21	Pss 7, 8 Sirach 44.1-15 Galatians 1.11-24
Sat. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ps 9 1 Samuel 25.2-23 Acts 15.22-35	Ps 10 Sirach 51.7-22 Galatians 2.1-10

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In this 175th Anniversary Year, please continue to think about how you can contribute to the Parish for our ongoing ministries. There are a number of ways you can support the mission and ministry of the Parish.

### **General Contributions**

A regular deposit via bank transfer helps us meet the ordinary bills of the parish. Please put your name in the relevant field so we can acknowledge your contribution. Direct payment to the Parish account, held by Anglican Development Fund:  
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### **Regular Giving Envelopes**

We maintain a system of regular giving through envelopes put in the collection plate. For those of you who already give in this way, thank you! If you would like a set of envelopes, please contact the Parish Office: sphoffice@stpeters.org.au

### **Tax deductible donations:**

There are two tax-deductible ways that you can give directly to the Parish:

- A donation to the **Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organisation**. This is a way to help keep our fantastic music program going. Please specify “St Peter’s Eastern Hill” and your name when prompted to do so, which means that we can acknowledge your donation. You can donate through this website:

<https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/maf-donation-page/>

- A donation to the **National Trust**. These donations are used for Parish maintenance and building works. Again, please specify “St Peter’s Eastern Hill” and your name so that we can acknowledge the donation. These can be made by EFT:  
BSB: 033 000 Account Number: 937 419

### **Bequests:**

Please also remember St Peter’s in your will. Bequests can be made for a specific purpose (such as maintenance) or you may prefer to specify that the bequest be placed in the St Peter’s Eastern Hill “endowment fund” so that only the interest or dividends are used for the work of the parish, but the initial amount you donated remains intact.

*Stephen Duckett, Vicar’s Warden and Chair of Parish Council*

# ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

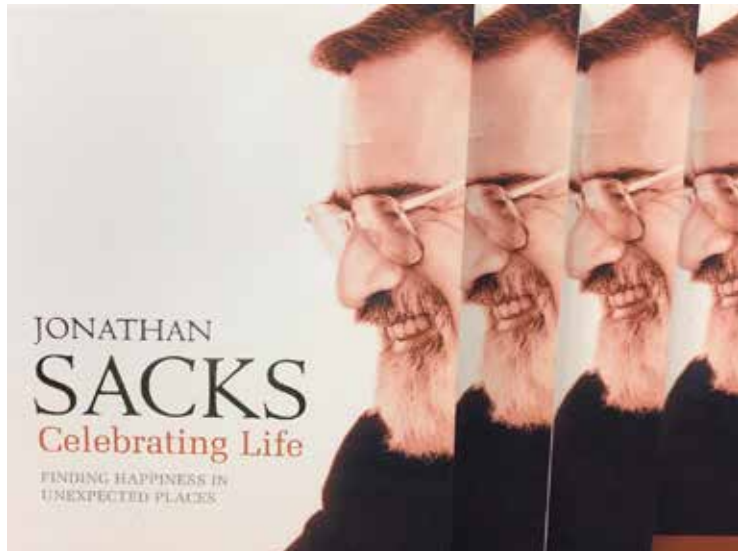
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## Sunday Services

9:00 am	Mass (Book of Common Prayer)
10.30 am	High Mass with Children's Church
6:00 pm	Mass (Evensong replaces the Mass every 4th Sunday of the month)

## Weekday Services

Mon – Fri:	Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays)
	Wednesday Mass at 1:15 pm
	Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 6.15pm

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