

Welcome to
ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



SUNDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF ST PETER
(PATRONAL SUNDAY)
02 JULY 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: Susanne Marsden, Sue Tan, Christie O'Connor, Bruno Lezzi, Gill Best, Terry Maher, Julie-Ann Bird, Graham Ryles, Robert Saliba, Nelson Rufatt, Janine Stewart, Bp John Stewart, Rob Whalley, Bp John Parkes.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED Margaret Boyle, Helen Drummond, Pat Bellhouse, Norman Missen.

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK

- July 2 William Henry Bailey, Frank Hortin Callaway, Lorraine Clare Elliot, Margaret Robbins, Dennis John Varigos, Moreton Walhouse
- 3 Jeanie Adams, Mary Margaret Blackman, Terrence (Terry) Austin Cutler, Walter Stedman Southwell, Phillip Wheeler
- 4 Peter Bethell, Peter Callinan, Stanley Crouch, Diana 'Dee' Hodgetts Julie Hogg, Craig Maxwell, Jack Taaff
- 5 Albert Batchelor, Herbert Duncan, Monica Margaret Green, Elizabeth Holloway, Thomas Frame Lowrey, Harold Cook Slatterie, Evelyn Tuck
- 6 Mary Blackwell, Geraldine Joan (Dinah) Gronow, Ada Montgomery, Philip Nigel Warrington Strong bishop, Frederick Hamilton Thompson, Phyllis Walker
- 7 Leslie Wallace Bull priest, Mervyn Arthur Callaghan, Roz Mary Dunlop, George Henry Lawton, Norman Jack Taylor, Frederick Vines
- 8 Alice Armstrong, Eliza Cheasley, Elizabeth Edwell, Isabell Hughes, Annette Inge Mastrowicz, Nancy McHugh, Phyllis McIver, Denis Victor Tiencken

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

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

Mass setting: N. Jackson (b. 1934) *Mass for a Saint's Day*

Processional Hymn: Rockman (T210)

Christ Jesus Lord, who callest whom thou willest,
Turning to strength the hearts of human weakness,
Sing we the Rock-Man, name of highest honour,
Blessed Saint Peter.

Fisherman lowly, called by thee his master,
Captive to love which drew his heart compelling,
Sent to proclaim thee, whom from heaven descendest,
Bringing salvation.

Fearless he went, on human strength relying,
Marched close beside thee to the moonlit garden,
Yet, sleeping, praying not when danger threatened,
Thee, Lord, denying.

Seeing thee risen, penitent and grieving,
Hearing from thee the gracious words of pardon,
Gladly and humbly went he forth proclaiming
Thy love and pardon.

Faithful, courageous, laboured he to serve thee,
Love fired his heart, gave strength to his endeavour,
Saw he the fruits of patient supplication,
Trophies for thee, Lord.

Came he at last, life's toil and travail ended,
Martyr of God, in life, in death, found faithful,
Thy solemn charge his loving heart surrendered.
To thee the giver.

Lord, may we serve thee with his high devotion,
Strong with the strength from thee alone deriving,
To whom All-highest, Father, Son and Spirit,
Praise be for ever.

Words: Allen E Winter
Music: Iste confessor

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

You are Peter,
And upon this Rock I will build My Church.

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.

Please kneel

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 by the choir at 11.00am

Kyrie eleison	<i>Lord have mercy</i>
Christe eleison	<i>Christ have mercy</i>
Kyrie eleison	<i>Lord have mercy</i>

Please then stand for the Gloria which is sung by the choir.

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.

Almighty God,
who inspired your apostle Saint Peter
to confess Jesus as Christ and Son of the living God:
build up your Church upon this rock,
that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth
and follow one Lord, your Son our Saviour Christ,
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

Ezekiel 3.22-end

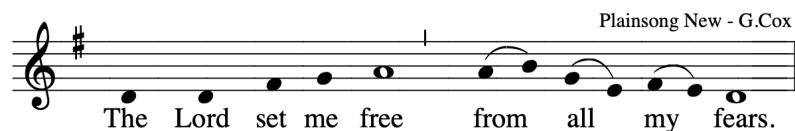
A reading from the book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

²²Then the hand of the Lord was upon me there; and he said to me, Rise up, go out into the valley, and there I will speak with you. ²³So I rose up and went out into the valley; and the glory of the Lord stood there, like the glory that I had seen by the river Chebar; and I fell on my face. ²⁴The spirit entered into me, and set me on my feet; and he spoke with me and said to me: Go, shut yourself inside your house. ²⁵As for you, mortal, cords shall be placed on you, and you shall be bound with them, so that you cannot go out among the people; ²⁶and I will make your tongue cling to the roof of your mouth, so that you shall be speechless and unable to reprove them; for they are a rebellious house. ²⁷But when I speak with you, I will open your mouth, and you shall say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord God’; let those who will hear, hear; and let those who refuse to hear, refuse; for they are a rebellious house.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34



I will bless the Lord at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad. **R.**

O magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt his name together.
I sought the Lord, and he answered me,
and delivered me from all my fears. **R.**

Look to him, and be radiant;
so your faces shall never be ashamed.
This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord,
and was saved from every trouble. **R.**

The angel of the Lord encamps
around those who fear him, and delivers them.
O taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are those who take refuge in him. **R.**

Acts 12.1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. ²He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. ³After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) ⁴When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. ⁵While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him.

⁶The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. ⁷Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. ⁸The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' ⁹Peter* went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. ¹⁰After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly

the angel left him. ¹¹Then Peter came to himself and said, ‘Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.’

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.

Deacon:

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Matthew [16.13-19]**

✠ **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, ‘Who do people say that the Son of Man is?’ ¹⁴And they said, ‘Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ ¹⁵He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ ¹⁶Simon Peter answered, ‘You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.’ ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.’

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.

[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*]

To me your friends, O Lord, are made exceedingly honourable; their principality
is exceedingly strengthened.

Offertory hymn NEH 216 Disposer supreme, and judge of the earth,

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 11.00am the choir sings the Sanctus.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,

God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

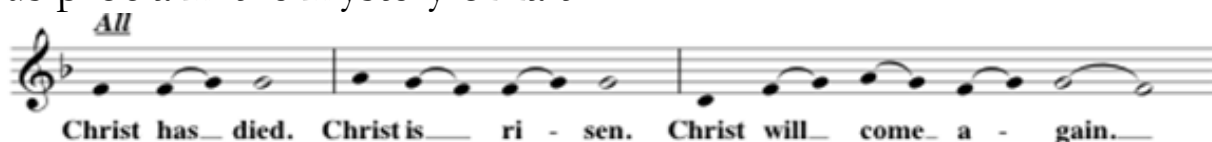
Hosanna in the highest.

+ 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:

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 Agnus Dei is sung by the choir.

**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.*

arr. R. G. te Velde (b. 1956) *Take up your cross*

Please stand for the Post-Communion hymn.

NEH 215 Captains of the saintly band

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.**

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

Go in the peace of Christ.

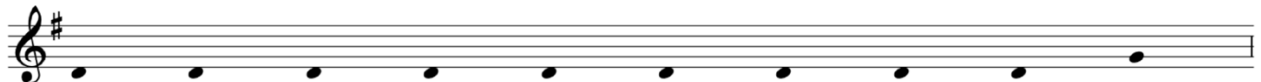
Thanks be to God.

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:



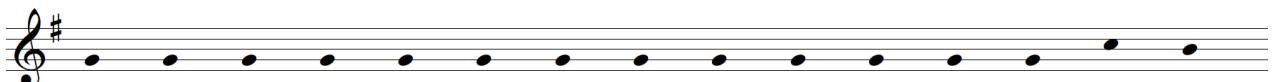
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. **A - men.**




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:



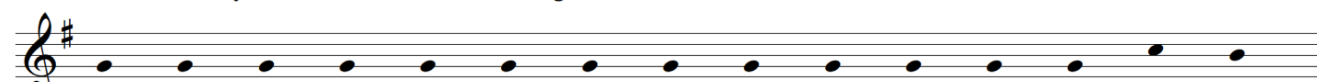
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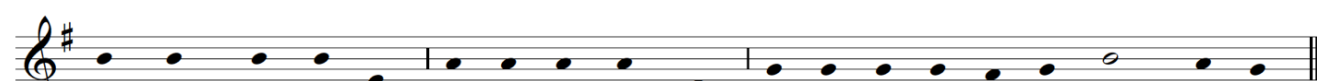
And the Word was made flesh: **And dwelt a - mong us.**



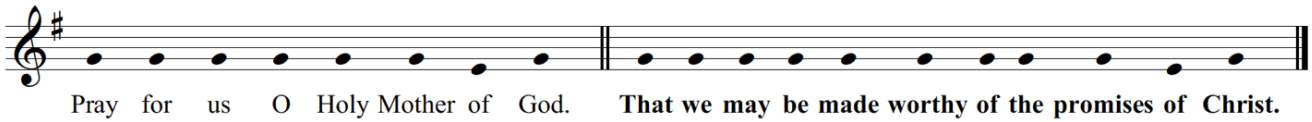
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Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Je - sus:



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: N. Jackson *Toccata*

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

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost (OS14)

Genesis 24.34–38, 42–49, 58–end; Psalm 145; Romans 7.15–25a; Matthew 11.16–19, 25–end

NOTICES

For your Diary

Ethics of Health Care Funding – A Conversation and Book Launch (Wednesday 1 November 2023 4.00pm)

Our own Stephen Duckett will be having his book launch on this date, please go to Trybooking for more details and to book to come along.

<https://www.trybooking.com/CJGIE>



Pre-Raphaelites and In the Company of Morris - Art Gallery of Ballarat, Saturday July 29th.



In the company of Morris



Pre-Raphaelites

Would you like to come along with a group of us from St Peter's to see the exhibition Pre-Raphaelites: Drawings and Watercolours from the Ashmolean Museum Oxford, and In the Company of Morris? These two exhibitions are on at the Ballarat Art Gallery of Ballarat. I've bought 10 tickets which are \$20 each. The plan is to meet there at 11am. We can enter as a group or separately. Tickets are valid all day (from 10am) and allow patrons to enter and exit the exhibition at any time.

Talk to Carol or leave your details in the Bookroom, if you would like to purchase one of these tickets and come along!

Carol O'Connor

Church Polishing

Will take place next Sunday July 9th after High Mass. It has been transferred to next Sunday due to our Patronal Festival Lunch this Sunday. We will be commencing polishing of the wood panelling in the Sanctuary. If you can help for half an hour or more that would be appreciated. Thank you. David Outram.

You may have noticed something floating overhead as you entered...

The fireman asked my full name. I said, ...Bellhouse. 'That's fitting...' So it was that for the second time, the MFB came to our aid—*this time, in the*

pouring rain—while one loyal soldier waited in the turret to receive the cable, and one enthusiastic priest ran about getting her shoes muddy. (We did ask St Peter *to close the gates of heaven for a few hours*, but to no avail...) One of their number, having been catapulted up to the top of our tower, threaded the new cable through the pulley at the top of the flagpole. Their labours complete, the firemen left us to it.



Meanwhile the priest and layman engaged in two sessions of cable-untangling in the turret (only one in the rain), and some serious manual labour with a rusty pair of bolt cutters and pliers.

All to have the cross and keys of St Peter flying triumphant over our parish in honour of his feast day. Blessing to you this Petertide!



St Peter's Bookroom & Church Supplier

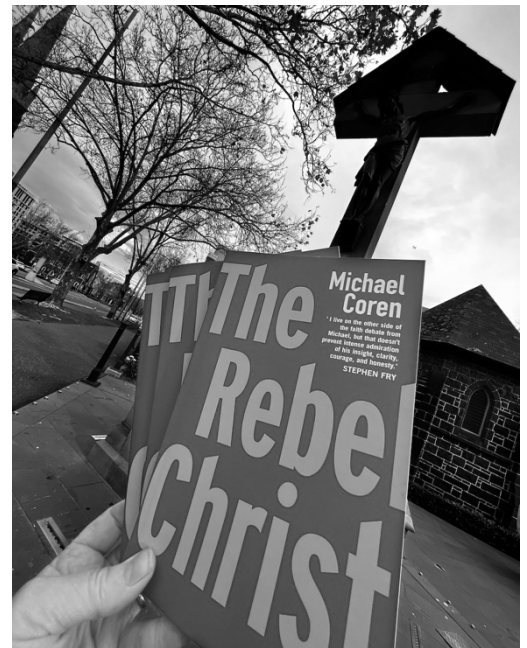
New Release!

The Rebel Christ by Michael Coren

In *The Rebel Christ* Michael Coren explores what Jesus said about the pressing issues of his and our day. Jesus may not have mentioned sexuality, but welcomed outsiders and the marginalized; he never spoke of social security systems, but did criticize the wealthy and complacent and

called for the poor to be protected; he didn't side with the powerful but did condemn those who judged and exploited others and turned their eyes away from those in need and from the cry for justice. This was Jesus the rebel, Christ the radical, who turned the world upside down and who today demands that his followers do the same.

'I live on the other side of the faith debate from Michael, but that doesn't prevent intense admiration and his insight, clarity, courage and honesty.' Stephen Fry



Weekly Reflection

Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' John 21.15

In our church dedicated to St Peter, though we didn't hear it this year, we are familiar with the passage from John 21 in which the risen Jesus asks Peter if he loves him and tells him to feed his sheep. We know that Peter is given the opportunity to answer the question three times, as a moment of redemption after the threefold denial of Jesus which Peter had made at the end of Jesus' life (a denial that had been predicted by Jesus just moments after Peter had recognised him as the Messiah and Son of God). We know that Peter got it wrong as often as he got it right, indeed usually *just after* he'd got it right, as in the refusal to accept Jesus' prediction of his own death. In John 21 we have another story of misunderstanding and the prediction of a death, this time Peter's:

'when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) John 21.18 & 19

As we are often reminded, Peter is anything but an idealised figure in the gospels: the various moments at which we see that make him *real* as well as true. Like David and so many other biblical heroes Peter serves as a warning that privilege and even divine election will not guarantee soundness of understanding or action. But Peter's pre-eminence among the disciples makes his repeated failures and misunderstanding of Jesus representative, universal: if even the favoured Simon, the rock of the church and recipient of divine revelation, did not get it, then we may somewhat exculpate ourselves for falling short too, ...as long as we get up again after falling.

And we recall that Peter, again like David and so many others, stands as a sign of God's ready willingness to bestow forgiveness on the imperfect. As soon as Peter has been quickly dismissed for words better left unsaid ("Get behind me, Satan"), in the very next episode of the gospel Jesus selects him, along with two others, to witness the Transfiguration, a foretaste of the resurrection itself, the revelation of God's life. So Peter, far from being punished for his misguided words, is immediately granted a glimpse of the glorified Christ. And he immediately blunders again in interpretation of what he sees, wanting to build booths to contain the vision: we so often want to do that, to box the thing up neatly and safely to control it. But we must surely be heartened by each of Peter's blundering forward steps: God's grace always triumphs and makes up with vision that which is lacking in dogged interpretation. Perhaps it is a lesson of the kingdom that the vision is always to be preferred to the interpretation.

Seeing and recognising Jesus, and acting on the seeing, which is faith, and risking life on that vision, all this is accessible to all of us, as each of these stories of human imperfection and God's generosity surely demonstrates. Peter is the prince of the apostles not because he is a holy superman, but precisely because he falls short and keeps going, keeps allowing the vision to lead him past the weaknesses of his understanding.

Fr Michael Bowie

CHORUS ECCLESIAE PRESENTS



BYRD:GRADUALIA
THE FOUR-PART MOTETS

Saturday 15th July, 2023, 2:30pm

Chapel of the Holy Spirit,
Newman College,
887 Swanston Street,
Parkville, Victoria 3052.



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Saturday 29.7. 18.00
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