Welcome to ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



Dalmatic of Charlemagne, Blue silk with gold, silver and coloured thread embroidery. Made in the 11th century Gift of the Patriarch of Constantinople, Isidore of Kiev (1439) to Pope Eugene IV (1431-1447) © Treasury Museum, Vatican City

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

27TH AUGUST 2023

WORSHIP AT ST PETER'S

SUNDAY

8.00am Low Mass (Traditional Language) 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 (Live streamed on Facebook and YouTube) Wednesday – 1.15pm & Saturday 12noon Low Mass in the Handfield Chapel.

DAILY INTERCESSIONS

FOR THE SICK: Roger Boey, Geoffrey Gronow, Nelson Rufatt, Peter-Barnabas Wild, Geoffrey Wratten, Janet Young, Rita Seach, Michael Upson, Eleanor Greenham, Michael Messina, Charles Hardy, Sue Tan, Robert Saliba, Janine Stewart, Bp John Stewart, Bp John Parkes.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED Rhonda Cook, Cliff Wheatley, Fr Rob Whalley, Adrienne Alexander.

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK

August	27	Harriet Gooley, Arthur Howell, Selina Lucas, Muriel St Clare	
		McCall, Alice Mirchin, Daniel Newham PRIEST, David Roberts	
	28	Ken Engelsmann, Elsie May Fielding, Graham Tibbitts	
	29	Alan Frank Cooke, Annie Drysdale, Harold Williams Alfred Leslie Bennett, Gerald Sharpe BISHOP	
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	31	Elizabeth Hargreaves, Elizabeth May Taylor, Helga Johanna	
		Westwood	
Septem-	1	Nellie Champion, Sister Elizabeth CHN, May Grant, Eileen	
ber		Scott, Eric Llewellyn Williams	
	2	Peter Huxley, Ivan James, Molly Low, Mary Perry, Liz Tanner	

Please contact Eugene Chin at the Parish Office or email <u>office@stpeters.org.au</u> 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.

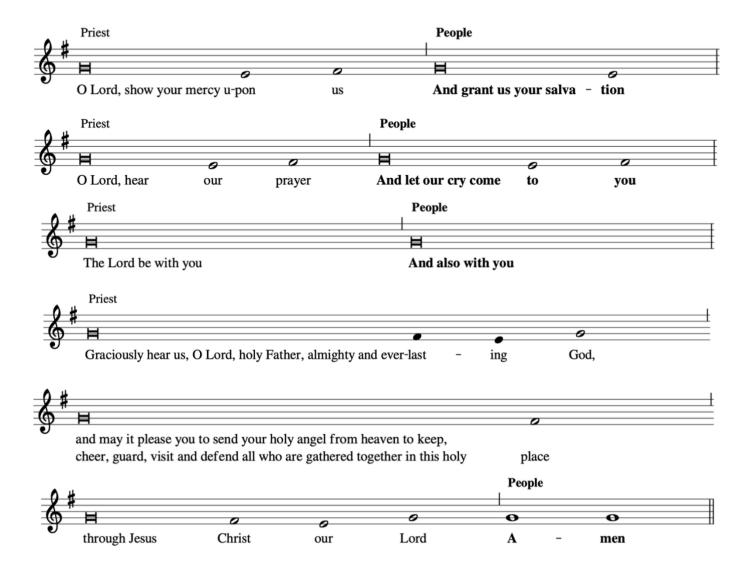
Mass setting: J. F. Lalouette (1651-1728) Missa Veritas

Introit Hymn: NEH 346 City of God, how broad, how fair

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



The sanctuary party re-enters the chancel. The celebrant intones the responsory.



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

V. Give joy to the soul of your servant; for to you, O Lord, I lifted up my soul.

Turn your ear ...

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 at 9.30am and sung by the choir at 11.00am

Kyrie eleison

Christe eleison

Christ have mercy

Kyrie eleison

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

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,

The Celebrant prays the Collect.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, 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

Isaiah 51.1-6

A reading from book of the prophet Isaiah.

⁵¹Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord.

Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug.

² Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him,

but I blessed him and made him many.

- ³ For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.
- ⁴ Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples.
- ⁵ I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope.
- ⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

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

PSALM 138



I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness. **R.**

For you have exalted your name and your word above everything. On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul. **R.**

For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly; but the haughty he perceives from far away. Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands. **R.**

THE EPISTLE: Romans 12.1-8

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

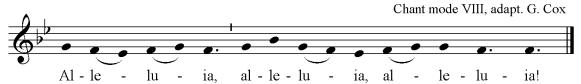
¹²I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters,* by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual* worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world,* but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.* ³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, ⁵so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶We have gifts

that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; ⁸the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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 Lord be with you.

And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 16.13-20

♣ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

¹³ Now 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.' ²⁰Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was* the Messiah.*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit for the Homily by Mthr Kathryn Bellhouse

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]

With expectation I have waited for the Lord, and he had regard to me, and he heard my prayer, and he put a new canticle into my mouth, a hymn of praise to God.

Offertory hymn NEH 296 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour

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:



Celebrant:

All

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.

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.

R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) O taste and see

Please stand for the Post-Communion hymn.

NEH 368 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

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



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: 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 for refreshments after the Mass in the Parish Hall.

Readings for

September 3rd Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost OS 22 Jeremiah 15.15–21, Psalm 26.1–8, Romans 12.9–end, Matthew 16.21–end

NOTICES

For your Diary

A service of thanksgiving for Hospital Chaplaincy 17th September 2023 2.00pm, St Paul's Cathedral.

The Archbishop will preside as we give thanks for the presence of Anglican chaplains in Melbourne hospitals since the 1880s.

Afternoon tea served in Barbary Dowling room after service, RSVP for catering to mailto:dtreloar@melbourneanglican.org.au

Purcell's Dido & Aeneas – Victoria Chorale & Art of Sound Orchestra

 $2^{\rm nd}$ September, 5.00pm, Collins St Baptist Church. Tickets \$20 - \$60 , https://www.trybooking.com/CJQNA

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

September 9th (10am – 4pm) – St Peter's Bookroom Book Fair September 10th (10am – 2pm) – St Peter's Bookroom Book Fair Nov 1st (Wednesday 7.00pm) - All Saints Day Nov 2nd (Thursday 7pm) - All Souls Nov 26th - Christ The King

Visit from the Governor of Victoria



Last Tuesday Her Excellency Professor the Honourable Margaret Gardner AC, Governor of Victoria made an informal visit to St Peter's to get a better understanding of our social programs and a brief tour of our parish.

It was an honour to show her the Lazarus centre breakfast program, the social enterprise coffee cart and our wonderful church.

A special mention to Krystyna, Wayne, Fr Michael, and Michael Gronow.

A thank you to all who provide these amazing social services and those who generously donate to this causes.

Weekly Reflections

August 27th Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost OS 21 Philip Harvey

An anthology of 100 poems written in the past 100 years, with readerly responses on each from Rowan Williams, is a kind of autobiography of the archbishop's roving mind. Titled 'A Century of Poetry', the book's subtitle gets to the point

with the claim that we are "searching the heart." This is not a best-of or my-favourites collection, but one where poems "open the door to some fresh, searching, and challenging insights about the life of faith."

The English poet Michael Symmons Roberts opens 'A New Song': Sing a new song to the Lord, sing through the skin of your teeth, sing in the code of your blood, sing with a throat full of earth

To which Rowan asks, why do we praise? Then answers, "praise is as inescapable as lament in the human world. The singing evoked here is not a full-throated self-indulgent performance; it is what manages to escape from choked and knotted insides because it can't be contained; and it names or at least points towards what can't be named." His readings, over and again, are interested in the contradictions in our inheritance, how questions keep rising up that must be asked and considered. Roberts concludes

sing what you never could say, sing at the fulcrum of joy, sing without need of reply.

Understandably, Welsh poets are well-represented. Gwyneth Lewis, in 'How to Read Angels', writes of the encounter:

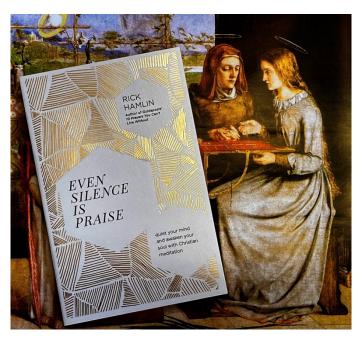
Yes, information, but that's never all, there's some service, a message. A lie dispelled, something forgiven, an alternative world glimpsed, for a moment, what you wanted to hear but never thought possible. You feel a fool but do something anyway ...

Rowan identifies some rules of thumb about angel voices: "Truthfulness, for-giveness, hope – these are reliable signs that whatever has been sensed or guessed at is more than just the contents of our own mind ... What is convincing is the surprise that something we wanted might after all be thinkable." Discovering what might be thinkable is a hallmark of this book.

Australian Les Murray's oft-quoted 'Poetry and Religion' goes Religions are poems. They concert our daylight and dreaming mind, our emotions, instinct, breath and native gesture into the only whole thinking: poetry. Rowan applauds Murray's avoidance of cliché, chiming in with his shared view that "poetry aims to do in a small space what religion does in a large, communal and historically extended space: to hold a mirror to a formidable range of shifting, threatening, exhilarating 'givens' that require us to adjust to their presence and make sense of them." This is another way of meeting and enjoying the many ideas and experiences offered here. I have briefly quoted just three poems that are part of an ongoing conversation Rowan Williams generates in this book. The invitation is there to pick up a line, a verse and see where it takes you.

St Peter's Bookroom & Church Supplier

Recommended Reading!



Even Silence is Praise: quiet your mind and awaken your soul with Chrisitan meditation by Rick Hamlin

\$30

Feeling the busyness of the day is leaving you tired and a bit stressed?

Why not spend five minutes a day in intentional stillness. Rick Hamlin reminds us that before we can change the world we need to change ourselves.

Through stories, practical advice, and helpful prompts, Rick Hamlin guides Christians to center their minds and hearts on God as they seek to hear the still small voice above all the noise and chaos in the world.

In this new book, you will discover:

- how meditation has deep Christian roots that go back for millennia,
- how it can be used to live more authentically and let go of anxiety,
- how to love more generously and find Gods will in your life, and
- how to grow in compassion, forgiveness, and acceptance.

The steps are simple, and at the end of each chapter Hamlin offers specific exercises to enhance your practice.

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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".