

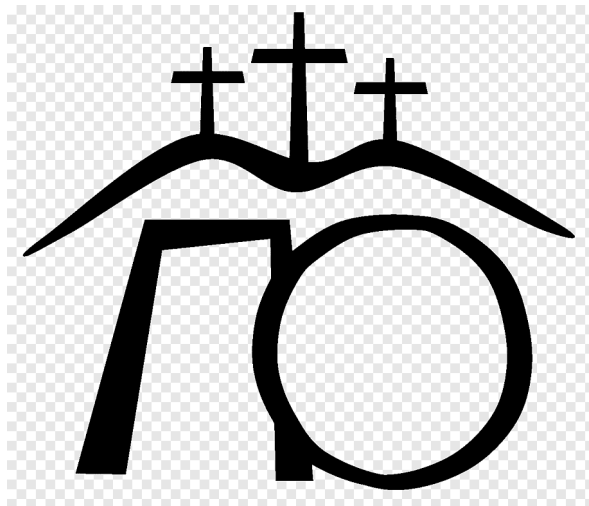




## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

*16<sup>TH</sup> April 2023*

*Welcome to Saint Peter's*



### ***Clergy***

Rev'd Jonathan Chamberlain, Vicar

*President*

Rev'd Chester Lord, Assistant Priest

*Deacon, Preacher*

### ***Organist***

Andrew Kerr

## WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

Welcome! Whether you are visiting Saint Peter's for the first time, come every week, or have been away from the Church for a long time, we're glad that you're here and we hope that you will join us for refreshments after the 10am service. Newcomers are encouraged make themselves known to the welcomers, and to the vicar. You can find more information about us at [saintpeters.org.au](http://saintpeters.org.au).

*Please switch off all mobile phones.*

### ALL WORSHIP SERVICES AT ST PETER'S ARE COVID-SAFE

- People who have COVID are asked to attend the 10AM service online at the Parish youtube channel.
- Upon entry to the church, please use the hand sanitizer provided.
- Masks are not mandatory, however you may wish to wear one and masks are available at the door.
- People in the same families may pass the peace in the normal way. Otherwise, the peace is to be passed by gesture only, with no physical contact, remaining in your place.
- Holy communion will be served, in bread and wine, with a drop of wine safely placed on each wafer.

This service is being recorded on YouTube. A recording of the service will be uploaded to YouTube and can be watched at a later time on the YouTube channel for 'Saint Peters Brighton Beach'.

*Welcome to this celebration of the Passion and Resurrection of our Lord.*

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

### OPENING HYMN

1

The strife is o'er, the battle done;  
now is the Victor's triumph won;  
O let the song of praise be sing: Alleluia!

2

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,  
and Jesus hath his foes dispersed;  
let shouts of praise and joy outburst: Alleluia!

3

On the third day he rose again  
glorious in majesty to reign;  
O let us swell the joyful strain: Alleluia!

4

He closed the frowning gates of hell;  
the bars from heaven's high portals fell;  
let hymns of praise his triumph tell: Alleluia!

5

Now by your stripes, our wounded King,  
your servants free from death's dread sting,  
that we may live in you, and sing: Alleluia!

Latin, tr. F. pott.

*The president greets all in the name of the Risen Lord*

In the name of God: Father, ✠ Son and Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Christ is risen. Alleluia!

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*The deacon says the sentence of the day*

‘Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.’

*1 Peter 1.3*

*The deacon leads the congregation in the prayer of preparation*

Let us pray.

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse 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**

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*The deacon introduces the confession*

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ Jesus said: ‘This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself.’

*Pause for reflection*

Christ was raised from the dead, that we might walk in newness of life.  
Let us receive new life in him as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**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 president says 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 KYRIE**

*Kyrie eleison is sung*

*Lord, have mercy (\*3).*

*Christ, have mercy (\*3).*

*Lord, have mercy (\*3).*

## **THE GLORIA**

*Gloria in Excelsis is sung*

**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 president and the congregation pray the Collect of the day*

Let us pray.

**Almighty and eternal God,  
the strength of those who believe  
and the hope of those who doubt:  
may we, who have not seen, have faith  
and receive the fulness of Christ's blessing;  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

*Acts 2:14a, 22-32*

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say: "Fellow Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having released him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

'I saw the Lord always before me,  
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;  
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;  
moreover, my flesh will live in hope.

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades  
or let your Holy One experience corruption.

You have made known to me the ways of life;  
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

'He was not abandoned to Hades,  
nor did his flesh experience corruption.'

"This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

For the word of the Lord,

**thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 16

Preserve me, O God:

**for in you have I taken refuge.**

I have said to the Lord, You are my Lord:

**and all my good depends on you.**

As for those who are held holy on the earth:

**the other Gods in whom people delight,**

Though the idols are many that they run after:

**their offerings of blood I will not offer**

**nor take their name upon my lips.**

The Lord is my appointed portion and my cup:

**you hold my lot in your hands.**

The share that has fallen to me is in pleasant places:

**and a fair land is my possession.**

I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel:

**at night also he has instructed my heart.**

I have set the Lord always before me:

**he is at my right hand and I shall not fall.**

Therefore my heart is glad and my spirit rejoices:

**my flesh also shall rest secure.**

For you will not give me over to the power of death:

**nor suffer your faithful one to see the Pit.**

You will show me the path of life:

**in your presence is the fulness of joy**

**and from your right hand flow delights for ever more.**

A reading from the first Letter of Peter

*1 Pet. 1:1-12*

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To the exiles of the dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and

Bithynia, who have been chosen and destined by God the Father and sanctified by the Spirit to be obedient to Jesus Christ and to be sprinkled with his blood:

May grace and peace be yours in abundance.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though



perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace intended for you made careful search and inquiry, inquiring about the time and circumstances that the Spirit of Christ within them indicated when it testified in advance to the sufferings intended for Christ and the subsequent glory. It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in regard to the things that have now been announced to you through those who brought you good news by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look!

For the word of the Lord,  
**thanks be to God.**

### GRADUAL HYMN

1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
Forgive our foolish ways;  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,  
In purer lives Thy service find,  
In deeper reverence, praise.
2. In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
Beside the Syrian sea,  
The gracious calling of the Lord,  
Let us, like them, without a word,  
Rise up and follow Thee.
3. O Sabbath rest by Galilee,  
O calm of hills above,  
Where Jesus knelt to share with Thee  
The silence of eternity,  
Interpreted by love!
4. Drop Thy still dews of quietness,  
Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of Thy peace.

5. Breathe through the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness and Thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION & READING

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;  
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe.

**Alleluia!**

*The president reads the Gospel*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

*21:19-31*

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him,

‘Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.’

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

For the Gospel of the Lord,  
**praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon    Rev’d Chester Lord

## **THE CREED**

*The deacon introduces the Nicene Creed*

Let us together affirm the faith 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.**

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

*The deacon introduces the prayers of the faithful*

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

Jesus, our exalted Lord, has been given all authority.  
Let us seek his intercession that our prayers may be perfected  
by his prayer.

Jesus Christ, great high priest,  
living for ever to intercede for us,  
pray for the Church, your broken body in the world ...

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

Jesus Christ, King of righteousness,  
enthroned at the right hand of the majesty on high,  
pray for the world, and make it subject to your gentle rule ...

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

Jesus Christ, Son of Man,  
drawing humanity into the life of God,  
pray for your sisters and brothers in need, distress, or sorrow ...

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

Jesus, pioneer of our salvation,  
bringing us to glory through your death and resurrection,  
surround with your saints and angels  
those who have died trusting your promises ...

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

Jesus Christ, Lord over all things,  
ascended far above the heavens and filling the universe,  
pray for us who receive the gifts you give us for work in your service ...

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd,  
drawing us into the life of God,  
we pray especially this morning for ...

*Silence is kept.*

Lord, in your mercy.

**Hear our prayer.**

Jesus Christ,  
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit  
and in the bond of peace,  
and bring the whole created order to worship at your feet;  
for you are alive and reign with the Father  
and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

## **THE GREETING OF PEACE**

*The president says*

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,  
'Peace be with you!' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.  
Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us turn to one another and offer a gesture of peace.

*All exchange a sign of peace, turning to one another and offering a gesture of peace.*

*During the offertory hymn, the deacon prepares the altar, and an offering is taken up.*

### ***Offertory hymn***

1. My song is love unknown,  
my Saviour's love to me;  
love to the loveless shown,  
that they might lovely be.  
O who am I,  
that for my sake  
my Lord should take  
frail flesh and die?
2. He came from his blest throne,  
salvation to bestow;  
but men made strange,  
and none the longed-for Christ would know:  
But O! my Friend,  
my Friend indeed, who at my need  
his life did spend.
3. Sometimes they strew his way,  
and his sweet praises sing;  
resounding all the day  
hosannas to their King.  
Then "Crucify!"  
is all their breath,  
and for his death  
they thirst and cry.
4. Why, what has my Lord done?

What makes this rage and spite?

He made the lame to run,  
he gave the blind their sight.

Sweet injuries!

Yet they at these  
themselves displease,  
and 'gainst him rise.

5. They rise and needs will have  
my dear Lord made away;  
a murderer they save,  
the Prince of life they slay.  
Yet cheerful he  
to suffering goes,  
that he his foes  
from thence might free.

6. In life, no house, no home  
my Lord on earth might have;  
in death, no friendly tomb  
but what a stranger gave.  
What may I say?  
Heav'n was his home;  
but mine the tomb  
wherein he lay.

7. Here might I stay and sing,  
no story so divine;  
never was love, dear King,  
never was grief like thine.  
This is my Friend,  
in whose sweet praise  
I all my days  
could gladly spend.

*The president says a prayer*

Lord of life,  
with unbounded joy we offer you our sacrifice of praise.

As we are fed with the bread of heaven  
may we know your resurrection power;  
through Christ our risen Lord.

*All Amen.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The president begins the Eucharistic Prayer. The sursum corda may be sung or said*

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.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
almighty and eternal Father,  
and on this day of our redemption  
to celebrate with joyful hearts  
the memory of your wonderful works.  
For by the mystery of his passion  
Jesus Christ, your risen Son,  
has conquered the powers of death and hell  
and restored in men and women the image of your glory.  
He has placed them once more in paradise  
and opened to them the gate of life eternal.  
And so, in the joy of this Passover,  
earth and heaven resound with gladness,  
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation  
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

*The sanctus is sung*

**Holy. Holy. Holy Lord.  
God of power and might.**



**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.**

...Great is the mystery of faith.

*The memorial acclamation is sung*

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

... in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power  
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

*The president says*

Rejoicing in God's new creation, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND COMMUNION**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
We who are many are one body,  
**for we all share in the one bread.**

*The Agnus Dei is sung*

***Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.***

***Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.***

***Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.***

*The president says*

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptised Christians are invited to receive the bread and the wine of the Eucharist. This includes children, from the age of 5, at the discretion of their parents. Please tell the priest if you prefer to receive a gluten free wafer or a blessing. A blessing may be indicated by folding your arms across your chest at the communion rail.*

*After communion*

*Silence is kept*

*The president prays the post communion prayer*

God of Life,  
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son  
to the death of the cross,  
and by his glorious resurrection  
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:  
grant us so to die daily to sin,  
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Announcements.**

**THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

**DISMISSAL HYMN**

1. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;  
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes, where thy body lay.

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

2. Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;  
let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting:

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

3. No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life;  
life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;  
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above:

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

*E L Budry (1854-1932) tr. R B Hoyle (1875-1939)  
Hymns A&M NS 428  
Tune: Maccabaeus*

## **The Blessing**

*The president says*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*The president says*

God the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead  
open to you the gates of everlasting life. **Amen.**

God the Son, who in bursting from the grave has won a glorious victory,  
give you joy as you share the Easter faith. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, who filled the disciples with the life of the risen Lord,

empower you and fill you with Christ's peace. **Amen.**  
And the blessing of God almighty, Father, ✠ Son, and  
Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you  
always. **Amen.**

*The deacon says*

With the risen life of Christ within you,  
go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!  
Alleluia!

**In the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

