

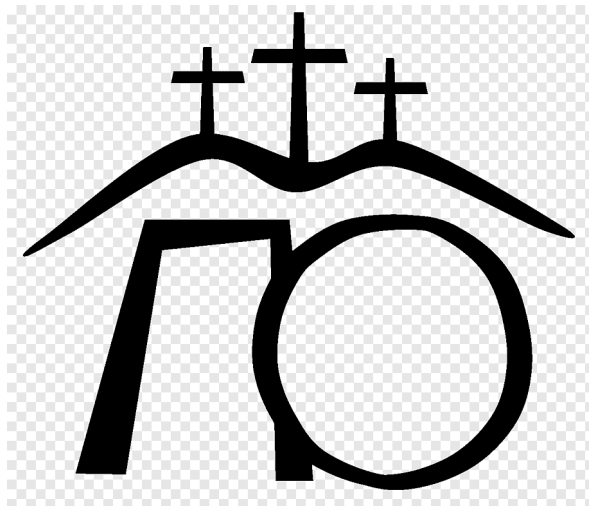




THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

23RD April 2023

Welcome to Saint Peter's



Clergy

Rev'd Jonathan Chamberlain, Vicar
Presiding priest

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.

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 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy:
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

The presiding priest 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 presiding priest says the sentence of the day

‘Repent and be baptised every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that
your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.’

Acts 2.38-39

The presiding priest 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 presiding priest 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 presiding priest 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 presiding priest leads the congregation in the prayer of the day

Let us pray.

**O God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:**

**open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in his redeeming work;
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, 36-41

On the day of Pentecost Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, ‘Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.’

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, ‘Brothers, what should we do?’ Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.’ And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, ‘Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.’ So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

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

Psalm 116:1-4, 1-18

¹ I love the Lord, because he heard my voice:

the voice of my supplication;

² Because he inclined his ear to me:

in the day that I called to him.

³ The cords of death encompassed me,
the snares of the grave took hold on me:

I was in anguish and sorrow.

⁴ Then I called upon the name of the Lord:

‘O Lord, I beseech you, deliver me !’

¹¹ How shall I repay the Lord:

for all his benefits to me?

¹² I will take up the cup of salvation:

and call upon the name of the Lord.

¹³ I will pay my vows to the Lord:

in the presence of all his people.

¹⁴ Grievous in the sight of the Lord:

is the death of his faithful ones.

¹⁵ O Lord, I am your servant,
your servant and the child of your handmaid:
you have unloosed my bonds.

¹⁶ I will offer you a sacrifice of thanksgiving:
and call upon the name of the Lord.

¹⁷ I will pay my vows to the Lord:
in the presence of all his people,

¹⁸ In the courts of the house of the Lord:
even in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

A reading from the first Letter of Peter

1 Pet. 1:13-25

Prepare your minds for action; discipline yourselves; set all your hope on the grace that Jesus Christ will bring you when he is revealed. Like obedient children, do not be conformed to the desires that you formerly had in ignorance. Instead, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct; for it is written, ‘You shall be holy, for I am holy.’

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. For

‘All flesh is like grass
and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers,
and the flower falls,
but the word of the Lord endures for ever.’

That word is the good news that was announced to you.

For the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

1

Joyful the morning when Jesus Christ is risen!
Golden light is dawning, the dayspring radiant shines,
all the hosts of heaven raise on high their psalms divine.

*O let us too be happy, rejoice and cry out 'Hallelujah!'
He is risen, and opens heav'n for all those who believe.*

2

Now earth awaking is raising shouts of praise,
'Jesus now is risen!' All creatures now rejoice –
they are in the care again of their triumphant Lord.

*O let us too be happy, rejoice and cry out 'Hallelujah!'
He is risen, and opens heav'n for all those who believe.*

3

All peoples living in lands washed by the seas,
nations under all four directions of the wind,
can be joyful in the resurrection of the Lord.

*O let us too be happy, rejoice and cry out 'Hallelujah!'
He is risen, and opens heav'n for all those who believe.*

Traditional Torres Strait Island melody

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION & READING

Alleluia, alleluia.

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us;
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

The presiding priest reads the Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, ‘What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?’ They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, ‘Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?’ He asked them, ‘What things?’ They replied, ‘The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.’ Then he said to them, ‘Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?’ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, ‘Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.’ So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, ‘Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?’ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, ‘The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!’ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

For the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

THE CREED

The presiding priest 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 presiding priest 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 presiding priest 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 altar is prepared, and an offering is taken up.

Offertory hymn

1. Be still for the presence of the Lord,
The Holy One is here
Come bow before Him now,
With reverence and fear
In Him no sin is found
We stand on holy ground
Be still for the presence of the Lord,
The Holy One is here

2. Be still for the glory of the Lord,
Is shining all around
He burns with holy fire,
With splendor He is crowned
How awesome is the sight
Our radiant King of light
Be still for the glory of the Lord,
Is shining all around

3. Be still for the power of the Lord,
Is moving in this place
He comes to cleanse and heal,
To minister His grace
No work too hard for Him
In faith receive from Him
Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place

The presiding priest 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 presiding priest begins the Eucharistic Prayer. The sursum corda is sung

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 presiding priest 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 presiding priest 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 presiding priest says

The holy gifts of God for the holy 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 presiding priest 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 Shout for joy! The Lord has let us feast;
Heaven's own fare has fed the last and least;
Christ's own peace is shared again on earth;
God the Spirit fills us with new worth.

2 No more doubting, no more senseless dread:
God's good self has graced our wine and bread;
all the wonder heaven has kept in store,
now is ours to keep for evermore.

3 Celebrate with saints who dine on high,
witnesses that love can never die.
'Hallelujah!' – thus their voices ring:
nothing less in gratitude we bring.

4 Praise the Maker, praise the Maker's Son,
praise the Spirit – three yet ever one;
praise the God whose food and friends avow
heaven starts here! The kingdom beckons now!

The Blessing

The presiding priest says

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The presiding priest 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 presiding priest 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!

