

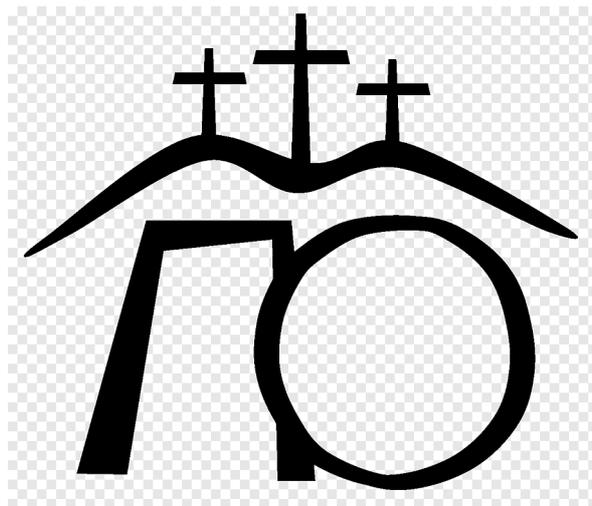




# THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

22<sup>nd</sup> October 2023

*Welcome to Saint Peter's*



**10AM HOLY EUCHARIST**

***Presiding Priest***

Rev. Jonathan Chamberlain

*Vicar*

***Preacher and Deacon***

Rev. Chester Lord

*Assistant priest*

***Music***

Andrew Kerr

*Organist*

# 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.*

## COVID-SAFE PLAN

- People who have COVID are asked to attend the 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.
- Holy communion will be served, in bread and wine, with the wafer to be intincted in the wine by the presiding priest.

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 death and resurrection of our Lord.*

*Please ensure all mobile phones are switched off.*

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

[all stand]

### OPENING HYMN

1

Praise, my soul, the king of heaven;  
To his feet your tribute bring.  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
Who like me his praise should sing?  
Praise him, praise him,  
Hallelujah,  
Praise the everlasting king!

2

Praise him for his grace and favour  
To his people in distress.  
Praise him still the same for ever,  
Slow to chide and swift to bless.  
Praise him, praise him,  
Hallelujah,  
Glorious in his faithfulness!

3

Father-like he tends and spares us;  
Well our feeble frame he knows.  
In his hands he gently bears us,  
Rescues us from all our foes.  
Praise him, praise him,  
Hallelujah,  
Widely as his mercy flows!

4

Frail as summer's flower we flourish,  
blows the wind and it is gone;  
but while mortals rise and perish  
God endures unchanging on.

Praise him, praise him,  
Hallelujah,  
Praise the high eternal one!

5

Angels, help us to adore him  
You behold him face to face;  
Sun and moon, bow down before him,  
Dwellers all in time and space  
Praise him, praise him,  
Hallelujah,  
Praise with us the God of grace!

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

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

**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*The priest says the sentence of the day*

'Give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.'

Matthew 22.21

*The 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 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 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 leads the congregation in praying the Collect*

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God,  
in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations:  
grant that your church throughout the world  
may persevere with steadfast faith  
in proclaiming the cross to be the way that leads to eternal life  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

[all sit]

A reading from the book of Exodus.

33.12-23

Moses said to the Lord, 'See, you have said to me, "Bring up this people"; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, "I know you by name, and you have also found favour in my sight." Now if I have found favour in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favour in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.' He said, 'My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.' And he said to him, 'If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favour in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.'

The Lord said to Moses, 'I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favour in my sight, and I know you by name.' Moses said, 'Show me your glory, I pray.' And he said, 'I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, "The Lord"; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But', he said, 'you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.' And the Lord continued, 'See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.'

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

## Psalm 99

The Lord is king; let the nations tremble:

    He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The Lord is great in Zion:

    he is high above all nations.

Let them praise your great and awesome name:

    for holy is the Lord.

The Mighty One is King and loves justice:

    you have established equity

you have executed justice  
and righteousness in Jacob.

Extol the Lord our God:  
worship at his footstool  
Holy is he!

Moses and Aaron were among his priests,  
Samuel also was among those who called on his name:  
they cried to the Lord, and he answered them.

He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud:  
they kept his decrees,  
and the statutes that he gave them.

O Lord our God, you answered them:  
you were a forgiving God to them,  
and pardoned their wrongdoings.

Extol the Lord our God:  
and worship at his holy mountain,  
for the Lord our God is holy.

A reading from the first letter to the Thessalonians.

*1 Thess 1.1-10*

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labour of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of people we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place where your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait

for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

For the Word of the Lord.  
**thanks be to God.**

*[all stand]*

## GRADUAL HYMN

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,  
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love;  
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,  
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;  
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,  
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,  
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;  
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;  
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;  
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,  
And her ways are ways of gentleness, and all her paths are peace.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION & READING

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**  
Shine on the world like bright stars;  
You are offering it the word of life.  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*The president reads the Gospel*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. *Chapter 22:15-33*  
**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The same day some Sadducees came to him, saying there is no resurrection; and they asked him a question, saying, 'Teacher, Moses said, "If a man dies childless, his brother shall marry the widow, and raise up children for his brother." Now there were seven brothers among us; the first married, and died childless, leaving the widow to his brother. The second did the same, so also the third, down to the seventh. Last of all, the woman herself died. In the resurrection, then, whose wife of the seven will she be? For all of them had married her.'

Jesus answered them, 'You are wrong, because you know neither the scriptures nor the power of God. For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven. And as for the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was said to you by God, "I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob"? He is God not of the dead, but of the living.' And when the crowd heard it, they were astounded at his teaching.

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

Sermon

## THE PROFESSION OF CHRISTIAN FAITH

*The priest addresses the congregation*

*Priest* Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess together the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son?

I believe in Jesus Christ,  
God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
from there he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*The president leads the congregation in the prayers of intercession*

Jesus said whatever you ask me in my name I will do it.

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

The people respond:

All: 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 the sign of peace.*

*During the offertory hymn, the altar is prepared, and the collection is taken up.*

## OFFERTORY HYMN

1  
When I survey the wondrous Cross  
on which the Prince of Glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.

2  
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast  
save in the death of Christ my God;  
all the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to his blood.

3  
See from his head, his hands, his feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingled down;  
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4  
Were the whole realm of nature  
mine,  
that were an offering far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.

*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 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, it is our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and everlasting God,  
through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

We give you thanks

because in fulfilment of your promise

you pour out your Spirit upon us,

filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth,

and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith.

Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father,

to proclaim your gospel to all nations

and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels,

and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells,

to proclaim the glory of your name,

for ever praising you and singing:

*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.*

Jesus says, 'I am the bread of life,  
whoever eats this bread will live for ever'.

**All: Lord, our hearts hunger for you;  
give us this bread always.**

*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*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*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.*

*Silence is kept*

*The president prays the post communion prayer*

O God,  
who taught the hearts of your faithful people  
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:  
grant us by the same Spirit  
to have a right judgment in all things,  
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;  
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour,  
who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the same Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **All Amen.**

**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.  
Amen.

Announcements

## THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### DISMISSAL HYMN

1 And did those feet in ancient time  
walk upon England's mountains green?  
And was the holy Lamb of God  
on England's pleasant pastures seen?  
And did the countenance divine  
shine forth upon our clouded hills?  
And was Jerusalem builded here  
among these dark satanic mills?

2 Bring me my bow of burning gold!  
Bring me my arrows of desire!  
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!  
Bring me my chariot of fire!  
I will not cease from mental fight,  
nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,  
till we have built Jerusalem  
in England's green and pleasant land.

### 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 priest says*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
In the name of Christ. **Amen.**