

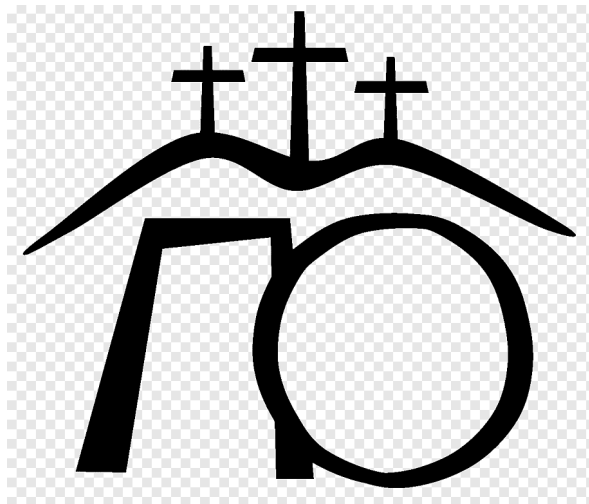




THE EIGHT SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

23rd July 2023

Welcome to Saint Peter's



Clergy

Rev'd Jonathan Chamberlain, Vicar

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, intincted by the 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 Passion and Resurrection of our Lord.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

OPENING HYMN

1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon the throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for me,
and hail him as your chosen king
through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Son of God
before the worlds began:
and we who tread where he has trod
Crown him the Son of Man,
who every grief has known
that wrings the human breast,
and takes and bears them for his own,
that all in him may rest.

3 Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
those wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified;
no angel there on high
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends a burning eye
at mysteries so bright.

4 Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing
who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

5 Crown him the Lord of peace,
whose power a sceptre sways
from pole to pole, that ways may cease,
absorbed in prayer and praise:
his reign shall know no end,
and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.

6 Crown him the Lord of years,
the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
majestic and sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
for you have died for me;
your praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

The priest greets all in the name of the Crucified and Risen Lord

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

Amen.

The priest says the sentence of the day

Some put their trust in chariots and horses, but our help is in the name of the Lord.

Psalm 20.7

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 the commandments which God gave his people Israel.

1. I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of slavery; you shall have no other gods but me.
2. You shall not make for yourself a graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them.
3. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.
5. Honour your father and your mother.
6. You shall do no murder.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
- 10 You shall not covet anything that is your neighbour's.

All: Lord, have mercy on us: and write your law in our hearts by your Holy Spirit.

Pause for reflection

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness.

**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 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 priest leads the congregation in the prayer of the day

Let us pray.

**O God our Father,
You are the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,**

**By your Son, it is done and you are making all things new;
By your Spirit, to the thirsty you give water without cost from the spring of
the water of life;
Quench our thirst for you, we pray;
Make your kingdom come, and your will to be done, on earth as in heaven.
We ask this, in Jesus' name.
Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Isa 43:1-3a, 5-7, 10-12, 15 -44:4

But now thus says the Lord,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.
For I am the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.

Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you;
I will say to the north, 'Give them up',
and to the south, 'Do not withhold;
bring my sons from far away
and my daughters from the end of the earth—
everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.'..
You are my witnesses, says the Lord,
and my servant whom I have chosen,
so that you may know and believe me
and understand that I am he.
Before me no god was formed,
nor shall there be any after me.
I, I am the Lord,

and besides me there is no saviour.
I declared and saved and proclaimed,
when there was no strange god among you;
and you are my witnesses, says the Lord.
I am God, and also henceforth I am He;
there is no one who can deliver from my hand;
I work and who can hinder it?
I am the Lord, your Holy One,
the Creator of Israel, your King.
Thus says the Lord,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.
I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
The wild animals will honour me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.
Yet you did not call upon me, O Jacob;
but you have been weary of me, O Israel!
You have not..honoured me with your sacrifices..
You have not bought me sweet cane with money,
or satisfied me with the fat of your sacrifices.
But you have burdened me with your sins;
you have wearied me with your iniquities.
I, I am He
who blots out your transgressions for my own sake,
and I will not remember your sins.
Accuse me, let us go to trial;
set forth your case, so that you may be proved right.

Your first ancestor sinned,
and your interpreters transgressed against me.
Therefore I profaned the princes of the sanctuary,
I delivered Jacob to utter destruction,
and Israel to reviling.
But now hear, O Jacob my servant,
Israel whom I have chosen!
Thus says the Lord who made you,
who formed you in the womb and will help you:
Do not fear, O Jacob my servant,
Jeshurun whom I have chosen.
For I will pour water on the thirsty land,
and streams on the dry ground;
For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Psalm 2

Why do the nations conspire:
and the peoples plot in vain?
The kings of the earth set themselves:
and the rulers take counsel together -
Against the Lord and his anointed, saying:
**‘Let us burst their bonds asunder,
and cast their cords from us.’**
He who sits in the heavens laughs:
the Lord has them in derision.
Then he will speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury, saying:
‘I have set my king on Zion, my holy hill.’
I will tell of the decree of the Lord:
**He said to me, ‘You are my son;
today I have begotten you.**
Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage:
and the ends of the earth your possession.
You shall break them with a rod of iron:
and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.’
Now therefore, O kings, be wise:
be warned, O rulers of the earth.
Serve the Lord with fear:
with trembling kiss his feet -

Or he will be angry, and you will perish in the way:

for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Happy are all who take refuge in him.

A reading from the Book of Revelation

Rev 11.15-17

Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying,

‘The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord
and of his Messiah,
and he will reign for ever and ever.’

Then the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshipped God, singing,

‘We give you thanks, Lord God Almighty,
who are and who were,
for you have taken your great power
and begun to reign.

For the word of the Lord,

thanks be to God.

GRADUAL 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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION & READING

Alleluia, alleluia.

Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, says the Lord of hosts.’

Alleluia!

The priest reads the Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Saint John.

Jn 14:12-14

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

For the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

PRAYER FOR THE WORLD AND FOR THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

The priest says

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord 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

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!

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!

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!

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!

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 priest says a prayer

Our Father in heaven,
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
make our crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ
present to us in this bread and wine,
according to his promise,
which he made to us, and to your whole church
on the night before he died.
We ask this in the name of Jesus.
Come, Holy Spirit, and renew the face of the earth in this place!

All Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The 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 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 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 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 priest prays the post communion prayers

O God, our heavenly Father,
thank you that in Jesus Christ, the Word of God, your eternal Son,
your kingdom has now dawned in this world.
By your Holy Spirit, establish your church in Melbourne in the good soil of the
Word of God; so that having heard your Word and accepting it, it may bear fruit,
thirty and sixty and a hundredfold.
We ask this, in Jesus' name.
Amen.

O God, our heavenly Father,
in Jesus Christ, your Son, the eternal Word, your secret kingdom has been
revealed to the world;
may your church in Melbourne, as it scatters the seed of your Word on the
ground and sleeps and rises night and day, witness the seed sprouting and
growing though it knows not how;
may the earth here in Melbourne produce of itself, and when the grain is ripe,
may your church go in with its sickle, because the harvest has come;
We ask this, in Jesus' name,
And in the power of your Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Announcements.

Prayers for the Parish.

Let us pray.

God of mission,
who alone brings growth to your church,
send your Holy Spirit to give
vision to our planning,
wisdom to our actions,
joy to our worship,
and power to our witness.
Help our churches to grow in numbers,
in spiritual commitment to you,

and in service of our local community,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

DISMISSAL 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.

A Reading from the Book of Exodus - The Song of Miriam

When the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and his chariot drivers went into the sea, the Lord brought back the waters of the sea upon them; but the Israelites walked through the sea on dry ground. Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing. And Miriam sang to them: 'Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown into the sea.'

Exodus 15.19-21

The Blessing

The 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 priest says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Alleluia!

