# Welcome to St. Peter's Eastern Hill

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



Marten de Vos (1532 – 4 December 1603) Jesus is Rejected in Nazareth

# PEW SHEET ORDINARY SUNDAY 4 30<sup>th</sup> January 2022

# WEEKLY MUSINGS

Last Sunday, as the sanctuary party gathered outside St Peter's, a woman entered the gate and after greeting us stood before the crucifix and prayed. After visiting the church, and a brief conversation, she left, smiling and grateful. I remember, too, when a few weeks ago a man approached to request a blessing for his rosary; after the blessing he went on his way.

I began to cast my mind further into the past... just after Perestroika, I spent a few days in Russia in freezing February weather. I had ignored my travel agent's advice to conceal my profession cross in Russia for safety's sake, instead wearing it over my coat. Standing at a pedestrian crossing, a woman noticed it and began a conversation, an urgent note in her voice. Neither of us spoke the other's language: she reached out and touched my crucifix reverently, talking animatedly as the lights turned green, then red, then green, then red... she started unbuttoning her clothing at the throat, and I watched in utter astonishment as she peeled back endless layers of clothing; the last few layers being so thin and fragile they literally fell apart in her fingers. I had never properly understood what the expression 'dressed in rags and tatters' meant before. At last she was done, and was able to grasp a gold chain bearing a crucifix which she proudly exhibited, her eyes brimming with joy and tears and her face wreathed with smiles; she touched her crucifix then mine and I knew she was saying something like "I'm a Christian, and so are you; we're sisters". I have often wondered how long it was since she'd conversed with another Christian, and what she may have endured for the sake of her faith during the long, bitter years of Communism.

More recently, my son Michael and I met after Mass to join the Good Friday March for Refugees. I was in clerical garb, and along the way a man threaded through the crowd from the sidewalk and stopped dead in front of me. He caught and held my gaze for a few moments, then simply said "Thank you;" nodded, and was gone. In this season of Epiphany, we celebrate Jesus' revelation of himself to the world. I have a store of precious memories of Jesus revealing his presence through the agency of apparently insignificant symbols or actions. These moving experiences bring home to me repeatedly that many people around us are hungry – even starving - for little hints or signs that speak of the living Lord, moving in our midst.

Mother Pirrial Clift

### DAILY INTERCESSIONS

#### FOR THE SICK:

Wendy Hancock, Judith Hibberd, Russell Kennedy, Thomas Low, Martin Moran, Lyn Nicholas, Noleen Nicholls, Gary Robertson, Alex Robins, John Small, Paul Wheelton, Anne Wuttke, Reinhart Wuttke, Angus and Peter.

#### AS WELL AS:

Jenny Allen, Helen Barnard, Margaret Bishop, David Bornstein, Margaret Brown, Kate Castle, David Curtis, Helen Drummond, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Grace James, Lynn James, Natalie Kellett, Roman Kerr, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Ken Letts PRIEST, Alice McCraith, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Robin Page, Liz Prideaux, Judy Ryles, Jenny Sasse, John Stewart BISHOP, Ian Thornton, Adrienne Moran, Barbara Ure-Smith & Jan.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED: Margaret Sutherland.

#### FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Sun	$30^{\text{th}}$	Sophie La Trobe, Julia Scott, Edward Stuart Talbot BISHOP
Mon	31st	Jack Gould Ashton, Margaret Matthews, Alison David
Tue	1 <sup>st</sup>	Hilda Anderson, Mervyl Wycliffe Clark, Sister Rosemary CHN, Norley Weeks PRIEST
Wed	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Agnes Edwards, Audrey Walker Gaillard, Sr Katherine Mary CHN, Mother Monica CHC
Thu	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Christopher Bell, Keith Reynolds
Fri	4 <sup>th</sup>	Alice Bennie, Doris Fisher, Dorothy Joyce Garth, Rina Mackley
Sat	$5^{\text{th}}$	Ruth Isabel Curtis, Matthew Richmond, Lucy Synnot

## MASS PROPERS & MUSIC

**Mass setting**: Harold Darke (1888 – 1976) Communion Service in F

Hymn: NEH 493. Rejoice, O land, in God thy might

#### **INTROIT**

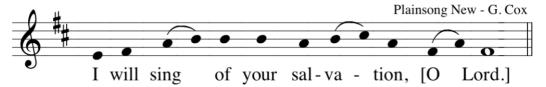
Laetetur cor quaerentium Dominum: quaerite Dominum, et confirmamini: quaerite faciem eius semper.

The heart of those who seek the Lord shall rejoice. Seek the Lord and be strengthened, seek his face always.

#### FIRST READING Jeremiah 1.4-5, 17-19

Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, and before you were born, I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations. "Therefore, gird up your loins; stand up and tell the people everything that I command you. Do not break down before them, or I will break you before them. And I for my part have made you today a fortified city, an iron pillar, and a bronze wall, against the whole land—against the kings of Judah, its princes, its priests, and the people of the land. "They will fight against you; but they shall not prevail against you, for I am with you, says the Lord, to deliver you." Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Psalm 71



In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your righteousness, deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me. **R.** 

Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress. Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked. R.

For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.

Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me from my mother's womb. **R.** 

My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation all day long.

O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds. **R.** 

#### **SECOND READING** 1 Corinthians 12.31 - 13.13

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. Now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

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

#### **GRADUAL**

Quis sicut Dominus Deus noster, qui in altis habitat: humilia respicit in caelo et in terra? Suscitans a terra inopem, et de stercore erigens pauperem. Who is like the Lord our God, who dwells in the heights, who looks far down on the heavens and on the earth? He raises the poor up from the dust and lifts the needy from the heap of ash.

#### ALLELUIA



#### THE GOSPEL

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (4.21-30)

#### + Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. He went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom, and read from the prophet Isaiah. The eyes of all were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" Jesus said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum." And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove Jesus out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

#### **OFFERTORY**

nomini tuo, altissime:

Bonum est confiteri Domino, et psallere | It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy name, O most High!

Hymn: NEH 367a. Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Illumina faciem tuam super servum tuum, et salvum me fac in misericordia tua. Domine, non confundar, quoniam invocavi te. Make thy face to shine upon thy servant, and save me in thy mercy; O Lord, let me not be confounded, for I have called upon thee.

COMMUNION MOTET: John Ireland (1879–1962) Greater Love Hath No Man

Many waters cannot quench love,

Neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death.

Greater love hath no man than this,

That a man lay down his life for his friends.

Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree,

That we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.

Ye are washed, ye are sanctified,

Ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation;

That ye should show forth the praises of him

Who hath call'd you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

I beseech you brethren, by the mercies of God,

That you present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy,

Acceptable unto to God, which is your reasonable service.

Hymn: NEH 413. Now thank we all our God

**Postlude:** Théodore Dubois (1837 – 1924) *Toccata* 

# **NOTICES**

#### Visiting Preacher:

We welcome Fr Michael Bowie as guest preacher at High Mass on Sunday February 6th.

Fr Michael is on holiday from the UK where he is the Associate Priest at All Saints Margaret Street, London.

Fr Michael is known to many of us and was formerly Rector of Christ Church St Laurence in Sydney.

#### **Baptism:**

We welcome William Darwin White who will be baptised at High Mass on Sunday 13th February we also welcome his parents, Godparents and friends.

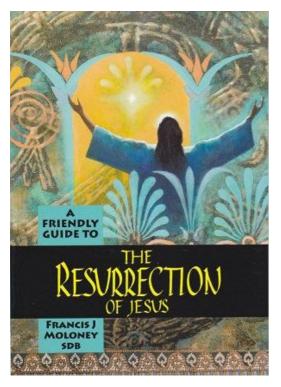
#### Candlemas:

We will be celebrating the Solemnity of the Presentation of the Lord, or Candlemas, on Wednesday 2 February at 6.15pm with a procession of blessed candles and High Mass.

Candlemas is a special anniversary for our locum, Bishop David Farrer, being the anniversary of his deaconing, priesting and anointing as Bishop of Wangaratta. The Mass will be followed by hospitality in the parish hall. All are warmly welcomed to attend.

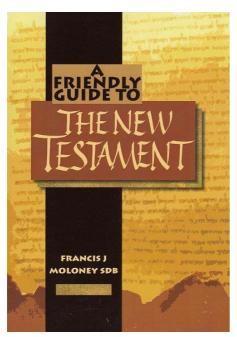
# St Peter's Bookroom & Church Supplies

As January draws to a close, we have on display this great range of Christian companion guides which have been written by a variety of fine spiritual and theological writers. All authors are specialists and teachers in their field. This means that the Guides are expertly written and easy to read, with beautiful illustrations.



# Friendly Guide to the Resurrection of Jesus by Francis J Moloney SDB

Christians take it for granted that Jesus rose from the dead. Without this belief, there would be no such thing as Christianity as we know it. How was this belief born? Once it was alive and central to the lives of the earliest Christians, how did they pass on their belief to following generations? These inspired writings convey not only what happened, but also what it meant to the earliest Christians, and what it continues to mean today. \$29.95



#### A Friendly Guide to the New Testament

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Frank Moloney explores who wrote the New
Testament, how it came down to us in its present
form, what the life, death and resurrection of
Jesus Christ meant for his followers, St Paul and
the early Christians and how we can use the New
Testament to deepen our faith. This book will
help bring the richness of the Bible word into the
lives of ordinary believers. Attractively presented
with surprising gems, it is engaging and
nurturing. \$29.95

#### How to Chalk Your Home for Epiphany

Chalking the front door of your home for Epiphany is an ancient custom that represents the hospitality of the Holy Family to the Magi; it's also a wonderful way to invite God's blessings into your home as we usher in the new year.

The chalking of the door can be done on Epiphany itself or any day during Epiphanytide, which ends at Candlemas (2 February). The initials "CMB" stand for the names for the Three Magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar.

Here is a guide to performing the rite yourself, using chalk that was blessed at Epiphany. You can collect blessed chalk from the sides people at the church entrance.

#### Order of Service for Chalking the Door

- 1. Make the Sign of the Cross.
- 2. Read an Epiphany Scripture passage (See the passage from Isaiah below)
- 3. Pray: "Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen."
- 4. Chalk the door or door frame or lintel: 20+C+M+B+ (last two digits of the current year)
- 5. Pray the Our Father.
- 6. Make the Sign of the Cross.

#### Scripture reading

#### Isaiah 60:1—6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

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#### **Sunday Services**

9am BCP Mass; 10.30 am High Mass with Children's Church; 6pm APBA Mass

#### Weekday Services

Mon – Fri: Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays); Wednesday 1.15pm Mass Saturday 9am Mass with Devotions to Our Lady of Walsingham (4th Sat. of the month)
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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".

