Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



The Baptism of Christ by Doménikos Theotokópoulos "El Greco" (1541—1614)

BAPTISM OF THE LORD 10th January 2021

Eternal God, at the baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son, and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: grant that all who are baptised into his name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Saviour; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen*

WELCOME TO ST PETER'S

COVID-19 restrictions have once again been tightened, and clearly the virus has not yet been eradicated; we must still remain vigilent. If you prefer, do join us online: www.facebook.com/stpeterseasternhill or www.youtube.com/c/StPetersEasternHill.

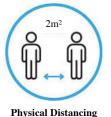
For those attending Mass in person, please read carefully and observe all the requisite COVID-Safe guidelines below:

- If you are feeling unwell, especially with COVID-19-type symptoms, you must not be at church; please go home now and get tested.
- our current density quotient at St Peter's allows for up to 110 people in the pews, and a total congregation (including choir, servers, children's church, overflow etc) of up to 174 people.
- If you have booked a pew, a sidesperson will tick off your name on arrival.
- If you have not booked, that's fine, you can scan the QR Code on your smart phone, or just give us your first name and phone number.
- Masks are once again obligatory in church. Other than those leading the service, everyone must wear a mask at all times.
- The new 2sqm spatial distancing essentially means keeping an elbow's distance from others at all times (other than partners and immediate family members, of course).
- Please continue to sanitise your hands as you enter or leave church.
- Communion will continue in one kind only, with no common cup.
- Do not to shake hands, hug, or kiss others beyond your immediate family.
- All service booklets are single-use only, so please take yours home.

Please note: we have a busy program of worship and social service at St Peter's Eastern Hill, seven days a week, but the church and hall are cleaned and sanitised daily, under WorkSafe pandemic guidelines, so you can be assured of the cleanliness of our buildings and furnishings.



We have a COVID-Safe Plan and are committed to keeping you safe









Sanitising and Please be kind and care washing hands for one another in these stressful times of change

Lay Minister's Musings

As we celebrated the Feast of the Epiphany last week, I reflected on how the events of 2020 heightened the significance of Christmas this year. Christmas at St Peter's is always celebrated with great dignity, but Christmas 2020—2021 had an extra element that I've not experienced in previous years: gratitude for the very act of worship itself.

Had you asked any Melburnian in August or September whether we'd be able to celebrate something resembling a normal Christmas in 2020 the answer would assuredly have been "no". Winter and the beginning of spring in Melbourne were punishing. For the best of reasons, the community at St Peter's stayed physically apart. We continued to sustain our community using the online tools available to us, and to pray together, but the very act of public worship, which many of us—including me—took for granted was denied us. The tactile, the sensory, the intangible sense of unity that one experiences by gathering as a group—the very physicality of the Blessed Sacrament itself—was replaced with the safety of a computer screen. Useful as it was and continues to be, Zoom does not capture the fullness of Eucharistic worship in any way. It is a tool for discussion—and for prayer—but it doesn't compensate for the living sacrifice of our gathered worship at Mass. But, as with all seasons of difficulty, my isolation in 2020 bore spiritual fruits of gratitude; a heightened appreciation of God's gifts to our community. It seems appropriate that our worship returned to its most normal form since March at the beginning of Advent, a season that prepares us for the coming of God incarnate. From the glorious worship of Midnight Mass, to the moving choral music of the Carol Service to the ceremonial chalking of the precinct on Epiphany, I felt gratitude that we could gather, in person, to proclaim the coming of the Incarnate God and adore the infant Jesus. I admit this gratitude was heightened because 2020 took corporate worship away from me. This forced me to examine what I had previously taken for granted, or at times even grumbled about as an obligation that was tiresome. The absence of the Mass forced me to examine gaps in my spiritual life, where laziness and a sense of the commonplace had obscured the wonderful gift that Jesus offers us, of himself, in the Eucharist. I pray, as we move into 2021—and hopefully better times for us all—that I don't lose this sense of wonder and gratitude that the Son of God humbles himself to come to me in the form of bread. I pray that I can sustain this without the edifying (but nonetheless awful) necessity of losing that precious gift of worship again.

FUNERAL FOR MARY BETHELL

The funeral for longtime St Peter's parishioner Mary Bethell will take place on Tuesday, 12/1, at 2 pm. If it is not possible to attend, the service can be streamed: https://lifetimestories.com.au/mary-bethell

PRAYERS

FOR THE SICK:

Margaret Bishop, Henriette Christiansen, Michael Christiansen, John Crocker, Guia Legarda, Babu Mathew, Marion McIntosh, Alice McCraith, Judy McCraith, Lyn Nicholas, Liz Prideaux, John Small, John Stewart BISHOP, Paul Wheelton, George, Charles, Jan, and Victoria.

As well as:

Jenny Allen, Chris Bennie, Michael Boyle PRIEST, Tania Burdick, Joe Butscher PRIEST, John Crocker, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Siew-Hung, Grace James, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, William Lees, Margaret Lugg, Sr Lyn Chn, Joyce Newton, Tim Peake, Judith Ryles, Pat Slump, Margaret Sutherland, Evelina Thornton, Joan Waldren-Small and Barbara Ure-Smith

For the Recently Departed: Mary Bethell

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK:

Sun	10	Victoria Martha Adams, Keith Robert Young
Mon	11	Violet Ames-Smith, Mary Hill, John Lawrence, Catherine Jane Peerman
Tue	12	Edna Abbott, Gordon Forbes Latimer
Wed	13	Margaret Baulch, Frances Betty Gubbins
Thu	14	Lesley Kemmelfield, John Hawkes Marwood Mules, Lilian Murray
Fri	15	Edward Bagot, Louise Handfield, Chloe Hart, Martha Howell, Frank Maidment, Emma Neller
Sat	16	Jessie Barbara Jost, Theodore Bruce McCall BISHOP, Roderick Malcolm Ostcliffe Morrison

THE DAILY OFFICE AT HOME

In these days of pandemic we are nor currently able to gather in worship community as we used to. Many parishioners, however, are finding it a comfort to worship and pray at home. It is a long-held tradition for Christians, Lay and Ordained, to pray the Daily Office. All you need is a Bible and A Prayer Book. If you only have one or neither of these at home, call Carol in the Bookroom, or online at:

http://www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au/

	Morning Prayer	Evening Prayer
Thomas, Aposi	tle & Martyr	
Monday	Pss 28 & 29 Genesis 1.1-19 John 6.28-40	Pss 30 & 32 Jeremiah 1 Colossians 1.1-8
Tuesday	Ps 33 Genesis 1.20-2.3 John 6.41-59	Ps 31 Jeremiah 2.1-9 Colossians 1.9-20
Hilary of Poits	iers, Bishop and teacher (d. 367)	
Wednesday	Ps 35. 1-17 Genesis 2.4-35 John 6.60-71	Ps 35. 18-29 & 36 Jeremiah 2.20-34 (35-37) Colossians 1.21-29
Sava, first Arc	hbishop of the Serbian Church (d. 1235	·)
Thursday	Ps 34 Genesis 3.1-19 John 7.1-13	Ps 119.17-40 Jeremiah 3(1-5) 6-23 Colossians 2.1-7
Friday	Ps 37.1-17 Genesis 3.20-4.16 John 7.14-24	Ps 37.18-41 Jeremiah 4.1-18 Colossians 2.8-15
Saturday	Ps 38	Ps 39

Genesis 4.17-55; 5.21-24

John 7.25-36

Jeremiah 4.19-31 Colossians 2.16-23

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Please stand for the beginning of the Mass. The people's responses are printed in **bold**. Prelude: L. Berkeley (1903-89): Andantino.

Mass setting: F. Guerrero (1528-1599): Missa Batalla Escoutez.

Entrance hymn:

- 1. Hail to the Lord's Anointed!
 Great David's greater Son;
 Hail, in the time appointed,
 His reign on earth begun!
 He comes to break oppression,
 To set the captive free;
 To take away transgression,
 And rule in equity.
- 2. He comes with succour speedy to those who suffer wrong;
 To help the poor and needy,
 And bid the weak be strong;
 To give them songs for sighing
 Their darkness turn to light,
 Whose souls, condemned and dying,
 Were precious in his sight.
- 3. He shall come down like showers
 Upon the fruitful earth,
 And love, joy, hope, like flowers,
 Spring in his path to birth:
 Before him on the mountains
 Shall peace the herald go;
 And righteousness in fountains
 From hill to valley flow.

- 4. Kings shall fall down before him, And gold and incense bring; All nations shall adore him, His praise all people sing; To him shall prayer unceasing And daily vows ascend; His kingdom still increasing, A kingdom without end.
- 5. O'er every foe victorious,
 He on his throne shall rest,
 From age to age more glorious,
 All-blessing and all-blest:
 The tide if time shall never
 His covenant remove;
 His name shall stand for ever;
 That name to us is Love.

NEH 55 Text: James Montgomery (1771—1854) Music: J. Crüger (1598—1662)

Celebrant:

In the name of the Father, + and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

The celebrant sings the collect for purity. Please kneel as the choir sings:

Kyrie eleison
Christe eleison
Christ have mercy
Kyrie eleison
Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy

The deacon introduces the confession:

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 celebrant pronounces the absolution. Please then stand for the Gloria:

Gloria in excelsis Deo Glory to God in the highest,

et in terra pax hominibus bonae And on earth peace to men of good will,

voluntatis. Laudamus te,

benedicimus te,

adoramus te,

glorificamus te

We praise you,

We bless you,

We adore you,

We glorify you.

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam We give you thanks for your great glory.

gloriam tuam,

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Father, Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten
Deus Pater omnipotens. Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the

Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe, Father. You take away the Sins of the

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius world, have mercy on us,

Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, You take away the Sins of the world, receive

miserere nobis; our prayer

qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe You are seated at the right hand of the

deprecationem nostram. Father, have mercy on us.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, For you alone are the Holy One,

miserere nobis.

you alone are the Lord

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, With the Holy Spirit,

Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu: + In the glory of God the Father,

+ in gloria Dei Patris. Amen Amen.

The celebrant chants the collect. Please then sit for the readings.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

ISAIAH 55: 1—11 Read by Xeverie Swee

Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ISAIAH 12: 2-3, 4BCD, 5-6 led by the cantor, please join in the refrain.



1 JOHN 5:1—9 chanted by the sub-deacon

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the

truth. There are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood, and these three agree. If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

Please stand. The cantor leads the Alleluia. Please join in the response:



Preacher:

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (1:7—11)

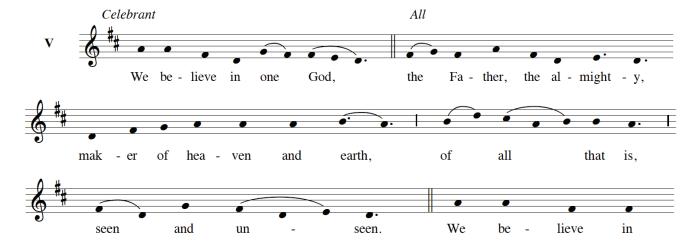
+ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. In his preaching he proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptised you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.' In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

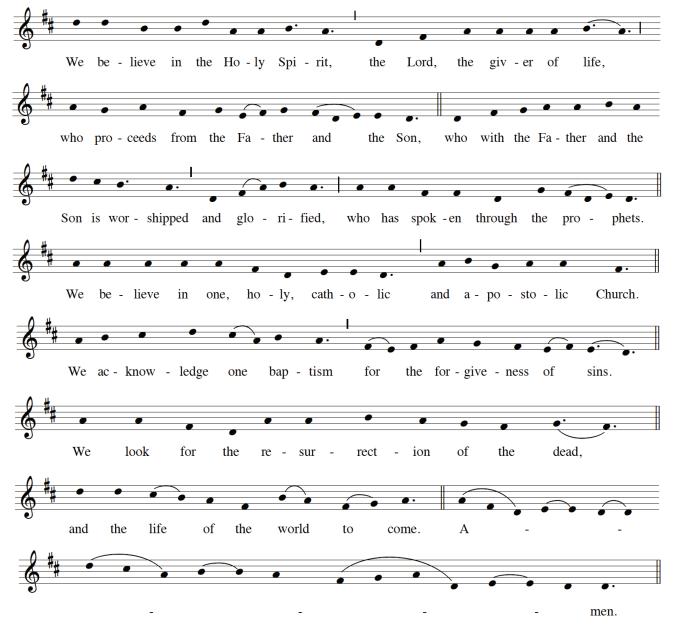
This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon: Fr David Peake

Please stand for the Credo.







Please kneel for the Prayers of the People, led by Yan Zhang. After each petition: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

And at the end:

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord

And let light + perpetual shine upon them.

Celebrant:

Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.

Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand for the Greeting of Peace.

Celebrant:

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

A collection is taken during the offertory hymn.

- The sinless one to Jordan came To share our fallen nature's blame; God's righteousness he thus fulfilled And chose the path his Father willed.
- 2. Uprising from the waters there, The voice from heaven did witness bear That he, the Son of God, had come To lead his scattered people home.
 - 3. Above him see the heavenly Dove, The sign of God the Father's love, Now by the Holy Spirit shed Upon the Son's anointed head.
- 4. How blest that mission then begun To heal and save a race undone; Straight to the wilderness he goes To wrestle with his people's foes.
- 5. Dear Lord, let those baptized from sin Go forth with you, a world to win, And send the Holy Spirit's power To shield them in temptation's hour.
 - 6. On you shall all your people feed
 And know you are the Bread indeed,
 Who gives eternal life to those
 That with you died, and with you rose.

NEH 58 Text: G. B. Timms, (1910-1997) Melody: SOLEMNIS HAEC FETIVITAS

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Celebrant:

Blessed are you, Lord God . . . Blessed be God forever.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Church.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant:

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.

Please kneel. The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to:

Sanctus, Sanctus

Dominus Deus Sabaoth

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua

Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Lord God of Hosts

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory

Hosanna in the highest

+Blessed is he that comes in the name of the domini. Hosanna in excelsis

Lord. Hosanna in the highest

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith

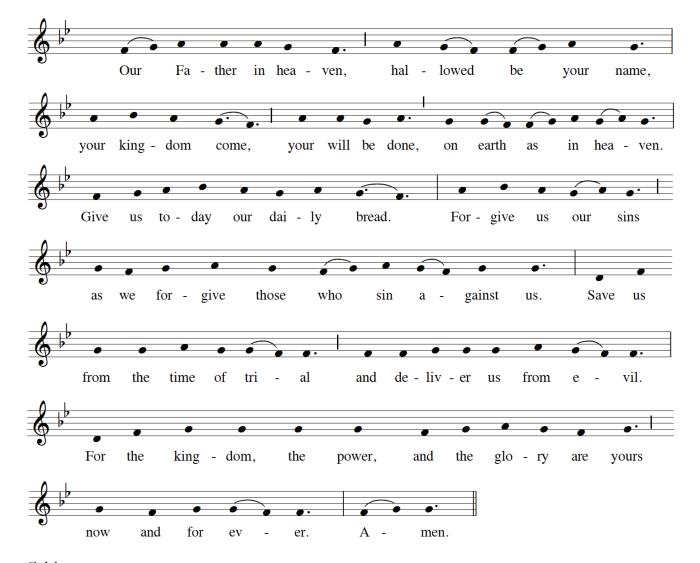


The celebrant continues the prayer, ending with:



Bles sing and ho-nour and glo-ry and power are yours_for e-ver and_ e - ver. A - men.





Celebrant:

We who are many are one body. For we all share in the one bread.

All remaining kneeling as the choir sings:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:

miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:

miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:

dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the

world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the

world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the

world: grant us peace.

Celebrant:

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Communicant members of any Christian church are invited to receive the sacrament. All others are very welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Communion motet: O. Gibbons (1583–1625) This is the Record of John This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not, and said plainly, I am not the Christ.

And they asked him, What art thou then? Art thou Elias? And he said, I am not. Art thou that Prophet? And he answered, No.

Then said they unto him, What art thou? That we may give an answer unto them that sent us. What say'st thou of thyself? And he said, I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord.

Text: John 1 vv. 19-23

At the conclusion of the communion of the people, there is a time of silent prayer.

Please then stand for the final hymn.

1. Lo, in the wilderness a voice 'Make straight the way' is crying:
When men are turning from the light,
And hope and love seem dying,
The prophet comes to make us clean:
'There standeth one you have not seen,
Whose voice you are denying.'

- 2. God give us grace to hearken now
 To those who come to warn us,
 Give sight and strength, that we may kill
 The vices that have torn us,
 Lest love professed should disappear
 In creeds of hate, contempt and fear,
 That crush and overrun us.
- 3. When from the vineyard cruel men
 Cast out the heavenly powers
 And Christendom denies its Lord
 The world in ruin cowers.
 Now come, O God, in thy great might!
 Unchanged, unchanging is thy right,
 Unswayed thy justice towers.

NEH 170 Text: Percy Dreamer (1867—1936) Melody: NUN FREUT EUCH

SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The celebrant sings the final prayer, leading to:

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.

The celebrant offers a blessing and the deacon dismisses the congregation:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please stand as the sanctuary party departs.

Recessional: A. Pärt (b. 1935) Mein Weg hat Gipfel und Wellentäler.

If you are a new parishioner, or a visitor to St Peter's, please introduce yourself to the clergy at the door as you leave the church. All are welcome to the Parish Hall for refreshments after the Mass.

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

Flowers today are sponsored by Stephen Duckett in loving memory of his mother Ruth.

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We are an inclusive and welcoming Church, built on the lands of the Wurundjeri people.
We are committed to social justice, equality and diversity. Our mission is: "Catholic Evangelism: Growing in God's love".