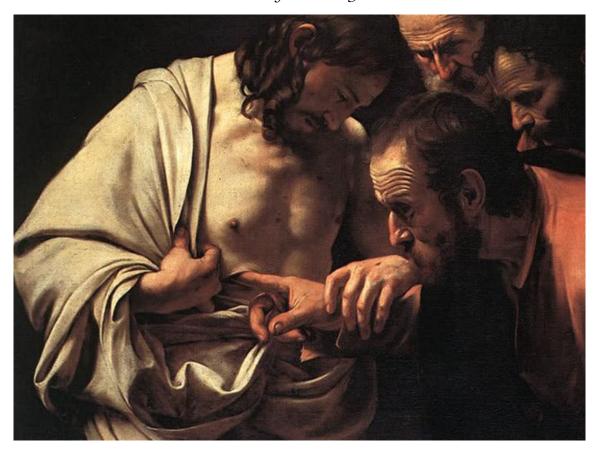
# Welcome to

# ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



The Incredulity of Saint Thomas by Michelangelo da Caravaggio (1571 – 1610)

# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 11TH APRIL 2021

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt: may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen* 

# GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Please stand for the beginning of the Mass. The people's responses are printed in **bold**.

Mass setting: Andrea Gabrieli (1532 –1585): Missa Pater peccavi

Entrance hymn:

- 1. The strife is o'er, the battle done; Now is the Victor's triumph won; O let the song of praise be sung. Alleluya!
- 2. Death's mightiest powers have done their worst,
  And Jesus hath his foes dispersed;
  Let shouts of praise and joy outburst.
  Alleluya!
  - 3. On the third morn he rose again Glorious in majesty to reign;O let us swell the joyful strain.Alleluya!
  - 4. He brake the age-bound chains of hell; The bars from heaven's high portals fell; Let hymns of praise his triumph tell. Alleluya!
  - 5. Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee From death's dread sting thy servants free, That we may live, and sing to thee sing.

    Alleluya!

NEH 119 Text: Latin, 17<sup>th</sup> century Melody: VICTORY

#### Introit:

Antiphon: The stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner, alleluia. This is the Lord's doing: it is marvellous in our eyes, alleluia, alleluia.

O sing joyfully to God our strength: shout in triumph to the God of Jacob. Glory to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit: as in the beginning, so now and forever, Amen.

#### 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 Lord have mercy
Christe eleison Christ have mercy
Kyrie eleison 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,

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

voluntatis. Laudamus te,

We praise you, We bless you, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam

gloriam tuam,

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,

Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe,

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius

Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi,

miserere nobis;

qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe

deprecationem nostram.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,

miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus

Dominus, tu solus Altissimus,

Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu:

+ in gloria Dei Patris. Amen

We adore you,

We glorify you.

We give you thanks for your great glory.

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father, Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten

Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the

Father. You take away the Sins of the

world, have mercy on us,

You take away the Sins of the world, receive

our prayer

You are seated at the right hand of the

Father, have mercy on us.

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

# THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

## ACTS 4.32 - 35 Read by Greg Taylor

The whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

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



Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is ev-er-last - ing.

Let Israel say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
Let the house of Aaron say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
Let those who fear the Lord say,
"His steadfast love endures forever." **R.** 

"The right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly." I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord. The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death. **R.** 

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. **R.** 

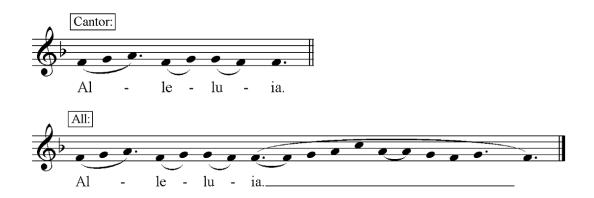
## 1 JOHN 5.1 - 6 chanted by the sub-deacon

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.

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

#### THE GOSPEL

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



Deacon:

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (John 20.19 - 31)

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

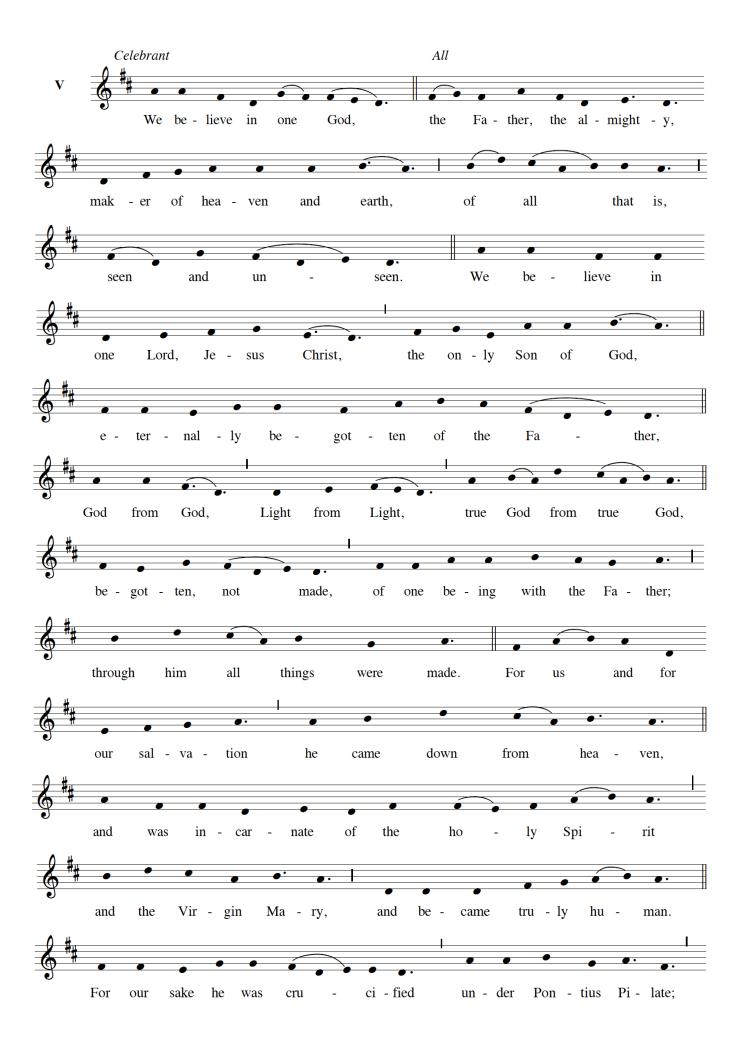
It was evening on the day Jesus rose from the dead, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jewish authorities. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas, who was called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

Fr Philip offers a prayer for the Children's Church.

Homily: Fr Roger Prowd

Please then stand for the Credo.





Please kneel for the Prayers of the People, led by Elizabeth Pemberton.

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.

Due to COVID-Safe protocols, no collection is taken during the offertory hymn. There will be a retiring collection at the West Door after the Mass.

- 1. Blessed Thomas, doubt no longer, See the wounds in hand and side, Now behold the risen Saviour Who for thee has bled and died, And from death's dark pit arising, Lives in body glorified.
  - 2. Here behold the love victorious,
    Over death triumphant now,
    See the feet where nails were driven,
    And thy faith in him avow:
    For he lives, the world's redeemer,
    Unto whom all knees shall bow.
- 3. Thomas looked upon the Master:
  Was it then indeed the Lord?
  Were those wounds no phantom tokens?
  Did the sight with truth accord?
  Scarce believing, joy unbounded,
  Leapt to greet the Saviour's word.
- 4. Prostrate falling, Thomas worshipped:
  "O my Master, Lord and God",
  Here in truth was Christ the Saviour
  Who the path of suffering trod,
  And, to ransom souls unnumbered,
  Broke in pieces Satan's rod.

- 5. Thomas, sight has now convinced thee,
  Faith within thy heart has stirred,
  Blesséd more those faithful servants,
  Trusting in the Saviour's word,
  Who, though vision is denied them,
  Still believe, and own him Lord.
  - 6. Grant, O Father, that among them We thy servants may be known, And the ground be ever fruitful Where the seed of faith was sown, Till at length in heaven's glory, Faith and vision are but one.

NEH 173 Text: Basil Harwood 1859 - 1949 Melody: ST AUDREY

## 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 Holy, Holy, Holy Dominus Deus Sabaoth Lord God of Hosts

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua Heaven and earth are full of Your glory

Hosanna in excelsis.

Hosanna in the highest

+ Benedictus qui venit in nomine + 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:



#### 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: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the

miserere nobis. world: have mercy on us.

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Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the

dona nobis pacem. 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: Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548 – 1611): Regina cali à 5

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia; Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia, The Son you merited to bear, alleluia,

Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia: Has risen as he said, alleluia.

Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia. Pray to God for us, alleluia.

#### Communion antiphon:

Jesus said to Thomas, put your finger here and see my hands; alleluia: and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless but believing, alleluia, alleluia.

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

Please then stand for the final hymn.

1. Firmly I believe and truly God is Three, and God is One; And I next acknowledge duly Manhood taken by the Son.

- 2. And I trust and hope most fully In that Manhood crucified; And each thought and deed unruly Do to death, as he has died.
- 3. Simply to his grace and wholly Light and life and strength belong, And I love supremely, solely, Him the holy, him the strong.

4. And I hold in veneration,
For the love of him alone,
Holy Church as his creation,
And her teachings are his own.

5. Adoration ay be given, With and through the angelic host, To the God of earth and heaven, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

> NEH 360 Text: John Henry Newman, 1801-90 Melody: SHIPSTON

# 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: Jean Langlais (1907-91) Fugue on "O Filii" (Folkloric Suite)

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.