Welcome to ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

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



Jesus and Peter on the Water, Painted by Gustave Brion (1824-1877), Dated 1863, Oil on canvas © C19 Gallery, Beverly Hills

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 13th August 2023

WORSHIP AT ST PETER'S

SUNDAY

8.00am Low Mass (Traditional Language) 9.30am FAMILY MASS 11.00am HIGH MASS

6.00pm Evensong & Benediction (2nd & 4th Sundays).

6.00pm Low Mass (1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays)

WEEKDAYS

Daily Low Mass – 8.00am Monday to Friday (Live streamed on Facebook and YouTube) Wednesday – 1.15pm & Saturday 12noon Low Mass in the Handfield Chapel.

DAILY INTERCESSIONS

FOR THE SICK: Geoffrey Gronow, Nelson Rufatt, Peter-Barnabas Wild, Geoffrey Wratten, Janet Young, Rita Seach, Michael Upson, Eleanor Greenham, Michael Messina, Charles Hardy, Sarah Dowe, Susanne Marsden, Sue Tan, Christie and Shirley O'Connor, Robert Saliba, Janine Stewart, Bp John Stewart, Bp John Parkes.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED Cliff Wheatley, Fr Rob Whalley, Adrienne Alexander, Pamela Vial, James King, Lallie Smith.

FOR THOSE WHOSE YEAR'S MIND FALLS THIS WEEK

- August 13 Jessie Rosman, Frederick Phillips, Jean Keary, Michael Clarke PRIEST, Emily Hope, Vladimir Michaels, Leonard Alfred Smith
 - 14 Ida May Bryce, Muriel Hayward, Richard Lethbridge
 - 15 Isobel Allen, Gertrude Gorringe, Elizabeth McKenzie, Colin Stephenson PRIEST
 - 16 Georgina Lucy Grosvenor, Eleanor La Trobe, Raymond Pescud, Fred Simms
 - 17 Gerald Francis John Dart, Arthur Sedsman PRIEST
 - 18 Faith Colechin, Marie-Therese Dessewffy, Ada Nankivell
 - 19 Dolores Barber, Emma Griffith, Albert Macpherson PRIEST, Stephen Nickson

Please contact Eugene Chin at the Parish Office or email <u>office@stpeters.org.au</u> to have names added to the sick list. They will remain on our prayer list for one month unless requested to be extended.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

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

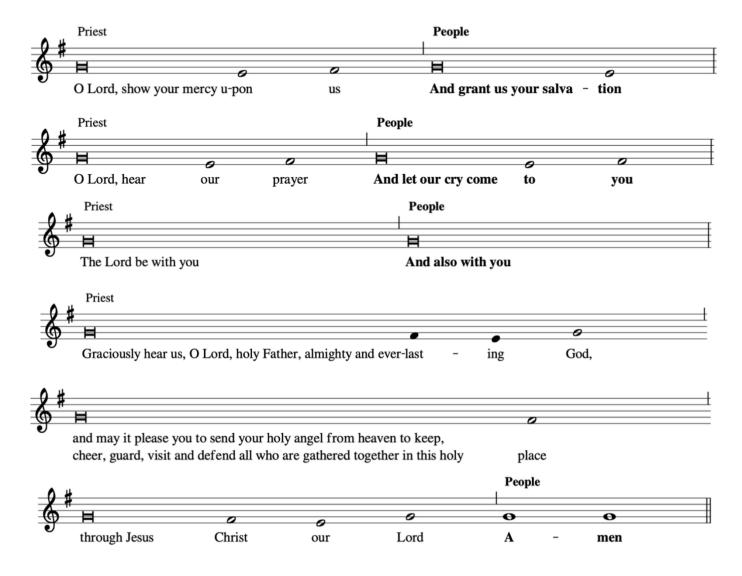
Mass setting: H. Darke (1888-1976) Communion Service in E

Introit Hymn: NEH 466 Thou whose almighty word

At 11.00am the sanctuary party enters the chancel to prepare for the Asperges.



The sanctuary party re-enters the chancel. The celebrant intones the responsory.



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones forever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

V. Why, O God, have you cast us off forever? Why is your wrath enkindled against the sheep of your pasture.

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.**

Please kneel

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.

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 Kyries are sung at 9.30am and sung by the choir at 11.00am

Kyrie eleison

Christe eleison

Christ have mercy

Kyrie eleison

Lord have mercy

Lord have mercy

Please then stand for the Gloria which is sung by the choir.

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 Celebrant prays the Collect.

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please sit for the readings.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

1 Kings 19.9-18

A reading from first book of Kings.

⁹Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' ¹⁰He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.'

¹¹ He said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; ¹² and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. ¹³When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' ¹⁴He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' ¹⁵Then the Lord said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah as prophet in your place. ¹⁷Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. ¹⁸Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.'

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 85



Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people. Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. **R.**

Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky. **R.**

The Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps. **R.**

THE EPISTLE: Romans 10.5-15

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

⁵Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' ⁶But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?" '(that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷'or "Who will descend into the abyss?" '(that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? 'The word is near you,

on your lips and in your heart'

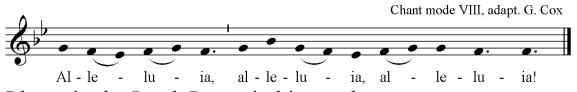
(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because* if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

¹⁴ But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵ And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word.

Deacon:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 14.22-33

♣ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

²² Immediately after feeding the crowd with the five loaves and two fish, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land,* for the wind was against them. ²⁵And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.'

²⁸ Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' ²⁹He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. ³⁰But when he noticed the strong wind,* he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' ³²When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit for the Homily by Mthr Pirrial Clift

Please stand for the Creed.

[A copy of the music for the Sung Creed is available at the back of the church.]

We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please kneel. 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.

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON [Sung by the choir]

In you, O Lord, I have placed my hope; I said, You are my God; my times are in your hands.

Offertory hymn NEH 307 Sweet Sacrament divine

THE LITURGY OF THE 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 Holy Church.

The Celebrant prays the Prayer over the Offerings. People respond with Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

At 11.00am the choir sings the Sanctus.

Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

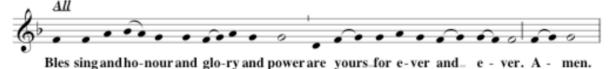
+ Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

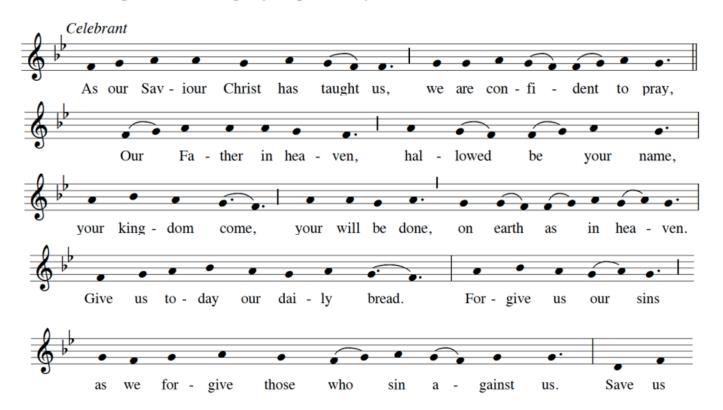
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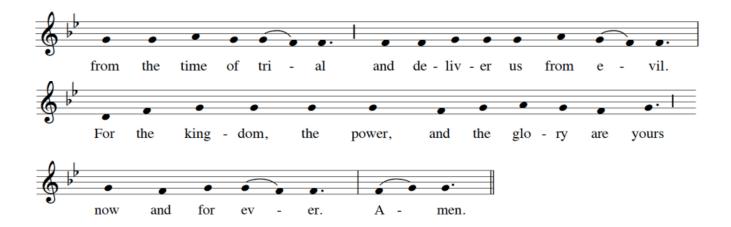
Let us proclaim the mystery of faith



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 Agnus Dei is sung by the choir.

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,

behold him who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

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 Sung by the choir.

G. P. da Palestrina (c. 1525-94) Sicut cervus

Please stand for the Post-Communion hymn.

NEH 353 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Celebrant sings the final prayer, leading to:

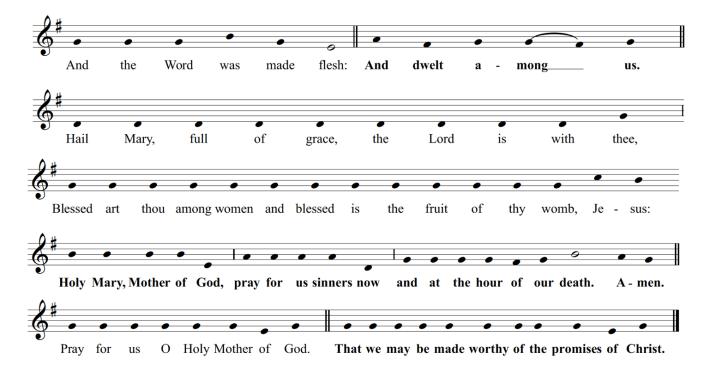
Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

The Celebrant offers the blessing and the Deacon dismisses the congregation:

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.





Let us pray. We beseech thee O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that as we have known the incarnation of thy son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Sanctuary party processes to the West door for the final prayers and dismissal.

Postlude: J. S. Bach (1685-1750) O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig (BWV 656)

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 for refreshments after the Mass in the Parish Hall.

Readings for

August 15th Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Isaiah 61.10-end or Revelation 11.19—12.6, 10; Psalm 45.10-end; Galatians 4.4-7; Luke 1.46-55

August 20th Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost OS 20

Isaiah 56.1, 6-8; Psalm 67; Romans 11.1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15.10-28

NOTICES

For your Diary

Ethics of Health Care Funding – A Conversation and Book Launch (Wednesday 1 November 2023 4.00pm)



Our own Stephen Duckett will be having his book launch on this date, please go to Trybooking for more details and to book. https://www.trybooking.com/CJGIE



The Third Order of the Society of St Francis are meeting at St Peters on Saturday 19th August. Everyone is welcome to join us in meditation, story-telling and spiritual exercises. We will attend the Parish Mass at noon. 10 - 3pm. BYO lunch. Enquiries to Mthr. Pirrial

This Wednesday morning, the 16th of August, Carol O'Connor presents a zoom session online at the Carmelite Centre on Rose Macaulay. All are welcome.

At the end of the 1940s, successful English novelist and witty socialite Rose Macaulay began to work on a book on ancient ruins. The image of ruins is an apposite image for her life at this time: her flat had been destroyed by bombing over London in 1941, the secret lover of her life had recently died of cancer, and though attuned to the eternal, she felt powerfully separated from God. Unexpectedly in 1950 she received a letter from an acquaintance, Fr Hamilton Johnson SSJE, expressing congratulations on her latest novel. And so began a friendship in which Rose Macaulay could share not only her deep love of literature, the English language and history, but also her estrangement from faith in God and belonging in the Anglican church. This friendship, only ever in letters, transformed her whole life until her death in 1958.

Talk to Carol about her talk or follow the details on the Carmelite Centre website.

175th Anniversary Dinner

This year marks an important milestone in the history of the parish. St Peter's Eastern Hill is celebrating its 175th birthday!

It is 175years since the completion of the church and its dedication in 1848. This is a remarkable achievement and a cause for celebration.

On 25 August, we are holding an important dinner at the Melbourne Club to mark the occasion. All are invited.

The Lord Mayor of Melbourne Sally Capp is our guest of honour and numerous other dignitaries will be in attendance. Sally is very aware of the significance of the parish and this milestone and will briefly address us on the evening.

The invitation details can be found through https://mailchi.mp/stpeters/st-peters-charitable-foundation-dinner-15675347

Bookings can be made via TryBooking through https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1091161

Or contact Eugene in the parish office.

(Please note bookings close on 19 August)

Mahler Symphony No. 2 'Resurrection'

You are invited to join us at Melbourne Town Hall on **10 September at 2:30pm** (bring your last bargains from the book fair) to hear the Melbourne Bach Choir perform this lovely piece. Please let Stephen Duckett know as soon as possible (<u>stephen.j.duckett@gmail.com</u>) if you want to attend.

Tickets are A reserve \$95, B reserve \$79, C reserve \$65, D reserve \$39 (all prices involve a small surplus to support the parish's music program). The block booking already made is B reserve. Attendees will be invited back to Stephen's place for a drink after the performance. If you book directly also please let Stephen know if you plan to join us for drinks.

(Please contact Stephen by Tuesday 15th August if you are interested)

Aug 15th (Tuesday 7.00pm) - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary September 9th (10am – 4pm) – St Peter's Bookroom Book Fair September 10th (10am – 2pm) – St Peter's Bookroom Book Fair Nov 1st (Wednesday 7.00pm) - All Saints Day Nov 2nd (Thursday 7pm) - All Souls Nov 26th - Christ The King

Social Enterprise

Dear friends and supporters of Heaven at the Hill,

We're delighted to share some exciting updates with you!

Today, we want to introduce you to Peter, our new site manager. Peter has been part of our community for the past few months, and we're thrilled to see him excel in our 12-week management (pilot) training program. He's now in week 11 and has shown incredible dedication to his role. We have no doubt that Peter's passion for our cause will bring an even greater sense of warmth and community to our coffee cart.

Additionally, we're pleased to announce that Johnny, a familiar face behind the Coffee machine, has taken on the important responsibility of training our front-of-house staff. With his nurturing spirit and experience, we're confident that he will shape the team to embody the values we hold.

As we eagerly await Peter's completion of the training program, we're getting ready to open our development program to a wider audience. This program will be a stepping stone for disadvantage individuals who want the skills to operate life more independently.

We are deeply grateful for your ongoing support and for being part of our journey.

Together, we'll continue to make a difference and foster a spirit of love and compassion in all that we do.

Warm regards, The Heaven at the Hill Team

Weekly Reflections

Hoping to get to the bottom of what 'really' happened in the story of Jesus walking on the water I did some research. I was captivated by those commentators who said that the gospel writers simply proclaimed that Jesus does what God does. For example, Job 9.8 reads:

...who alone stretched out the heavens and trampled the waves of the sea...

And Psalm 107.29 says:

...he made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.

The disciples saw Jesus as the one who does what God does. As we would expect, St Peter is the one who puts this perception to the test. He experienced the saving power of God in Jesus more than once. In the story of Jesus walking on the water he would cry out for Jesus to save him. St Peter started out as Simon the blustery fisherman who once confessed to Jesus that he was a sinful man. Jesus told him that from then on, he would fish for people. He would return to fishing after the resurrection but would again meet Jesus and be sent on his mission to introduce others to his master.

Tradition tells us that St Peter remained faithful to his calling until he was martyred by crucifixion in Rome around thirty years after Jesus' own execution. What an astonishing transformation - from a Middle Eastern fisherman to leader of the Christian community in Rome, the centre of the known world at that time. This story is for us all. Jesus meets the disciples in their fear and says to them, 'Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid'. Jesus meets us in our fear and uncertainty but does not leave us there. He calls us to trust in God's grace as we try to live as God's people. It is inevitable that we will sometimes have that same sinking feeling that St Peter had. However, when we are overwhelmed and cry out for salvation Jesus reaches out to us pulling us up again.

We might need to keep an open mind as to the ways God reaches out to us! There was a man whose house was surrounded by flood waters. Someone in a canoe paddled past and offered to take him to safety. 'It's OK I believe in God, and I know that God will save me!' But the flood waters rose higher. A man in a boat came past and offered to take him to safety. 'No, it's OK,' said the man in the house, 'I believe in God, I know that God will save me! Finally, as the waters rose so high that the man had to go on his roof, a helicopter hovered overhead. A paramedic in the helicopter offered to hoist him up. 'No, it's OK I believe in God,

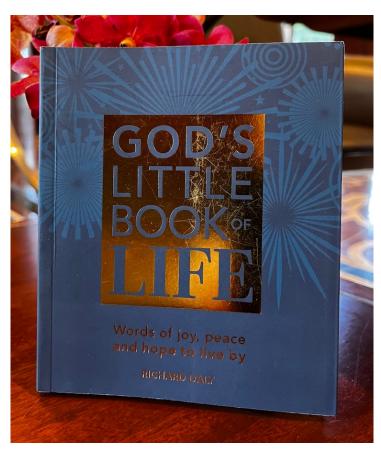
God will save me!' Finally, the waters covered the house and the man was drowned. He appeared at the Pearly Gates thoroughly soaked, dishevelled and angry. He remonstrated with St Peter. 'How come God didn't save me! I trusted in him.' 'Well, it's not our fault,' replied St Peter, 'We sent a canoe, a boat and a helicopter and you refused them all'.

Fr Philip Gill

St Peter's Bookroom & Church Supplier

This weekend the Bookroom will be representing St Peter's and selling books at **St Paul's Anglican Cathedral, Sale**. Revd Dr Bob Derrenbacker, Dean of Trinity Theological School, is conducting a seminar on the Gospel of Matthew.

Recommended!



God's Little Book of Life: Words of joy, peace and hope to live by

by Richard Daly

Are you looking for a book of short, inspirational biblical quotes to sit with and ponder at home, during breaks, at evening...? At any time, and in any place, this pocket-sized book is filled with encouraging and enriching quotes. This book includes pages to write your own reflections on these words.

"Guard your inward peace, even if your whole world is in turmoil." (Psalm112:7-8 & 122:7)

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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".