## Welcome to

# St Peter's Eastern Hill

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



"Jesus and the Apostles" altar frontal from La Seu d'Urgell (12th century)

## **Ordinary Sunday 11**

14<sup>th</sup> June 2020 **Parish Mass, 10.30am** 

Live-streamed on St Peter's FaceBook Page Uploaded the following day on YouTube (https://bit.ly/3aEZVuB)

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, only congregations of up to 20 people are permitted to attend public worship, in addition to those officiating at the Mass. Our Archbishop has also suggested that services should be led by an organist and cantor only, rather than a choir, and that we should keep conregational hymn singing to a minimum. If you can't come to Mass in person, we warmly invite you to join us online. Today's Mass will be live-streamed on our FaceBook page, and the following day uploaded to YouTube (https://bit.ly/3aEZVuB).

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 chants the collect for purity.

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.** 

The cantor sings: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

The celebrant introduces the confession:

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 celebrant pronounces the absolution:

Almighty God,

Who has promised forgiveness of sins to all those 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 Gloria.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, 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 for the day.

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ You turned death into life, and defeat into victory: Increase our faith and trust in him, That we may triumph over evil, In the strength of the same Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

## **THE FIRST READING**: Exodus 19.1-6a

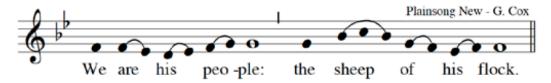
On the third month after the Israelites had gone out of the land of Egypt they came to the wilderness of Sinai. They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the

mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation.' "These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

Hear the word of the Lord; thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 100

The cantor leads the singing of the Psalm. Please join in the response.



#### THE EPISTLE: Romans 5:6-11

While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person. Though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Hear the word of the Lord; thanks be to God.

### **THE GOSPEL:** Matthew 9:36 – 10:8

The cantor leads the singing of the antiphon. Please join in the response.



The celebrant: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

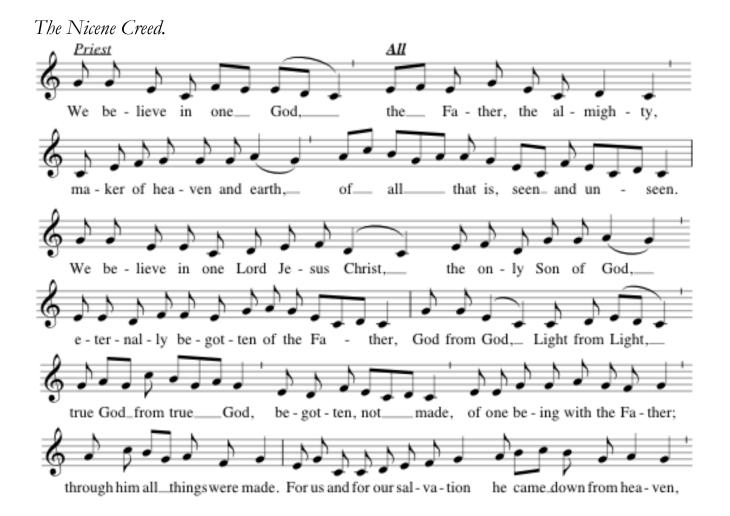
The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you + Lord Jesus Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment."

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

Sermon: Fr Philip Gill





### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant: Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

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.

## THE GREETING OF THE 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 motet is sung as the altar is prepared, in place of the Offertory hymn. No offerings are collected at this point, due to new COVID-19 restrictions, but there will be a retiring collection at the end of the service.

Celebrant: Blessed are you . . . 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

to 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.

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to

Celebrant: ... forever praising you and saying:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

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.

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to:

Celebrant: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith ...

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We worship you, Father Almighty,

in songs of never-ending praise ...

Blessing and honour and glory and power

Are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant: As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray.



For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours now and for e - ver.

Celebrant: We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

All remaining kneeling.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God,

who takes away the sins 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.

The sacrament is shared, in one kind (we no longer share the common cup). Those who are accustomed to making their communion in any Christian tradition are most welcome to receive. All are warmly invited to come forward for a blessing. Please observe spatial distancing of 1.5m at all times, approaching the altar rail via the centre aisle and returning via the side aisles.

Communion motet: César Franck (1822-90) Tantum ergo

At the conclusion of the communion of the people, there is a time of silent prayer. All then stand to join in singing the Post-communion hymn:

- 1. All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; Him serve with fear, his praise forth tell, Come ye before him, and rejoice.
- 2. The Lord, ye know, is God indeed, Without our aid he did us make; We are his folk, he doth us feed, And for his sheep he doth us take.
- 3. O enter then his gates with praise, Approach with joy his courts unto; Praise, laud, and bless his name always, For it is seemly so to do.

4. For why? the Lord our God is good: His mercy is for ever sure; His truth at all times firmly stood, And shall from age to age endure.

5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, The God whom heaven and earth adore, From men and from the Angel-host Be praise and glory evermore. Amen

> NEH 334 Words: William Kethe (d. 1594) Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

## THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The celebrant chants the post-communion prayer:

Living God,
In this holy meal you fill us with new hope.
May the power of your love,
Which we have known in word and sacrament,
Continue you saving work among us,
Give us courage for our pilgrimage,
And bring us to the joys you promise.

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 blessing: The peace of God ... And the blessing ...

The celebrant dismisses the congregation.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude: Benjamin Britten (1913-76) Prelude and Fugue on a theme of Vittoria

## "MORNING TEA AT THE VICARAGE" BY ZOOM, SUNDAY, 12.30PM

After Mass we used to gather in the Hall for morning tea. As we can't do this in the same way during the pandemic, Fr Hugh is now hosting a virtual "Morning Tea at the Vicarage" every Sunday from 12.30pm. If you have not used Zoom before, or have difficulty connecting text: 0488 960 022. Once you are signed up join us by putting this link into the search engine on your computer: https://bit.ly/2Lt6jds (no password required)

#### SUNDAY AND WEEKDAY MASSES – ATTENDING IN PERSON

The West Door of the church is once again open to the public, for congregations of up to 20 people. But our worship is by no means back to the way it was before the pandemic. Many parishioners are choosing to remain at home, and join the Mass by YouTube or on FaceBook. If you would like to come back to church, however, you are welcome to join Fr Philip, Fr Greg, Fr Ken and Fr Hugh in person for one or more of the following Masses:

- Monday Friday 7.15am
- Wednesday 1.15pm
- Saturday 9.00am
- Sunday 10.30am (the "book a pew" service)

Now that we can have 20 people at Mass, the weekday services have plenty of capacity. But sadly, you cannot just turn up like you used to on a Sunday, because of the relatively small numbers of people allowed to attend public worship. So, you need to "book a pew" for Sunday Mass at this stage. Booking your pew is a very simple procedure, but you must plan ahead, or you may risk being turned away from church (something none of us would want to happen).

Very important: you must "book a pew" at least 48 hours (2 days) in advance of any service you would like to attend.

Just e-mail the Parish Office (sphoffice@stpeters.org.au) or phone Kosta Soteriou on (03) 9662 2391. Make sure to leave your name and phone number, indicate which service you hope to attend, specify the date or dates of the service(s) you would like to attend. If all the places are taken, don't worry, we will call you to let you know. If you don't hear back from us, just come.

