# Welcome to

# St Peter's Eastern Hill

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



# Ordinary Sunday 14

(Octave of St Peter)

5<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2020

Almighty God, who by your Son Jesus Christ gave your apostle Peter many excellent gifts, and commanded him earnestly to feed your flock: enable, we pray, all bishops and pastors diligently to preach your holy word, and your people faithfully to follow it, that they may receive the crown of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

# Vicar's Musings

Last weekend we celebrated St Peter's Day. It was very unlike any Patronal Festival of recent decades, even recent centuries I imagine. But it was certainly most memorable all the same. Our bishop, Genieve, presided at Mass and preached an uplifting sermon on the importance of being "present in the midst of crisis" (for the full sermon see: bit.ly/2ZzEKG6). We were only permitted a congregation of 20 people, but many others were able to join us on-line via FaceBook and YouTube. Although dispersed, we certainly flew the St Peter's flag as vigorously as we could. Ahead of the weekend there were numerous planning meetings and conversations aimed at solving the dilemma of Patronal Festival hospitality. Usually we sit down for a meal or gather for a special lunch, neither of which are possible under the current pandemic regulations. There was a glimmer of hope, when it seemed that restrictions might have been eased, and a congregation of 50 permitted. But then the quarantine-hotel outbreak hit, easing was postponed in Victoria, and we had to go back to the drawing board. Our Chair of the Guild of St Benedict, Daniel Ferguson, and Secretary, Helena Williams, came up with the solution: give them cake! At the start of the lock-down we missed out on our Lenten Simnel Cake, so Helena baked a batch for St Peter's Day, wrapping it beautifully with a red ribbon. As we left the church we were greeted by Helena's warm smile and delicious cake. Appropriately spatially distanced, we gathered in the car park for a delightful taste of St Peter's hospitality, and were even joined by a new parishioner who has recently moved to Melbourne. In these times the simplest things that we might usually take for granted become the most glorious.

Another significant part of the weekend was also very sad: on the day before our celebrations, our parishioner of some 50 years, former Vicar's Warden and Chair of the Foundation, John Taaff, died after a long struggle with illness. Our hearts go out to his partner Norman, their family and close friends, and to all who gathered for John's Requiem Mass yesterday. It was a sad but glorious occasion, with former St Peter's clergy, Bishop Graeme Rutherford presiding and preaching, and Fr Brennan celebrating. Graeme May he rest in peace ...



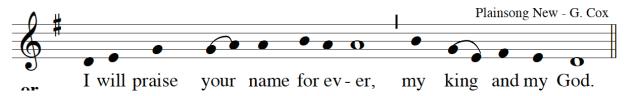


# Sunday Mass Readings

First Reading: Zechariah 9.9-10

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the warrior's bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

**Psalm**: 145.1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13cd-14



I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever. R. The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made. R. All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you. They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power. R. The Lord is faithful in all his words,

The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

e bowed down. R.

## Second Reading: Romans 8.9, 11-13

My sisters and brothers, you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. If the Spirit of God who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you. So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

## Gospel: Matthew 11.25-30

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will." Then, turning to his disciples, Jesus said: "All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION @ST PETER'S

In the wake of increasing cases of COVID-19 and further lockdowns across Melbourne, the resumption of Tuesday night meditation has been suspended until further notice. However, parishioner Roland Ashby has started an online group which meets at midday on Wednesdays. You are most welcome to join. Roland says: "Meditation is a way of tapping into a deep spring of love, joy and peace at the centre of our being. Jesus called it 'living water'." Email Roland at randrashby@bigpond.com for further information.

#### FLOWERS IN CHURCH

Flowers in Church today are given by Mary Bethell in loving memory of her husband Peter.

# PRAYERS

## FOR THE SICK:

David Bornstein, Margaret Brown, Adain McCann, Alice McCraith, Don Edgar PRIEST, Mary Grima, Bradley James, Grace James, Margaret Lugg, Lyn Nicholas, John Small, Margaret Sutherland, Evelina Thornton, Joan Waldren-Small, Paul Wheelton, and George.

#### As well as:

Jenny Allen, Chris Bennie, Tania Burdick, Joe Butscher PRIEST, John Crocker, Cheryl Duff, Gail Edwards, Sr Gloria CHN, Sr Hilary CHN, Lynn James, Gwen Joyce, Bronwyn Large, Margaret Lea, Sr Lyn CHN, Joyce Newton, Tim Peake, Liz Prideaux, Judith Ryles, Barbara Ure-Smith, Annette Wood, Anne Wuttke; Andrew, Cecilia, Chad, Jan, and Peter.

For the Recently Departed: Terry Cutler, John Taaff

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

- Sun 5 Albert Batchelor, Herbert Duncan, Monica Margaret Green, Elizabeth Holloway, Thomas Frame Lowrey, Harold Cook Slatterie, Evelyn Tuck
- Mon 6 Mary Blackwell, Geraldine Joan (Dinah) Gronow, Ada Montgomery, Philip Nigel Warrington Strong візнор, Frederick Hamilton Thompson, Phyllis Walker
- Tue 7 Leslie Wallace Bull PRIEST, Mervyn Arthur Callaghan, Roz Mary Dunlop, George Henry Lawton, Frederick Vines
- Wed 8 Alice Armstrong, Eliza Cheasley, Elizabeth Edwell, Isabell Hughes, Annette Inge Mastrowicz, Nancy McHugh, Phyllis McIver, Denis Victor Tiencken
- Thu 9 Gerald Hibberd, Edith Thompson
- Fri 10 Eric Loveday PRIEST, Alexandra Mary Pierce, Hugh Webb, Elizabeth Wills
- Sat 11 Gertrude Callander, Edith Bertha Page, Robert Plunkett, Rita Porter, Charles Augustus Walsh PRIEST

# THE DAILY OFFICE AT HOME

In these days of pandemic we are no longer able to gather as a worshiping 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 : <a href="http://www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au/">http://www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au/</a>

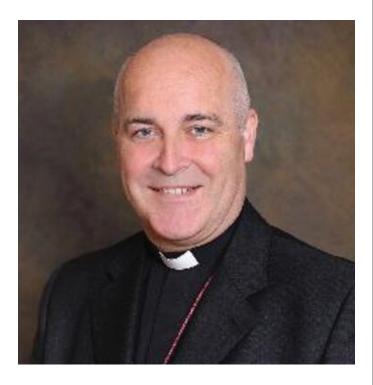
#### MORNING PRAYER EVENING PRAYER

John Fisher, bish	hop, and Thomas More, Martyrs (d. 15	35)		
Monday	Ps 18.1-31 2 Chronicles 21 John 3.1-21	Ps 18.32-38 (39-44) 45-52 Ezekiel 12.21-13.16 (17-23) Galatians 2.11-21		
Tuesday	Ps 19 2 Chronicles 22 John 3.22-36	Ps 119.1-16 Ezekiel 14 Galatians 3.1-14		
Wednesday	Pss 20 & 21.1-7 (8-13) 2 Chronicles 23.1-17 John 4.1-15	Pss 24 & 26 Ezekiel 15.1-16.15 Galatians 3.15-26		
Thursday	Ps 21.1-22 2 Chronicles 23.18-24.14 John 4.16-26	Pss 22.23-32 & 23 Ezekiel 17 Galatians 3.27-4.7		
Friday	Ps 25 2 Chronicles 24.15-25.4 John 4.27-42	Ps 27 Ezekiel 18.1-23 (24-29) Galatians 4.8-20		
Benedict of Nursia, Abbot (d. 550)				
Saturday	Pss 28 & 29 2 Chronicles 25.5-26.1 Acts 4.43-54	Pss 30 & 32 Ezekiel 19 Galatians 4.21-31		

Dear friends,

I will become the 98th Archbishop of York at 11am on *Thursday 9 July 2020*, in a service broadcast entirely via video conference due to the Covid-19 restrictions.

The service is called a Confirmation of Election. It is usually followed by an Installation in the Cathedral Church. In different circumstances I would have loved to be inviting you to that large celebration in York Minister. But That can't happen at



the moment. However, the good thing about the digital world is that there are no limits on attendance, so please spread the word and please join me, virtually, on 9 July. Hopefully, in the future there can be a big celebration of some sort. After this digital service I will go to York Minster with one or two others and receive the crozier recently laid down by Archbishop Sentamu, pray in silence for the needs of our church and world, and then begin my new ministry.

To view the service, you will need to click on the following link: <a href="https://www.churchofengland.org/aby98">www.churchofengland.org/aby98</a> which will be live just before 11am on 9 July 2020.

Rebecca and I expect to move to York in early September. We don't yet have an exact date. Once we're there our address will be – Bishopthorpe Palace, Bishopthorpe, York, YO23 2GE

From 9 July my email address will also change to - <u>archbishop.stephen@</u> <u>archbishopofyork.org</u>

With best wishes,

+Stephen

### ST PETER'S PRAYER LINK

## AN INITIATIVE OF THE PASTORAL CARE TEAM

Our Pastoral Care Team is launching a new initiative: the St Peter's Prayer Link. We are inviting parishioners and others to submit prayer requests, which will trigger focused prayer support from a small group of pray-ers, for one month from the date of the request being made. Further prayer requests may be made, but the prayer focus does not automatically continue beyond a month. The St Peter's Prayer Link does not replace the weekly Prayer List that is published in the Pew Sheet, and used at Mass each day of the week. Rather, this is intended as a prayer boost, additional private prayer support for those who request it.

Prayers for the month may be requested for those who are sick, but also for particular situations or concerns that are weighing heavily on you. They say that a problem shared is a problem halved. Similarly, a prayer shared is a prayer multiplied.

Fr Roger Prowd is the St Peter's Prayer Link coordinator. The others in the Prayer Link at this inaugural stage are: Fr Hugh, Di Clark, Xeverie Swee, and Peter Yewers. We anticipate bringing one or two other members of the Pastoral Care team onto the Prayer Link in the coming weeks. Who these new members are will be communicated clearly in the weekly Pew Sheet.

Confidentiality is of course paramount to this model of prayer support, so be assured that prayer requests will be kept strictly private amongst the Prayer Link group. Prayer requests will not be made public at Mass, nor shown in the Pew Sheet.

To ensure effective, confidential and accurate communication, all prayer requests should be made to the coordinator, Fr Roger, only. Fr Roger will then pass the request to the others in the Prayer Link. If you would like additional confidentiality for your prayer request, just mention this to Fr Roger, and your petition will be circulated to the Prayer Link group anonymously. For further information on the St Peter's Prayer Link, and to request prayer support in this way, please contact Fr Roger Prowd on: 0417 323 112 or <a href="mailto:rwprowd@bigpond.com">rwprowd@bigpond.com</a>

## SUNDAY AND WEEKDAY MASS AT ST PETER'S

## Attending Mass in Person

Unfortunately, during the Victorian Government staged restrictions easing, we still cannot resume the old pattern of Sunday worship; but the good news is, you can now come back to church!

From Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June, the number of congregants permitted at Mass increased to 20. Some members of the congregation are not yet ready to return to church, which is certainly wise given that the pandemic is far from over. If you would like to come to church, however, you are welcome to attend one or more of the following services of Holy Communion each week:

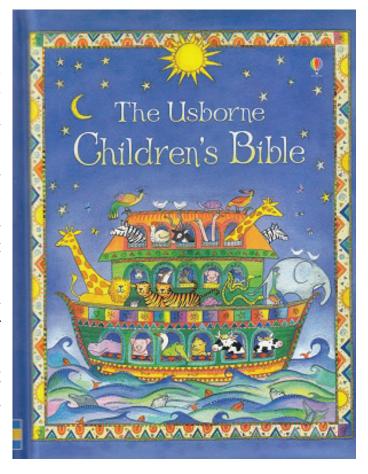
- Monday 7.15am
- Tuesday 7.15am
- Wednesday 7.15am, 1.15pm
- Thursday 7.15am
- Friday 7.15am
- Saturday 9.00am
- Sunday 10.30am (the book-a-pew service)

**Very important:** on a Sunday you must "book a pew" at least 48 hours (2 days) in advance of any service you would like to attend. Please e-mail the Parish Office – sphoffice@stpeters.org.au (preferred), or, phone our Administrator Kosta on (03) 9662 2391 Make sure to leave your name and phone number, indicate which service, from the above list, you hope to attend, the date or dates of the service(s) you would like to attend. If the service is full, we will let you know, otherwise just come to church.

# ST PETER'S BOOKROOM & CHURCH SUPPLIES

A beautiful range of new cards have arrived in this week – Sympathy, Birthday and blank for your own words. They include depictions of Venice, a fine cup and saucer, a painting of red wine and grapes, a vintage bicycle. And a lovely series of reflective sayings. All reasonably priced.

We have an excellent range of books and bibles for young children. The Usborne Children's Bible is a small Children's Bible, which will be treasured and enjoyed by children and adults of all ages. It features stunning, full-page illustrations and includes maps of the ancient lands to bring stories from the Old and New Testaments vividly to life. It also features a comprehensive 'Who's who in the Bible' to help children remember the characters and their stories. This carefully written text is suitable for reading aloud to young children or for older children to read independently. \$15- HB



## Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 9.30am to 4.30 pm Sunday - after 9.30am & 11am Mass 15 Gisborne St Melbourne 3002

Situated in the Parish Hall building on the street side, facing St Patrick's Cathedral P: (03) 9663 7487 E: bookroom@stpeters.org.au

www.bookroom.stpeters.org.au

# Parish Directory

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E-mail: sphoffice@stpeters.org.au or vicarswarden@stpeters.org.au

Office Hours. 9.30am – 2.00pm Monday-Thursday

#### **Sunday Services**

8.00 am Low Mass (BCP) 9.30 am Family Mass 11.00 am High Mass

6.00 pm Low Mass (Evensong & Benediction on 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

Refreshments are available in the Parish Hall after each of the Sunday morning Masses

#### Weekday Services

Mon – Fri: Mass at 7.15am (9am on Public Holidays)

Feast Day High Mass, as advertised: 6.15pm

Wed: Mass at 1.15pm

Sat: Mass at 9.00am (Cell of our Lady of Walsingham, 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month)

#### Clergy and Lay Ministers

Vicar:	Fr Hugh Kempster	0488 960 022
ASLM:	Alae Taule'alo	0409 802 892
Clergy:	Fr Greg Davies	0417 992 976
	Fr Don Edgar	0418 967 829
	Fr Philip Gill	0480 101 711
	Fr Ken Letts	03 9662 2391
	Fr David Peake	0412 299 839
	Fr Roger Prowd	0417 323 112
Klingner Scholar:	Xeverie Swee	03 9662 2391

#### Other Parish Ministries and Programs

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Acting Sacristan	Eugene Chin	03 9662 2391	
Bookroom:	Carol O'Connor	03 9663 7487	
Cell of O.L.O.W:	Liz Prideaux	03 9662 2391	
Charitable Foundation:Krystyna Campbell-Pretty		03 9662 2391	
Children:	Katherine Barnett	03 9387 4089	
Child Safety Officer:	Rachel Ellyard	03 9662 2391	
Churchwardens:	Stephen Duckett (Vicar)	0447 837 741	
	Helen Drummond (People)	0419 897 973	
	Rachel Ellyard (People)	0419 335 793	
Director of Music:	Andrew Raiskums	0439 556 627	
Flowers:	Helen Drummond	0419 897 973	
Guild of St Benedict	Daniel Ferguson	0419 572 033	
Head Server:	Anthony Schepis	0400 578 952	
Music Administrator:	Sue Wuttke	0422 866 286	
Organist:	Rhys Arvidson	0405 277 853	
Parish Administrator:	Konstantine Soteriou	03 9662 2391	
Pastoral Care:	Di Clark	0407 354 987	
RMIT Chaplaincy:	Alae Taule'alo	0409 802 892	
Weekday Mass	Christy Thiagarajah	03 9662 2391	

#### Parish Council Membership:

Helen Drummond Stephen Duckett (Chair) Rachel Ellyard

Rachel Ellyard
Daniel Ferguson

Peter Griffin (Treasurer)

Stuart Hibberd

Fr Hugh Kempster (President) Daniel Mitterdorfer (Secretary)

Terry Porter William Southey Rwth Stuckey Peter Wild Sue Wuttke

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".

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