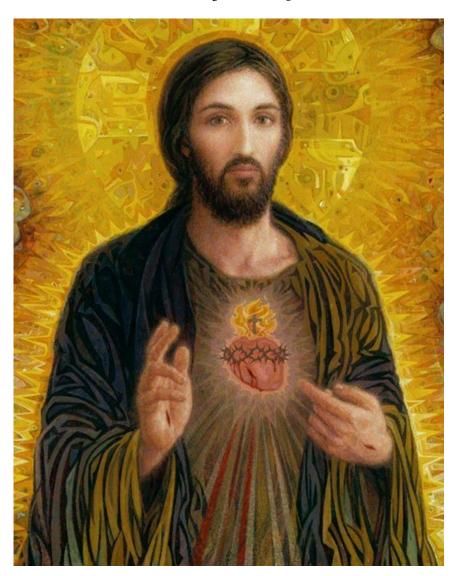
## Welcome to

# St Peter's Eastern Hill

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



## **Ordinary Sunday 26**

27<sup>th</sup> September 2020 **Parish Mass, 10.30am** 

Live-streamed on the St Peter's FaceBook page & YouTube channel

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, sadly, public worship is no longer permitted; but we warmly invite you to join us online each Sunday live-streamed to FaceBook (https://bit.ly/2ZeiZN5) and YouTube (https://bit.ly/2AIZiDF).

Mass setting: James MacMillan (b. 1959) St Anne's Mass. Prelude: Henry Purcell (1659-95) Voluntary in G.

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.

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.

Grant, O merciful God, that your people
May have that mind that was in Christ
Jesus, who emptied himself, and took the form of a servant,
And in humility became obedient even to death.
For you have highly exalted him and bestowed on him
The name that is above every name, Jesus Christ, the Lord;
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, in everlasting glory. Amen.

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

#### THE FIRST READING: Ezekiel 18:25-28

The Lord says this: "You object, O House of Israel! You say, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed

they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die."

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

#### PSALM 25:4-9

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



Re - mem -ber your mer - cies, O Lord.

Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation. **R.** 

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

According to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord! **R.** 

Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way. **R.** 

## THE EPISTLE: Philippians 2:1-11

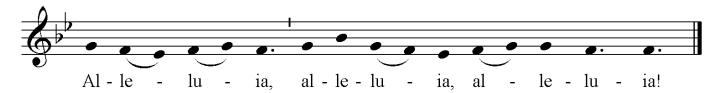
A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians. If there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, then make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God highly exalted him and gave him the name

that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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

#### THE GOSPEL: Matthew 21:28-32

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.

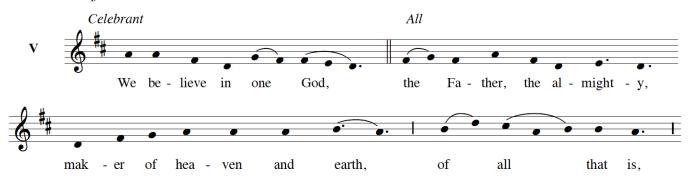
Glory to you + Lord Jesus Christ.

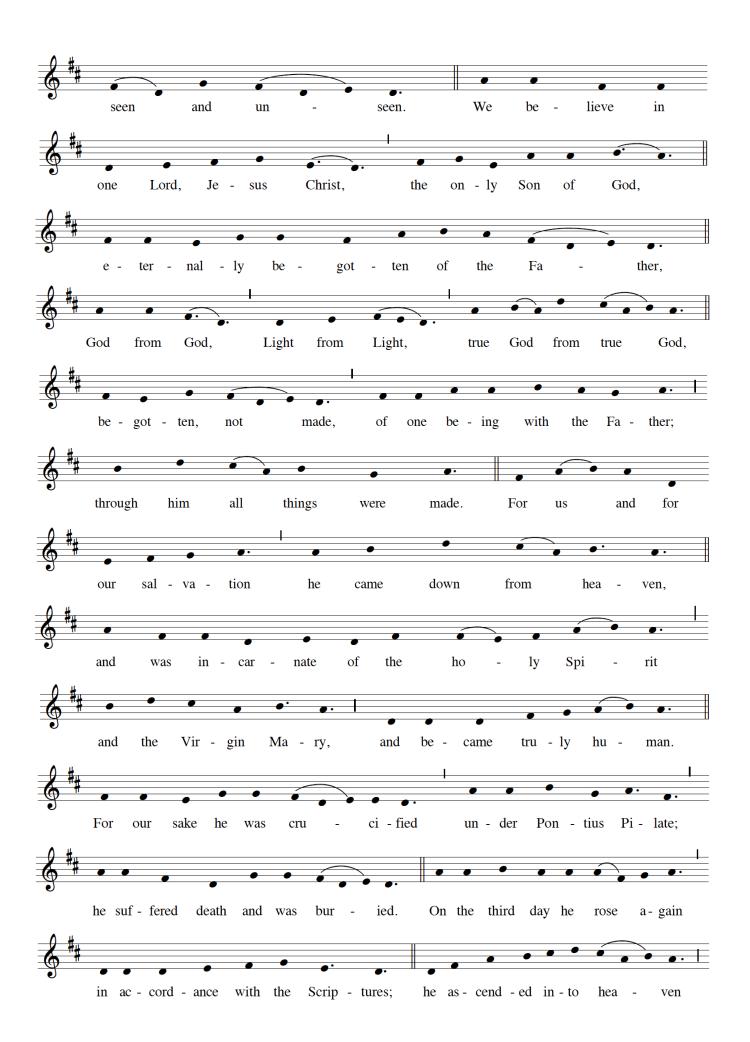
When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and challenged his authority. So Jesus asked them this question. "What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I am going, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

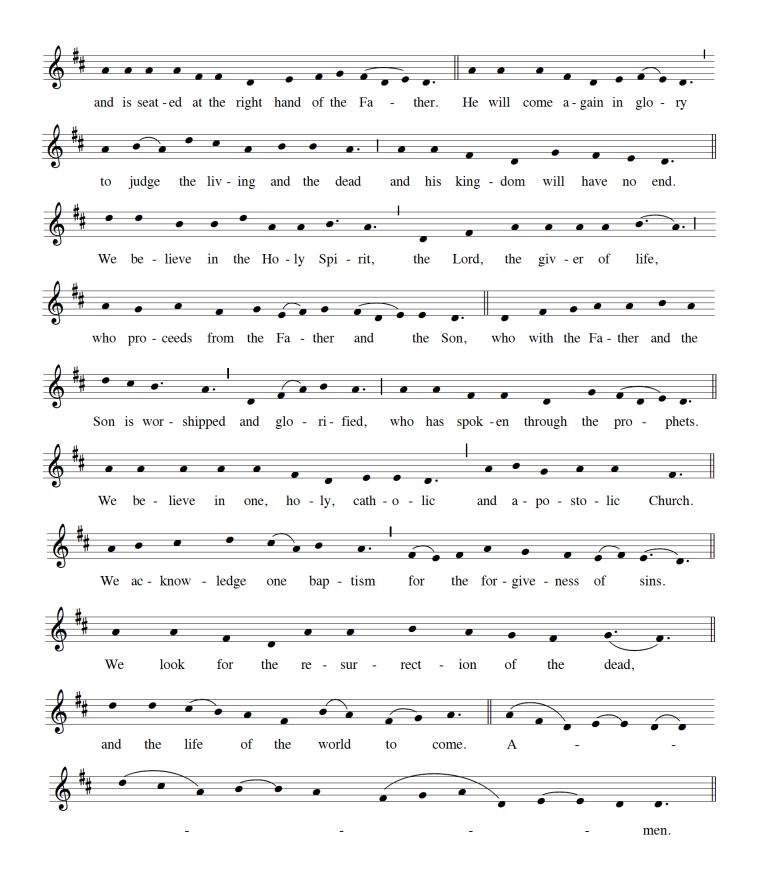
This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

## Sermon: Fr Hugh Kempster

Please stand for the Nicene Creed.







## 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.

The cantor sings, as the altar is prepared, in place of the offertory hymn.

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 ...

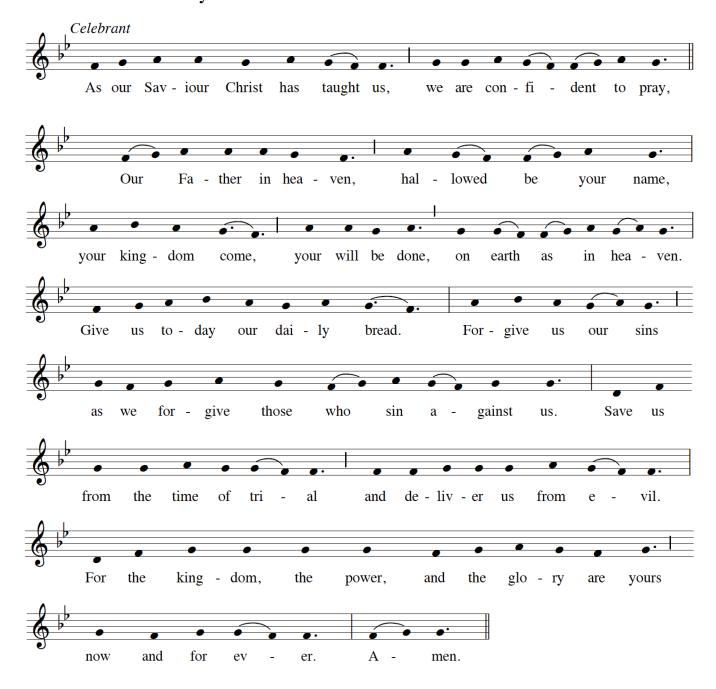
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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: 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 Blessed Sacrament is shared. Those viewing from home are invited to join in spiritual communion (for more detail see bit.ly/2DnGZoU) and may wish to pray the following prayer:

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
For all the benefits you have given me,
For all the pains and insults you have borne for me;
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,

I ask you to come spiritually into my heart; O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,

May I know you more clearly, love you more dearly,

And follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

After St Richard of Chichester's prayer

At the conclusion of Holy Communion there is a short time of silent prayer, before the hymn:

1. How sweet the name of Jesus sounds In a believer's ear! It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds, And drives away his fear.

2. It makes the wounded spirit whole, And calms the troubled breast; 'Tis manna to the hungry soul, And to the weary rest.

3. Dear name! the rock on which I build, My shield and hiding-place, My never-failing treasury filled With boundless stores of grace.

4. Jesus! my Shepherd, Brother, Friend, My Prophet, Priest, and King, My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, Accept the praise I bring.

5. Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought; but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.

6. Till then I would thy love proclaim With every fleeting breath; And may the music of thy name Refresh my soul in death.

NEH 374 Words: John Newton (1725-1807) Music: Alexander Reinagle (1799-1877)

## 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 your 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 ...

The celebrant dismisses the congregation:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude: James MacMillan (b. 1959) Wedding Introit.