

LENT 4 22 MARCH 2020

WELCOME to St Peter's Church.

The Archbishop of Sydney has now advised that all public church gatherings in Anglican churches across this diocese should cease until further notice. There will be no church services at St Peter's this Sunday and no 10am Eucharist on Tuesday.

This pew bulletin contains all hymns, prayers, readings and all the liturgy for our Lent 4 service.

If you have any needs from St Peter's you can call the parish office on 9953 1050 between 9am and midday on Tuesdays and Thursdays or call the rector, Rev'd Tim St Quintin on 0401 289 919, Please continue to care for one another, telephone each other, identify anyone with particular needs. Please let the rector, the pastoral care team, or the church office know if you yourself are sick or have particular needs.

Tim St Quintin, Rector

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

All stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN NEH 178 'Tis good, Lord, to be here Tune Carlisle

The Celebrant greets the people with a welcome.

♣ Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins,

Whose mercy endures forever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

SENTENCE

'I am the light of the world,' says the Lord; 'those who follow me will have the light of life.'

John 8:12

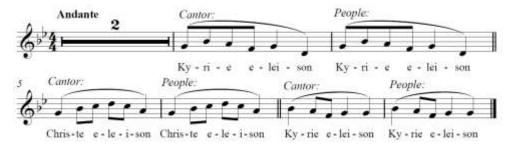
Let us pray.

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.

KYRIE ELEISON

Cantor

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison (Lord have mercy)
Christe eleison. Christe eleison (Christ have mercy)
Kyrie eleison
Kyrie eleison



THE CONFESSION

Senior Server

Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, though we have rebelled and wandered far off.

Silence may be kept.

Let us then ask for mercy, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

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 ABSOLUTION

Celebrant

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.**

COLLECT OF THE SEASON

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Please be seated

FIRST READING

A reading from the first book of the prophet Samuel 16:1-13

The Lord said to Samuel, 'How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king. 2 But Samuel said. How can I go? If Saul hears about it. he will kill me. The Lord said, Take a heifer with you and say, I have come to sacrifice to the Lord." 3 Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what to do. You are to anoint for me the one I indicate.' ⁴ Samuel did what the Lord said. When he arrived at Bethlehem, the elders of the town trembled when they met him. They asked, 'Do you come in peace?' 5 Samuel replied, 'Yes, in peace; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord. Consecrate vourselves and come to the sacrifice with me.' Then he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. ⁶ When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed stands here before the Lord.' ⁷ But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.' 8 Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass in front of Samuel. But Samuel said, 'The Lord has not chosen this one either.' 9 Jesse then made Shammah pass by, but Samuel said, 'Nor has the Lord chosen this one,' 10 Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to him. 'The Lord has not chosen these.' 11 So he asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' 'There is still the youngest,' Jesse answered. 'He is tending the sheep.' Samuel said, 'Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives.' 12 So he sent for him and had him brought in. He was glowing with health and had a fine appearance and handsome features. Then the Lord said, 'Rise and anoint him; this is the one.' 13 So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the Lord came powerfully upon David. Samuel then went to Ramah.

Hear the Word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

PSALM 23:1-6



- 1 The Lord | is my | shepherd: Therefore | can I | lack | nothing:
- 2 He makes me lie down in | green | pastures: and leads me be | side | still | waters.
- 3 He shall re | fresh my | soul: and guide me in the paths of righteousness | for his | name's | sake.
- Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will | fear no | evil: for you are with me; your | rod and your | staff, they | comfort me.
- You spread a table before me in the presence of | those who | trouble me: you have anointed my head with oil | and my | cup shall be | full.
- Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the | days of my | life: and I will dwell in the | house of the | Lord for | ever.

SECOND READING

A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesisans 5:8-14

⁸ For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light ⁹ (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) ¹⁰ and find out what pleases the Lord. ¹¹ Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. ¹² It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in

secret. ¹³ But everything exposed by the light becomes visible – and everything that is illuminated becomes a light. ¹⁴ This is why it is said: 'Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.'

Hear the Word of the Lord. thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

NEH 419

O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace

Please stand

Tune Tallis's Ordinal

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

I am the light of the world; says the Lord. Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 9:1-41 **☼** Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ



As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. ² His disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?' ³ 'Neither this man nor his parents sinned,' said Jesus, 'but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him. ⁴ As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. ⁵ While I am in the world, I am the light of the world. ⁶ After saying this, he spat on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. 7 'Go,' he told him, 'wash in the Pool of Siloam' (this word means 'Sent'). So the man went and washed, and came home seeing. ⁸ His neighbours and those who had formerly seen him begging asked, 'Isn't this the same man who used to sit and beg?' 9 Some claimed that he was. Others said, 'No, he only looks like him, 'But he himself insisted, 'I am

the man.'10 'How then were your eyes opened?' they asked. 11 He replied, 'The man they call Jesus made some mud and put it on my eyes. He told me to go to Siloam and wash. So I went and washed, and then I could see.' 12 'Where is this man?' they asked him. 'I don't know,' he said. 13 They brought to the Pharisees the man who had been blind. ¹⁴ Now the day on which Jesus had made the mud and opened the man's eves was a Sabbath. ⁵ Therefore the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. 'He put mud on my eyes,' the man replied, 'and I washed, and now I see.' 16 Some of the Pharisees said, 'This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath.' But others asked, 'How can a sinner perform such signs?' So they were divided. ¹⁷ Then they turned again to the blind man, 'What have you to say about him? It was your eyes he opened.' The man replied, 'He is a prophet.' 18 They still did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they sent for the man's parents. 19 'Is this your son?' they asked. 'Is this the one you say was born blind? How is it that now he can see?' 20 'We know he is our son,' the parents answered, 'and we know he was born blind. 21 But how he can see now, or who opened his eyes, we don't know. Ask him. He is of age; he will speak for himself.' 22 His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders, who already had decided that anyone who acknowledged that Jesus was the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. ²³ That was why his parents said, 'He is of age; ask him.' 24 A second time they summoned the man who had been blind. 'Give glory to God by telling the truth,' they said. 'We know this man is a sinner.' ²⁵ He replied, 'Whether he is a sinner or not, I don't know. One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!' ²⁶ Then they asked him, 'What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?' ²⁷ He answered, 'I have told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples too?' 28 Then they hurled insults at him and said, 'You are this fellow's disciple! We are disciples of Moses! 29 We know that God spoke to Moses, but as for this fellow, we don't even know where he comes from.' 30 The man answered, 'Now that is remarkable! You don't know where he comes from, yet he opened my eyes. 31 We know that God does not listen to sinners. He listens to the godly person who does his will. 32 Nobody has ever heard of opening the eyes of a man born blind. 33 If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.' ³⁴ To this they replied, 'You were steeped in sin at birth; how dare you lecture us!' And they threw him out. 35 Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, and when he found him, he said, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' ³⁶ 'Who is he, sir?' the man asked. 'Tell me so that I may believe in him.' ³⁷ Jesus said, 'You have now seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you.' 38 Then the man said, 'Lord, I believe,' and

he worshipped him. ³⁹ Jesus said, 'For judgment I have come into this world, so that the blind will see and those who see will become blind.' ⁴⁰ Some Pharisees who were with him heard him say this and asked, 'What? Are we blind too?' ⁴¹ Jesus said, 'If you were blind, you would not be guilty of sin; but now that you claim you can see, your guilt remains.

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



SERMON *Please sit*

Jesus, Light of the world

John 9:1-41

THE NICENE CREED

Senior Server Let us together affirm the faith of the Church:

All stand

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Senior Server

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

All sit/kneel

Periods of silence may be briefly kept for personal prayer. Each petition ends with this response: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us, to pray,

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen

PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

All stand

Celebrant

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

1 John 4:10

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under

your table.

But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us, therefore gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

All stand

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.

All are invited to greet those around them with the words, "Peace be with you" "And also with you".

OFFERTORY HYMN NEH 408 Love Divine, all loves excelling

Tune ii Love Divine

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Celebrant

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God forever.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

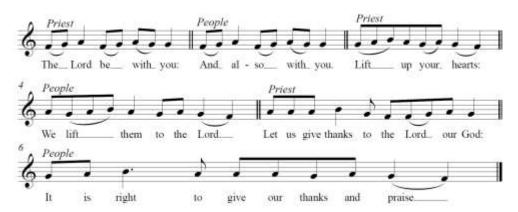
And also with you.

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.



Celebrant

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

He was tempted in every way as we are, yet he did not sin. By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

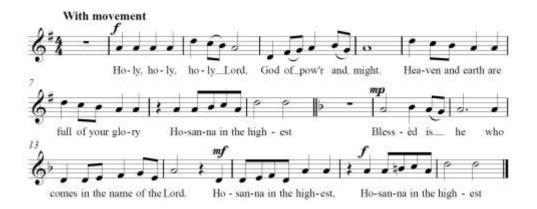
By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to walk in the way of his love.

Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying/singing:

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, 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. Hosanna in the highest.



Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night when he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Cantor

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith,

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



Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people, into the joy of the eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise.

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.



THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The celebrant breaks the bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body,

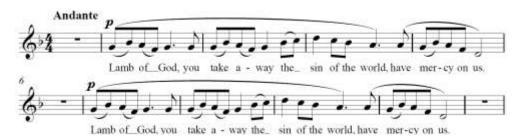
for we all share in the one bread.

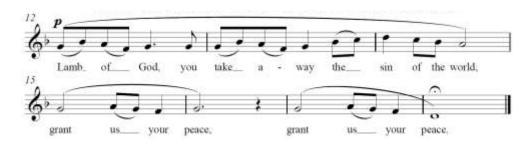
AGNUS DEI

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 your peace, grant us your peace.





INVITATION

Celebrant

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

All communicants of other churches are invited to join us in the sharing of Holy Communion. If you are not a communicant we encourage you to come forward for a blessing. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by holding your hands behind your back as you kneel or stand at the Communion Rail.

The celebrant and other communicants receive the Holy Communion. As the sacrament is received the communicant responds **Amen**.

The congregation sits or kneels. Silence for prayerful reflection may be kept.

COMMUNION HYMN NEH 376 I heard the voice of Jesus say

Tune Kingsfold DCM

SENTENCE

Celebrant

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. *Psalm 23:4*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand

Celebrant

God of mercy, may we who have shared in this holy meal know your forgiveness in our lives, bring your reconciliation to others, and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world.

Keep us in this hope that we have grasped; so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name.

NOTICES

Please sit

GOD'S BLESSING

All stand

Celebrant

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself, that you may find in him crucified a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sin forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, ** the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Senior Server

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ, Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

NEH 285

For the beauty of the earth

Tune 47, Dix

ORGAN POSTLUDE

As a courtesy to those who remain in the church to listen to the organ voluntary in its entirety, you are encouraged to enjoy conversation and fellowship outside the building. The voluntary is a liturgical musical offering to God.

PARISH BULLETIN WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

We pray for the Anglican Communion, for Justin of Canterbury, Philip our Primate, Glenn our Archbishop, Chris our Bishop and the Northern Region. Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

ST PETER'S PARISH AND LOCAL CHURCHES

For our Rector Rev'd Tim St Quintin and Mak Miyashita as he looks for a ministry position. For our new wardens and parish councillors as they assume their responsibilities. For the parishioners at Mosman Uniting, particularly at this time as they search for a new minister.

THE WIDER WORLD AND LOCAL COMMUNITY

For world peace and for all world leaders in their responsibility to those under their care. For our Governor General, our State Governor, Prime Minister and Premier, and all who have responsibility for government administration. For those living with chronic health problems and suffering the long-term effects of injury, as well as their families and carers.

OUR PARISHIONERS

Barbara and Bruce, John, Neil and Pamela, Kurt, Elizabeth, Thomas, Alessandra, Sophia and Eva, Jenny, Frank and Sue, Max, Diane, Kate John, Michael and Anne, Dirghayu, Suzanne.

THE SICK

The immediate sick

Ingrid, Nora, Rein, Malcolm, Peter, Mitsunobu, Jane, Janne, Moses, Pamela, Helen, Peter, Tim, Maryanne.

Those requiring on-going prayer

Rev'd Greg, Sharon, Bobbie Dee, Christine, Roger, Inga, Geoff, Joy, Penelope, Anne, Elizabeth, Vatche, Martha, Richard, Di, Noel, Howard, Max, Tom, Claudia, Gigi, Frank, Judith, Jenny, Sally.

Those in residential care Peter and Patricia, Glenyth, Ros, Jeremy.

FAITHFUL DEPARTED

We praise God for his faithful servants in every age. We pray that we, with all who have died in the faith of Christ, may be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of God's eternal kingdom. We remember the recently deceased and those whose anniversary occurs at this time, especially Barry Aldrich, Lorna Patterson, Bill O'Grady and Stephanie King.

ABM LENT APPEAL



St Peter's has been one of the continuing Sydney parishes in support the Official Mission Arm of the Anglican Church of Australia. This year's Appeal has the support of Parish Council, and an envelope will be inserted to each pewsheet for the six weeks of Lent for those who might feel this meets one of the traditional three pillars of Lent – prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

SUNDAY ROSTERS

	THIS WEEK - 22 March	NEXT WEEK - 29 March
	Lent 4	Lent 5
Reading 1	1 Samuel 16:1-13	Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm	Psalm 23	Psalm 130
Reading 2	Ephesians 5:8-14	Romans 8:6-11
Gospel	John 9:1-41	John 11:1-45
	7.00am	7.00am
Sidesperson		
Reader		
Server		
Chalice		
	9.00am	9.00am
Welcomer		
Sidesperson		
Readers		
Intercessor		
Senior Server		
Crucifer		
Acolytes		
Chalice		
Thurifer		
Cantor		
Morning Tea		
Counters		
Sacristy Linen		
Sacristy S/Up		
Flowers		

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