

5th Sunday in Lent 17 March 2024 | 9am

WELCOME to St Peter's Church today. I am delighted that you can join us in worship.

If you are a newcomer or visiting, I especially look forward to meeting you and hope that you feel welcome. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask one of the greeters at the door, or someone in the pew next to you.

I hope you can stay and enjoy morning tea after the service. Rev Mark Wormell.

TODAY'S SERVICE

SUNG EUCHARIST

CELEBRANT & PREACHER REV. MARK WORMELL

ORGANIST & CANTOR GLENN AMER
SETTING DUDMAN

A Hearing Loop is available in the pews on the left-hand side of the church. Toilets are available in the Lower Hall and a mobility access toilet in the David Armstrong Room.



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Please stand Tune: Rivaulx

- 1 Father of heaven whose love profound a ransom for our souls hath found, before your throne we sinners bend; to us your pardoning love extend.
- 2 Almighty Son, incarnate Word, our prophet, priest, redeemer, Lord, before your throne we sinners bend; to us your saving grace extend.
- 3 Eternal Spirit, by whose breath the soul is saved from sin and death, before your throne we sinners bend; to us your quickening power extend.
- Thrice holy Father, Spirit, Son, mysterious Godhead, Three in One, before your throne we sinners bend; grace, pardon, life to us extend.

Edward Cooper, 1770 - 1833

The Celebrant greets the people with a welcome.

♣ Bless the Lord who forgives our sins, whose mercy endures for ever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

SENTENCE

Celebrant

'This is the covenant I will make with them,' says the Lord God: 'I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be my people.'

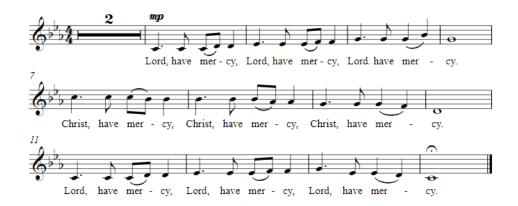
Jeremiah 31.33

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



THE CONFESSION

Senior Server

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

Silence

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 DAY

O God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Please sit.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah 31:31-34

'The days are coming,' declares the Lord, 'when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,' declares the Lord. ³³ 'This is the covenant that I will make with the people of Israel after that time,' declares the Lord. 'I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. ³⁴ No longer will they teach their neighbour, or say to one another, "Know the Lord," because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,' declares the Lord. 'For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.'

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:9-16



- 9 How shall a young man's | path be | pure: un | less he I keep to your | word?
- 10 I have sought you with my | whole | heart: let me not | stray from | your com | mandments.
- 11 I have treasured your | words in my | heart: that I | might not | sin a | gainst you.
- 12 Blessed are | you Lord | God: O | teach me | your | statutes.
- With my lips I | have been | telling: all the | judgements | of your | mouth;
- And I find more joy in the way of | your com | mands: than in | all | manner of | riches.
- 15 I will meditate | on your | precepts: and give | heed | to your | ways;
- 16 For my delight is wholly | in your | statutes: and I will | not for | get your | word.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 5:5-14

In the same way, Christ did not take on himself the glory of becoming a high priest. But God said to him, 'You are my Son; today I have become your Father.' ⁶ And he says in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, in the order of Melchizedek.' ⁷ During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent

submission. ⁸ Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered ⁹ and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him ¹⁰ and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek. ¹¹ We have much to say about this, but it is hard to make it clear to you because you no longer try to understand. ¹² In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! ¹³ Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. ¹⁴ But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor

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

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

God loved the world so much, He gave us His only Son; that all who believe in him, might have eternal life

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

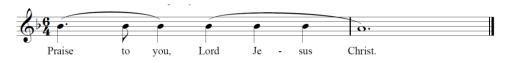
A reading from the holy gospel according to John 12:20-33



²⁰ Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. ²¹ They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. 'Sir,' they said, 'we would like to see Jesus.' ²² Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus. ²³ Jesus replied, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Very truly I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. ²⁵ Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honour the one who serves me. ²⁷ 'Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? "Father, save me from this hour"? No, it

was for this very reason I came to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name!' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and will glorify it again.' ²⁹ The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him. ³⁰ Jesus said, 'This voice was for your benefit, not mine. ³¹ Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' ³³ He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

This is the gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

Please sit

HYMN

Please stand

Tune: Martydom

- As pants the hart for cooling streams in parched and barren ways so longs my soul for you, O God, and your refreshing grace.
- For you, my God, the living God, my thirsting soul will pine:
 O when shall I behold your face, your majesty divine?
- 3 God of my strength, my tears have been by day and night my food; the mockers taunt continually and say: 'Where is your God?'
- Why restless, why cast down, my soul?
 Hope still, and you shall sing
 the praise of him who is your God,
 your health's eternal spring.

Nicholas Brady, 1659 - 1726

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, ¾ 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.

Please sit/kneel

Each petition ends with this response: Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident 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

Hear these words of assurance for those who truly turn to Christ:

Jesus said: 'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest'.

Matthew 11:28

- 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

Celebrant

We are the body of Christ.

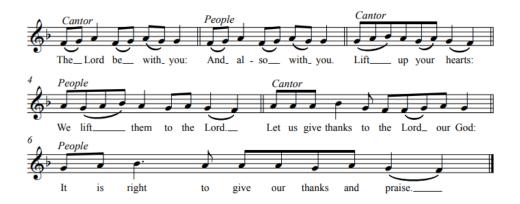
His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All may exchange a sign of peace with a handshake and greeting, "Peace be with you".

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Celebrant

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, ever living 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.

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



Celebrant

And now, gracious God, we thank you for these gifts of bread and wine, and pray that we who receive them, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, according to our Saviour's word, in remembrance of his suffering and death, may share his body and blood.

On the night before he died, 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,



Celebrant

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 your 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:



THE BREAKING OF 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



INVITATION

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.

As the sacrament is received the communicant responds. **Amen**.

All baptised Christians who love and serve the Lord Jesus are welcome to join in the sharing of Holy Communion. If you are not yet ready to receive Communion, we encourage you to come forward for a prayer of blessing. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by holding your hands behind your back.

Alcoholic wine is available in the Common Cup, and both alcoholic and non-alcoholic wine is available in individual cups. If you prefer an individual cup, please take one on your way to the Communion Rail and wait until chalice bearer says the Words for the Giving of Communion before drinking.

As the sacrament is received the communicant responds. Amen. After receiving communion, the congregation sits or kneels. Silence for prayerful reflection may be kept.

SENTENCE

Celebrant

Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not mine. ³¹ Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."

John 12:30-32

All stand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the 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. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Celebrant

Gracious God, all things come from you, and you teach us to be generous with what we have. We pray that our gifts may be wisely used for the ministry of the gospel and the relief of those in need, for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

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 \mathfrak{A} the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with your always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

Senior Server

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ, Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Please stand Tune: Mannheim

- Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee; yet possessing every blessing, if our God our Father be.
- Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us; all our weakness thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth before us, thou didst feel its keenest woe; lone and dreary, faint and weary, through the desert thou didst go.
- 3 Spirit of our God, descending, fill our hearts with heavenly joy, love with every passion blending, pleasure that can never cloy: thus provided, pardoned, guided, nothing can our peace destroy.

James Edmeston, 1791 - 1867

ORGAN POSTLUDE

As a courtesy to those who remain in the church to listen to the organ postlude in its entirety, you are encouraged to enjoy conversation and fellowship outside the building.

PARISH BULLETIN WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

FOR GOD'S KINGDOM

Lord our God, giver of all grace, have mercy on your Church throughout the world. Renew its life; restore its unity; sanctify its worship; empower its witness; and make it a fit instrument for the furtherance of Christ's kingdom among all people, to the glory of his great name. Amen.

THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

We pray for the Anglican Communion, for Justin of Canterbury, Geoffrey, Primate of Australia, Kanishka our Archbishop and Bishop Chris and The Church in Wales.

PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH AND LOCAL CHURCHES

For our Locum Rev'd Mark Wormell and our Honorary Associate Minister Peter Watson. We pray for Naremburn, Cammeray Anglican Church.

PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY

Local, State, and Federal Governments and Leaders; Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition, our Federal Member for North Sydney; State Premier and Leader of the Opposition, State Member for Willoughby; Mayor of North Sydney and local Councillors.

PRAY FOR MINISTRY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Bishop Grant Dibden (Anglican Bishop to the Defence Force), Chaplain Dan Gillis, and Chaplain Tim St Quintin, serving in ADF chaplaincy.

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

Regions of the world affected by natural disasters: floods, drought, famine, disease.

OUR PARISHIONERS

Jane Watson, Christine West, Philip Wood, Helen & Kelvin Worthington.

THE SICK - Those requiring on-going prayer.

Sofia Awad, Anne Blake, Bobbie Dee Deal, Robin Dodd, Edwina Lambkin, Marty McCallum, Gill Stemp, Susan Upton, Anne Vernon, Gigi, Helen, Janne, JJ, Pamela, Margie & Rein, Jane, Jenny and Sally, Louise, Lyn, Russ McLean, Danny Smith, Richard Gordon and Michael Salt.

THOSE IN RESIDENTIAL CARE - Fr Robert Alexander, Judy Chapman, Kathy Moss, Patricia Reuben, Stan Thomas, Helen Ramsay.

THE 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.

SEARCH FOR A NEW RECTOR

Please pray for the parish nominators. The search process requires a great deal of follow-through and communication which we are doing with God's help and your prayers.

With thanks, Bruce, John, Bronwyn, Helen and Edwina

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK March 2024

Today	Annual General Meeting		
Mon 18 March	10am - 11:30am	Discussion Group	
Tues 19 March	10am	Eucharist & morning tea	
	11am	Crafters – DA Room	
	1:30pm	Pastoral Care Group	
Sat 23 March	8am – 11am	Working Bee	
Sun 24 March	9am	Palm Sunday – Procession of Palms	

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - TODAY

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish will be held on TODAY after the 9am service.

Nomination Forms will be available in the church, and we invite you to consider who you would like to nominate for the various vacancies – warden and parish councillors. Please ask the person before entering his/her name. If you are nominating someone, there is a requirement that you are present at the meeting. Thank you. Wardens.

ABM LENT GIFT

This Lent, donations to ABM focus on nutritional education and support programs in Gaza, Sri Lanka and Kenya. The Gender and Nutrition project, in Gaza run by the Al-Ahli Hospital, helps





address malnutrition in young children and provides training for mothers. The hospital is run by the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem and offers health care regardless of ethnicity, religion, politics or economic status. Founded in 1882, the hospital treats more than 45,000 patients each year.

GOOD FRIDAY GIFT

All gifts will be sent to the Holy Land Insitute for the Deaf supported by the Diocese of Jerusalem.

Edwina Waddy - Mission Secretary.

WORKING BEE SATURDAY 23 MARCH 8am - 11am

There will be a working bee held on Saturday 23 March in preparation for the Easter Services.

We need volunteers to assist with both inside the church and outside tasks. All are welcome to lend a hand. Morning tea will be provided.

A sign-up sheet is available at the back of the church. Thank you. Wardens.

COMMISSIONING SERVICE – THE VENERABLE TIM ST QUINTIN – 13 APRIL 2024

You are invited to be present as the Anglican Parish of Cudgegong Valley welcomes and commissions their new minister as Rector of Cudgegong Valley Parish and Archdeacon of the Eastern Region, The Venerable Tim St Quintin.

The service will be conducted by the Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Bathurst, The Right Reverend Mark Calder on:

Saturday 13th April 2024 at 11am, at

St John the Baptist Anglican Church, 6 Church St, Mudgee

A light lunch will follow the service. All welcome.

A MESSAGE FROM REV MARK WORMELL

Please consider joining me in signing this petition to the NSW Legislative Council seeking restoration of \$150 million that the government has removed from palliative care. Whatever you think about 'Voluntary Assisted Dying', there is no doubt we need well-funded palliative care. The petition closes on 3 April 2024 and is currently just under 9000 signatures. https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/lc/pages/epetition-details.aspx?q=TCDPkH-n_irjDpWLSkyyOA

Thank you, Rev Mark Wormell



Sunday 17 Mar	10:30	Annual General Meeting in the church
Monday 18 Mar	10:00	Discussion Group DA Room 1.5 hrs
Tuesday 19 Mar	10:30	Crafters Group DA Room 1.5 hrs
Saturday 23 Mar	8:00am	Working Bee for Easter
Sunday 24 Mar	9:00	Palm Sunday – Procession of Palms
Monday 25 Mar	7:30	Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday 26 Mar	2:00	BUPA Aged Care – Holy Communion
Thursday 28 Mar	7:00	Maundy Thursday Service
Good Friday 29	10:00	All Age Service
Good Friday 29	3:00	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Easter Sunday 31	6am	Service of Light
Easter Sunday 31	9:00	Eucharist – Easter Eggs distributed

SUNDAY ROSTERS

	This Week 17 March	Next Week 24 March
	Fifth Sunday in Lent	Palm Sunday
First Reading	Jeremiah 31:31-34	Isaiah 50:4-9
Psalm	Psalm 119:9-16	Psalm 31:9 - 18
Second	Hebrews 5:5-14	Philippians :5-11
Reading		
Gospel	John 12:20 - 33	Mark 14: 1-15, 27
Preacher	Rev Mark Wormell	Rev Mark Wormell
Celebrant	Rev Mark Wormell	Rev Mark Wormell
Senior	John Halford	Laura Mock
Server		
Crucifer	Laura Mock	Gordon Heathcote
Thurifer		Roy Bartlett
Acolyte		Taylor Mock
		John Halford
Welcomer	Lizzie St Quintin	George Paul
Sideperson	Peter Watson	Sharon Boddu
Readers	Gill Stemp	Helen Matheson
	Helen Matheson	Philip Wood
Intercessor	Esme Parker	Ruth Cohen
Chalice		Bronwyn Lihou
Livestream	Taylor Mock	Prabhu Boddu
Morning tea	Graham St Quintin	Barbara Gordon
	Lizzie St Quintin	Sharon Boddu
Sacristy Linen	Audrey Bradshaw	Edwina Waddy
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