

7 April 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

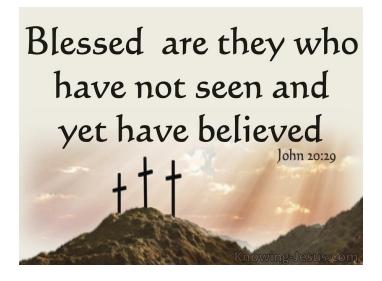
SUNG EUCHARIST

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

- Awake my soul, and with the sun,
 Thy daily stage of duty run;
 Shake off dull sloth, and early rise,
 To pay thy morning sacrifice.
- 2 Redeem thy mis-spent moments past, And live this day, as if thy last: Improve thy talent with due care, For the great day thyself prepare.
- 3 Let all thy converse be sincere, Thy conscience as the Noon-day clear; Think how all-seeing God thy ways, And all thy secret thoughts surveys.
- By influence of the light divine,
 Let thy own light to others shine:
 Reflect all heaven's propitious rays,
 In ardent love, and cheerful praise.
- Wake and lift thyself, my heart,
 And with the angels bear thy part,
 Who all night long unwearied sing,
 High praise to the eternal King.

Bishop Thomas Ken 1637 - 1711

Tune: Morning hymn

The Celebrant greets the people with a welcome

Christ is risen, Alleluia.

He is risen indeed, Alleluia.

SENTENCE

Celebrant

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

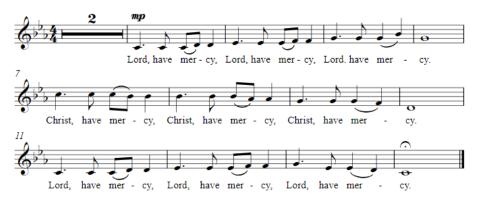
John 20.29

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

Christ our Passover Lamb has been offered for us, therefore we come to celebrate the festival.

Silence

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, with a sincere and true heart.

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.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Chris is the resurrection of and the life of all who put their trust in him; raise us, we pray, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; that we may ever seek the things which are above, where he 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 Acts 4:32-37

³² All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. ³³ With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all ³⁴ that there was no needy person among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales ³⁵ and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need. ³⁶ Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means 'son of encouragement'), ³⁷ sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.

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



- Behold how good and how | lovely it | is: when brothers | live to gether in | unity.
- It is fragrant as oil upon the head that runs down | over the | beard: fragrant as oil upon the beard of Aaron that ran down over the | collar | of his | robe.

- It is like a | dew of | Hermon: like the dew that falls up|on the | hill of | Zion.
- For there the Lord has com|manded his | blessing: which is | life for | ever|more.

SECOND READING

A reading from the first book of John 1 - 2:2

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched - this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. ² The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. ³ We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. 4 We write this to make our joy complete. ⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. 6 If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. 8 If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.2 1 My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father - Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. ² He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

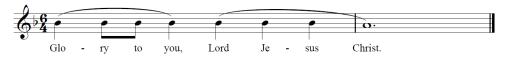
You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; Happy those who have not seen me, but still believe.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the holy gospel according to John 20:19-31



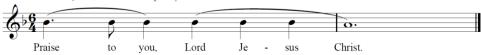
- ¹⁹ On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.
- ²¹ Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." ²² And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."
- ²⁴ Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

- ²⁶ A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."
- ²⁸ Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"
- ²⁹ Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."
- ³⁰ Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. ³¹ But these are written that you may

believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

This is the gospel of the Lord.



SERMON *Please sit*

HYMN

Please stand

Tune: St. Fulbert with Amen

- Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, Your sweetest notes employ, The Paschal victory to hymn In strains of holy joy.
- 2 How Judah's Lion burst his chains, And crushed the serpent's head; And brought with him, from death's domains, The long-imprisoned dead.
- 3 From hell's devouring jaws the prey Alone our Leader bore; His ransomed hosts pursue their way Where he hath gone before.
- 4 Triumphant in his glory now
 His sceptre ruleth all,
 Earth, heaven, and hell before him bow,
 And at his footstool fall.
- While joyful thus his praise we sing, His mercy we implore, Into his palace bright to bring And keep us evermore.

All glory to the Father be,
 All glory to the Son,
 All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
 While endless ages run. Alleluia! Amen.

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.

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

But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

John 20:31

- 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

The Lord be with you.

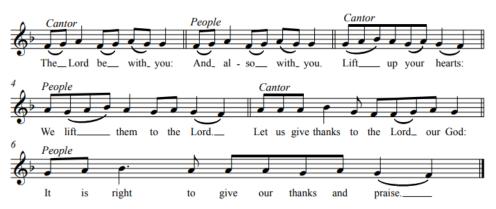
And also with you.

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.

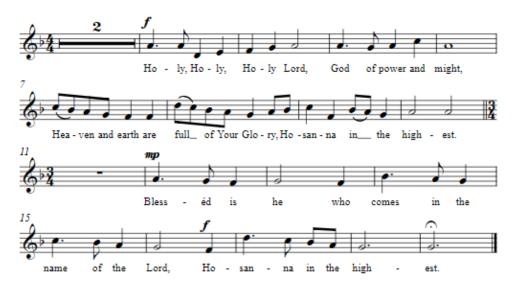
We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

He is the true Paschal Lamb who was offered for us and has taken away the sin of the world.

And now we give you thanks that you raised him in triumph from the dead.

By his death, He has destroyed death and by his rising to life again has restored us to eternal life.

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

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.

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.

The congregation sits or kneels.

Silence for prayerful reflection may be kept.

SENTENCE

Celebrant

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity'. Psalm 133:1

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand

Let us pray.

Eternal God, giver of life, in the breaking of the bread we know the risen Lord. May we who celebrate this holy feast walk in his risen light and bring new life to all creation.

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. 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

Celebrant

Almighty God, who redeemed us through the resurrection of Christ, who raised us to newness of life through the waters of baptism, and has brought us out of slavery into everlasting freedom, give you joy and peace in faith and bring you into your eternal inheritance; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

DISMISSAL

Senior Server

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:

In the name of Christ, Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Please stand

- The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never.I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine for ever.
- Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth; and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.
- Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me; and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.
- In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.
- Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- And so through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

H. W. Baker 1821 - 1877

Tune: Dominus Regit Me

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 Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria.

PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH AND LOCAL CHURCHES

For our Locum Rev'd Mark Wormell and our Honorary Associate Minister Peter Watson. We pray for Mosman Village Church.

PRAY FOR MINISTRY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Bishop Darrell Parker and the Diocese of North West Australia.

PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY

We pray for our Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition, and our Federal Member for North Sydney.

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

Regions of the world impacted by war and conflict; Ukraine, Gaza, Yemen, Myanmar, and Sudan.

OUR PARISHIONERS

Dale Berry, Strephon Billinghurst, Olivia, Tendai, Fortune, Jessica and Theodore Biti and Sharon and Prabhu Boddu.

THE SICK - Those requiring on-going prayer.

Sofia Awad, Anne Blake, Edwina Lambkin, Marty McCallum, Gill Stemp, Susan Upton, Margie & Rein, Russ McLean, Danny Smith, Richard Gordon and Michael Salt.

THOSE IN RESIDENTIAL CARE - Fr Robert Alexander, Judy Chapman, Kathy Moss, Patricia Reuben, Stan Thomas, and those who attend our monthly services at BUPA Mosman and Bougainvillea.

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 especially Rod Walsh and those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

SEARCH FOR A NEW RECTOR

Please remember the parish nominators and diocesan nominators as we look for a new shepherd for St Peter's. Patience, Wisdom and Unity are significant needs before, during and after our deliberations, undergirded with prayer. Helen, Bronwyn, John, Bruce and Edwina.



Tues 9 April	10am	Eucharist & morning tea
Thurs 11 April	1:30pm	Funeral Rod Walsh

THANK YOU

Warm thanks to everyone who helped to prepare the church and grounds for the Holy Week services.

There was a wonderful turnout of 18 people at the Working Bee on the Saturday before Palm Sunday – and on Monday all the palm fronds had "disappeared".

Different set ups in the church were needed for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter. Special thanks to Bruce Gordon, Gordon Heathcote and John Halford for their devotion to the parish, spending 4 mornings setting up and taking down all the sanctuary needs that enhance our worship. And thanks to everyone who welcomed, read lessons, prayed intercessions, offered hospitality in the DA Room – and to Mark, who led and preached at all our services. Thanks be to God. Wardens

OFFICE HOURS

Office hours for the coming week: Tuesday 9th April: 8am – 2pm Wednesday 10th April: 8am – 2pm

The office will be unattended on Thursday 11th April.



BIBLE STUDY GROUPS AT ST PETER'S

Weekly Groups

We currently have three weekly groups, as shown below.

Each group would welcome new members.

Please contact Mark for more details on 0411 402 520

Tuesday 10:00am:

Bible study, currently looking at the Old Testament, with the reading taken from the previous Sunday.

Meets at Cafe Laon, 12/7 Waters Road, Neutral Bay.

Usually led by Anna Reed-Stephenson.

In April, it will meet at 2:30pm, with Mark leading the discussion.

Wednesday 10:00am

Men's Bible Study, currently looking at the gospel of Luke.

Meets in the Rector's office.

Led by Mark.

Thursday 7:30pm

Bible study, currently looking at the Book of Acts of the Apostles.

Usually meets in the apartment of Sue and George Paul, in Murdoch

Street, Cremorne.

Led by Mark.

DISCUSSION GROUP - MONTHLY MEETING

Currently looking at *Luminaries*, 20 lives that illuminate the Christian way by Rowan Williams.

 3^{RD} Monday of the month - 10am-11:30 David Armstrong Room. Contact Edwina Waddy 0402-116-216

ALL ROADS LEAD TO ROME BENEFIT & FAREWELL CONCERT 14 APRIL AT 3:30PM

Soprano Rebecca Gulinello accompanied by Glenn Amer on piano. The concert will be held at St Peter's,

8 Jan

Cremorne. All are welcome.

Tickets are \$40 per person.

For ticket purchases: www.trybooking.com/CPNSO

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.

ROSTERS

	This Week 7 April	Next Week 14 April
	9am	9am
First	Acts 4: 32 - 47	Acts 3:12-20
Reading		
Psalm	Psalm 133	Psalm 4
Second	1 John 1:1 – 2:2	1 John 2:15-17; 3;1-6
Reading		
Gospel	John 20: 19 - 31	Luke 24: 36 - 48
Preacher	Rev Mark Wormell	Rev Mark Wormell
Celebrant	Rev Mark Wormell	Rev Mark Wormell
Senior	Gordon Heathcote	
Server		
Crucifer	John Halford	
Thurifer		
Acolyte		
Welcomer	Noreen Bernie	David Routley
Sideperson	Barbara Gordon	Philip Wood
Readers	Gill Stemp	Audrey Bradshaw
	Ken Bernie	Philip Wood
Intercessor	Peter Watson	Cheryl Dunn
Chalice	Barbara Gordon	Alison Peterson
Livestream	Prabhu Boddu	Enzo
Morning tea	Audrey Bradshaw	Alison Peterson
_	Sharon Boddu	Helen Fordham
Sacristy	Audrey Bradshaw	Alison Peterson
Linen		