

## 6 April 2025 | 9am Fifth Sunday of Lent

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, Acting Rector.

## **Today's Service**

## Sung Eucharist

CELEBRANT & PREACHER REV. MARK WORMELL ORGANIST & CANTOR GLENN AMER

SETTING

DUDMAN

## Rejoicing Together In Christ

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: Horsley** 

- 1 There is a green hill far away, outside a city wall, where the dear Lord was crucified, who died to save us all.
- 2 We may not know, we cannot tell, what pains he had to bear, but we believe it was for us he hung and suffered there.
- 3 He died that we might be forgiven, he died to make us good, that we might go at last to heaven, saved by his precious blood.
- 4 There was no other good enough to pay the price of sin, he only could unlock the gate of heaven, and let us in.
- 5 O dearly, dearly has he loved, and we must love him too, and trust in his redeeming blood, and try his works to do.

William Horsley, 1774 - 1858

The Celebrant greets the people with a welcome.

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you.

And also with you.

#### SENTENCE

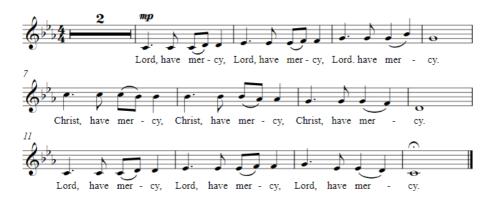
Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves. Psalm 126.6

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

God shows great love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

Silence

Let us then confess 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

## **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, the Redeemer of all who trust in you: heed the cry of your people, and deliver us from the bondage of sin, that we may serve you in perfect freedom and rejoice in your unfailing love; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

# THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD *Please be seated.*

## THE FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 43:16-21

This is what the Lord says – he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, <sup>17</sup> who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick: <sup>18</sup> 'Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. <sup>19</sup> See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. <sup>20</sup> The wild animals honour me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, <sup>21</sup> the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.

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



- 1 When the Lord turned again the | fortunes of | Zion: then were we like | men re|stored to | life.
- 2 Then was our mouth | filled with | laughter: and | our | tongue with | singing.
- 3 Then said they a|mong the | heathen:'The Lord has done great | things for | them'.
- 4 Truly the Lord has done great | things for | us: and | therefore | we re|joiced.
- 5 Turn again our | fortunes O | Lord: as the streams re|turn • to the | dry | south.
- 6 Those that | sow in | tears: shall | reap with | songs of | joy.
- He who goes out weeping | bearing the | seed: shall come again in gladness|\_ bringing • his | sheaves | with him.

## THE SECOND READING

#### A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians 3:3-14

For it is we who are the circumcision, we who serve God by his Spirit, who boast in Christ Jesus, and who put no confidence in the flesh – <sup>4</sup> though I myself have reasons for such confidence. If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup> circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> as for zeal, persecuting the

church: as for righteousness based on the law, faultless, <sup>7</sup> But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup> What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ – the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. <sup>10</sup> I want to know Christ – yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead. <sup>12</sup> Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. <sup>13</sup> Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: forgetting what is behind and straining towards what is ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on towards the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenwards in Christ Jesus.

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

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

All stand

#### Cantor

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

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

You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 12.1-8

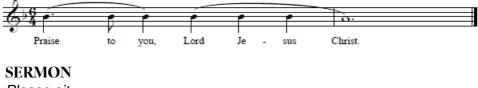


Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup> Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honour. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. <sup>3</sup> Then Mary took about half a litre of pure nard, an

expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. <sup>4</sup> But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him,

objected, <sup>5</sup> 'Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year's wages.' <sup>6</sup> He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it. <sup>7</sup> 'Leave her alone,' Jesus replied. 'It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. <sup>8</sup> You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please sit

#### Tune: Caswall

## HYMN Please stand

- 1 Glory be to Jesus, who in bitter pains, poured for me the life blood from his sacred veins.
- 2 Grace and life eternal in that blood I find; blest be his compassion infinitely kind.
- 3 Blessed through endless ages be the precious stream, which from endless torment did the world redeem.
- 4 Abel's blood for vengeance pleaded to the skies; but the blood of Jesus for our pardon cries.
- 5 Oft as it is sprinkled on our guilty hearts, Satan in confusion terror-struck departs.
- 6 Oft as earth exulting wafts its praise on high, angel hosts rejoicing make their glad reply.
- 7 Let us lift our voices, swell the mighty flood; louder still and louder praise the precious blood.

Edward Caswall, 1814 - 878

#### THE NICENE CREED

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

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. As Christ has taught us, we 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 the words of assurance for those who truly turn to Christ:

Jesus said: Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11.28

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3.16

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

#### 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 immediately around them with the words, "Peace be with you" "And also with you".

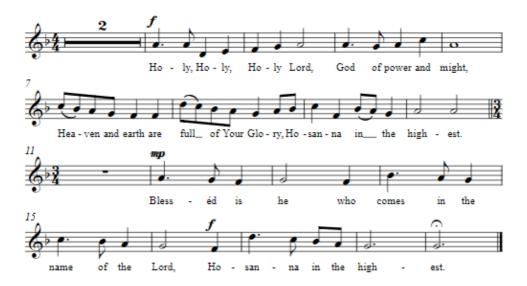


All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, ever living God.

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

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:



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,



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

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

#### 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 nonalcoholic wine is available in individual cups. If you prefer an individual cup, please take one on your way to the Communion Rail.

After receiving communion, the congregation sits or kneels. Silence for prayerful reflection may be kept.

#### SENTENCE

"Leave her alone," Jesus replied. "It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. <sup>8</sup> You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me." John 12: 7 - 8

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand

#### Let us pray.

Gracious God, we thank you that in this sacrament you assure us of your goodness and love. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and help us grow in love and obedience that we may serve you in the world and finally be brought to that table where all your saints feast with you for ever.

#### Father, we offer ourselves 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.

#### **PRAYER FOR OFFERTORY**

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.** 

#### COMMISSIONING OF WARDENS AND PARISH COUNCILLORS

The rector will introduce the wardens and parish councillors elected and appointed at the recent Annual General Meeting and pray for them.

#### NOTICES Please be seated

#### **GOD'S BLESSING**

#### Please stand

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; 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**

- It is a thing most wonderful, Almost too wonderful to be, That God's own Son should come from heaven, And die to save a child like me.
- And yet I know that it is true:
  He chose a poor and humble lot,
  And wept, and toiled, and mourned, and died,
  For love of those who loved him not.
- But even could I see him die,
  I could but see a little part
  Of that great love, which, like a fire,
  Is always burning in my heart.
- 4 It is most wonderful to know His love for me so free and sure; But 'tis more wonderful to see My love for him so faint and poor
- 5 And yet I want to love thee, Lord; O light the flame within my heart, And I will love thee more and more, Until I see thee as thou art.

William Walsham How (1823-97)

#### **ORGAN POSTLUDE**

The sanctuary party leaves and the congregation sits. 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.

#### OFFERTORY

On the table at the entrance to the church building there is a basket for financial gifts, and also an electronic card reader to accept donations by credit or debit card.

## 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 the Church of England as it chooses a new Archbishop of Canterbury, Geoffrey, Primate of Australia, Kanishka our Archbishop and Bishop Chris and The Church of England.

## PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH AND LOCAL CHURCHES

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

## PRAY FOR MINISTRY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Bishop Greg Anderson and the Diocese of the Northern Territory.

## PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY

Health Care workers and Emergency Services.

## PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

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

## **OUR PARISHIONERS**

Margo and Peter Watson, Jane Watson, Christine West, Philip Wood and Frances Woolley.

#### THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR ONGOING PRAYER

Gill Stemp, Janne, Pamela, Susan Upton, Margie & Rein, Russ McLean, Giuseppe & Maria and Bobbie Dee Deal.

**THOSE IN RESIDENTIAL CARE** - Fr Robert Alexander, Judy Chapman, Kathy Moss, Patricia Reuben, Stan Thomas, Anne Blake, Sofia Awad, Ivonne Awad and those who attend our monthly services at Bougainvillea, Neutral Bay and BUPA Mosman.

## 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, Helen, Bronwyn, John, Bruce and Edwina, as they seek to ensure we have someone to serve us as rector.



## CRAFTER'S ELECTION DAY STALL - 3 MAY 2025

Crafter's will be organising their usual election day stall. A raffle will be organised which will be drawn at the Patronal Festival. More details to come.

## WORKING BEE NEXT SATURDAY

There will be a Working Bee to prepare the church for Easter. **Saturday 12 April**, **8am - 11am**.

10am – 11:30am | Lent Discussion Group

Room

Eucharist & morning tea

Bible Study – Café Laon

St Peter's Patchers

Men's Bible Study – Parish Meeting

Bible Study at a home in Cremorne

Please come along and lend a hand. All help greatly appreciated. Morning tea will be served.

Please put your name on the sign-up sheet at the back of the church. Thank you.

## PAMPHLETS

Inside the pew sheet today you will see two pamphlets that have been used in our recent letter box drop. Please pass these on to family, friends and neighbours that may be interested in coming along to church or our Easter Services.

## **CRAFTER'S ABM MISSION 2025**

The Crafter's Group have chosen to support the Papua New Guinea Project for their mission for 2025. This project supports effective community projects in remote rural areas. This increases community cooperation and strengthens leadership and management to give locals a brighter, more fulfilling future.







Mon 7 April

**Tues 8 April** 

Wed 9 April

Thurs 10 April

## April 2025

10am

10am

10am

7:30pm

11am

## ABM LENT ENVELOPES

ABM Lent envelopes are included in the pew sheet today. They can be put in the offertory basket should you wish to make a donation.

With thanks. Edwina Waddy

## NEW CD BY GLENN AMER

Glenn's new CD, "Glenn Amer: The Great Piano Showman" is now available from JB Hifi stores and online at <u>https://greatmusiclivesforever.com</u>



Calendar				
April 2025				
13 April	9am	Palm Sunday Solemn Eucharist & Liturgy of the Palms. Procession to begin outside the church.		
17 April	7pm	Maundy Thursday Sung Eucharist, foot washing and vigil.		
18 April	10 am	Good Friday All Ages & Stations of the Cross.		
18 April	3pm	Good Friday The Lord's Passion		
20 April	6am	Easter Sunday Sunrise Service		
20 April	9am	Easter Sunday Sung Eucharist		
27 April	9am	ANZAC Day Service		

## WEEKLY ROSTERS

	This Week 6 April Lent 5	Next Week 13 April Palm Sunday
First Reading	Isaiah 43.16-21	Isaiah 50:4-9a
Psalm	Psalm 126	Psalm 31.9-18
Second Reading	Philippians 3.3-14	Philippians 2.5-11
Gospel	John 12.1-8	Luke 22.14-23.56
Preacher	Rev Mark Wormell	Rev Mark Wormell
Celebrant	Rev Mark Wormell	Rev Mark Wormell
Senior Server	Roy Bartlett	Laura Mock
Crucifer	Gordon Heathcote	Gordon Heathcote
Thurifer		Roy Bartlett
Acolyte		John Halford
		Margaret MacNabb
Welcomer	Sue Paul	Helen Matheson
Sideperson	Ken Bernie	Noreen Bernie
Readers	Gill Stemp	Margo Watson
	Edwina Waddy	Thos Hodgson
Intercessor	Ruth Cohen	Peter Watson
Chalice	Alison Peterson	Kah Lin Wormell
Livestream	Taylor Mock	Taylor Mock
Morning tea	Barbara Gordon	Lizzie St Quintin
	Frances Woolley	Graham St Quintin
Sacristy Linen	Cheryl Dunn	Alison Peterson