

St Peter's Church, Streatham – 11 Feb 2024

You are welcome at St Peter's – whether this is your first time in church, or your 1000th. Everything you need is in this booklet – please join in the **bold**. If you would like a gluten-free wafer at communion, please let a welcomer know before mass begins.

1st Sunday before Lent Feb 11	8am: Said Mass 10.30am: Parish Mass NO EVENSONG
Mon – Wed	9am: Morning Prayer in church
Tues 13	7.30am Mass at St Margaret the Queen, Streatham 4pm Pancake Party
Wed 14	NO TODDLER CHURCH 12pm: Said Mass of Ash Wednesday 7.45pm Sung Mass of Ash Wednesday
Lent I Feb 18	8am: Said Mass 10.30am: Parish Mass 6.30pm Choral Evensong and Benediction

PRAYER CYCLE: to add or remove people, contact Fr Steffan

In our Diocese for **Eltham and Mottingham Deanery**; & in the Anglican Communion for **The Church of Sudan**.

Birthdays: Vilma Maduro, Henry Tew, Albertine Nelson (check sheet for new additions)

The Sick: Neil, Judy, Indy, Ronda, Anne, Dell, Charlotte, Chad, Catriona, Claire, Ann, Lilia Sierra

The Elderly & Housebound: Vera, Rupert, Godfrey, Sylvia.

The Recently Departed: David Brown

and those whose Year's Mind occurs at this time: Bob Wilkin, Joan Brooks, Kurt Lori

stpeters-streatham.org. Facebook & Twitter: @StPetersSW16

Speak to Fr Steffan to be added to our email list, or a visit.

Fr Steffan Mathias,
Vicar

frsteffan@stpeters-streatham.org

020 8769

Fr Steffan's usual day off is Friday

2922

Fr Ben Vertannes,
Curate

curate@stpeters-streatham.org

020 8674

Fr Ben's day off/study day are Fri/Sat

5665

PARISH MASS – ORDER OF SERVICE *As the bell rings, the Altar party enters. Please stand, if you are able as we sing:*

1 At the name of Jesus
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him
King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.

2 At his voice creation
Sprang at once to sight,
All the angel faces,
All the hosts of light,
Thrones and bright dominations,
Stars upon their way,
All the heavenly orders,
In their great array.

3 Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious
When from death he passed:

4 Bore it up triumphant
With its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures,
To the central height,
To the throne of Godhead,
To the Father's breast;
Filled it with the glory
Of that perfect rest.

5 In your hearts enthrone him;
There let him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true:
He is God the Saviour,
He is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped,
Trusted, and adored.

6 *Brothers, this Lord Jesus
Shall return again,
In the Father's glory,
With his angel train;
For all wreaths of empire
Meet upon his brow,
And our hearts confess him
King of glory now.

GREETING AND WELCOME

✠ In the name of the Father & of the Son & of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you: **And also with you**

The Priest introduces the Mass, and then calls us to confession. Silence, then:
Almighty God, **our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all**

our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.

Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy**
Christ have mercy, **Christ have mercy**
Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon *you*, pardon and deliver *you* from all *your* sins, confirm and strengthen *you* in all goodness, and keep *you* in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

We then sing the ancient hymn of praise, the Gloria:

**Glory be to God in heaven,
songs of joy and peace we bring,
thankful hearts and voices raising,
to creation's Lord we sing:
Lord we thank you, Lord we bless you,
glory be to God our King,
glory be to God our King.**

**Lamb of God, who on your shoulders
bore the load of this world's sin,
only Son of God the Father,
you have brought us peace within:
Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,
now your glorious reign begin,
now your glorious reign begin.**

**You, O Son of God, are holy,
You we praise with one accord.
None in heaven or earth is like you,
Only you are Christ the Lord,
With the Father and the Spirit
Ever worshipped and adored,
Ever worshipped and adored.**

OPENING PRAYER. Let us pray: Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please sit for the 1ST READING 2 Kings 2.1–12

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah said to Elisha, ‘Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.’ But Elisha said, ‘As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.’ So they went down to Bethel. ³The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, ‘Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?’ And he said, ‘Yes, I know; keep silent.’

Elijah said to him, ‘Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.’ But he said, ‘As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.’

So they came to Jericho. ⁵The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, ‘Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?’ And he answered, ‘Yes, I know; be silent.’

Then Elijah said to him, ‘Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.’ But he said, ‘As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.’

So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, ‘Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.’ Elisha said, ‘Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.’ ¹⁰He responded, ‘You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.’ ¹¹As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven.

¹²Elisha kept watching and crying out, ‘Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!’ But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 50: 1-6

The reader says: *Perfect in beauty, God shines forth; our God comes and will not keep silence.*

And we respond: Perfect in beauty, God shines forth; our God comes and will not keep silence.

The Lord, the most mighty God, has spoken and called the world from the rising of the sun to its setting. Out of Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth; our God comes and will not keep silence. **Response**

Consuming fire goes out before him and a mighty tempest stirs about him. He calls the heaven above, and the earth, that he may judge his people:

Response

‘Gather to me my faithful, who have sealed my covenant with sacrifice.’ Let the heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge. **Response**

2ND READING

2 Corinthians 4.3–6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus’ sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, ‘Let light shine out of darkness’, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Please stand as the music starts for the GOSPEL reading (accounts of Jesus life and teaching) & face the procession as it moves to the centre of church:

Alleluia! Alleluia! This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him! **Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you: **And also with you.** (Mark 9.2–9)

Hear the Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. ⁴And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' ⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

This is the Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON *then silence for reflection.*

Then we stand for THE CREED: **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,**
[All bow for] **was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.**

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.**

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

After each prayer, the leader may say:

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

After praying for the dead, they may say:

☩ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord:

and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Then: **Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death.**

*The priest ends the prayers: ...Jesus Christ: **Amen***

THE PEACE

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

OFFERTORY: *The gifts of bread and wine are brought forward. During the hymn, a collection is taken: you are welcome to make a donation, or if you would like you can use a card reader at the back of church.*

I Come down, O Love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour
glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame
bestowing.

2 O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat
consuming;
And let thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my
path illuming.

3 Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner
clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps
with loathing.

4 And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human
telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till it become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his
dwelling.

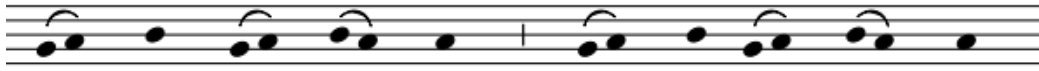
PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS AT THE ALTAR

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the
praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of
all his Church.**

... *(then a prayer, ending)* Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

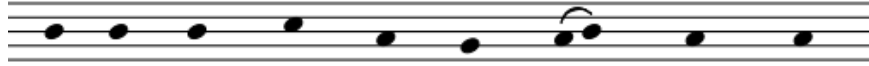
THE EUCHARIST – HOLY COMMUNION



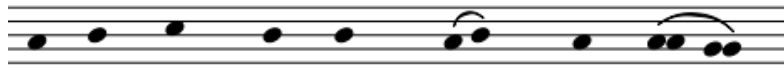
The Lord be with you **R.** and al-so with you.



Lift up your hearts. **R.** We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give thanks and praise.

The priest praises God for his acts, and then we join with the angels in their song of praise,

Cantor: Holy, holy, holy Lord, **All: Holy, holy, holy Lord.**

Cantor: God of pow'r and might. **All: God of pow'r and might.**

Cantor: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

All: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Cantor: Hosanna in the highest. **All: Hosanna in the highest.**

Cantor: Blessed is he who comes, **All: Blessed is he who comes,**

Cantor: In the name of the Lord most high,

All: In the name of the Lord most high,

Cantor: Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest,

All: Hosanna in the highest.

The priest, recalling the last supper of Jesus and his disciples, prays that the bread and wine may become the body and blood of Christ.

After elevating the host and chalice, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

The priest then prays for the church and the world, and the gift of God's spirit, ending as the priest elevates the gifts...



for ev-er and ev-er. **A-men.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, Hal - low - ed be thy name. Thy king - dom come;



thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our dai - ly bread,



and for - give us our tres - pas - ses, as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us,



and lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day.
In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we
wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now
and forever.**

*As the host (body of Christ) is broken, we say: 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 peace.***

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word
and I shall be healed.**

RECEIVING OF COMMUNION

Please come forward to receive communion after the choir.

Christians of any denomination are welcome to receive communion.

*If you would like a blessing, ask as you approach, or cross your arms over your
chest, and this will be given.*

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r thru-out the universe displayed!

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

When thru the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze, *Then sings...*

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in –
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin! *Then sings...*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art! *Then sings...*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. *Please stand* Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

Followed by the NOTICES

THE BLESSING

The Lord be with you: **And also with you**

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.**

Go in the peace of Christ: **Thanks be to God.**

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art,
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord,
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son,
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

3 Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,
Be thou my whole armor, be thou my true might,
Be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower,
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

4 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Be thou my inheritance now and always,
Be thou and thou only the first in my heart,
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

5 High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won,
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Please do join us for refreshments after the service – we love meeting new people! Refreshments are normally served in the crypt, opposite the entrance gate as you come in – or ask one of the clergy or welcomers who can take you down and introduce you to people.