# St Peter's Church, Streatham – 21 April 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.

Easter 4 April 21	8am: Said Mass <b>I 0.30am: Parish Mass</b> 6.30pm Choral Evensong and Benediction	
Mon 22	9am Morning Prayer in church	
Tues 23	7.30am Mass at St Margaret the Queen, Streatham 9am Morning Prayer in church	
Wed 24	9am Morning Prayer in church 9.15am Toddler Church 12pm: Said Mass 7.30pm Church Council (PCC) meeting - Vicarage	
Thurs 25	5.30pm Youth Alpha Course in parish room 6.30pm Adult Alpha Course in church	
Easter 5 April 28	8am: Said Mass IO.30am Parish Mass 6.30pm Choral Evensong and Benediction	

**PRAYER CYCLE:** to add or remove people, contact Fr Steffan In our Diocese for St Margaret the Queen, Streatham, for the Norwood and Brixton central Foodbank, & in the wider Anglican Church, for Anglican Church of Australia.

Birthdays: (none listed – but check sheet for new ones!) The Sick: Neil, Judy, Indy, Dell, Charlotte, Chad, Catriona, Claire, Ann, Rachel and Mohammed, Alison, Natasha, Andrew and Jean, Andreas, Bill.

The Elderly & Housebound: Vera, Rupert, Godfrey, Sylvia. The Recently Departed: Barbara Nicholson, Paul Taylor and those whose Year's Mind occurs at this time: Doreen Harvey, Ronald Rackham

# PARISH MASS – ORDER OF SERVICE

As the bell rings, the Altar party enters. Please stand, if able, as we sing:

I How sweet the name of Jesus sounds In a believer's ear! It soothes his sorrows, heals his

wounds,

And drives away his fear.

2 It makes the wounded spirit whole,And calms the troubled breast;'Tis manna to the hungry soul,And to the weary rest.

3 Dear name! the rock on which I build,

My shield and hiding-place, My never-failing treasury filled With boundless stores of grace. 4 Jesus! my Shepherd, Brother, Friend, My Prophet, Priest, and King, My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, Accept the praise I bring.

5 Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought; but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.

6 Till then I would thy love proclaim With every fleeting breath; And may the music of thy name Refresh my soul in death.

#### 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 Alleluia, Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed, Alleluia! The priest introduces the mass. The Deacon then calls us to confession: In baptism we died with Christ, so that as Christ was raised from the dead, we might walk in newness of life. Let us receive new life in him as we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

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.

We sing together:

# Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy upon us.

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.

We then sing the ancient hymn of praise, the **GLORIA** Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth. Glory to God... Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father. Glory... We worship you, glory in the highest, give you thanks, glory in the highest, praise you for your glory. Glory... Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us, have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer, receive our prayer. Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth. Glory... For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the glory of God the Father. Glory... Amen, amen.

OPENING PRAYER. Let us pray. Silence, then: Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** *Please sit.* 

### **IST READING**

Acts 4.5-12

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. <sup>7</sup>When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;

it has become the cornerstone."

<sup>12</sup>There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.' This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.** 

# This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to Go**

# PSALM 23

The choir sing: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. We respond: **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall** want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **Response** 

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. **Response** 

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **Response** 

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **Response** 

2ND READING I John 3.16–24

<sup>16</sup>We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. <sup>17</sup>How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. <sup>19</sup>And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him <sup>20</sup>whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; <sup>22</sup>and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord. I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!
The Lord be with you: And also with you. (John 10.11–18)
Hear the Gospel I of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John: Glory to you, O Lord.

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and

the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

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 $\mathbb{H}$ , 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

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia! 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 The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is his new creation By water and the word: From heaven he came and sought her To be his holy Bride, With his own blood he bought her, And for her life he died.

2 Elect from every nation, Yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation One Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses With every grace endued.

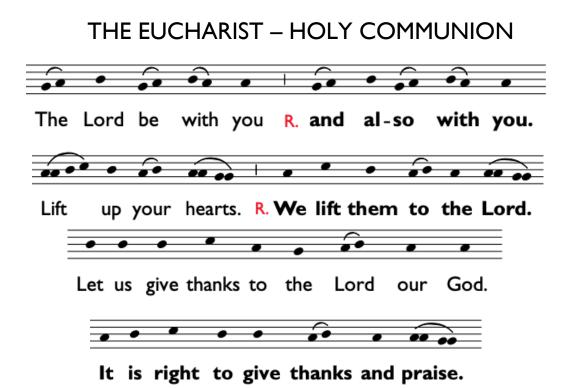
3 \*Though with a scornful wonder Men see her sore opprest, By schisms rent asunder, By heresies distrest, Yet saints their watch are keeping, Their cry goes up, 'How long?' And soon the night of weeping Shall be the morn of song. 4 'Mid toil, and tribulation, And tumult of her war, She waits the consummation Of peace for evermore; Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest, And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.

5 Yet she on earth hath union With God the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won: O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with thee.

#### 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.

Creator of all, you wash away our sins, you give us new birth by the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. As we celebrate the resurrection, renew your gift of life within us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.** 



The priest praises God for his acts, and then we join with the angels in their song of praise, as the choir sing (in English or Latin):

Holy, 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.

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.



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, the choir sings (in English or Latin): 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 sin 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. The choir sings the motet The Lord is My Shepherd, by Todd, and then we sing together:

I Let all mortal flesh keep silence And with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing earthly-minded, For with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, Our full homage to demand.

2 King of kings, yet born of Mary, As of old on earth he stood,Lord of lords, in human vesture,In the body and the blood:He will give to all the faithfulHis own self for heavenly food. 3 Rank on rank the host of heaven Spreads its vanguard on the way, As the Light of light descendeth From the realms of endless day, That the powers of hell may vanish As the darkness clears away.

4 At his feet the six-winged seraph; Cherubim with sleepless eye, Veil their faces to the Presence, As with ceaseless voice they cry, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Lord most high!

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. *Please stand*. Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; 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

Alleluia, Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed, Alleluia!

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life; 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, Alleluia, Alleluia! **Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia!** 

I. Ye that know the Lord is gracious,

Ye for whom a Corner-stone Stands, of God elect and precious, Laid that ye may build thereon, See that on that sure foundation Ye a living temple raise, Towers that may tell forth salvation, Walls that may re-echo praise.

2. Living stones, by God appointed
Each to his allotted place,
Kings and priests, by God anointed,
Shall ye not declare his grace?
Ye, a royal generation,
Tell the tidings of your birth,
Tidings of a new creation
To an old and weary earth.

3. Tell the praise of him who called you

Out of darkness into light,

Broke the fetters that enthralled you, Gave you freedom, peace and sight: Tell the tale of sins forgiven,

Strength renewed and hope restored, Till the earth, in tune with heaven,

Praise and magnify the Lord.

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

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