

St Peter's Church, Streatham – 5 May 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 6 Sunday 5th May	8am: Said Mass 10.30am: Parish Mass 6.30pm Choral Evensong and Benediction
Mon 6th May	9am Morning Prayer in church
Tues 7th May	7.30am Mass at St Margaret the Queen, Streatham 9am Morning Prayer in church
Wed 8th May	9am Morning Prayer in church 9.15am Toddler Church 12pm: Said Mass
Thurs 9th May	NO ALPHA COURSE THIS WEEK 7.30pm Ascension Day Service (with choirs from across local churches)
Easter 7 Sunday 12th May	8am: Said Mass 10.30am Parish Mass <i>(followed by Annual Parochial Church Meeting with Election of New Churchwarden and PCC Members)</i> 6.30pm Choral Evensong and Benediction

PRAYER CYCLE: to add or remove people, contact Fr Steffan.
In our Diocese for St Saviour, Raynes Park, & in the wider Anglican Church for the Anglican Church of Burundi.

Birthdays: Edmund Tew

The Sick: Neil, Judy, Indy, Dell, Charlotte, Chad, Catriona, Claire, Ann, Rachel and Mohammed, Alison, Natasha, Andrew and Jean, Andreas, Lesley, Richard.

The Elderly & Housebound: Vera, Rupert, Godfrey, Sylvia.
The Recently Departed: Barbara Nicholson, Morag Day, Bill Downs.
and those whose Year's Mind occurs at this time:
John Turner

PARISH MASS – ORDER OF SERVICE

As the bell rings, the Altar party enters. Please stand, if 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 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:

3 Bear 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.

4 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.

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.

Kyrie eleison ('Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy')

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison Kyrie, Kyrie, Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe, Christe, Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie, Kyrie, Kyrie eleison.

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 to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

(Choir) Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father.

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God...

(Choir) 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.

(Choir) You are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.

Glory to God...

(Choir) 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 Father. Amen Amen.

Glory to God...

OPENING PRAYER. Let us pray. *Silence, then:*

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** *Please sit.*

1ST READING

Acts 10:44-end

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

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

PSALM 98:1-5

The choir sings: The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

*We respond: **The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.***

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous things.

His own right hand and his holy arm have won for him the victory.

Response

The Lord has made known his salvation; his deliverance has he openly shown in the sight of the nations. He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness towards the house of Israel. ***Response***

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Sound praises to the Lord, all the earth; break into singing and make music. ***Response***

2ND READING

I John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it who conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

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! **Alleluia, Alleluia!** Jesus said: “I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last: so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.” **Alleluia!**

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

Hear the Gospel ☩ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John:

Glory to you, O Lord. (John 15:9-17)

“As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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

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.

1 Crown him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless king
Through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Virgin's Son,
The God incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now his brow adorn:
Fruit of the mystic Rose,
As of that Rose the Stem;
The Root whence mercy ever flows,
The Babe of Bethlehem

3 Crown him the Lord of love!
Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright

4 Crown him the Lord of peace,
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end,
And round his piercèd feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet

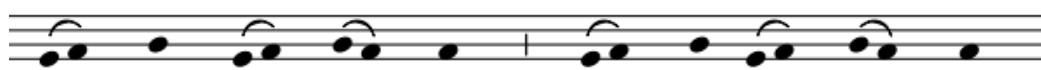
5. Crown him the Lord of years,
The Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime.
Glassed in a sea of light,
Where everlasting waves
Reflect his throne - the Infinite!
Who lives - and loves - and saves.

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.**

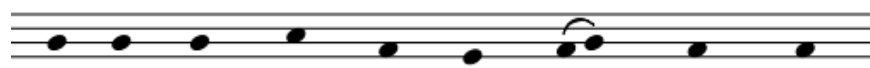
THE EUCHARIST – HOLY COMMUNION



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, 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.**

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, 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 'I give you a new commandment' by Peter Nardone, and then we sing together:

1 In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace

When fears are stilled, when strivings cease

My Comforter, my All in All

Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2 In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The love of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live.

3 There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

4 No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. *Please stand.* God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **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, then
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 King of glory, King of peace,
I will love thee;
And that love may never cease,
I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request,
Thou hast heard me;
Thou didst note my working
breast.
Thou hast spared me.

3 Seven whole days, not one in seven,
I will praise thee;
In my heart, though not in heaven,
I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort
To enrol thee:
E'en eternity's too short
To extol thee.

2 Wherefore with my utmost art
I will sing thee,
And the cream of all my heart
I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried,
Thou didst clear me;
And alone, when they replied,
Thou didst hear me.

Please do join us for refreshments after the service – we love meeting new people! Refreshments are normally by the statue of Mary. One of the clergy can help introduce you to people – please do ask if we can be of any help.

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

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Ascension Day

Thursday 9 May 2024

St Peter's, 19.30

Joint Deanery Service



Upcoming Dates at St Peter's Streatham

Ascension Day Mass at St Peter's (with joint deanery choirs)

Thursday 9th May - service for local Church of England churches, from 7.30pm.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Sunday 12th May - our annual meeting where we elect our Church Council, agree our reports and discuss the year ahead. Begins after the 10.30am Parish Mass.

Visio Divina

Wednesday 15th May - introduction to contemplative prayer using images and artwork, led by Alice King

Pentecost Mass, followed by International Bring-and-Share Lunch and Communion Wine Tasting

Sunday 19th May - 10.30am Mass; 11.30am Lunch

Gardening Afternoon

Sunday 26th May - begins after the 10.30am Mass and followed by a service 'Celebrating Creation' at 3pm, led by Alice King.

Choir singing Evensong at Southwark Cathedral

Sunday 16th June - together with the choirs of Croydon Minster and Southwark Cathedral, beginning at 3pm. No Evensong at St Peter's that evening.

St Peter's Day (Festival of our Patron Saint)

Sunday 30th June - 10.30am Mass, followed by a party!

Choir Concert

Sunday 7th July - adults, youth choir and some solos by younger members, beginning at 4pm. No Evensong that day.

Confirmation Service at St Peter's

Monday 15th July - led by Bishop Martin of Kingston, from 7.30pm

Choir Tour

Monday 19th August to Sunday 25th August - choir will be singing at York Minster