

## St Peter's Church, Streatham – September I

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.

Sep. 1st Trinity 14	8am: Said Mass <b>10.30am: Parish Mass</b> (with 'Blessing of Backpacks' before a new school term)
Mon 2nd - Tues 3rd	7.30am: Said Mass at St Margaret the Queen (SW2 3BH) 9am Morning Prayer
Wed 4th	9am Morning Prayer 12pm: Said Mass
Thurs 5th	5-6.30pm: St Peter's Youth Group 7-9pm: 'The Thursday Club': faith, food, friendship
Sep. 8th Trinity 15	8am: Said Mass <b>10.30am: Parish Mass</b> 6.30pm: Evensong and Benediction

**PRAYER CYCLE:** to add or remove people, please contact Fr Ben

In our **Diocese** for Reigate Deanery, & in the wider **Anglican**

**Communion** for the Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola

In our **parish**, that we may grow in numbers, grow in the deepening of our faith, and grow in service to our community. Also, for a **new school year**

**Birthdays:** Melody

**The Sick:** Neil, Judy, Indy, Charlotte, Chad, Natasha, Andreas, Arlette, Tyrone, Leo, Brian, Imogen, Michael, Paula, Elaine, Elizabeth, Bridget, Dorrett

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

**The Recently Departed:** Peter George, Catriona, Ian Keatley  
and those whose **Year's Mind** occurs at this time: Dulail Wallington,

Connie Mansbridge, Leteria Gray, Olive Lombardi, Gary Da Costa, Roy Greenwood, Claire James

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

Fr Steffan Mathias, Vicar	<i>Fr Steffan is currently on sabbatical until the end of October</i>	
Fr Ben Vertannes, Curate	frbenvertannes@gmail.com Fr Ben's day off/study day are Fri/Sat	078 2154 0262

### **Stuck at home/hospital?**

Please be in touch and the clergy would be happy to visit or pray.

### **New home? Fresh Start?**

We would be delighted to come round for a house blessing.

## **PARISH MASS – ORDER OF SERVICE**

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

1 All creatures of our God and King,  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluya, alleluya!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam:

*O praise him, O praise him,  
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!*

2 Thou rushing wind that art so  
strong,  
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,  
O praise him! Alleluya!  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
Ye lights of evening, find a voice:

*O praise him...*

3 Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
Make music for thy Lord to hear,  
Alleluya, Alleluya!

Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
That givest man both warmth and  
light:

*O praise him...*

4 Dear mother earth, who day by day  
Unfoldest blessings on our way,  
O praise him, Alleluya!  
The flowers and fruits that in thee  
grow,  
Let them his glory also show:

*O praise him...*

5 Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship him in humbleness,  
O praise him! Alleluya!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, three in One:

*O praise him, O praise him,  
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!*

### 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. The Deacon then calls us to confession:*  
As we prepare to celebrate the mystery of God's love, revealed in Word and  
Sacrament, let us call to mind our sins:

**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 then sing the Kyrie Eleison ('Lord have mercy...')*

**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.

**Amen.**

*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 to God...**

We worship you

**glory in the highest**

we give you thanks,

**glory in the highest**

we praise you for your glory. **Glory to God...**

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...**

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 to God...**

Amen. **Amen.**

OPENING PRAYER FOR THIS SUNDAY    Let us pray. *Silence, then:*  
Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into  
your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in  
spirit and in truth; 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.**

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them and perform them, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children

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

## **Psalm 15**

*The choir sings:* The just will live in the presence of the Lord

*And we respond:* **The just will live in the presence of the Lord**

1. Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?

Whoever leads an uncorrupt life

and does the thing that is right;

Who speaks the truth from the heart. **Response.**

2. Who does no evil to a friend

and pours no scorn on a neighbour;

In whose sight the wicked are not esteemed,

but who honours those who fear the Lord. **Response.**

3. Whoever has sworn to a neighbour  
and never goes back on that word;  
Who does not lend money in hope of gain,  
nor takes a bribe against the innocent;  
Whoever does these things shall never fall. **Response.**

2ND READING James 1:17-end

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave birth to us by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved brothers and sisters: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger, for human anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

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! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. **Alleluia!**

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

Hear the Gospel ☩ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.** (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders, and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash, and there are also many other traditions that they observe: the washing of cups and pots and bronze kettles and beds. So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

‘This people honour me with their lips,  
but their hearts are far from me;  
in vain do they worship me,  
teaching human precepts as doctrines.’

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, debauchery, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

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 *please feel free to sit or kneel*

*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:**

We are the Body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

The Peace of the Lord be always with you,  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*We turn to our neighbour and say 'peace be with you', or shake hands*

**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 the 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.

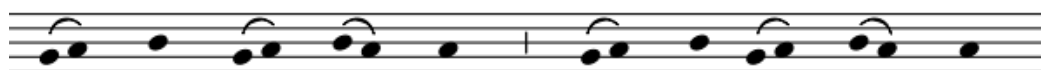
#### PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS AT THE ALTAR

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.**

God our sustainer, receive the gifts we bring before you, and feed us  
continually with that bread which satisfies all hunger, your Son our Saviour  
Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

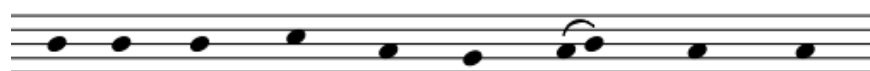
#### THE EUCHARIST – HOLY COMMUNION



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 – or feel free to stay in your pew.*

*The choir sings the anthem, 'God be in my head' (Howells). Then, we sing:*

1 Be still for the presence of the Lord,  
the Holy One is here.

Come bow before Him now,  
With reverence and fear.

In Him no sin is found,  
we stand on holy ground.

Be still for the presence of the Lord,  
the Holy One is here.

2 Be still for the glory of the Lord,  
is shining all around.

He burns with holy fire,  
with splendour He is crowned.

How awesome is the sight,  
our radiant King of light.

Be still for the glory of the Lord,  
is shining all around.

3. Be still for the power of the Lord,  
is moving in this place.

He comes to cleanse and heal,  
to minister His grace.

No work too hard for Him,  
in faith receive from Him.

Be still for the power of the Lord,  
is moving in this place.

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. *Please stand.* Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, you give us every good and perfect gift and have brought us to birth by your word of truth: may we be a living sign of that kingdom where your whole creation will be made perfect in 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, then the BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS  
(ahead of a new school year):

### THE FINAL 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.**

I. To God be the glory! great things he has done;  
so loved he the world that he gave us his Son  
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
Let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
Let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son  
and give him the glory; great things he has done.*

2. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son:  
but purer and higher and greater will be  
our joy and our wonder, when Jesus we see!

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
Let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord!  
Let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son  
and give him the glory; great things he has done (x 2)*

*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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