St Peter's Church, Streatham - Passion Sunday 2025

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.

April 6 Passion Sunday	8am: Said Mass 10.30am: Parish Mass NO Evensong	
Mon 7	9am Morning Prayer	
	12pm Book of Common Prayer Mass	
Tues 8	7.30am: Said Mass at St Margaret's (SW2 3BH)	
	9am Morning Prayer	
	12.30pm Stations of the Cross	
	9am: Morning Prayer	
Wed 9	9am: Morning Prayer	
	9.20am: Toddler Church	
	12pm: Said Mass	
Saturday 12	10am – 2pm Quiet Day	
March 13	8am: Said Mass	
Palm Sunday	10.15am: Parish Mass	
•	6.30pm Choral Evensong and Benediction	

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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 ask if we can be of help.

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday 10.15am Mass

13 April with Procession

Holy Monday, 6-7pm Holy Hour Tues & Wednesday 7pm Mass

14,15,16 April followed by optional Supper

and Night Prayer

Maundy Thursday 7.45pm Liturgy of Maundy Thursday

17 April followed by Vigil until late

Good Friday 10.30am Children's Activities

18 April 12pm Children's Stations of the Cross

3pm Good Friday Liturgy

Holy Saturday 12.30pm Walking the Way

19 April of the Cross with Mary

8pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Day 10.30am Sung Mass of Easter Day

20 April - with Easter Eggs!

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. Speak to Fr Steffan to be added to our email list, or to request a visit. stpeters-streatham.org. Facebook & Twitter: @StPetersSW16

PRAYER CYCLE: to add/remove, please contact Fr Steffan In our Diocese for Christ Church, Clapham; & in the Anglican Communion for The Anglican Church of Chile. In our parish, that we may grow in numbers, grow in the deepening of our faith, and grow in service to our community. Birthdays: Adrianna Forbes-Dorant, Arron Nelson, Karen Irving, Debbie Nelson

The Sick: Judy, Indy, Natasha, Brian, Imogen, Bridget, Gabriel, Richard, Patsy, Claude, Paul, Leslie, Sophi, Hilary, Edward, Norman. The Elderly & Housebound:

Vera, Rupert, Godfrey, Sylvia, Cleo, Arlette.

The Recently Departed: Fr Neil Dawson, Valerie Lawrence, Wessel Thomas, Paula Teodorescu; and whose Year's Mind occurs at this time: Joseph Tullock, Beryl Wells

PARISH MASS - ORDER OF SERVICE

As the bell rings, the Altar party enters.

Please stand, if you are able.

We sing:

I My song is love unknown,
My Saviour's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown,
That they might lovely be.
O, who am I,
That for my sake
My Lord should take
Frail flesh, and die?

4 They rise, and needs will have
My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save,
The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful he
To suffering goes,
That he his foes
From thence might free.

2 He came from his blest throne,
Salvation to bestow:
But men made strange, and none
The longed-for Christ would know.
But O, my Friend,
My Friend indeed,
Who at my need
His life did spend!

5 Here might I stay and sing,
No story so divine;
Never was love, dear King,
Never was grief like thine!
This is my Friend,
In whose sweet praise
I all my days
Could gladly spend.

3 Sometimes they strew his way,
And his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day
Hosannas to their King.
Then 'Crucify!'
Is all their breath,
And for his death
They thirst and cry.

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:
God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us. Let us then show our love for him by
confessing 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 then say

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

The priest returns to the front and says:

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon and forgiveness of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

OPENING PRAYER FOR THIS SUNDAY

Let us pray. Silence, then:

Most merciful God,

who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ

delivered and saved the world:

grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross

we may triumph in the power of his victory;

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 for the IST READING A reading from the book of Isaiah (43.16–21)

¹⁶ Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, 17 who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸ Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. 19 I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰ The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert. to give drink to my chosen people,

the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

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

2ND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians (3.4b-14)

⁴If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

Please stand as the music starts and face the Gospel reading (accounts of Jesus' life & teaching) as it moves to the centre of church.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus!

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I will leave this place and go to my father and say: "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you."

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus!

The Lord be with you: And also with you.

Hear the Gospel ★ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord. (Luke 15.1–3, 11b–32)

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

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:

Christ is our peace.

He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

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 Just as I am, without one plea
But that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidd'st me come to
thee,
O Lamb of God, I come.

2 Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt, Fightings within, and fears without, O Lamb of God, I come.

3 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea all I need, in thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come. 4 Just as I am, thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve:

Because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come.

5 Just as I am (thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down), Now to be thine, yea thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come.

6 Just as I am, of that free love
The breadth, length, depth and height
to prove,
Here for a season then above,
O Lamb of God, I come.

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.

Jesus, true vine and bread of life, ever giving yourself that the world might live, let us share your death and passion:
make us perfect in your love;
now, and forever

Amen.

THE EUCHARIST – HOLY COMMUNION



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):

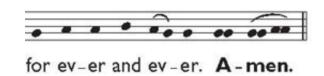
Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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...



THE LORD'S PRAYER



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, lesus Christ.

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

The choir sing, in English or Latin:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins 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

Those who have made their First Communion receive first.

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.

Then we sing:

I 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 Blest through endless ages Be the precious stream, Which from endless torment Doth 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, Hell with terror trembles, Heaven is filled with joy.

7 Lift ye then your voices; Swell the mighty flood; Louder still and louder Praise the precious Blood

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Please stand. Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, 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

THE BLESSING The Lord be with you And also with you

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; 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.**

We sing:

I The royal banners forward go, The Cross shines forth in mystic glow, Where he in flesh, our flesh who made, Our sentence bore, our ransom paid.

2 Where deep for us the spear was dyed, Life's torrent rushing from his side, To wash us in that precious flood, Where mingled water flowed, and blood.

3 Fulfilled is all that David told
In true prophetic song of old,
The universal Lord is he,
Who reigns and triumphs from the tree.

4 O Tree of beauty, Tree of light,
O Tree with royal purple dight,
Elect on whose triumphal breast
Those holy limbs should find their rest!

5 On whose dear arms, so widely flung, The weight of this world's ransom hung, The price of humankind to pay

And spoil the spoiler of his prey.

6 To thee, eternal Three in One, Let homage meet by all be done: Whom by thy Cross thou dost restore, Preserve and govern evermore. Amen.