

St Peter's Church, Streatham – May 11 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.

Our Sunday Morning service is usually live streamed for the benefit of those unable to attend – you may appear on the recording, which is available on our Facebook page.

May 11 Easter 4	8am: Said Mass 10.30am: Parish Mass 11.45am: Annual Parochial Church Meeting 6.30pm Choral Evensong and Benediction
Mon 12	9am: Morning Prayer
Tues 13	7.30am: Said Mass at St Margaret's (SW2 3BH) 9.00am Morning Prayer
Wed 14	9am: Morning Prayer 9.20am: Toddler Church 12.00pm: Said Mass
May 18 Easter 5	8am: Said Mass 10.30am: Parish Mass 11.45 Organ Recital – Luca Myers 6.30pm Choral Evensong and Benediction

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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

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.*

PRAYER CYCLE: to add or remove people, contact Fr Steffan
In our **diocese**, we pray for Holy Cross, Motspur Park, and in the
Anglican Communion, for the Anglican Church of Japan
Birthdays: Edmund Tew, Safiyah Borde-Kuofie, Olivia Suter
(please check sheet for others)
The Sick: Judy, Indy, Natasha, Brian, Imogen, Bridget, Gabriel,
Richard, Patsy, Claude, Paul, Leslie, Sophi, Hilary, Edward,
Norman, June. **The Elderly & Housebound:** Vera, Rupert,
Godfrey, Sylvia, Cleo, Arlette.
Recently Departed: Johnny Birmingham, Teresa Nwokorie &
those whose Year's Mind occurs at this time: Yvonne
Thomas

PARISH MASS – ORDER OF SERVICE

As the bell rings, the Altar party enters. Please stand, if you are able.

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...

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, and then calls us to confession:

Christ our passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.

Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart: *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.** *And we sing:*

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 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. 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 FOR THIS SUNDAY

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 for the 1ST READING

A reading from the book of Acts (Acts 9.36–43)

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha,
which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and
acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they
had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was
near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent

two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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

Psalm 23

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

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. 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

A reading from the Revelation of St John (7.9–end)

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count,
from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages,
standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white,
with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud
voice, saying,

‘Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to
the Lamb!’

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the
elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces
before the throne and worshipped God, ¹²singing,

‘Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honour
and power and might

be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.’

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, ‘Who are these,
robed in white, and where have they come from?’ ¹⁴I said to him,
‘Sir, you are the one that knows.’ Then he said to me, ‘These are
they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed
their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶ They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷ for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd,

and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

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.*

Alleluia, Alleluia! **Alleluia, Alleluia!** My sheep listen to my
voice;

I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life.

Alleluia, 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. (10.22–30)

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem.
It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico
of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him,
'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah,
tell us plainly.' ²⁵Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not
believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to
me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my
sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow
me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one
will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me
is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's
hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one.'

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:

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.

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.

1 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 '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.

4 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.**

Risen Lord Jesus Christ, we believe you, and all we have heard is
true. When you break bread may we recognize you as the fire
that burns within us, that we may bring light to your world.

Amen.

THE EUCHARIST – HOLY COMMUNION



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.**

The choir sing, in English or Latin:

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us
Lamb of God, who takes 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.

Then we sing:

1 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 faithful
His 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: **Thanks be to God.**

We sing:

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise, (x2)
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of his grace! (x3)

2 Jesus--the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

3 He speaks; and, listening to his voice,
New life the dead receive,
The mournful broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe.

4 My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim
And spread through all the earth abroad
The honours of thy name.

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