

SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023, 10:00AM

WELCOME

We are delighted to welcome you to St Peter's this morning, as we celebrate together the Eucharist—the Mass—the gift of Christ's presence with us in bread and in wine. Today we celebrate the baptism of Ayaan and Vivian, and extend a warm welcome to their friends and family.

You are especially welcome if you are worshipping with us for the first time. Do say hello after the service as we share tea and coffee, meeting with friends new and old.

In this service, we invite you to say the words together and to stand and sit as indicated if you are able. However, you are also welcome to stay seated throughout if you prefer. Please feel free to take this service order home with you as a reminder of the occasion or an aid to prayer.

If you have brought small children, thank you! Feel free to explore the space with them, and to use the toys and books provided at the back of Church.



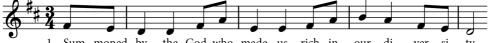
a church which worships, nurtures, and takes action

The church is open every day from 9am - 6pm for silent prayer and reflection.

GATHERING

Sing a New Church

please stand and sing



- 1. Sum-moned by the God who made us, rich in our di - ver - si - ty,
- the good-ness of cre - a - tion; trust the 2. Trust spir - it strong with - in.
- 3. Bring the hopes of ev - 'ry na - tion; bring the art of ev - 'ry race.
- 4. Draw to - geth - er ta - ble all the hu - man fam - i - ly; at one



- Dare to dream the vi - sion prom - ised, sprung from seed of what has been.
- song of peace and jus - tice; let it sound through time and
- space. shape a cir - cle ev - er wid - er and peo - ple ev - er free.





music: NETTLETON, John Wyeth; words: Robert Robinson, alt. Martin Madan

Celebrant In the name of the +Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

AllAmen

Celebrant The Lord be with you

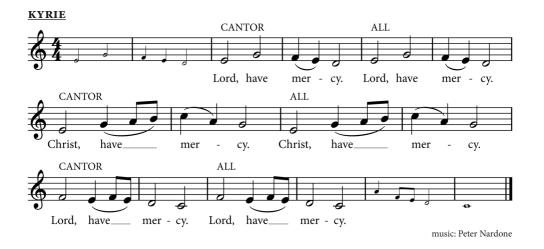
AllAnd also with you

WELCOME

CONFESSION

Celebrant Let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate these sacred mysteries.

All 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.



Celebrant May Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, +have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen



music: Philip Ledger

COLLECT

Celebrant

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All



FIRST READING

Exodus 24.12-end

please be seated

Reader

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.' Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Reader

This is the word of the Lord

All

Thanks be to God

PSALM 2





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Cantor Why are the nations in tumult,

and why do the peoples devise | a vain | plot?

The kings of the earth rise up, and the rulers take counsel together, against the | Lord and | against his | anointed:

'Let us break their bonds asunder and cast away their | cords from | us.' He who dwells in heaven shall laugh them to scorn;

the Lord | shall have | them in | derision. R/

Then shall he speak to them in his wrath

and terrify them | in his | fury:

'Yet have I set my king upon | my holy | hill of | Zion.'

I will proclaim the decree of the Lord;

he said to me: 'You are my Son; this day have \mid I begotten \mid you.

'Ask of me and I will give you the nations for your inheritance and the ends of | the earth | for your | possession. R/

'You shall break them with a rod of iron

and dash them in pieces like | a potter's | vessel.'

Now therefore be wise, O kings;

be prudent, | you judges | of the | earth.

Serve the Lord with fear, and with trembling kiss his feet,

lest he be angry and you perish from the way, for his wrath | is quickly | kindled.

Happy are all they | who take | refuge in | him. R/

SECOND READING

2 Peter 1.16-end

Reader A reading from the second letter of Peter

> For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased. We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Reader This is the word of the Lord

AllThanks be to God

GRADUAL HYMN

Alleluia, Song of Gladness

please stand and sing



ev - er sing - ing

mourn - ing ex - iles

al - le - lu - ia

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GOSPEL Matthew 17.1-9



music: Philip Ledger

Celebrant

The Lord be with you

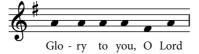
All



Celebrant

A reading from the holy gospel according to St Matthew

All



Celebrant

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' 8And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All



SERMON

Fr Simon Cuff please be seated

BAPTISMAL RITE

please stand

Celebrant Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me. Do not stop them'. We

thank God for *N*. who have come to be baptized today. Parents and Godparents, I ask you on behalf of *N*., do you wish to be baptised?

Parents & I do Godparents

Celebrant Faith is the gift of God to his people. In baptism the Lord is adding to

our number those whom he is calling. People of God, will you welcome

N. and uphold them in their new life in Christ?

All With the help of God we will

Celebrant Parents and godparents, the Church receives N. with joy. Today we are

trusting God for their growth in faith. Will you pray for them, draw them by your example into the community of faith and walk with them

in the way of Christ?

Parents & With the help of God, we will

Godparents

Celebrant In baptism *N*. begins their journey in faith. You speak for them today.

Will you care for them, and help them to take their place within the life

and worship of Christ's Church?

Parents & With the help of God, we will

Godparents

THE DECISION

Celebrant In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.

To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Therefore I ask:

Celebrant Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

Parents & I reject them

Godparents

Celebrant Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

Parents & I renounce them

Godparents

Celebrant Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

Parents & I repent of them

Godparents

Celebrant Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

Parents & I turn to Christ

Godparents

Celebrant Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

Parents & I submit to Christ

Godparents

Celebrant Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

Parents & I come to Christ

Godparents

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

Celebrant Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross. Do not be

ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

All Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ against sin, the world and the

devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

Celebrant May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, restore in

you the image of his glory, and lead you in the light and obedience of

Christ.

All Amen

PRAYER OVER THE WATER

Celebrant Praise God who made heaven and earth,

All who keeps his promise for ever.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Celebrant We thank you, almighty God, for the gift of water to sustain, refresh

and cleanse all life. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the Promised Land. In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us from the death of sin to newness of life. We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we baptise into his fellowship those who come to him in faith. Now sanctify this water that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, they may be cleansed from sin and born again. Renewed in your image, may they walk by the light of faith and continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

All Amen

PROFESSION OF FAITH & SPRINKLING

Celebrant Dear friends, I ask you to profess together with N. the faith of the

Church. Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

All I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius

by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the

living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the

communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the

body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Celebrant This is the faith of the Church.

All This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and

Holy Spirit.

We are sprinkled with the newly blessed water as we are reminder of our own baptism and membership of God's family, the Church, as we prepare to celebrate the baptism of the newest members of God's Church!

BAPTISM

Celebrant N., I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the

Holy Spirit.

You have been clothed with Christ. As many as are baptised into Christ have put on Christ.

ANOINTING

Celebrant May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church, pour

upon you the riches of his grace, that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit, and

come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.

All Amen

Celebrant May the Lord Jesus, who made the deaf to hear and the mute to speak,

grant that you may soon receive his word with your ears and profess the faith with your lips, to the glory and praise of God the Father.

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All Amen

WELCOME

Celebrant There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: N., by one Spirit we are all

baptised into one body.

All We welcome you into the fellowship of faith; we are children of the

same heavenly Father; we welcome you.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

please kneel or remain standing

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord

All Hear our prayer and may thy light perpetual

shine upon them

May they rest in peace

And rise in glory

Intercessor Merciful Father

All Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,

our Saviour Jesus Christ, Amen

PEACE

please stand

Celebrant Christ is our peace. We meet in Christ's name, and share in Christ's

peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you

OFFERTORY HYMN

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

please remain standing to sing



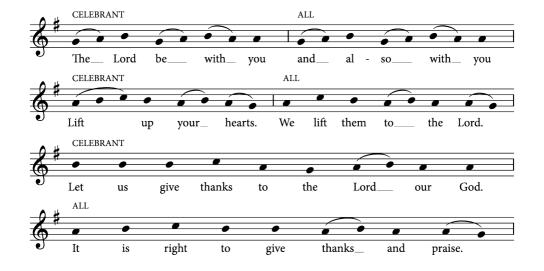
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PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant

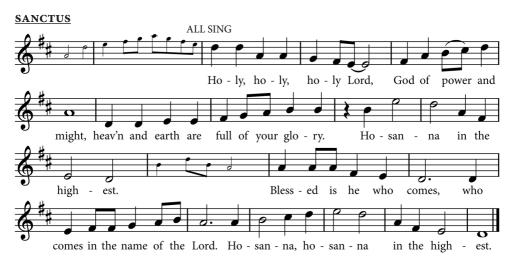
As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now united on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom, we ask this through Christ our Lord.





Celebrant

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For in you we live and move and have our being, and while in this body we not only experience the daily effects of your care, but even now possess the pledge of life eternal. For, having received the first fruits of the Spirit, through whom you raised up Jesus from the dead, we hope for an everlasting share in the Paschal Mystery. And so, with all the Angels, we praise you, as in joyful celebration we acclaim:



Celebrant

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord. As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced a people as your own. When we turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast. From us you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary, to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied. He offered his life for sinners, and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross. Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who on the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

+Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:

+Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

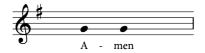


music: Peter Nardone

Celebrant

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Mary our Lady, Peter our Patron, and all God's saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All



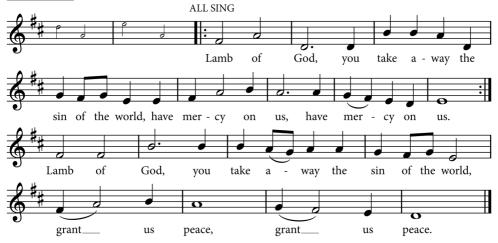
LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

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Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen

AGNUS DEI



music: Peter Nardone

Celebrant Behold, Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

All who have been admitted to Communion and receive Communion in their home churches are welcome to receive Communion at St Peter's.

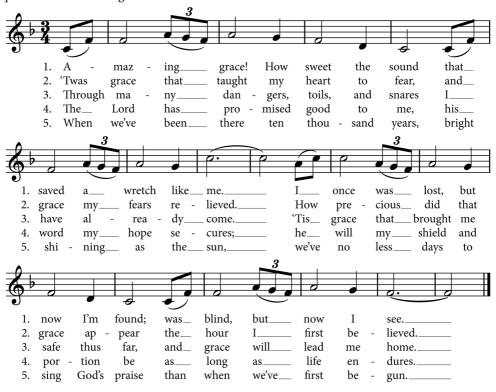
Children and those who do not wish to receive Communion are welcome to come forward to Fr Simon for a blessing. Please indicate you would like a blessing by, for example, folding your arms across your chest.

Communion is administered in both forms: bread and wine. If you wish to receive from the chalice, please drink directly rather than dipping the bread into the cup. If you feel at all unwell or have been in close contact with someone who is unwell please refrain from receiving from the chalice.

COMMUNION HYMN

Amazing Grace

please be seated to sing



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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

please kneel or stand

Celebrant

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All



Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

NOTICES

please be seated

GIVING OF A SIGN OF LIGHT OF BAPTISM

please kneel or stand

Celebrant

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light. You have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

All Shine as a light in the world, to the glory of God the Father.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

please stand

Celebrant The Lord be with you

All And also with you

Celebrant The blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen

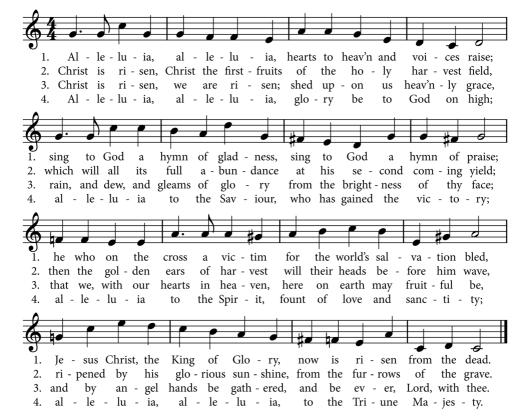
Celebrant Go in the peace of Christ

All



CLOSING HYMN

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven and Voices Raise please remain standing to sing



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ORGAN POSTLUDE

Please remain standing as the procession passes, after which you are welcome to sit and listen to the organ postlude.

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THIS WEEK

Morning and Evening Prayer 20 minutes of prayer and reflection to begin and end the day. All are welcome. 8:30am and 5:30pm, Monday-Wednesday and Friday.

<u>Traditional Language Eucharist</u> Celebrated on Wednesday at 9:00am, with imposition of ashes.

<u>Saturday Morning Series</u> Continues with *Conversation* on Saturday, February 26th at 10:00am, a short time of *lectio divina* - a chance to reflect together on some aspect of life or faith.

Ash Wednesday, 22nd February at 7:00pm Sung Mass with imposition of ashes.

<u>Next Sunday, February 26th at 10:00am</u> First Sunday of Lent. Noisy Church for children continues during term time.

TOILET AND BABY-CHANGING

Accessible toilets and baby-changing facilities are available downstairs in the crypt, via the ramp at the north side of the Church.

NOISY CHURCH FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

A great way to have fun, ask questions, and explore life and faith! All children are welcome. Children must be accompanied by a parent or carer for their first time and then subsequently if under Reception age.

CONTACT US

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ST PETER'S MISSION & MINISTRY



ST PETER'S WARM WEEKDAYS



ST PETER'S MUSIC & WORSHIP

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