

HOLY SATURDAY
SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2025, 7:30PM

ST PETER DE BEAUVOIR TOWN

a church which worships, nurtures, and takes action

WELCOME

We are delighted to welcome you to St Peter's this evening, as we celebrate the gift of Christ's presence with us in this Mass in bread and wine. You are especially welcome if this is your first time worshipping with us. Do say hello after the service as we share tea and coffee.

In this service, you are invited to stand and sit as indicated as you are able. However, you are also welcome to stay seated throughout if you prefer.

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.

The church is open every day from 9am - 5pm for silent prayer and reflection.

CRAFTY CHURCH FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Our offering for primary school aged children meets downstairs in term time to explore faith with craft and a snack.

TOILET AND BABY-CHANGING

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







GATHER IN SILENCE

Celebrant

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, to you be glory and praise for ever. Your steadfast love extends to the heavens and your faithfulness never ceases. Illuminate our hearts with your wisdom and strengthen our lives with your word, for you are the fountain of life; in your light we see true light.

All Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Celebrant

This is the night in which our Lord Jesus Christ passed over from death to life. The Church invites her members, dispersed throughout the world, to gather in vigil and prayer. For this is the Passover of the Lord, in which through word and sacrament we share in his victory over death. As we await the risen Christ, let us hear the record of God's saving deeds in history, recalling how he saved his people in ages past and in the fullness of time sent his Son to be our Redeemer. Let us pray that through this Easter celebration God may bring to perfection in each of us the saving work he has begun.

FIRST READING

Genesis 1.1-2.4a

please be seated

Reader A reading from the book of Genesis

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, 'Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.' So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, 'Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.' And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and

fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.' And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, 'Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.' And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, 'Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.' So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, 'Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.' And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.' And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.'

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very

good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens.

Reader This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

PSALM 136





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- Cantor
- Who remembered us when we | were in | trouble : for his | mercy en- | dures for | ever;
- 24 And delivered us | from our | enemies : for his | mercy · en- | dures for | ever;
- 25 Who gives food | to all | creatures : for his | mercy · en- | dures for | ever.
- Give thanks to the | God of | heaven : for his | mercy · en- | dures for | ever. R/

Celebrant

Almighty ever-living God, who are wonderful in the ordering of all your works, may those you have redeemed understand that there exists nothing more marvelous than the world's creation in the beginning except that, at the end of the ages, Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.



SECOND READING

Genesis 22.1-18

please be seated

Reader A reading from the book of Genesis

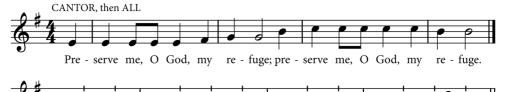
After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, 'Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt-offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt-offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, 'Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.' Abraham took the wood of the burnt-offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, 'Father!' And he said, 'Here I am, my son.' He said, 'The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt-offering?' Abraham said, 'God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt-offering, my son.' So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac. and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, 'Abraham, Abraham!' And he said, 'Here I am.' He said, 'Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.' And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt-offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place 'The Lord will provide'; as it is said to this day, 'On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.' The angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven, and said, 'By myself I have sworn, says the Lord: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as

the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies, and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice.'

Reader This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

PSALM 16



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Cantor

- Preserve me, O God, for in you have I | taken | refuge : I have said to the Lord, 'You are my lord, all my | good de- | pends on | you.'
- All my delight is upon the godly that are | in the | land : upon those | who are | noble in | heart.
- Though the idols are legion
 that | many · run | after :
 their drink offerings of blood I will not offer,
 neither make mention of their | names up- | on my | lips.
- The Lord himself is my portion | and my | cup : in your hands a-| lone | is my | fortune. R/

Celebrant

O God, supreme Father of the faithful, who increase the children of your promise by pouring out the grace of adoption throughout the whole world and who through the Paschal Mystery make your servant Abraham the father of nations, as once you swore, grant, we pray, that your peoples may enter worthily into the grace to which you call them, through Christ our Lord.





THIRD READING

Exodus 14.10-end; 15.20, 21

please be seated

Reader A reading from the book of Exodus

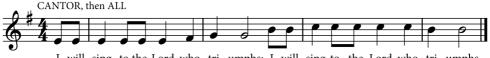
As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the Lord. They said to Moses, 'Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, "Let us alone and let us serve the Egyptians"? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.' But Moses said to the people, 'Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the Lord will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you see today you shall never see again. The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to keep still.' Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Why do you cry out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. But you lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the Israelites may go into the sea on dry ground. Then I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them; and so I will gain glory for myself over Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots, and his chariot drivers. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gained glory for myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his chariot drivers.' The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, 'Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt.' Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come

back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.' So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea: not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses. Then the prophet Miriam, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine in her hand; and all the women went out after her with tambourines and with dancing. And Miriam sang to them: 'Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously; horse and rider he has thrown into the sea.'

Reader This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

EXODUS 15



I will sing to the Lord who tri-umphs; I will sing to the Lord who tri-umphs.



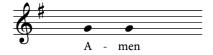
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- Cantor
- 2 The Lord is my strength | and my | might, and he has be- | come | my sal- | vation; this is my God, and I will | praise | him, my father's God, | and I | will ex- | alt him.
- 3 The Lord | is a | warrior; the | **Lord** | is his | name.
- 6 Your right hand, O Lord, | glorious · in | power—your right hand, O | Lord, | shattered · the | enemy. R/

Celebrant

O God, whose ancient wonders remain undimmed in splendour even in our day, for what you once bestowed on a single people, freeing them from Pharoah's persecution by the power of your right hand, now you bring about as the salvation of the nations through the waters of rebirth, grant, we pray, that the whole world may become children of Abraham and inherit the dignity of Israel's birthright, through Christ our Lord.

All



FOURTH READING

Ezekiel 36.24-28

please be seated

Reader A reading from the book of Ezekiel

I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Reader

This is the word of the Lord

All

Thanks be to God

Gather outside to light the Easter Fire.

LIGHTING & BLESSING OF THE EASTER FIRE

Celebrant Eternal God, who made this most holy night to shine with the

brightness of your one true light: sanctify this new fire we pray, and by our Easter celebrations set us aflame with the fire of your love and bring us to the radiance of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ

our Lord.

All Amen

Celebrant Christ yesterday and today, the beginning and the end, Alpha and

Omega, all time belongs to him, and all ages; to him be glory and

power, through every age and for ever.

All Amen

Celebrant By his holy and glorious wounds may Christ our Lord guard and keep us.

All Amen

LIGHTING OF THE EASTER CANDLE

Celebrant May the light of Christ, rising in glory, banish all darkness from our

hearts and minds.

All Amen

PROCESSION OF CANDLE INTO CHURCH

We make three stations as we welcome the light of the

Resurrection into Church.

Deacon The light of Christ

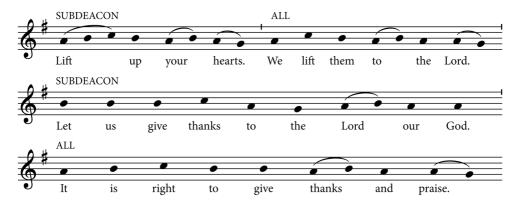
All
Thanks be to God

THE EXULTET

please remain standing

Subdeacon

Exult, let them exult, the hosts of heaven, exult, let Angel ministers of God exult, let the trumpet of salvation sound aloud our mighty King's triumph! Be glad, let earth be glad, as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King, let all corners of the earth be glad, knowing an end to gloom and darkness. Rejoice, let Mother Church also rejoice, arrayed with the lightning of his glory, let this holy building shake with joy, filled with the mighty voices of the peoples. Therefore, dearest friends, standing in the awesome glory of this holy light, invoke with me, I ask you, the mercy of God almighty, that he, may pour into me his light unshadowed, that I may sing this candle's perfect praises.



It is truly right and just, with ardent love of mind and heart and with devoted service of our voice, to acclaim our God invisible, the almighty Father, and Jesus Christ, our Lord, his Son, his Only Begotten. Who for our sake paid Adam's debt to the eternal Father, and, pouring out his own dear Blood, wiped clean the record of our ancient sinfulness. These, then, are the feasts of Passover, in which is slain the Lamb, the one true Lamb, whose Blood anoints the doorposts of believers. This is the night, when once you led our forebears, Israel's children, from slavery in Egypt and made them pass dry-shod through the Red Sea. This is the night that with a pillar of fire banished the darkness of sin. This is the night that even now, throughout the world, sets Christian believers apart from worldly vices and from the gloom of sin, leading them to grace and joining them to his holy ones. This is the night, when Christ broke the prison-bars of death and rose victorious from the underworld. Our birth would have been no gain, had we not been

redeemed. O wonder of your humble care for us! O love, O charity beyond all telling, to ransom a slave you gave away your Son! O truly necessary sin of Adam, destroyed completely by the Death of Christ! O happy fault that earned so great, so glorious a Redeemer! O truly blessed night, worthy alone to know the time and hour when Christ rose from the underworld! This is the night of which it is written: The night shall be as bright as day, dazzling is the night for me, and full of gladness. The sanctifying power of this night dispels wickedness, washes faults away, restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to mourners, drives out hatred, fosters concord, and brings down the mighty. On this, your night of grace, O holy Father, accept this candle, a solemn offering, the work of bees and of your servants' hands, an evening sacrifice of praise, this gift from your most holy Church. But now we know the praises of this pillar, which glowing fire ignites for God's honour, a fire into many flames divided, yet never dimmed by sharing of its light, for it is fed by melting wax, drawn out by mother bees to build a torch so precious. O truly blessed night, when things of heaven are wed to those of earth, and divine to the human. Therefore, O Lord, we pray you that this candle, hallowed to the honour of your name, may persevere undimmed, to overcome the darkness of this night. Receive it as a pleasing fragrance, and let it mingle with the lights of heaven. May this flame be found still burning by the Morning Star: the one Morning Star who never sets, Christ your Son, who, coming back from death's domain, has shed his peaceful light on humanity, and lives and reigns for ever and ever.





PROCLAMATION OF THE EASTER ALLELUIA

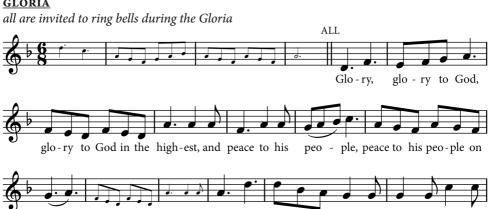


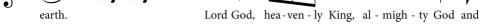
Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

AllHe is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

When the lights turn on, candles may be extinguished.







Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God,



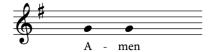
music: Margaret Rizza

COLLECT

Celebrant

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

All



EPISTLE

Romans 6.3-11

please be seated

Reader

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Reader

This is the word of the Lord

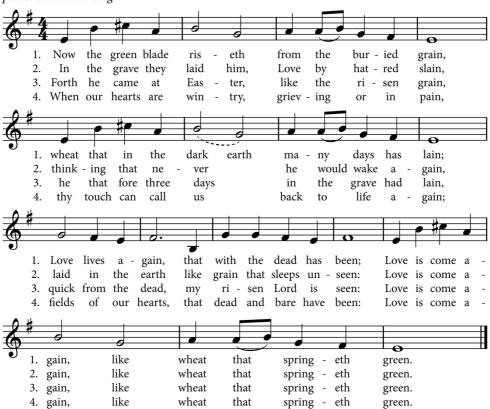
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Thanks be to God

GRADUAL HYMN

Now the Green Blade Riseth

please stand and sing



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GOSPEL

Mark 16.1-8

please stand

Cantor, then All



Deacon

The Lord be with you

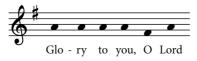
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Deacon

A reading from the holy gospel according to St Mark

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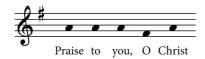


Deacon

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All



HOMILY OF S. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

please be seated

Reader

Is there anyone here who is a devout lover of God? Let them enjoy this beautiful bright festival. Is there anyone who is a grateful servant? Let them rejoice and enter into the joy of their Lord! Are there any now weary with fasting? Let them now receive their wages! If they have toiled from the first hour, let them receive their due reward; If any have come after the third hour, let them with gratitude join in the Feast! And they that arrived after the sixth hour, let them not doubt; for they shall have sustained no loss. And if any have delayed until the ninth hour, let them not hesitate; but let them come too. And they who arrived only at the eleventh hour, let them not be afraid by reason of their delay. For the Lord is gracious and receives the last even as the first. He gives rest to those who come at the eleventh hour, as well as to those who toiled from the first. To this one he gives, and upon another he bestows. He accepts the work as he greets the endeavour. The deed he honours and the intention he commends. Let us all enter into the joy of the Lord! First and last alike receive your reward; rich and poor, rejoice together! Sober and slothful, celebrate the day! You that have fasted, and you that have not fasted, rejoice today for the Table is richly laden! Feast royally on it, the calf is a fatted one. Let no one go away hungry; partake, all, of the cup of faith. Enjoy all the riches of His goodness! Let no one grieve at his poverty, for the universal kingdom has been revealed.

Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again; for forgiveness has risen from the grave. Let no one fear death, for the death of our Saviour has set us free. He has destroyed it by enduring it. He destroyed Hades when he descended into it. He put it into an uproar even as it tasted of His flesh. Isaiah foretold this when he said, You, O Hell, have been troubled by encountering Him below. Hell was in an uproar because it was done away with. It was in an uproar, because it was mocked. It was in an uproar, for it was destroyed. It is in an uproar, for it is annihilated. It is in an uproar because it is now made captive. Hell took a body, and it discovered God. It took earth, and encountered Heaven. It took what it saw, and was overcome by what it did not see. O death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory? Christ is risen, and you, O death, are annihilated! Christ is

risen, and the evil ones are cast down! Christ is risen, and the angels rejoice! Christ is risen, and life is liberated! Christ is risen, and the tomb is emptied of its dead; for Christ, having risen from the dead, is become the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep. To Him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen!

BLESSING OF THE FONT

please stand

Celebrant Dearly beloved, let us humbly invoke upon this font the grace of God

the almighty Father, that those who from it are born anew may be

numbered among the children of adoption in Christ.

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 Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ was baptised in the river

Jordan, we thank you for the gift of water to cleanse us and revive us. We thank you that through the waters of the Red Sea you led your people out of slavery to freedom in the Promised Land. We thank you that through the deep waters of death you brought your Son, and raised him to life in triumph. Bless this water, that your servants who are washed in it may be made one with Christ in his death and in his resurrection, to be cleansed and delivered from all sin. Send your Holy Spirit upon them, bring them to new birth in the household of faith and raise them with Christ to full and eternal life; for all might, majesty, authority and power are yours, now and for ever.

All Amen

We are sprinkled with the blessed water as a reminder of our baptism, our sharing in Christ's death and resurrection.

Celebrant Dear friends, I ask you to profess 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 Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the

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 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.

Alleluia. The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

All and also with you. Alleluia.

OFFERTORY HYMN

At the Lamb's High Feast, We Sing

please remain standing to sing



- 1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our vic tor ious King,
- 2. Where the pas chal blood is poured, death's dark an gel sheathes his sword;
- 3. Might-y vic tim from a-bove, con-qu'ring by the pow'r of love;
- 4. East er tri umph, East er joy, noth ing now can this des troy;



- 1. who hath washed us in the tide flow-ing from his pier-ced side;
- 2. faith ful hosts tri umph ant go through the wave that drowns the foe.
- 3. thou hast tri umphed in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light.
- 4. from sin's pow'r do thou set free souls new-born, O Lord, in thee.



- 1. praise we him, whose love di vine gives his sa cred blood for wine,
- 2. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, pas chal vic tim, pas chal bread;
- 3. Now no more can death ap pal, now no more the grave en thral:
- 4. Hymns of glo ry and of praise, ris en Lord, to thee we raise;



- 1. gives his bo dy for the feast, Christ the vic tim, Christ the priest.
- 2. with sin cer i ty and love eat we man na from a bove.
- 3. thou hast o pened par a dise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.
- 4. ho ly Fa ther, praise to thee, with the Spir it, ev er be

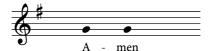
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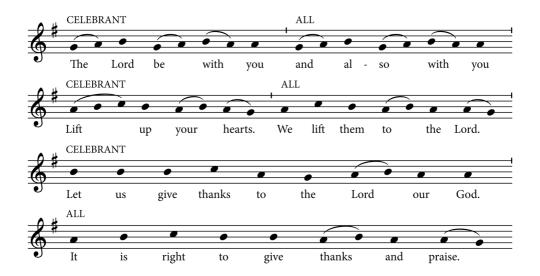
PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant

Lord of life, with unbounded joy we offer you our sacrifice of praise. As we are fed with the bread of heaven may we know your resurrection power; through Christ our risen Lord.

All





Celebrant

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but on this night above all to laud you yet more gloriously when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. For he is the true Lamb who has taken away the sins of the world; by dying, he has destroyed our death, and by rising restored our life. Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as they 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



ri - sen: Christ will come a - gain.

music: Margaret Rizza

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:

All

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



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

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, Allbut 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

This Joyful Eastertide

please be seated to sing



music: traditional Dutch, arr. Charles Wood; words: George Ratcliffe Woodward; © Copyright Control

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

please kneel or stand

Celebrant

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All



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.

NOTICES

please be seated

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

please stand

Celebrant The Lord be with you

All And also with you

Celebrant The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal

covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and

remain with you always.

All Amen

Deacon Go in the peace of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia

All

Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia

CLOSING HYMN

Thine Be The Glory

please remain standing to sing



music: MACCABAEUS, George Frideric Handel; words: À toi la gloire by Edmond Louis Budry; text © Copyright Control

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Do stay for a glass of fizz (alcoholic and non-alcoholic varieties availanble) at the back of Church to toast the Resurrection! Alleluia!

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THIS WEEK

St Peter's isn't only a church on Sundays! We've a range of services and opportunities for worship throughout the week, and all day, every day for prayer and stillness. Why not try to add one of two of the services below to your weekly routine? Most are only 20 minutes and can transform your daily routine.

Our <u>Saturday Morning Series</u> continues with *Conversation* on Saturday April 26 at 10:00am - as we welcome Zrinka Bralo, CEO of Migrants Organise, to lead us in Conversation on the theme of Justice. All welcome.

Next Sunday, April 27 at 10:00am, the <u>Second Sunday of Easter</u>. All welcome. <u>Crafty Church</u> for primary-aged children takes place downstairs in the Crypt each Sunday in term time.

<u>Fr Simon's Farewell Evensong & Benediction</u> followed by Fizz takes place on Saturday April 26 at 3:00pm. Please do come along.

MONDAY 8:30am 5:30pm	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	20 mins 20 mins	CONTACT US Visit www.stpeterdebeauvoir.org.uk to find out about St Peter's and sign up to our e-newsletter. Other contacts:
8:30am 5:30pm	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	20 mins 20 mins	Fr Simon, our Vicar: <u>frsimon@stpeterdebeauvoir.org.uk</u> Aesha, our Community Organiser:
8:30am 9:00am 5:30pm FRIDAY 8:30am 5:30pm	Morning Prayer Traditional Mass Evening Prayer Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	20 mins 30 mins 20 mins 20 mins 20 mins	communityorganiser@ stpeterdebeauvoir.org.uk Robbie, our Parish Administrator: office@stpeterdebeauvoir.org.uk Ryan, our Music Director: musicdirector@stpeterdebeauvoir.org.uk
SATURDAY 10:00am Morning Series Healing, Silence, Scripture, & Conversation SUNDAY 10:00am Parish Mass 60 mins 6:00pm Choral Compline 20 mins first Sunday of each month		60 mins 20 mins	BOOK OUR SPACES For enquiries about hiring our spaces, visit the Spaces for Hire page on our website: stpeterdebeauvoir.org.uk