

SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025, 10:00AM EASTER

# ST PETER DE BEAUVOIR TOWN

a church which worships, nurtures, and takes action

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.







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## WELCOME

We are delighted to welcome you to St Peter's this Easter morning, 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.

#### INTROIT

## God Be In My Head

please remain seated

Choir

God be in my head and in my understanding. God by in my eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in my heart and in my thinking. God be at mine end and at my departing.

music: John Rutter; words: traditional English prayer, from Sarum Primer; © 1970 Oxford University Press, Inc.

## **OPENING HYMN**

## Thine Be The Glory

please stand and sing



 $music: \texttt{MACCABAEUS}, \textbf{George Frideric Handel}; \textbf{words: } \textbf{\^{A}} \textit{ toi la gloire} \textbf{ by Edmond Louis Budry}; \textbf{text} \textbf{@ Copyright Control Particle Pa$ 

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

All Amen

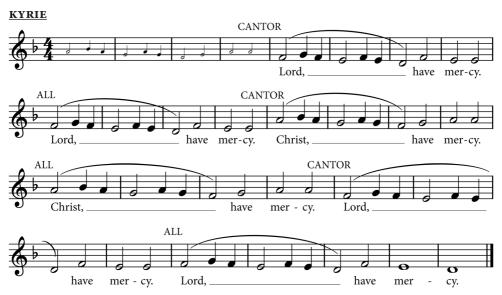
Celebrant The Lord be with you

All And also with you

## WELCOME AND 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.



music: Margaret Rizza

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







## **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.



## FIRST READING

## Isaiah 65.17-end

please be seated

Reader

A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth: the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Reader

This is the word of the Lord

All

Thanks be to God

## PSALM 118.1-2, 14-24

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The stone that the build-ers re-ject-ed has be-come the chief cor-ner-stone.



music: The De Beauvoir Psalter, Ryan Connolly; © 2025

#### Cantor

- O give thanks to the Lord, for | he is | good : his steadfast | love en- | dures for | ever!
- 14 The Lord is my strength | and my | might : he has be- | **come** | my sal- | vation.
- There are glad songs of victory in the tents | of the | righteous : 'The right hand | of the | Lord does | valiantly; R/
- the right hand of the Lord | is ex- | alted : the right hand | of the | Lord does | valiantly.'
- 17 I shall not die, but | I shall | live : and recount the | **deeds** | of the | Lord.
- 18 The Lord has punished | me se- | verely : but he did not | give me | over · to | death.
- Open to me the | gates of | righteousness: that I may enter through them and give | thanks | to the | Lord. R/
- 20 This is the gate | of the | Lord : the righteous shall | enter | **through** | it.
- 21 I thank you that you have | answered | me : and have be- | **come** | my sal- | vation.
- 22 The stone that the | builders · re- | jected : has be- | come the | **chief** | cornerstone.
- 23 This is the | Lord's | doing : it is | marvel-·lous | in our | eyes.
- †24 This is the day that the | Lord has | made : let us rejoice | and be | glad in | it. **R**/

## SECOND READING

## Acts 10.34-43

Reader A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

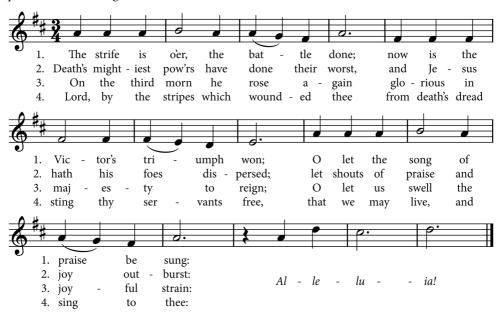
*Reader* This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

## **GRADUAL HYMN**

# The Strife is O'er, The Battle Done

please stand and sing



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## **GOSPEL**

## John 20.1-18







music: Margaret Rizza

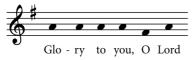
Celebrant The Lord be with you

All



Celebrant A reading from the holy gospel according to St John

All



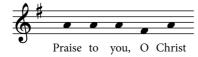
Celebrant

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the

feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." 'Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All



## **SERMON**

## Fr Simon Cuff

please be seated

## BAPTISMAL RITE (IF CANDIDATES ARE TO BE BAPTISED)

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 & Godparents

With the help of God, we will

## RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

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?

All I reject them

Celebrant Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

All I renounce them

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

All I repent of them

Celebrant Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

All I turn to Christ

Celebrant Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

All I submit to Christ

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

All I come to Christ

## SIGNING WITH THE CROSS (IF THERE ARE CANDIDATES FOR BAPTISM)

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

## **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 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, and as we celebrate the baptism of the newest members of God's Church!

## **BAPTISM (IF THERE ARE CANDIDATES FOR 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 (IF THERE ARE CANDIDATES FOR BAPTISM)

*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.

All Amen

## WELCOME (IF THERE ARE CANDIDATES FOR BAPTISM)

*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.

**PEACE** 

please stand

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

Celebrant Let us show to one another a sign of that peace

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN**

## Alleluia, Alleluia, Hearts to Heaven and Voices Raise

please remain standing to sing



music: LUX EOI, Arthur Seymour Sullivan; words: Christopher Wordsworth; © 2004 Kevin Mayhew Ltd.

#### **OFFERTORY**

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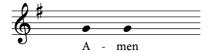


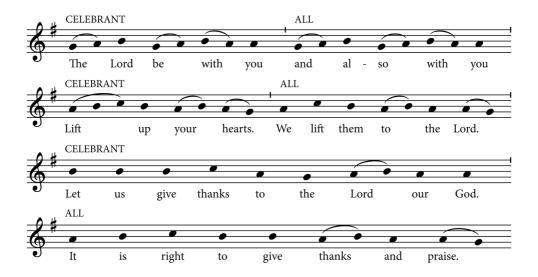
## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

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 at this time 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



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 honour 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**



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 are welcome to receive Communion at St Peter's. If you do not receive Communion or would prefer a blessing, please bring this service sheet with you or fold your arms across your chest to let us know. If you wish to receive from the chalice, please drink directly rather than dipping the host. If you feel unwell please do not receive the cup.

## **COMMUNION ANTHEM**

# This Joyful Eastertide

please remain seated

Choir

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow! My love, the crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.

Had Christ, that once was slain, Ne'er burst his three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now hath Christ arisen.

My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber: Till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.

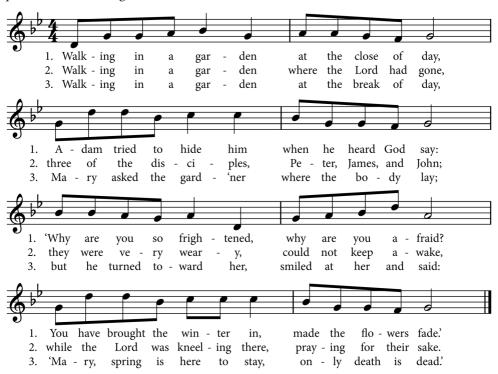
Death's flood has lost his chill, since Jesus crossed the river; Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver.

music: John Rutter; words: traditional English prayer, from Sarum Primer; © 1970 Oxford University Press, Inc.

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

# Walking In a Garden

please be seated to sing



music: NOËL NOUVELET, traditional French, arr. John Rombaut; words: Hilary Greenwood; © 1986 Kevin Mayhew Ltd.

## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

please kneel or stand

Celebrant

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

# GIVING OF A SIGN OF LIGHT OF BAPTISM (IF THERE ARE NEWLY BAPTISED) 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 God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given

us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the +Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you

and remain with you always.

All Amen

All

Celebrant Go in the peace of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.

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

## PROCLAMATION OF THE RESURRECTION

In common with our siblings in the Eastern churches, we join to sing the proclamation of the Resurrection to the Blessed Virgin Mary, sharing our Easter hymns of praise.



music: EASTER HYMN, from Lyra Davidica; words: Edward Caswall; © 2004 Kevin Mayhew Ltd.

Celebrant Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia.

All

For the Lord is ris'n in - deed, al - le - lu - ia!

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, his Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord.

All A - men

## **CLOSING HYMN**

# Jesus Christ is Risen Today

please remain standing to sing



## **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**

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.

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>. <u>Crafty Church</u> for primary-aged children takes place in the Crypt each Sunday in term time.

Fr Simon's farewell **Evensong & Benediction** takes place on Saturday, April 26 at 3:00pm. Please come to wish him well and pray for the start of the vacancy. All welcome.

Please join us Sunday May 4 for <u>Compline</u> at 6:00pm: twenty minutes of quiet prayer, choral music, candlelight and silence. Compline is celebrated the first Sunday of each month.

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