



St Peter's
Hammersmith

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(First Sunday in Lent)

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10.30 am

HOLY COMMUNION

Officiant: Revd Charles Clapham
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Chalice: Augustus Savage
Readers: Leslie DuCane, MP Moine
Intercessions: Bola Savage
Children's club: Vanessa Townsend
Coffee: Joanna Woods, Vicky Lambert, Quentin Robey
Flowers: NA

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

Amen.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

We ask God for healing and forgiveness

Wash me thoroughly from my sickness
and cleanse me from my sin:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Make me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me:
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Cast me not away from your presence
and take not your holy spirit from me:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

The choir sings

**Kyrie eleison;
Christe eleison;
Kyrie eleison.**

The priest pronounces the Absolution, and prays the Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Genesis 9.8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.'

God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 1.9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit for the sermon, and stand to affirm our faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Amen.

We sit or kneel for intercessions, with the following responses

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

And at the end,

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Liturgy of the Sacrament

We stand for the peace

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Those who wish to make a donation to the offertory collection are reminded that collection plates and a card reader are available at the back of church at the end of the service, or donate online by scanning the QR code on the back of the order of service.

<p>HYMN 383 <i>Jesu, Lover of my soul (omitting verse 3)</i></p>

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
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 praise God for his mighty acts, and all respond:

**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 recalls the Last Supper, with the acclamation:

Great is the mystery of faith:
**Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

The prayer leads into the doxology, to which all respond:

Amen.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
Thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

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have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take 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.**

Those who wish to receive the wine as well as the wafer are asked to do so through intinction (that is, dipping the wafer into the wine) rather than drinking directly from the chalice. Please ask the priest if you require a gluten-free wafer.

As we receive, the choir sing 'O for the wings of a dove' (Mendelssohn)

HYMN 307	Sweet Sacrament divine
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After all have received, the priest prays the post communion prayer, and we say together

**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.**

We remain seated for notices, and stand for the blessing

HYMN 393	Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
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Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Voluntaries

Before: TBC

After: Mozart - Fantasia in F minor (K 608)

EVENING PRAYER tonight, Sunday 18th February, at 6.30 pm. (Officiant Simon Brooke; reader Alyson Sich; Psalm 77; Genesis 21:1-21; 2 Corinthians 4)

MEN'S THURSDAY lunch meet again on Thursday 22nd February at the Cross Keys. The way the calendar goes in February, this will be a week earlier than might be expected, for a good reason. Thai food with traditional pub food available. Do come if you are available.

Book discussion group for Lent: **"RELIGION FOR ATHEISTS"**, by Alain de Botton. A non-believers's guide to the uses of religion, in which philosopher De Botton explores what the world's great religions have to say about art, community, love, friendship, work, life and death. "A beautiful, inspiring book, offering a glimpse of a more enlightened path" (*Sunday Telegraph*). We'll read and discuss two chapters a week, meeting over five weeks, on Thursdays at 2pm at the Cross Keys Pub, beginning on Thursday 22nd Feb. More details on the website, or talk to the Vicar.

FRESHERS' FAIR, Sunday 25th February. Week after week, all year round, St Peter's is a busy place full of great people doing many different things - flower arranging, singing in the choir, reading the lessons, running children's clubs, making coffee or helping at events - to name but a few. The church depends entirely on its community to thrive and you are very much part of that community. Would you like to know more? We'd love to talk to you about the many practical ways you can help support St Peter's. We're calling it a Fresher's Fair...so come and join in! Next Sunday (25th February) after the Family Service at 9.00 and again after the 10.30 service. Coffee, cakes and treats on offer too.

LEAVING COLLECTION FOR SAM. We are extremely sorry to be losing our much loved Director of Music Sam Hanson, who will be stepping down from St Peter's at Easter this year. He has done a fantastic job over the last five years, and we will miss him hugely. If you would like to contribute towards a leaving gift for Sam, you can donate by credit card via the link on the church website or with cash via the church office.

SUNDAY SUPPERS at Rivercourt Church are in need of good quality coats, jackets, hats, gloves, jumpers, scarves, socks and trainers/boots for their guests, plus small sized toiletries. You can leave donations in church, or call Vicky Lawrence on 07939 083466.

To **DONATE TO ST PETER'S**, use the card machines or leave cash at the exit, or scan the QR code with your phone and donate online.



SUNDAY 25th FEBRUARY (Second Sunday of Lent)

8 am	HOLY COMMUNION
9 am	FAMILY WORSHIP
10.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION