

St Peter's Hammersmith

7th Apri 2024 (Second Sunday of Easter)

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10.30 am HOLY COMMUNION

Senior steward: Sarah Burrell

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Chalice: Richard Millar Reader: Kerry Gilzene Intercessions: Paul Brett

Children's club: N/A

Coffee: Vicky Lambert, Libby Balch, Jemma Daffarn

Flowers: Caroline Illingworth and Team

+ 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.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

We ask God for healing and forgiveness

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us with the living bread: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

The priest pronounces the Absolution

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 118 The Lord is risen indeed

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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, for which the following response may be used

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.

If you would like to make a donation to the church, collection plates and a card reader are available at the back of church at the end of the service, or you can give online by scanning the QR code on the back of the order of service.

HYMN 173 Blessed Thomas, doubt no longer

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 continues and 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.

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

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The congregation are invited to communion with the words

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 the anthem 'Ye choirs of new Jerusalem' (Stanford).

HYMN 101 The Lamb's high banquet we await (omitting verses 5 & 6)

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 103 Alleluya! Alleluya!

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

EVENING PRAYER tonight (Sunday 7th April), at 6.30 pm. Officiant Simon Brooke; Reader Alyson Sich (Psalm 145; Ezekiel 37:1-15; John 20:19-31).

MEN LUNCHING gather again on Tuesday 9th at the Black Lion at 12.30pm. Do come if you can.

WOMEN LUNCHING is testing out a new venue! So we meet on Thursday 11 April at 12.30 at *The Duchess*, 320 Stamford Brook Road, W6 0XF. I do hope you will come and try this new place and look forward to seeing you. Both the 237 and 94 buses stop close by. Any queries, please call Ruth Hawkins on 07899747044.

COCKTAIL PARTY at the vicarage, on Saturday May 11th, from 7.30 pm till late! Tickets £15, includes cocktail and canapés, followed by card and cash bar. RSVP to office@stpetersw6.org to give us an idea of numbers.

UPPER ROOM WINTER LECTURE with ROBERT FOX. Thursday 11th April 8–9.15pm, at St Michael & All Angels Church W4 5TT. Robert Fox is a theatrical and film producer with a myriad of successful productions, from West End plays to Broadway hits, movies such as *The Hours* and *Iris* and the Netflix series *The Crown*. He will be in conversation with Torin Douglas, the former BBC Media Correspondent. Book via https://theupperroom.org.uk/news-and-events/

ELECTORAL ROLL. In preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Sunday May 12th, we are revising the church's electoral roll. Becoming a member of the electoral roll entitles parishioners to vote and stand for office on the PCC. Current members of the electoral roll do not need to reapply, but if you would like to join for the first time, fill out the form at the back of church or on the church website.

A **CONFIRMATION GROUP** for children in year six and above will be running next term on Tuesdays (5-6 pm) for six weeks, from May 21st. Email Lizzie Tree at lizzie@stpetersw6.org if you are interested. We may also run a separate group for teenagers, and/or also one for adults depending on demand.

SACRED MUSIC: a concert of exquisite, new sacred music for voice, piano & violin, with Rachel Chaplin, Joanna Forbes L'Estrange, and Kathryn Parry, to support the work of Compassion UK. Thursday 18th April 2024, 7pm at Holy Innocents Church, Hammersmith. Details and tickets (£10) at https://tinyurl.com/yxdhkn9h

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (14th April)

8 am HOLY COMMUNION

9 am **FAMILY WORSHIP**

10.30 am HOLY COMMUNION