

# St Saviour's and St Peter's



## Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2020 – Trinity 14

### First Hymn

1  
Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found  
Was blind but now I see.

2  
Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed!

3  
Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come;  
Tis grace has brought me safe thus far  
And grace will lead me home.

4  
The Lord has promised good to me,  
His word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

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.**

### Welcome and Introduction

**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.**

### Prayers of Penitence

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

**Amen, Lord have mercy.**

### The Invitation to Confession

My brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate the presence of Christ in word and sacrament, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

**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**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, And keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### The Gloria

**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

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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**

### First Reading Genesis 50.15-21

<sup>15</sup> Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' <sup>16</sup> So they approached Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, <sup>17</sup> "Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup> Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' <sup>19</sup> But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup> Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. <sup>21</sup> So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

This is the Word of Lord: **Thanks be to God**

## Responsorial Psalm 103

The Lord is compassion and love  
**The Lord is compassion and love**

O my soul bless the Lord,  
And all my being, bless his holy name;  
O my soul bless the Lord,  
And forget not all his love. *Response*

He forgives you all your guilt,  
And heals your every ill,  
Redeems your life from the grave,  
Crowns you with friendship and love. *Response*

The Lord is full of compassion and love,  
Slow to anger, rich in grace:  
He has not dealt with us after our sins,  
Nor repaid us for all our faults. *Response*

As far as east is from the west,  
So far does he remove our sins:  
As a father has pity on his sons,  
So the Lord has mercy on his own. *Response*

## Second Reading Romans 14.1-12

<sup>1</sup> Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. <sup>2</sup> Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. <sup>3</sup> Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. <sup>4</sup> Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. <sup>5</sup> Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. <sup>6</sup> Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, at in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. <sup>7</sup> We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. <sup>8</sup> If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. <sup>9</sup> For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. <sup>10</sup> Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. <sup>11</sup> For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' <sup>12</sup> So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

This is the Word of Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn

1

Forgive our sins as we forgive  
You taught us, Lord, to pray,  
But you alone can grant us grace  
To live the words we say.

2

How can your pardon reach and bless  
The unforgiving heart  
That broods on wrongs and will not let  
Old bitterness depart?

3

In blazing light your cross reveals  
The truth we dimly knew:  
What trivial debts are owed to us;  
How great our debt to you!

4

Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls  
And bid resentment cease;  
Then, bound to all in bonds of love  
Our lives will spread your peace.

*Rosamund Herklots*

GOSPEL Matthew 18.21-35

The Lord be with you: **and also with you**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>21</sup> Peter came and said to Jesus, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' <sup>22</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. <sup>23</sup> For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. <sup>24</sup> When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; <sup>25</sup> and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup> So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." <sup>27</sup> And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup> But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." <sup>29</sup> Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you."<sup>30</sup> But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. <sup>31</sup> When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup> Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup> Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" <sup>34</sup> And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. <sup>35</sup> So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ**

Sermon : Revd Petrica Bistran

### The Creed

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God, from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### The Intercessions

*One of these responses may be used:*

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer** or Lord, hear us: **Lord, graciously hear us.**



#### **St Peter**

*Agnes, Beryl, Charys, Celia Bond, Cherry, Clarrie, Elizabeth, Fred, Harriet, Jean and Michael, Margaret, Mark, Maria, Mary O'Keeffe, Nicola, Orlando, Paul, Paul McKenzie, Pete, Sarah Banford, Sharon*

#### **St Saviour**

*Belinda, Charles, Claire Foster-Gilbert, Diane, Faye, James Moyes, Jean, Joanne, John, Stephania, Sue, Zalan*

*RIP Chloe Park – please pray for her husband, Adam, her daughter Sienna, and sister Tracy*

The prayers end with these words:

Merciful Father,

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

### The Peace

We are the Body of Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

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

### Offertory Hymn

Oh, the love of my Lord is the essence  
of all that I love here on earth.  
All the beauty I see he has given to me  
and his giving is gentle as silence.

Every day, every hour, every moment  
have been blessed by the strength of his love.  
At the turn of each tide he is there at my  
side,  
and his touch is as gentle as silence.

There've been times when I've turned from his presence,  
and I've walked other paths, other ways.  
But I've called on his name in the dark of my shame,  
and his mercy was gentle as silence.

*Estelle White*

### The Prayer of Consecration

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.**

### Eucharistic prayer

Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things and all your works echo the silent music of your praise. In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

**All: 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**

How wonderful the works of your hands, O Lord. As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced a people as your own. When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast.

From them 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.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends and, taking bread, he gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said:  
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:

**All: Christ has died  
Christ is risen  
Christ will come again.**

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

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 your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us into the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with *(N and)* all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us;

through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by him, with him, and in him, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**All: Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

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.**

**My Jesus,**

**I believe that you are present  
in the most holy Sacrament.**

**I love you above all things,  
and I desire to receive you into my soul.**

**Since I cannot at this moment  
receive you sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.**

**I embrace you as if you were already there,  
and unite myself wholly to you.**

**Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

### The Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**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.**

### The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding

Keep your hearts and minds In the knowledge and love of God,

And of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;

and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Hymn

1

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
    Forgive our foolish ways!  
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,  
In purer lives thy service find,  
    In deeper reverence praise.

2

In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
    Beside the Syrian sea,  
The gracious calling of the Lord,  
Let us, like them, without a word  
    Rise up and follow thee.

3

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
    Till all our strivings cease;  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
    The beauty of thy peace.

4

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
    Thy coolness and thy balm;  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and  
fire,  
    O still small voice of calm!

*John Greenleaf Whittier*

The Lord be with you: **And also with you.**

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