

**Parish Church of St Peter,
Jersey**



**Mass for Harvest Festival together with
Newsletter, Issue 26: 20 September 2020**

NOTES ABOUT THE SERVICES

1. The doors to the church will be pinned open to reduce cross infection on door handles and for ventilation throughout each Mass.

2. Use the sanitizer on entering the church which you will find near the door. You are to leave by the other door and to use the sanitizer at that door before leaving.



3. Upon arrival, your names will be ticked off on the pre-prepared list which will have been drawn up showing that you have booked.

4. In Church only sit in a seat which has a green tick. If you are coming as a couple please sit where you see 'two green tick seats' adjacent to each other. People coming singly should not occupy these spaces.



5. The booklet for the service will be on the seat when you get there, please take it away with you at the end: it must not be used at the next service, as they are designed to be used only once, to reduce cross infection. Everything you need for the service will be in that booklet.

6. At 0800 there are no hymns. At 1030 there will be no hymn singing but there will be music during the service: if you would like to hum along that will be fine!

7. When the service starts, please follow it in the 'one-use booklet'.

At the peace, please wave, do not shake hands or hug!

8. When it comes to receiving communion, this will be in one kind only, namely the bread, to reduce infection.



9. The **Lectern side will come up first**, row by row, via the central aisle. The priest will stand on the Chancel Step: please put your hands out towards the priest and he will place the bread in your hands without touching them: after receiving it into your hands, turn sideways towards the side aisles to put the bread in your mouth and walk back to your seat via those side aisles, *not* up the central aisle. Again, this is to reduce cross infection.



10. At the end of the service please leave by the other door.

11. The collection plates will be near the door: please put your collection into those plates. For those who have not been able to give during the last fourteen weeks, it is much hoped that you will make up for lost opportunities by giving generously, as a sign of your love for God.



12. It would be appreciated if you would talk to your friends *outside* after the service not inside, so that there is no congestion inside as people are leaving, which could lead to people unwittingly infecting others.

13. Though all of this might seem onerous, nevertheless if it is all observed then the services will not only be enjoyable, but also **be safe!**

ABOUT TODAY'S FILMING OF THE SERVICE, 20 Sept

Today's Mass will be filmed and recorded for all those unable to be in Church, so that it can be viewed in peoples' own homes. We will continue to film the Service each week thereafter for this

purpose. I hope people will therefore feel less isolated. Until now we have been putting this on the Facebook page of the Church website. We are in the process of trying out other options such as 'You Tube' and will let you know when this works out. My sincere thanks to Ollie Michael and Rachel Sawyers for doing the filming.

No one will be filmed other than the priest! We have changed the position of the camera to accommodate this, so that no one is filmed receiving communion.

+ *The Order for today's Mass*

*The Priest welcomes the People & announces the hymn. At the moment, we are not allowed to sing, but please 'hum' to the music with closed mouths to lessen the spread of germs! Please **reflect on the words** of each hymn, as you do so.*

Opening Hymn: 121

Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home;
all is safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin.
God our Maker doth provide
for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field,
fruit as praise to God we yield;
wheat and tares together sown
are to joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take the harvest home;
from the field shall in that day
all offenses purge away,
give his angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast;
but the fruitful ears to store
in the garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,
to thy final harvest home;
gather thou thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified,
in thy presence to abide;
come, with all thine angels come,
raise the glorious harvest home.

The Priest announces the Intention of this Mass and then says:
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**

Priest:

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; 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**

Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought, 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

*The Priest pronounces **The Absolution:***

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**

Gloria in Excelsis:

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 for Harvest:

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; 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**

Deuteronomy 26.2-3a & 4 & 10

²Each of you must place in a basket the first part of each crop that you harvest and you must take it with you to the one place of worship. ³Go to the priest in office at that time and the priest will take the basket from you and place it before the altar of the LORD your God. ⁵Then, in the LORD's presence you will recite these words: "I bring to the LORD the first part of the harvest that he has given me," and you shall worship Him there. *(pause)* This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

2 Corinthians 9.6-end

9.6 The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. 9 As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures for ever.'

10 He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; 12 for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. 13 Through the

testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, 14 while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. 15 Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! *(pause)*

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn: 169

Do hum along to the words with closed mouths to lessen the spread of germs!

For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God.

gifts bestowed on every nation,
thanks be to God.

For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor,
God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will is done.

In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.

For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.

For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Luke:
Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 12.16-30

12.16 Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly.
17 And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my

crops?" 18 Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." 20 But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" 21 So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.' (pause)

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

The Sermon *A copy of this will be sent to attendees by email (or post as appropriate) and to those not able to come to Church.*

The Intercessions

These are not printed out, so enjoy listening to the prayers for loved ones and make these prayers your own to God. The prayers end with:

And so we join our prayers to those of all the Saints, as we say:

Merciful Father,

Accept these prayers,

for the sake of your Son, our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The Peace:

The Peace of the Lord be with you **And also with you**

Hymn after the Peace: 705

Do hum along to the words with closed mouths to lessen the spread of germs!

We plough the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand;
he sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes and the sunshine,
and soft refreshing rain.

Refrain:

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above,
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all his love.*

He only is the Maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,

he lights the evening star;
the winds and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.

Refrain:

We thank thee, then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seed time and the harvest,
our life, our health, and food;
no gifts have we to offer,
for all thy love imparts,
and, what thou most desirest,
our humble, thankful hearts.

Refrain:

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 then says the Proper preface, at the climax of which, all join in by saying (at 0800) or humming (at 1030):

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 begins the Prayer of Consecration, in the middle of which he says:

Great is the mystery of faith

Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again

The priest then completes the prayer, at the end of which all say: Amen

The Lord's Prayer:

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 Fraction:

**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 call to Holy Communion:

**Draw near and receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you.
Take this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by
faith with thanksgiving.**

+All receive Communion in one kind only, namely the bread

Post Communion Hymn: 386 Let us with a gladsome mind

**Let us, with a gladsome mind,
praise the Lord, for he is kind: *Refrain:*
for his mercies aye endure,
*ever faithful, ever sure.***

**Let us blaze his Name abroad,
for of gods he is the God: *Refrain:***

**He with all commanding might
filled the new-made world with light: *Refrain:***

**All things living he doth feed,
his full hand supplies their need: *Refrain:***

**Let us, with a gladsome mind,
praise the Lord, for he is kind: *Refrain:***

Post Communion Collect:

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

'Thank you prayer' after receiving Communion:

Almighty God, **we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of our Lord 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, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Blessing followed by the Dismissal:

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

Recessional Music to end the service.

MY THANKS TO TODAY'S HARVEST TEAM 20 SEPT:

0800: Reader - Sue Jones; **At 1030: Almoner** – Mary Killmister; **Welcomer** – Barry Queree; **Reader** – Carol Mallet; **Flowers** – Flower Power/Pat Scally.

NEXT WEEK'S TEAM FOR MCHAELEMAS 27 SEPT:

0800: Reader – Ariel Whatmore; **At 1030: Almoner** – Christine Coen; **Welcomer** – Rae Phillips; **Reader** – Daphne Hawel; **Flowers** – Father Michael!

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Suzette Bradshaw; Dave; Elis; Donald English; Audrey Gem; Gerald Harrison; Jonathan Harvey; Peter Heath; Lester Huelin; Jack Johns; Molly; Doreen Mauger; Stephan Mauger; John Le Riche; Riley. Also, please pray for all those who are ill with the coronavirus.

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED: 'Mac' Pollard; all those who have died from the virus; all who died in Beirut; all facing repression in Belarus.

CHURCH OPEN week beginning 20 Sept as follows:

Sun: 0800 Mass; 1030 Mass with music

Mon: 1155 The Angelus & Private Prayer until 1300

Wed: 0955 The Angelus 1000 Mass

Thu: 1100 Funeral in Church of 'Mac' Pollard RIP

Fri: 1155 The Angelus & Private Prayer until 1300

Sun 27 Sept is our Feast of SS Gabriel, Michael & All Angels observance: 0800 Mass; 1030 Mass with music

COMING TO CHURCH ON 20 SEPTEMBER at 8 & 1030

1. Because of government requirements we are required to take the names and addresses of those attending any church service, for 'tracking and tracing' purposes.
2. **Those people in the vulnerable or severely vulnerable categories or with a pre-existing health conditions who wish to attend worship, should obtain medical advice before deciding to come to church.**
3. We are restricted to the total number allowed by the government being a **maximum of 40**. It is vital therefore, during the current emergency, that you email or phone ahead. It would be awful to have to turn people away at the door if we go over 40.

For next week, 27 Sept, which is **Michaelmas**, for the 0800 or 1030, if you attend today (20 Sept), you will automatically go on the list for the 27 Sept. If you can't come on the 27 Sept please let me know.

If you read this at home, but don't come on 20 Sept, you will need to please 'book in' if you wish to come on 27 Sept, either by email at rector@stpeterschurch.org.je or rectorstpeter@outlook.com or by a message on The Rectory answer phone on 481805, **no later than...Noon on Thursday 24 Sept please.**

100 Club News

I'm pleased to report that during the last 12mths the Club has made a profit for Church Funds of £686, which is remarkable, given these difficult times.

My thanks to all who are in the Club, for making a contribution to the Church in this way: I hope that you will not only continue with this, but also ask as many of your friends to join as possible! Huge thanks are due to Mary Killmister for all her hard work in administering the Club: thank you Mary. Mary's email address is marykilly23@gmail.com Tel: 743780

It has been agreed that the next twelve month period will begin on Sunday 06 September, rather than straight away, because of the present practical difficulties of collecting names and of course money. This gives an opportunity to everyone to let Mary know (preferably by email as it gives an immediate written record for her accounts), though phone or word of mouth is, of course, also acceptable. The tickets are £12 per 12 month period. There are three prizes each month of £30, £20 and £10. Naturally, in order to win you have to *already* have paid for that draw. Fr M

Daily Hope 0800 804 8044 – new Church of England **FREE** telephone line to hear hymns, daily prayers and reflections...do have a listen!



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AUTUMN/WINTER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: 2020

Please Note: This is the plan for the highlights of the rest of 2020. Unlike every other year, everything, is subject to change, eg more anti-virus measures may mean things have to be amended or sadly even cancelled.



20 Sep HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICES at 0800 & 1030

04 Oct PET SERVICE at 1030. This short 30 min 'light' service is designed especially for children, families and pets, though of course all are welcome! Do bring your children and

grandchildren, inviting them to bring along your pet(s) and theirs, to the service for our observance of the Feast of St Francis, the Patron Saint of animals. The service will be followed by refreshments. Our pets give all of us so much joy in life, that it is only right to want to say 'thank you' to God for them...here's *your* opportunity to do so!



09 Oct CHURCH PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM, NORFOLK:

Sadly because of the virus epidemic, the Shrine is not open to residential pilgrims until 2021, so this year's Pilgrimage is cancelled.

08 Nov REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE at 1030

29 Nov ADVENT CAROL SERVICE by Candlelight 1600

5-13 Dec CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL WEEK:

05 Dec OPENING CONCERT at 1930

07 Dec St Peter's School Carol Service.
Carol Services in church of other Schools, Nurseries and other groups on dates to be announced

13 Dec CHRISTINGLE SERVICE by Candlelight at 1600 to conclude the Christmas Tree Festival Week



24 Dec CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL SERVICE by Candlelight at 1600

24 Dec CHRISTMAS EVE MIDNIGHT MASS by Candlelight beginning at 2315

25 Dec CHRISTMAS DAY Short MASS with Carols at 1030