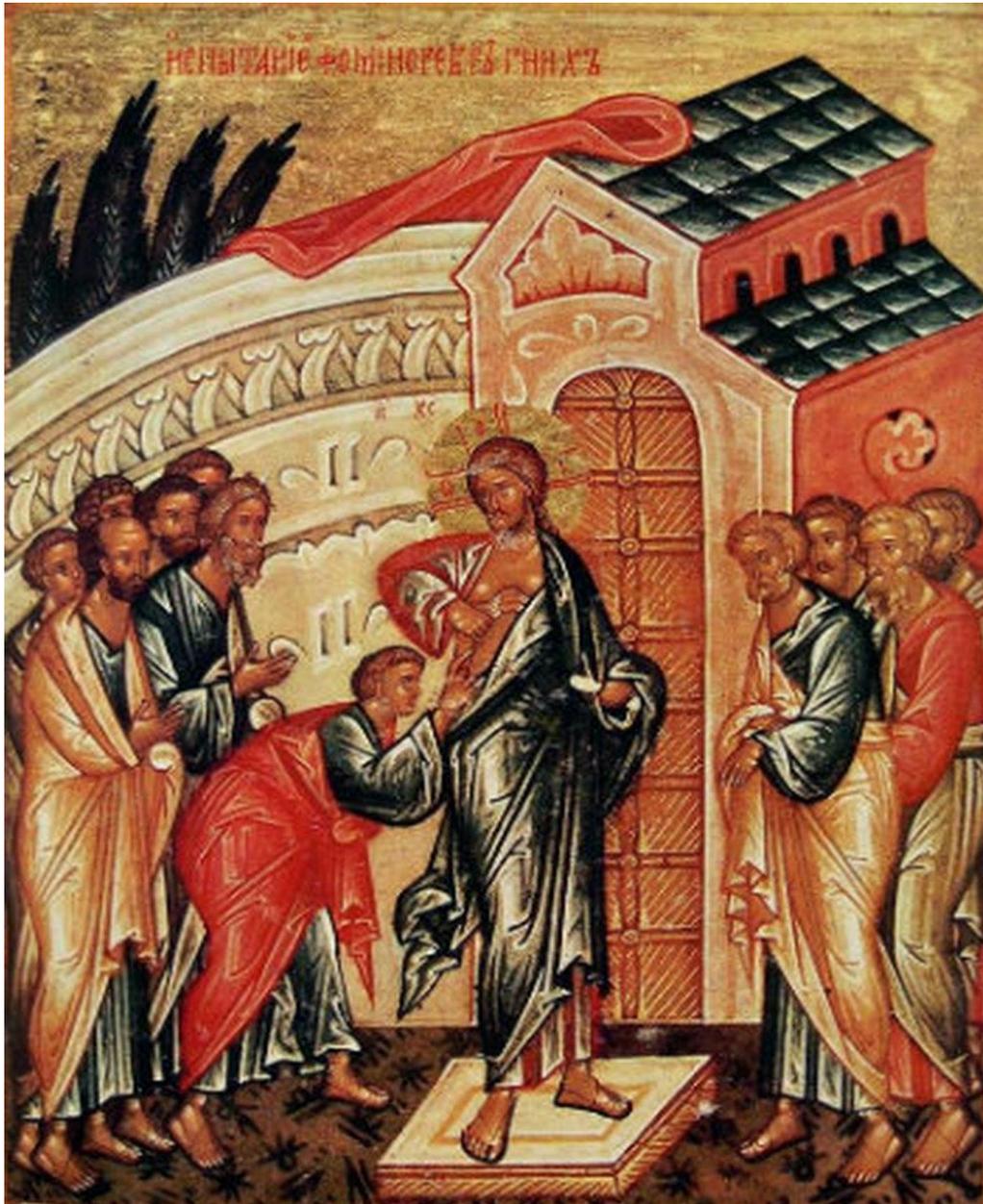
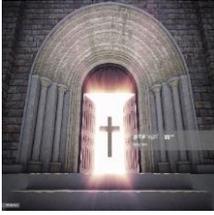


**Parish Church of St Peter,
Jersey**



**The Service for the Feast of St Thomas
and
Newsletter, Issue 15: 05 July 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!

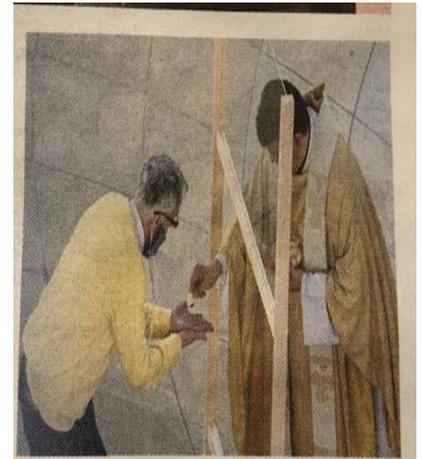
7. When the service starts, please follow it in the 'one-use booklet'.



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

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

10. 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.



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



12. 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 at our Patronal Festival, as a sign of your love for God.



13. 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.

14. 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!**

FEAST OF ST THOMAS, 05 July

Today's Mass will be filmed and put onto the *Church Website Facebook page*, for all those unable to be in Church, so that it can be viewed in peoples' own homes, later in the day. It should be on the Facebook by 1300. We will continue to film the Service each week thereafter for this purpose. I hope people will therefore feel less isolated. My sincere thanks to Ollie Michael and Rachel Sawyers for doing the filming: excellent work!! ***No one's face will be filmed other than my own! We have changed the position of the camera to accommodate this.***

NEWSLETTERS

A Newsletter will continue to be produced each week, for the same reason outlined above with respect to filming.

The Order for today's Mass

The Priest welcomes the People and gives the Intention for this Mass

Opening Hymn: 273 – Holy, Holy, Holy

At the moment, we are not allowed to sing, but there is nothing wrong with humming along to the words with closed mouths to lessen the spread of germs!

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love and purity.

4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Priest: 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

Priest gives 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 God's 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 the Feast of St Thomas:

Almighty and eternal God, who, for the firmer foundation of our faith, allowed your holy apostle St Thomas to doubt the resurrection of your Son till word and sight convinced him: grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Ephesians 2.19-end

19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, 20 built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. 21 In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; 22 in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God. This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn: 162 – For all the saints still active

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

2 For Thomas we now thank you,
Who wanted you to prove
That you indeed were risen,
The Lord of life and Love.
In all our human searching,
Inspire us with your grace,
And even when we're doubting,
Help us to see your face.

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St John

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 20.24-29

24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 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.' 26 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.' 27 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.' 28 Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' 29 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.'
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 St Thomas, 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:

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

BLESSED Thomas, doubt no longer,
 See the wounds in hand and side,
Now behold the risen Saviour
 Who for thee has bled and died,
And from death's dark pit arising,
 Lives in body glorified.

Thomas looked upon the Master:
 Was it then indeed the Lord?
Were those wounds no phantom tokens?
 Did the sight with truth accord?
Scarce believing, joy unbounded,
 Leapt to greet the Saviour's word.

Prostrate falling, Thomas worshipped:
 'O my Master, Lord and God',
Here in truth was Christ the Saviour
 Who the path of suffering trod,
And, to ransom souls unnumbered,
 Broke in pieces Satan's rod.

Grant, O Father, that among them
 We thy servants may be known,
And the ground be ever fruitful
 Where the seed of faith was sown,

Till at length in heaven's glory,
Faith and vision are but one.

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:

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: – Ye Holy Angels bright

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

Ye holy angels bright,
who wait at God's right hand,
or through the realms of light
fly at your Lord's command,
assist our song,
for else the theme
too high doth seem
for mortal tongue.

Ye blessed souls at rest,
who ran this earthly race
and now, from sin released,
behold your Savior's face,
his praises sound,
as in his sight
with sweet delight
ye do abound.

Ye saints, who toil below,
adore your heavenly King,

and onward as ye go
some joyful anthem sing;
take what he gives
and praise him still,
through good or ill,
who ever lives!

My soul, bear thou thy part,
triumph in God above:
and with a well-tuned heart
sing thou the songs of love!
Let all thy days
till life shall end,
whate'er he send,
be filled with praise!

Post Communion Collect: Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the teaching and fellowship of St Thomas and all the Apostles, united in prayer and the breaking of bread and one in joy and simplicity of heart, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

'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

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

Recessional Music.

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

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED:

Also, please pray for all those who have died from the coronavirus.

THE CHURCH IS OPEN THIS WEEK AS FOLLOWS:

Each Sunday: 0800 Mass; 1030 Mass with music;
Evensong is sadly now discontinued.

Each Monday: 1155 The Angelus; 1200 Private Prayer until 1300

Each Wednesday: 1000 Mass

Each Friday: 1155 The Angelus; 1200 Private Prayer until 1300

Next Sunday is the Fifth Sunday after Trinity:

0800 Mass; 1030 Mass with music.

75th Anniversary Liberation Badge



If you have not yet received one of these, the remainder are available near the exit door at the end of Mass. I hope you will wear it with pride, during this particular year.

COMING TO CHURCH IN JULY AND AUGUST

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. You will **need to book ahead** if you wish to come to Church either by the preferred method of an E-mail (rector@stpeterschurch.org.je) **or** by leaving a message on Father Michael's answer phone (481805) **or** to speak to him directly on the same number.
4. You will need to say which service (0800 or 1030) you would like to attend and whether you would be coming on your own or with any other members of your family, *who live in the same house as you*, giving their names too. 
5. 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.
6. If you are wanting to come to the 1030 Mass this is especially important to do. This is because on average we get an attendance of between 40 and 55.

7. If any of you who usually come to the 1030, would like to come to the 0800 Service (which would be far less crowded), this would be most helpful in balancing numbers out between the two Masses: please indicate this.



8. A note about booking in advance to come to a service:

It was wonderful to see so many of you last Sunday in church again, the first time that congregations had been allowed back to church after 14 weeks. The system for booking worked really well. Thank you for your cooperation.

To save a lot of emails and phone calls, please note this important change!

If you were one of those who did attend last week (28 June), I will include you in this weeks booking list, **unless**, you tell me by email or message on my phone that you are not coming.

If you are someone who did not come last week (28 June), you will need to book by email or a message on my phone, in order to come to church. This is to fulfil a government regulation to facilitate 'track and trace' should anyone later develop the symptoms of Covid-19. Please be sure to book ahead if you haven't been before. The maximum set by the Government for any service is still 40

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My thanks to today's Team:

At 0800: Reader – Ariel Whatmore.

At 1030: Almoner – Christine Coen. Welcomer: Howard Buesnel.

Reader - Carol Mallet. Flowers - Alex and Rita Lane.

Next Sunday's Team (12 July) is:

At 0800: Reader – Audrey Lucas.

At 1030: Almoner – Mary Killmister. Welcomer - Jan Finnerty.

Reader - Daphne Hawel. Flowers - Alex & Rita Lane