

**Parish Church of St Peter,  
Jersey**



**Mass for the Feast of St James  
and the  
Newsletter, Issue 69: 25 July 2021**

## NOTES ABOUT THE SERVICE



1. The doors to the church will be pinned open to reduce cross infection on door handles and for ventilation throughout each Mass. **Whilst it is no longer law, all are encouraged to please continue to wear a mask during services.**

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.**

4. In Church **only sit in a pew which has a green tick.** If you are coming as a couple do sit next to each other.

5. The **booklet** for the service will be on the seat when you get there, please take it away with you at the end for your own enjoyment: it must not be used at the next service, as they are designed to be used only once, to reduce cross infection. **Hymn Books are now allowed again.**



6. At 0800 there are no hymns. At 1030 **singing is now allowed again: wonderful!**



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 the 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 (North) 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 in church because of the Pandemic, it is much hoped that you will make up for lost opportunities by giving generously now, 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!**



## **+The Order for today's Mass**

*Please stand when the Vestry Bell is rung.*

*The Priest welcomes the People & announces the hymn.*

*You are invited to meditate on the words of each hymn as you sing.*

### **Opening Hymn: 562 – Rejoice in God's saints**

*The Priest announces the Intention of this Mass*

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**

*The Priest says the **Collect for Purity:***

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 gives 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 the Feast of St James:***

O merciful God, whose holy apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, was obedient to the calling of your Son Jesus Christ and followed him even to death: help us, forsaking the false attractions of the world, to be ready at all times to answer your call without delay; 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 forever. **Amen**

***Jeremiah 45.1-5***

45.1 The word that the prophet Jeremiah spoke to Baruch son of Neriah, when he wrote these words in a scroll at the dictation of Jeremiah, in the fourth year of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah: 2 Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, to you, O Baruch: 3 You said, 'Woe is me! The Lord has added sorrow to my pain; I am weary with my groaning, and I find no rest.' 4 Thus you shall say to him, 'Thus says the Lord: I am going to break down what I have built, and pluck up what I have planted—that is, the whole land. 5 And you, do you seek great things for yourself? Do not seek them; for I am going to bring disaster upon all flesh, says the Lord; but I will give you your life as a prize of war in every place to which you may go.' *(pause)*

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

## **2 Corinthians 4.7-15**

7 But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. 8 We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; 9 persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; 10 always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. 11 For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. 12 So death is at work in us, but life in you.

13 But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—'I believed, and so I spoke'—we also believe, and so we speak, 14 because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. 15 Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. (*pause*)

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## **Gradual Hymn: 162 – For all your Saints still active**

Apostles, prophets, martyrs,  
Who served you here on earth,  
Now reign with you in heaven,  
Singing your praise and worth.  
With them, and all whose witness  
Is known to you alone,  
We share our earthly journey  
Towards your heavenly throne.

We praise you for the witness  
Of James, the one who died  
In telling of His Saviour,  
Jesus the crucified.  
Lord, help us not to treasure  
Our worldly goods or fame,  
But may we, trials enduring,  
Bring glory to your name.

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **Matthew 20.20-28**

20 Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to him with her sons, and kneeling before him, she asked a favour of him. 21 And he said to her, 'What do you want?' She said to him, 'Declare that these two sons of mine will sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom.' 22 But Jesus answered, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?' They said to him, 'We are able.' 23 He said to them, 'You will indeed drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left, this is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father.' 24 When the ten heard it, they were angry with the two brothers. 25 But Jesus called them to him and said, 'You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. 26 It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, 27 and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; 28 just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.' *(pause)*

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### ***The Sermon***

#### ***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 James the Apostle, 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: 747 – Ye servants of the Lord***

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 (0800) or singing (1030) the **Sanctus**:*

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 says 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.**

*The **Agnus Dei** is said (0800) or sung (1030):*

**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: 747 – Ye watchers and ye holy ones***

***Post Communion Collect:***

O Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the teaching and fellowship of St James the apostle, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in 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**

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Rozelle Alexander; Dave; Elis; Jo English; Donald English; Audrey Gem; Val Hammett; Gerald Harrison; Peter Heath; Lester Huelin; Jack Johns; Fr Tony Keogh; Barry & Rita Lane; Stephan Mauer; Ollie & Sarah Michael; David Payne; Norman Perree; John Le Riche; Riley; John Le Sueur.

**PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED:** Vera Icton

**THE CHURCH IS OPEN EACH WEEK AS FOLLOWS:**

Each Sunday: 0800 Mass; 1030 Mass with music;  
Each Monday: 1155 The Angelus; 1200 Private Prayer until 1300  
Each Wednesday: 1000 Mass followed by Private Prayer until 1100  
Each Friday: 1155 The Angelus; 1200 Private Prayer until 1300

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**TEAM for 25 July: 0800 Lector-John L B. 1030: Almoner – Doreen S-F;  
Welcomer-Rae P; Lector – Nadia L; Flowers–Lesley D.**



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

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**HIGHLIGHTS 2021: SUMMER TO THE END OF THE YEAR:**

**01 Aug: Lammas Day, the ancient Harvest Festival 0800 Mass; 1030 Sung Mass**

**15 Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**29 Aug Sea Sunday**

**19 Sep Harvest Festival**

**26 Feast of SS Gabriel, Michael & All Angels (obs.)**

**03 Oct Feast of St Francis [1030 annual Pet Service rather than a Mass]**

**17 Feast of St Luke (obs.) – Patron of Doctors**

**31 Feast of All Saints (obs.)**

**14 Nov Remembrance Sunday 1030 Civic Service**

**28 ADVENT SUNDAY–1600 Advent Carol Service by candlelight (50mins)**

**05 Dec Advent 2 1600 Christmas Tree Festival 'Turning on the lights' Service by candlelight (30 mins)**

**12 Advent 3 1600 Christmas Tree Festival 'Christingle Service' by candlelight (40mins)**

**24 CHRISTMAS EVE 1600 Family Crib Carol Service by Candlelight (45 mins)**

**24 CHRISTMAS EVE 2315 Midnight Mass & Carols by Candlelight (60 mins)**

**25 CHRISTMAS DAY 1030 Family Mass with Carols (45 mins)**

## **CHURCH BUILDING WORKS News:**

- 1 Ecclesiastical Court granted a Faculty re new wiring, light-fittings and heaters for Lady Chapel 05 July 2021: Rector sent letter to the Architect Antony Gibb, the Parish, Church Wardens & Contractors the very next day, so we await the restarting of work towards *completion*.**
  - 2 Gutters and down pipes: All work *completed***
  - 3 Outside Doors: All work *completed*.**
  - 4 Phase One of the making safe of the Monuments and Grave-Stones in the Churchyard has been *completed*. Phase two will commence shortly**
  - 5 The Quinquennial Inspection has recently taken place and was carried out by Architect Justin Gallaher on our behalf: We await his report.**
  - 6 An Electrics Report checking all the electrics throughout the building has been carried out by Affordable Electrics: We await his report.**
- It is hoped you agree that 2 and 3 (above) look splendid!**

### ***SOME CHANGES AT CHURCH WORSHIP .....AS A RESULT OF GOVERNMENT LEGAL CHANGES AND CURRENT GUIDANCE COMBINED, as at 26 May 2021***

The Government: "Each church should apply the guidance as they see fit to keep attendees safe. This may vary between churches (those which are big and airy pose less risk than those which have less ventilation or restricted space around entrances etc) or between congregations or services (some may more readily facilitate 2m distancing or members of the congregation may feel unsafe to attend otherwise). There is now an exemption in the law to allow masks not to be worn while singing BUT the *guidance* still encourages masks to be worn by congregations while singing, as mask-wearing would help reduce the risk". The Dean then said, "As you can see, this is wide open to interpretation". After due reflection of the full regulations and guidance, from Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup> May, and bearing in mind the vulnerability of most who attend church and because of the age of your priest (!) and the congregation, but on the other hand also bearing in mind the large size of the building, at St Peter's we will, for the time being, continue to observe the following:

- 2m distancing (sit every other pew) for all parts of Sunday Worship, regardless of singing or not will continue, as we have plenty of space and this will much lessen the risk to each other.
- **Masks are still highly recommended** though not now legally compulsory. I leave this to your discretion, but strongly encourage you to wear a mask especially when singing.
- Hymn books are now allowed to be used again and so will be.
- The good practice in providing hand sanitizer at the entrance and exit of the Church will continue. Please ALL use the sanitizers in and out of the Church
- The one way system in the Church will continue
- The building **MUST** be well ventilated before & after each act of worship.
- Communion **MUST** remain in one kind only at present.
- Changes in the level of Covid found in Jersey may mean that in the future, the above could be either further relaxed or indeed strengthened, as appropriate.
- **Track and Trace continues: this is a requirement.**

