

**Parish Church of St Peter,
Jersey**

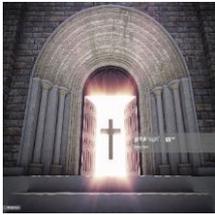


**Mass for the
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
together with the Newsletter, Issue 48
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NOTES ABOUT THE SERVICE

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

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 FILMING OF THE SERVICES: The 1030 Mass filmed and recorded for all those unable to be in Church, so that it can be viewed in peoples' own homes. I hope people will therefore feel less isolated. Thanks to Rachel Sawyers we now have a **You Tube Site** called **St Peter's Church Jersey**. **To view previous services please type in the words You Tube in your search engine and then type in St Peter's Church Jersey. [Don't forget the ' before the s].**

No one will be filmed during Mass, 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 Mass

Please all stand when you hear the Vestry Bell ring.

*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: 135 – Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round

**Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round
of circling planets singing on their way,
Guide of the nation from the night profound
into the glory of the perfect day;
rule in our hearts, that we may ever be
guided and strengthened and upheld by thee.**

**We are of thee, the children of thy love,
the brothers of thy well-beloved Son;
descend, O Holy Spirit, like a dove
into our hearts, that we may be as one:
as one with thee, to whom we ever tend;
as one with him, our Brother and our Friend.**

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**

*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**

The Celebrant leads The Kyries saying:

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy spirit from me.
Lord, have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

Silence is kept

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**

The Collect for the First Sunday of Lent:

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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.**

Genesis 9.8-17

9.8 Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 9 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, 10 and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. 11 I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' 12 God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: 13 I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. 14 When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, 15 I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. 16 When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' 17 God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

(pause) This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

1 Peter 3.18-end

3.18 For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, 19 in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, 20 who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. 21 And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 22 who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him (*pause*)

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

Gradual Hymn: 61 – Be still my soul

- 1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is at your side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.
Leave to thy God to order and provide;
In every change, He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heav'nly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.**
- 2. Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on
When we shall be forever with the Lord.
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.**

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

Mark 1.9-15

1.9 In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. 11 And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' 12 And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. 13 He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. 14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, 15 and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.' (*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 Blessed Mary and all the Saints, as we say:
Merciful Father,

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

The Peace is then exchanged in the following way:

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you ***And also with you***
(then, when the priest asks you to do so, give each other a wave and a smile)

Hymn after the Peace: 699 – We hail thy presence glorious

**We hail thy Presence glorious,
O Christ our great high Priest,
O'er sin and death victorious,
At thy thanksgiving feast:
As thou art interceding
For us in heaven above,
Thy Church on earth is pleading
Thy perfect work of love.**

**Through thee in every nation
Thine own their hearts upraise,
Offering one pure Oblation,
One Sacrifice of praise:
With thee in blest communion
The living and the dead
Are joined in closest union,
One Body with one Head.**

The Great Thanksgiving:

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

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.
You are the saviour of the world.**

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

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. 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 Prayer of Humble Access:

We do not presume, to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies; we are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Agnus Dei:

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: 173 – Forty days and forty nights

**Forty days and forty nights
Thou wast fasting in the wild;
Forty days and forty nights
Tempted, and yet undefiled.**

**Sunbeams scorching all the day;
Chilly dew-drops nightly shed;
Prowling beasts about Thy way;
Stones Thy pillow; earth Thy bed.**

**Should not we Thy sorrow share
And from worldly joys abstain,
Fasting with unceasing prayer,
Strong with Thee to suffer pain?**

**Then if Satan on us press,
Jesus, Saviour, hear our call!
Victor in the wilderness,
Grant we may not faint nor fall!**

**So shall we have peace divine:
Holier gladness ours shall be;
Round us, too, shall angels shine,
Such as ministered to Thee.**

**Keep, O keep us, Saviour dear,
Ever constant by Thy side;
That with Thee we may appear
At the eternal Eastertide.**

Post Communion Collect:

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; 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 is followed by The Angelus:

The bell tolls 3 times

V. The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary,

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

V. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

R. Holy Mary, Mother of God,

pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen

The bell tolls 3 times

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done unto me according to Your Word.

V. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

R. Holy Mary, Mother of God,

pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen

The bell tolls 3 times

V. And the Word was made flesh,

R. And dwelt among us.

V. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

R. Holy Mary, Mother of God,

pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen

The bell tolls 9 times

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

V. We beseech You, O Lord, to pour your grace into our hearts; that as we have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by His + cross and passion we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.

R. Amen.

The Dismissal:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

In the name of Christ. Amen

.....**Recessional Music ends the Service**

COMING TO CHURCH MAX per service **now 40** – RESTRICTIONS BY THE GOVERNMENT

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 who are over 70 and/or 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 to a service by the government, it now 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.
4. From now on because the number of seats is severely restricted by the Government to a mere 20 per service, you will, I'm afraid have to book a seat in advance for each and every service that you wish to attend. The seats will be given on a first come first served basis. Do book ahead.
You can book either by email at rectorstpeter@outlook.com or by a message on The Rectory answer phone on 481805. See 'Easy Booking Form' on the last page of this.

5 If all the seats have gone for the service you want, perhaps you could consider asking for another one for that day. There is also a Mass each Wednesday at 1000 which is another alternative to think about. If you don't get a seat please watch the service on You Tube. Address: St Peter's Church Jersey



WAYS TO WORSHIP IN YOUR OWN HOME:

Because some might sadly not be able to get a seat in Church, I thought you might appreciate the information and the prayers listed on the next page:

SERVICES FROM THE PARISH CHURCH:

Go on the Church's You Tube Site, on which will be put the service for each Sunday will be placed on there sometime later on the Sunday or on the Monday. It will remain on the You Tube Site, **the address of which is: St Peter's Church Jersey.**

SUNDAYS Radio & TV:

0800 Each Sunday there is a Service on Radio Jersey linked in with the national UK radio.

1315 Songs of Praise though the time can vary (BBC 2, TV)

1500 As always, *every week of the year* on Radio 3 listen to the glories of Choral Evensong from a different Cathedral or Abbey each week which is a repeat from the previous Wednesday 1530 broadcast. Available for 30 days on BBC Sound.

WEDNESDAYS on Radio 3

1530 As always, *every week of the year* on Radio 3, listen to the glories of Choral Evensong from a different Cathedral or Abbey each week, repeated on the following Sunday at 1500. Available for 30 days on BBC Sound.

CROSS, PALM CROSS especially at this time, CRUCIFIX, ICON

Use these as a focus for your prayers in your own home. Thank you for the many calls of appreciation about the Palm Crosses being sent to you at home.

PRAYERS DURING THE CURRENT VIRUS EPIDEMIC

I hope that you will find these prayers useful in your own prayer life at home. Prayer is at the heart of any Christian's life, just as much as it is at the heart of our communal life as the Body of Christ, which is The Church. These prayers have been specially produced by the Church of England, for use at the present time:

FOR ALL WHO WORRY:

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy
in this time of uncertainty and distress.
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may rejoice in your comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us
from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen**

Lord Jesus Christ you taught us to love our neighbour,
and to care for those in need, as if we were caring for you. In this time of anxiety give us strength
to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick and assure the isolated of our love and your love, we ask
this for your name's sake. **Amen**

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Merciful God, we entrust to your care those who are ill or in pain,
knowing that whenever danger threatens
your everlasting arms are there to hold them safe.
Comfort and heal them, and restore them to health and strength; through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

FOR HOSPITAL STAFF, CARERS & MEDICAL RESEARCHERS:

Heavenly Father we ask you to give skill, sympathy and resilience
to all who are caring for the sick,
and your wisdom to those searching for a cure.
Strength them with your Spirit,
That through their work many will be restored to health, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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My thanks to all who have already sent in their Electoral Roll forms for the New Electoral Roll. If you have not yet sent yours in, please do so as soon as possible either by email or by post to The Rectory or by handing it in after a Mass.
