

**Parish Church of St Peter,  
Jersey**



**Mass for the Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
together with the  
Newsletter 72: 15 August 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 **STRONGLY** 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***

*The Priest welcomes the People & announces the hymn.  
Please reflect on the words of each hymn.*

### ***Opening Hymn: 166 – For Mary mother of our Lord***

*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**

*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 the Blessed Virgin Mary:***

Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; 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**

***Isaiah 61:10-11***

<sup>10</sup> I delight greatly in the Lord;  
my soul rejoices in my God.

For he has clothed me with garments of salvation  
and arrayed me in a robe of his righteousness,  
as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

<sup>11</sup> For as the soil makes the sprout come up  
and a garden causes seeds to grow,  
so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness  
and praise spring up before all nations. *(pause)*

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

***Galatians 4.4-7***

4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. 6 And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' 7 So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God. *(pause)* This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

***Gradual Hymn: 688 – Virgin born, we bow before thee***

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

**Luke 1.46-55**

46 And Mary said,  
'My soul magnifies the Lord,  
47 and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,  
48 for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.  
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;  
49 for the Mighty One has done great things for me,  
and holy is his name.  
50 His mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.  
51 He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.  
52 He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,  
and lifted up the lowly;  
53 he has filled the hungry with good things,  
and sent the rich away empty.  
54 He has helped his servant Israel,  
in remembrance of his mercy,  
55 according to the promise he made to our ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.' *(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 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 always with you  
**And also with you**

***Hymn after the Peace: 586 – Sing we of the Blessed Mother***

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

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: 612 – Tell out, my soul***

***Post Communion Collect:*** O God most high, whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh: we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption, you visit us with your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by your power; strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness; 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 to end the service.***

**Today's Team (15 Aug):**

**At 0800:** Reader – Sue J; **At 1030:** Almoner – Mary K; Welcomer – Doreen S-F  
Reader – Jason L; Flowers – Mary K.

**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 Mauger; Ollie & Sarah Michael; David Payne; Norman Perree; John Le Riche; Riley; John Le Sueur.

**PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED:**

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

**Each Sunday: 0800 Mass; 1030 Sung Mass;**

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

**Each Wednesday: 1000 Mass followed by Private Prayer until 1100**

**Each Friday: 1000 The Angelus; 1200 Private Prayer until 1300**

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**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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**SUMMER UNTIL THE END OF THE YEAR:**

**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: His report has now arrived for us to study. In due course a mini version will be created to let you know the main points.
- 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!

## **NEW GUIDANCE ABOUT ATTENDING CHURCH:**

### **“COVID-19 GUIDELINE UPDATES 23<sup>rd</sup> JULY 2021 from the Dean**

- ◆ **Masks are currently required by law in any indoor public setting from the 21<sup>st</sup> July and, in the setting of worship, in any group where more than 50 people are present. My recommendation is however, that people wear masks regardless of how many are at Sunday worship, so that we provide a consistent approach. Masks should remain in place for the whole of the service, including congregational singing. Distancing, is still recommended, with a minimum of 1m apart.**
- ◆ **The serving of refreshments after the service should be stopped.**
- ◆ **Hand sanitizers should remain in use and people encouraged to use them and they should be available at various points in the Church.**
- ◆ **Continue to use one-way systems for movement around the Church wherever possible and keep churches ventilated.**
- ◆ **Communion should only in one kind: the bread. Continue to use track and tracing. Clergy when using a microphone are allowed to remove their mask indoors when speaking to the Congregation, as long as the Congregation is more than 2m away from them”.**

## **FEAST OF ST PETER GIFT DAY.**

***Very many thanks to all who have contributed to the Feast of St Peter Gift Day. At the time of writing this, over £4,000 has come in. Wonderful. If you haven't yet contributed please do so!! Fr M***

### ***HATS for the MISSION to SEAFARERS!***

*Many thanks to those who, like last year, have already kindly knitted some hats for the Mission to Seafarers, to be given to those who work upon the seas: There are a selection of designs. If you know of anyone else who might like to do this work and you want me to send copies of the patterns on to them, please just let me know their address. I already have 26 gifted and completed. I look forward to seeing the hats in due course!*

*Father Michael*



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