



**St Peter
Le Poer**



Parish Communion

Sunday 15th Nov 2020

2nd Sunday before Advent

This is the service order for the said service of Holy Communion led by Revd Philip Sudell which will be available online at 11am on the St Peter's [YouTube channel here](#)

Immortal, invisible,

God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious,
the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious,
thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unceasing,
and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting,
thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains
high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains
of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest,
to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish
as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish,
but naught changest thee.

Great Father of glory,
pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee,
all veiling their sight
all laud we would render:
O help us to see
'tis only the splendour
of light hideth thee.

Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)

Gathering and Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you.

All: And also with you

Welcome

Revd Philip Sudell

Prayers of Penitence

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Confession

Turn to us again, O God our Saviour,
and let your anger cease from us:
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Show us your mercy, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation:
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Your salvation is near for those that
fear you, that glory may dwell in our
land:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy..

Assurance of forgiveness

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We say the

Gloria

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

A moment of silence is kept. The minister says the opening prayer set for the day.

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament Reading

Zephaniah 1.7, 12-end

⁷ Be silent before the Lord God!

For the day of the Lord is at hand;
the Lord has prepared a sacrifice,
he has consecrated his guests.

¹² At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people

who rest complacently on their dregs,
those who say in their hearts,
'The Lord will not do good,
nor will he do harm.'

¹³ Their wealth shall be plundered,
and their houses laid waste.

Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them.

¹⁴ The great day of the Lord is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter,
the warrior cries aloud there.

¹⁵ That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,

¹⁶ a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

¹⁷ I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the
Lord, their blood shall be poured out
like dust, and their flesh like dung.

¹⁸ Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the Lord's wrath;
in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed;
for a full, a terrible end he will make of all
the inhabitants of the earth.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 90.1-12

May the favour of the Lord,
the Lord our God be upon us

¹ Lord, you have been our refuge •
from one generation to another.

² Before the mountains were brought

forth, or the earth and the world were formed, • from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

**May the favour of the Lord,
the Lord our God be upon us**

³ You turn us back to dust and say: •
'Turn back, O children of earth.'

⁴ For a thousand years in your sight are
but as yesterday, • which passes like a
watch in the night.

**May the favour of the Lord,
the Lord our God be upon us**

⁵ You sweep them away like a dream; •
they fade away suddenly like the grass.

⁶ In the morning it is green and
flourishes; • in the evening it is dried up
and withered.

**May the favour of the Lord,
the Lord our God be upon us**

⁷ For we consume away in your
displeasure; • we are afraid at your
wrathful indignation.

⁸ You have set our misdeeds before you •
and our secret sins in the light of your
countenance.

**May the favour of the Lord,
the Lord our God be upon us**

⁹ When you are angry, all our days are
gone; • our years come to an end like a
sigh.

¹⁰ The days of our life are three score
years and ten, or if our strength endures,
even four score; • yet the sum of them is
but labour and sorrow, for they soon pass
away and we are gone.

**May the favour of the Lord,
the Lord our God be upon us**

¹¹ Who regards the power of your
wrath • and your indignation like those
who fear you?

¹² So teach us to number our days • that
we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

**May the favour of the Lord,
the Lord our God be upon us**

New Testament Reading

1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

Now concerning the times and the
seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not
need to have anything written to you.

²For you yourselves know very well that
the day of the Lord will come like a thief
in the night. ³When they say, 'There is
peace and security', then sudden

destruction will come upon them, as
labour pains come upon a pregnant
woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴But
you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that
day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵for you
are all children of light and children of the
day; we are not of the night or of

darkness. ⁶So then, let us not fall asleep as
others do, but let us keep awake and be
sober; ⁷for those who sleep sleep at night,
and those who are drunk get drunk at

night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let
us be sober, and put on the breastplate of
faith and love, and for a helmet the hope
of salvation. ⁹For God has destined us not
for wrath but for obtaining salvation

through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died
for us, so that whether we are awake or
asleep we may live with him. ¹¹Therefore
encourage one another and build up each
other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord
Jesus Christ according to
Matthew.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 25.14-30

¹⁴For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." ²¹His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." ²³His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not

scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." ²⁶But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Profession of Faith

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came
down from heaven, was incarnate from
the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was
buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

This response may be used:

Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.
And at the end:

Merciful Father,
Accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Jesus said, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives.'

The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

The bread and wine are brought to the Lord's Table

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks
to the Lord our God

**All: It is right to give
thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should always sing of your glory, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. For you are the hope of the nations, the builder of the city that is to come. Your love made visible in Jesus Christ brings home the lost, restores the sinner and gives dignity to the despised. In his face your light shines out, flooding lives with goodness and truth, gathering into one in your kingdom a divided and broken humanity. Therefore with all who can give voice in your creation we glorify your name, for ever praising you and 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.**

All glory be to you, our heavenly Father, who, in your tender mercy, gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray, and grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we receiving these gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, in remembrance of the precious death and passion, the mighty resurrection and glorious ascension of your dear Son Jesus Christ, we offer you through him this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his blood, we and all your Church may receive forgiveness of our sins and all other benefits of his passion. Although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we pray that you will accept this the duty and service that we owe. Do not weigh our merits, but pardon our offences, and fill us all who share in this holy communion with your grace and heavenly blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all

honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

**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 Breaking of Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All: Though we are many, we are one
body, because we all share in one
bread.**

We say 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 Giving of Communion

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Prayer after Communion

Gracious Lord, in this holy communion
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last to that fullness of life
for which we long; through Jesus Christ
our Saviour. Amen.

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Blessing

Christ, who has nourished us with himself
the living bread, make you one in praise
and love, and raise you up at the last day;
and the blessing of God almighty, the
Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be
among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen

Dismissal

Go in the peace of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
now fulfil thy church's story;
bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour.

Lo, the hosts of evil round us
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways;
from the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness,
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton selfish gladness,
rich in goods and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places,
gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christlike graces
in the fight till all be free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
that we fail not earth nor thee.

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Online at 12 noon

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The readings

for next Sunday 22nd Nov – Christ the King

Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24

Psalm 95.1-7

Ephesians 1.15-23

Matthew 25.31-46

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Regular Giving

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If you are able to make an offering directly online then this would be greatly appreciated.

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