



**The Parish Church of St. Peter
West Blatchington**
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28th July 2019
Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Mass Setting: St Thomas Mass

Hymns: 442 vs/1,4,5,7; 390; sheet; 207*; (*denotes from the yellow hymnal)

Welcome to St Peter's Parish Eucharist with celebrant Reverend Tony Thompson

Please join us for refreshments in the Community Centre after the service.

☞ **The Collect** - Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.

☞ **First Reading - Hosea 1. 2-10** - When the Lord first spoke through Hosea, the Lord said to Hosea, 'Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the Lord.' So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son. And the Lord said to him, 'Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel.' She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the Lord said to him, 'Name her Lo-ruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the Lord their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen.' When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. Then the Lord said, 'Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God.' Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people', it shall be said to them, 'Children of the living God.'

☞ **Psalm Response** - 'Show us O Lord, your mercy.'

☞ **Second Reading - Colossians 2. 6-19** - As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, ac-

according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it. Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

☞ **Gospel Reading - Luke 11. 1-13** - He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.' And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. 'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

☞ **Post Communion Prayer** - God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

For our prayers:

The Anglican Communion: The Scottish Episcopal Church. The Most Revd Mark Strange - Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church and Bishop of Moray, Ross and Caithness

Our Diocese: The Honorary Assistant Bishops and Archdeacons Emeritus

Our Parish: especially those who live in Nevill Close and Nevill Way and for the Friday morning coffee drop in

The sick and those in any kind of need: Shirley Axton, Daphne Bridle, Wendy Colyer, Fr. Daniel, Zoe Smith and Family, Jan and Roger, Audrey Scarborough, Shirley Peters, John Blackwell.

Those in need of continual prayer: Laurence Jeffery, Ann O'Neil, Sophie, Linda Wallis, Georgina Watts, Christine Browning, Peter Chapman, Margaret Dolle'

We pray for the repose of the souls of the recently departed and on the anniversaries of their deaths we remember: Cathy Carter, Joseph Nixon 28th, Norah Norman, Paul Way (Priest) 30th, Sarah Lloyd, Deidre Lisseman 1st, Hardy Reidel, Ann Sharman, Harry Wheatley 2nd

Pew News

St Peter's Pastoral Care Group - Our Pastoral Group exists to offer entirely confidential help and support on any pastoral matter. Perhaps you would like a friendly visitor for a good chat now and then, help with transport, a name included in our prayer list at Church, some professional advice which we can help find, or an offer of Communion at home? Please contact, in the first instance, Carol Gander on 01273 555414.

Friday Coffee Mornings - They will now be held on the first Friday of every month only. Sign up sheet at the back of Church if you are able to help. Please come along and join us for conversation and friendship between 10.30am and 12pm.

Charity of the Month - We are supporting Hospice at Home as our charity for July. Information on the charity, together with donation boxes, are at the back of Church, should you wish to contribute.

Church Opening - Our doors are now open on Sunday afternoons between 3.30pm & 5.00pm for the Summer. A sign up sheet is at the back of Church if you are able to help man the Church. Your support would be much appreciated.

St Peter's Library - We now have a library at the back of Church. Please help yourself to any books or DVDs you would like to borrow and return them for someone else to enjoy. It is a little empty at the moment, so if you have any appropriate books or DVDs you are happy to lend, please place them on the shelves. Many thanks.

Sacristan - We are now in desperate need of at least 2 people to join our team, with training starting now and joining the team from January. The job entails setting up the Church ready for the Sunday service. It takes a maximum of 1 hour once a month and can be done on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday. Please see either Mandy or Keith if you can help. Thank you.

Tuesday Evening Prayer - We regret that due to lack of support, our Tuesday evening prayer will discontinue. However, once a month, Father Keith Perkington will celebrate the Eucharist with us at the usual time of 7.30pm. The dates for your diary are 27th August, 17th September, 15th October, 19th November and 10th December. Please come along and support Father Keith if you are able. Many thanks.

This Week at St Peter's

Sunday 28th July **The Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

10.00 Parish Eucharist (With Sunday School)
(Readings: Hosea 1. 2-10, Colossians 2. 6-19, Luke 11. 1-13)

Wednesday 31st

10.00 Morning Prayer
12.00-14.00 Hangleton & West Blatchington Food Bank at St George's

Sunday 4th August **The Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

10.00 Family Eucharist (No Sunday School)
(Readings: Hosea 11. 1-11, Luke 12. 13-21)