



**The Parish Church of St. Peter
West Blatchington**
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25th August 2019
Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Mass Setting: St Thomas Mass

Hymns: 391; 436; 439*; 24*; 394; (*denotes from the yellow hymnal)

Welcome to St Peter's Parish Eucharist with celebrant Father John Joyce

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

☞ **The Collect** - Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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 - Jeremiah 1. 4-10** - Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.' Then I said, 'Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.' But the Lord said to me, 'Do not say, "I am only a boy"; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.' Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, 'Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.'

☞ **Psalm Response** - 'You, O Lord, are my confidence and hope.'

☞ **Second Reading - Hebrews 12. 18-29** - You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less

will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

☞ **Gospel Reading -Luke 13. 10-17** - Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, 'Woman, you are set free from your ailment.' When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, 'There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day.' But the Lord answered him and said, 'You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?' When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

☞ **Post Communion Prayer** - God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For our prayers:

The Anglican Communion: The Anglican Church of South America; The Most Revd Gregory James Venables - Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church of South America and Bishop of Argentina

Our Diocese: The Diocesan Board of Finance: Philip Bowden, Chairman and Lesley Lynn, Vice Chair

Our Parish: especially those who live in Queen Mary Avenue and for the recently married

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

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: Gwen Drewitt, Eric Smith 25th, Michael Laven, Barbara Bray 28th, John Swain, John Whyte 30th

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 August. Information on the charity, together with donation boxes, are at the back of Church, should you wish to contribute. For every £1 collected, the Church will double the money to send to the charity.

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.

Annual Sponsored Ride and Stride - The event will take place this year on Saturday 14th September, between 9am and 5pm. Information on the event together with sponsorship forms are at the back of Church if you would like to take part. You can cycle or walk and may start and finish at any Church, visiting as many or as few as you like. Money raised will be split between St Peter's and the Sussex Historic Churches Trust.

This Week at St Peter's

Sunday 25th August
The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 Parish Eucharist (No Sunday School)

(Readings: Jeremiah 1. 4-10, Hebrews 12. 18-29, Luke 13. 10-17)

Tuesday 27th

19.30 Eucharist (Celebrant Father Keith Perkington)

Wednesday 28th

10.00 Morning Prayer

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

Sunday 1st September
The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

10.00 Family Eucharist (No Sunday School)

(Readings: Jeremiah 2. 4-13, Luke 14. 1, 7-14)