



**St John's
Pevensey Road
Pews News and
Service Sheet
for Sunday 10th
September –
Trinity 14**

**Welcome to Mass
this morning -
and especially to
the baptism of
Taurus Kobi Elias**

During the week:
**Wed 10am Midweek Mass
in St Peter's Chapel**
Online Zoom service*:
Wednesdays at 10am
**Morning Coffee: Fridays
10 – 12 noon in Church**



Our prayers are asked for: Holly H, Bostik, Dianne, Goldie, Lorenzo, Eve, Andy, Gladys, Anna, John T, Nigel and Carrie, Geraldine, Della, Clare, Janet F, Tim, Basia S, Kathryn, Gill T, Lesley, Jack P, Sheila, Peter, and Marie N.

Please pray also for

the repose of the souls of the recently departed, including Paul, ...and those whose Years Minds fall around this time, including Doris Haines, May Scoones, Dinah Giddings, Rene Carter, Clive Frost and Phyllis Simpson, and all who mourn.

**St John's
Prayer
Cross**

*Please request a link to the Wednesday Zoom service by emailing pewsnewsstjohns@gmail.com
Also to this email address please send any updates for prayer lists or pews news sheet by **11am Wednesday**

Audrey
and
Jeannie
Anna

Maddy
Tina

Rachel and Mene
Maite and Chaz
Paul and Eve, twins

Dulcie
Aspen
Gabriel
Anna

Evangeline, Hope
and Patricia

Peter and Jean
Gabriel Krystyna

Jack M
Patrick
Nicola
Rob

Benedict,
Savannah &
baby StJohn

RIP
Harvey
Avril
June
Nanny P
Mum

Please let us know of those who require this longer-term prayer support. Or pin their names, via the slips of paper provided, on the wooden Prayers Cross at the back of the Church. Thank you.

Peggy S
Jackie N
Barbara
Xander

Ramona
Beverly
Helena
Sue T
Don F
John H
Nanny C

All are
regularly
prayed
for by
name

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Introit: O come, ye servants of the Lord - Tye

Opening Hymn

**Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee;
yet possessing every blessing,
if our God our Father be.**

**Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us:
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us,
thou didst feel its keenest woe;
self-denying, death defying,
thou to Calvary didst go.**

**Spirit of our God, descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
love with every passion blending,
pleasure that can never cloy:
thus provided, pardoned, guided,
nothing can our peace destroy.**

James Edmeston (1791-1867)

The Welcoming of the People

Priest The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **All and also with you.**

Priest Our Lord Jesus Christ has told us that to enter the kingdom of heaven we must be born again of water and the Spirit, and has given us baptism as the sign and seal of this new birth. Here we are washed by the Holy Spirit and made clean. Here we are clothed with Christ, being dead to sin that we may live his risen life. As children of God, we have a new dignity and God calls us to fullness of life.

The Collect

Heavenly Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit you give to your faithful people new life in the water of baptism. Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit, that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love, and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit now and for ever. **All Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word *all sit*

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel Ezekiel 33. 7-11

So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me.

If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?"

Say to them, As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of

Israel?

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

A Reading from the letter to the Romans

Romans 13.8- end

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbour as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy.

Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

For the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn during which the Gospel is brought amongst us.

**Be thou my vision,
O Lord of my heart,
be all else but naught to me,
save that thou art;
be thou my best thought**

**in the day and the night,
both waking and sleeping,
thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom,
be thou my true word,
be thou ever with me,
and I with thee, Lord;
be thou my great Father,
and I thy true son;
be thou in me dwelling,
and I with thee one.**

**Be thou my breastplate,
my sword for the fight;
be thou my whole armour,
be thou my true might;
be thou my soul's shelter,
be thou my strong tower:
O raise thou me heavenward,
great Power of my power.**

**Riches I heed not,
nor man's empty praise:
be thou mine inheritance
now and always;
be thou and thou only
the first in my heart:
O Sovereign of heaven,
my treasure thou art.**

**High King of heaven,
thou heaven's bright sun,
O grant me its joys
after vict'ry is won;
great Heart of my own heart,
whatever befall,
still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.**

Irish c8th century tr. Mary Byrne (1880-1931)

Gospel Reading *When the Gospel is announced the Deacon says*
Alleluia, alleluia. The word of the Lord endures for ever.

The word of the Lord is the good news announced to you.

All Alleluia.

Deacon The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Matt. 18. 15 - 20

"If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Liturgy of Baptism

Presentation of the Candidate

The priest addresses the whole congregation

Faith is the gift of God to his people. In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom

he is calling. People of God, will you welcome *this child* and uphold *him* in *his* new life in Christ?

All With the help of God, we will.

The priest then says to the parents and godparents

Parents and godparents, the Church receives *this child* with joy. Today we are trusting God for *his* growth in faith. Will you pray for *him*, draw *him* by your example into the community of faith and walk with *him* in the way of Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

In baptism *this child* begins *his* journey in faith. You speak for *him* today. Will you care for *him*, and help *him* to take *his* place within the life and worship of Christ's Church?

With the help of God, we will.

The Decision

A large candle may be lit. The priest addresses Taurus's parents, godparents and sponsors

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light. To follow Christ means being dead to sin and rising to new life with him. Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?
I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?
I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the way,
the truth and the life?
I come to Christ.

Signing with the Cross – *the priest makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of the candidate*

Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.

Do not be ashamed to confess the
faith of Christ crucified.

**All Fight valiantly as a disciple of
Christ against sin, the world and
the devil, and remain faithful to
Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from
the powers of darkness, restore in
you the image of his glory, and
lead you in the light and obedience
of Christ. **All Amen.**

Prayer over the Water

*The baptismal party gathers at the
font. The priest stands before the
water of baptism and says*

Praise God who made heaven and
earth **All who keeps his promise
forever.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our
God. **All It is right to give thanks
and praise.**

We thank you, almighty God, for
the gift of water to sustain, refresh
and cleanse all life. Over water the
Holy Spirit moved in the beginning
of creation. Through water you led
the children of Israel from slavery
in Egypt to freedom in the

Promised Land. In water your Son
Jesus received the baptism of
John and was anointed by the Holy
Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to
lead us from the death of sin to
newness of life. We thank you,
Father, for the water of baptism.
In it we are buried with Christ in his
death. By it we share in his
resurrection. Through it we are
reborn by the Holy Spirit.
Therefore, in joyful obedience to
your Son, we baptize into his
fellowship those who come to him
in faith.

Now sanctify this water that, by the
power of your Holy Spirit,
they may be cleansed from sin and
born again. Renewed in your
image, may they walk by the light
of faith and continue for ever in the
risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord;
to whom with you and the Holy
Spirit be all honour and glory, now
and for ever. **All Amen.**

Profession of Faith

The priest addresses the congregation

Brothers and sisters, I ask you,
together with *Taurus' parents and
godparents*, to profess the faith of
the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God
the Father? **All I believe in God,
the Father almighty, creator of
heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son
Jesus Christ?

**All I believe in Jesus Christ, his
only Son, our Lord, who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was
buried; he descended to the**

dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Baptism

The priest pours water on the candidate, saying

Taurus Kobi Elias, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **All Amen.**

A minister may say Taurus, you have been clothed with Christ. As many as are baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

The priest says

May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church, pour upon you the riches of his grace, that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit, and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory. **All Amen.**

The priest and the baptismal party return from the font.

Commission

A minister addresses the congregation, parents and godparents, using these or similar words

We have brought *Taurus* to baptism knowing that Jesus died

and rose again for *him* and trusting in the promise that God hears and answers prayer. We have prayed that in Jesus Christ *he* will know the forgiveness of *his* sins and the new life of the Spirit.

As *Taurus* grows up, *he* will need the help and encouragement of the Christian community, so that *he* may learn to know God in public worship and private prayer, follow Jesus Christ in the life of faith, serve *his* neighbour after the example of Christ, and in due course come to confirmation.

As part of the Church of Christ, we all have a duty to support *Taurus* by prayer, example and teaching. As *his* parents and godparents, you have the prime responsibility for guiding and helping *him* in *his* early years. This is a demanding task for which you will need the help and grace of God. Therefore let us now pray for grace in guiding *this child* in the way of faith.

Faithful and loving God, bless those who care for *Taurus* and grant *them* your gifts of love, wisdom and faith. Pour upon *them* your healing and reconciling love, and protect *their home(s)* from all evil. Fill *them* with the light of your presence and establish *them* in the joy of your kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All Amen.**

God of grace and life, in your love you have given us a place among your people; keep us faithful to our baptism, and prepare us for that glorious day when the whole creation will be made perfect in your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. **All Amen.**

Taurus, today God has touched you with his love and given you a place among his people. God promises to be with you in joy and in sorrow, to be your guide in life, and to bring you safely to heaven. In baptism God invites you on a life-long journey. Together with all God's people you must explore the way of Jesus and grow in friendship with God, in love for his people, and in serving others. With us you will listen to the word of God and receive the gifts of God.

Prayers of Intercession *led by the intercessor using their own words or ...*

As a royal priesthood, let us pray to the Father through Christ who ever lives to intercede for us.

Reveal your kingdom among the nations; may peace abound and justice flourish.

Especially for ...

Your name be hallowed.

All Your kingdom come.

Send down upon us the gift of the Spirit and renew your Church with power from on high.

Especially for ...

Your name be hallowed.

All Your kingdom come.

Deliver the oppressed, strengthen the weak, heal and restore your creation.

Especially for ...

Your name be hallowed.

All Your kingdom come.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the Church on earth, we join our prayers with all the saints in glory.

Your name be hallowed.


All Your kingdom come.

The Welcome and Peace

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: *Taurus*, by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.

All We welcome you into the fellowship of faith; we are children of the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.

The congregation greet the newly

baptized.  *The deacon introduces the Peace*

We are all one in Christ Jesus. We belong to him through faith, heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you **All and also with you.** *All may exchange a sign of peace.*

Offertory hymn *during which the altar is prepared, and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

**Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways!
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence praise.**

**In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
rise up and follow thee.**

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!

**O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!**

**Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and**

stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our
desires
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake wind
and fire,
O still small voice of calm.

John Whittier (1807-92)

Prayer at the Preparation of the Altar

The priest takes the bread and wine.

Wise and gracious God, you
spread a table before us; nourish
your people with the word of life
and bread of heaven. *All Amen.*

The Eucharistic Prayer (B)

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

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.*

Father, we give you thanks and
praise through your beloved Son
Jesus Christ, your living Word,
through whom you have created all
things;
who was sent by you in your great
goodness to be our Saviour.
By the power of the Holy Spirit he
took flesh;
as your Son, born of the blessed
Virgin, he lived on earth and went
about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us on
the cross; he put an end to death by
dying for us; and revealed the

resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will and won for
you a holy people. And now we give
you thanks because by water and
the Holy Spirit you have made us in
him a new people to show forth your
glory. Therefore with angels and
archangels, and with all the
company of heaven, we proclaim
your great and glorious name, for
ever praising you and singing:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your
glory.**

**Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the
source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your
Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ;

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.

Deacon Great is the mystery of
faith

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

And so, Father, calling to mind his
death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for
the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection
and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our
redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of
praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and
this cup and we thank you for
counting us worthy to stand in your
presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your
people and gather into one in your
kingdom all who share this one
bread and one cup, so that we, in
the company of St John the
Evangelist, Mary the Mother of
God, and all the saints, may praise
and glorify you for ever, 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

Deacon Let us pray with confidence
as our Saviour has taught us:

All **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.**

Breaking of the Bread

The priest breaks the consecrated 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 sit as **Agnus Dei** *is sung by all.*

**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.**

Giving of Communion

The priest says the invitation.

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.

*Communion is received. Please bow your
head if you prefer to receive a blessing.*

The Body of Christ. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ. **Amen.**

*Anthem: Come down, O Love divine -
Harris*

Hymn

Jesus, good above all other,
gentle child of gentle mother,
in a stable born our brother,
give us grace to persevere.

Jesus, cradled in a manger,
for us facing every danger,
living as a homeless stranger,
make we thee our King most
dear.

Jesus, for thy people dying,
risen master, death defying,
Lord in heaven, thy grace
supplying.
keep us to thy presence near.

Jesus, who our sorrows bearest,
all our thoughts and hopes thou
sharest,
thou to man the truth declarest;
help us all thy truth to hear.

Lord, in all our doings guide us;
pride and hate shall ne'er divide
us;
we'll go on with thee beside us,
and with joy we'll persevere.

Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)

Prayer after Communion

Priest Eternal God, our beginning
and our end, preserve in your
people the new life of baptism;
as Christ receives us on earth,
so may he guide us through the
trials of this world, and enfold us in
the joy of heaven, where you live
and reign, one God for ever and
ever. *All Amen.*

All Father of all, we give you
thanks and praise, that when we

were still far off you met us in
your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared
your love, gave us grace, and
opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body
live his risen life; we who drink
his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights
give light to the world. Keep us
firm in the hope you have set
before us, so we and all your
children shall be free, and the
whole earth live to praise your
name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Notices

Giving of a Lighted Candle

*When the candle has been
received, the priest says*

God has delivered us from the
dominion of darkness and has
given us a place with the saints in
light. Taurus, you have received
the light of Christ; walk in this light
all the days of your life.

All Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.

Blessing of the Congregation

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And also with you

Priest The God of all grace,
who called you to his eternal glory
in Christ Jesus, establish,
strengthen and settle you in the
faith; and the blessing of God
almighty, the Father, the Son, and
the Holy Spirit, be among you and
remain with you always.

All Amen.

Final hymn (Magnificat)

Tell out, my soul, the greatness
of the Lord:
unnumbered blessings, give my
spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his
word;
in God my Saviour shall my
heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness
of his name:
make known his might, the
deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age
the same;
his holy name, the Lord, the
Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness
of his might:
powers and dominions lay their
glory by;
proud hearts and stubborn wills
are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted
high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of
his word!
Firm is his promise, and his
mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness
of the Lord
to children's children and for
evermore!

(Timothy Dudley-Smith b 1926)

The Dismissal

Priest The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you**

All **May the grace of our Lord
Jesus Christ, and love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy
Spirit, be with us all, evermore.
Amen.**

Priest May the souls of the faithful
departed, through the mercy of
God, rest in peace...

All **and rise in glory. Amen.**

Dcn Go in the light and peace of
Christ. *All* **Thanks be to God.**

*Organ voluntary: March in D -
Guilmant*

Do stay for coffee!



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