

Welcome to the Eucharist today. We are delighted to meet visitors and newcomers after the service, when drinks will be served in the Parish Hall. Wine or coffee is available for 1.5 euro: the coffee money goes towards choir funds.

Bienvenue à Saint-Georges. Nous vous invitons à prendre un verre de vin ou une tasse de café (1.5 euro) après la messe dans la salle paroissiale, et si vous êtes de passage dans notre église nous serons heureux de faire votre connaissance.

Notices :

Next week the clocks go forward 1 hour. Don't forget or you'll be an hour late - which would be a particular shame as next Sunday includes the Blessing & Distribution of Flowers!

The Bookstall is open! Additional copies of *The Humility of God* are available today. Please pick up your reading for Lent or browse and buy from Fr Thomas.

News about Lent courses, books and additional services, including news of our Holy Week preacher are all available this morning in an additional leaflet available on the Landing Table. Please note Morning Prayer on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday are at 0915.

A warm welcome to our Confirmation Candidates! We look forward to growing with them as they prepare to affirm the baptismal promises made for them at their Baptism at the Feast of Christ the King.

There is a Parish Lunch next week. Cost 10€ payable over coffee.

This year we renew the Roll here at St George's. Please fill out the form you've received with this service paper and leave it in the basket on the Welcome Table.

If you'd like to read a lesson or the prayers on Sunday at 1030 please sign up. Rebecca Young is coordinating the list of readers. Please add your email address for convenience. **If your 'under 18 year old' would like to read then please add your own email .**

Updating the Sick List. Please help us pray more specifically for those on our Sick List by indicating who is in touch with the sick person. The particular circumstances can be communicated privately to Fr Mark.

If you know of someone who used to attend St George's but now, through age or infirmity, no longer worships with us in Paris please can you let Fr Mark know who and where!

Sunday Lunch Rota and Flower Rota: the new rotas are up for the first quarter of 2019: if you would like more information, please speak to the churchwardens or for Sunday Lunch, Ginette Barbé, and for flowers to Angela Harrisson.

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: Simone Rabaud, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Irene Hicks, Gregor Dallas, Prudence Kupka, Kenneth Nyakana, Grace Valéry, Janine Stockton, Mary Berg, Maroussia, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Laurence, Mimi de Bentzmann-Fouilland, Jean-Paul Buffet, Judy Wham, Pascale, Muriel Lamoureux

And for those who have died recently: John Habgood, bishop.

St George's Paris

Third Sunday of Lent

24th March 2019

This week:

Sunday 24 th	Third Sunday of Lent	0830	Mass
		0900	Confirmation Preparation Teenagers
		1030	Solemn Mass
		1730	Mass in Caen
Monday 25 th	<i>Annunciation of the Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>		
Tuesday 26 th	<i>Harriet Monsell, founder</i>	1800	Evensong
		1830	Mass
Wednesday 27 th	<i>Lenten Feria</i>	1200	Mass
		1800	Evensong
		1830	Lent Group <i>The Humility of God</i>
Thursday 28 th	<i>Lenten Feria</i>	1800	Evensong
		1830	Mass
Friday 29 th	<i>Lenten Feria</i>		
Saturday 30 th	<i>Lenten Feria</i>	1200	Mass
		1500	Lent Group <i>Vivre le Carême</i>
Sunday 31 st	Fourth Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday	8.30am	Mass
		10.30am	Solemn Mass

Chaplain: Fr. Mark Osborne

Assistant Curate: Fr. Nicolas Razafindratsima

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Welcome! You will find the service in the cream booklet. The hymns are all to be found in the green hymnbook and this week's choices are on the board or in the service paper. This week the choir sings the **Missa "Surge, propera"** by Tomas Luis Victoria (1548-1611) and the anthem during Communion is **Ave Maria** by Anton Bruckner (1824-1896).

Please stand for the opening hymn (362) when the bell rings. The service continues in the yellow service books on page 1. Please stand or kneel, if you are able, while the choir sings Kyrie eleison.

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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**

First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-9

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Please remain seated for the choir to sing the psalm appointed for the day (Ps 63:1-9)

O God, thou art my God * early will I seek thee. My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee * in a barren and dry land where no water is. Thus have I looked for thee in holiness * that I might behold thy power and glory. For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself * my lips shall praise thee. As long as I live will I magnify thee on this manner * and lift up my hands in thy Name. My soul shall be satisfied, even as it were with marrow and fatness * when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips. Have I not remembered thee in my bed * and thought upon thee when I was waking? Because thou hast been my helper * therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice. My soul hangeth upon thee * thy right hand hath upholden me.

Second Reading: I Corinthians 10:1-13

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same

spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (275)

The Holy Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."'

Creed

You will find the Creed, (Martin Shaw) as an insert in this sheet.

Intercessions:

Living Spirit of God: **quench our thirst.**

Please stand for the hymn (291) at the preparation of the altar. All who are baptised and communicant members of one of the Christian churches are welcome to receive communion with us. Those who are prevented from doing so by their conscience, or the discipline of their Church, are most welcome to come to the altar for a blessing at the time of communion.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand for the hymn (468). After the Blessing and Dismissal the clergy and servers leave.