

Notices :

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 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.

From 14th July the Summer Programme means that there will be no public offices and Masses except on Thursday at 6.30pm and Saturday at 12 noon. Sunday services will be as usual.

The Library is currently holding the remains of the Christmas Bazaar's Book Stall. My apologies to our young people but it's unavailable for use until bookshops come and pick up the 1500 books in bags!

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: Simone Rabaud, Maxie Stavritch, 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, Pascale Stephany, Muriel Lamoureux Isabelle Foulon, Angela Carone, Pier Luigi Galli, Paul Bultez, Anitha Yannick, Pascale Stephany, Marie-Therese, Ophelie Gourbault, Isabelle Foulon, Angela Casone, Paul Bultez, Susan, David, Paul, Saul, Nathaniel Vuillard, Françoise Guibert.

And for those who have died recently: Lucie Razafinmanjaro, Tim Berlet, Mialisoa Tsiory Ranaivoson.

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9th after Trinity (Proper 15): 18th August 2019

A warm welcome to St George's. You will find the readings and hymn numbers on this newsletter, hymns are in the green book and the service outline is in the cream booklets. During the Summer months our choir takes a well-earned holiday and the setting of the Mass is sung congregationally. The setting today is **Merbecke (542)** in the hymn book.

Until 1st September we enjoy a reduced timetable with no public offices and masses except on Thursday evening and Saturday lunchtime. Sunday School restarts on the 8th September.

This week:

Sunday 18 th	Trinity 9 0830 1030	Mass Solemn Mass
Monday 19 th	Feria	
Tuesday 20 th	Bernard of Clairvaux, teacher of the faith	
Wednesday 21 st	Feria	
Thursday 22 nd	Feria 1830	Mass
Friday 23 rd	Feria	
Saturday 24 th	Bartholomew, apostle 1200	Mass
Sunday 25 th	Trinity 10 8.30am 10.30am	Mass Solemn Mass

Chaplain: Fr. Mark Osborne
Assistant Curate: Fr. Nicolas Razafindratsima
Director of Music: Dr Peter Hicks
Secretary: Anne Fothergill
Churchwardens: Janet Schofield and Peter Hicks
Church Council Secretary: Sonia Taylor



Please stand for the opening hymn (225) when the bell rings. The service continues in the yellow service books on page 1. Please stand or kneel, if you are able, while we sing the Kyries and Gloria by Merbecke (542).

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy 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 (John Crothers) : Jeremiah 23:23-29

Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Please remain seated to sing hymn (416).

Second Reading (Natasha) : Hebrews 11:29-12:2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (15).

Holy Gospel: Luke 12:49-56

'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.' He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?'

Creed

You will find the Creed by Merbecke (542) in the hymnbook.

Intercessions (Chris Schaefer) :

Lead us, Lord: **to walk in your ways.**

Please stand for the hymn (134) 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

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand for the hymn (348). After the Blessing and Dismissal the clergy and servers leave.