

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: Mary Berg, Jean-Paul Buffet, Paul Bultez, Angela Casone, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Gregor Dallas, Mimi de Bentzmann-Fouilland, Isabelle Foulon, Ophélie Gourbault, Françoise Guibert, Irene Hicks, Prudence Kupka, Muriel Lamoureux, Kenneth Nyakana, Bernadette Pédeflous, Simone Rabaud, Maxie Stavritch, Pascale Stephany, Grace Valéry, Margaret Woods, Anitha Yannick and for Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Maroussia, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul.

Those who have died: Joan Boyer

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.

A huge thank you to all those who worked so hard and made our Bazaar such a success.

Dates for your diary: Children's Mass—10h30 15th December; Carol Service—18h30 15th December.

Next Sunday is the Caen Carol Service. Please hold them in your prayers.

Confessions during Advent will be heard on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 17h00 and can be heard on Saturday mornings. If these times are not helpful please contact Fr Mark either on his mobile (06.59.37.49.54) or via chaplain@stgeorgesparis.org

The revised Lunch List is up today. Please think if you'd like to cook lunch on the spiffy new cooker! There are some very wise heads who will be happy to give you helpful advice. Eating together has been at the heart of life at St George's for a very long time and it would be good to welcome new cooks to our rota.

There will be a retiring collection on the next two Sundays to cover the cost of Christmas Flowers – please give generously!

Today our Sunday School will join us at Mass until the readings begin. They will then lead themselves out of the assembly to the Club Room where they will follow their own curriculum. This gives us the opportunity to worship with them and for them to be formed by our practice.

If we had a statue of St George the candle would burn before his image but there is an extra candle lit before Our Lady—for parliamentarians in the UK—and for civil society in these next few weeks.

St George's Paris

Advent Sunday : 1st December 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. Today the choir sings the **Western Wynd Mass** by John Sheppard (c1515-1558), the motet during Communion will be **Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme BWV 140** by JS Bach (1685-1750). The sortie is the **Trio Sonata** by JS Bach.

This week:

Sunday 1st	Advent 1	
	0830	Mass (BCP)
	1030	Solemn Mass
	1300	Parish Lunch
	1630	Messe Malgache
Monday 2nd	<i>Advent FERIA</i>	
Tuesday 3rd	<i>Francis Xavier, missionary</i>	
	1800	Evensong
	1830	Mass
Wednesday 4th	<i>Barbara, martyr</i>	
	1200	Mass
Thursday 5th	<i>Advent FERIA</i>	
	1800	Evensong
	1830	Mass
Friday 6th	<i>Nicholas, bishop</i>	
Saturday 7th	<i>Ambrose, bishop</i>	
	1200	Mass
Sunday 8th	Advent 2	
	0830	Mass (BCP)
	1030	Solemn Mass
	1730	Caen Carol Service

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Please stand for the opening hymn (5) when the bell rings. The service continues in the cream service books on page 1—**please note the seasonal changes which you find in this sheet.** During Advent the Penitential Rite will use baptismal water and be accompanied by the Advent Prose (501).

Prayer of Penitence

**Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought, in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light. Amen**

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Please remain seated for the choir to sing the Advent Sequence (502)

Salus aeterna, indeficiens mundi vita. Lux sempiterna, et redemptio vera nostra. Condolens humana perire saecula per tentantis numina. Non linquens excelsa, adisti ima propria dementia. Mox tua spontanea gratia assumens humana, Quae fuerant perdita omnia, salvasti terrea. Ferens mundo gaudia. Tu animas et corpora nostra, Christe, expia, Ut possideas lucida nosmet liabitacula. Adventu primo iustificas. In secundo nosque libera; Ut cum facta luce magna, iudicabis omnia, Compti stola incorrupta, nosmet tua subsequamur mox vestigia quocumque visa. Amen.

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

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.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (3).

Holy Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

Creed

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

Intercessions:

O come: **let us walk in the light of the Lord.**

Offertory

Please stand for the hymn (9) at the preparation of the altar; during this hymn a collection will be taken. During the Eucharistic Prayer we proclaim the mystery of faith by using the following:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

At the end of the prayer we all respond

... in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the bread

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion if you do so in your own church. If you would prefer, please come forward and bow your head for a blessing.

Invitation to Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Post Communion Prayer

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Please stand for the hymn (465). After the Blessing and Dismissal the clergy and servers leave.