

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: Fr Beaumont Brandie, Mary Berg, Jean-Paul Buffet, Paul Bultez, Angela Casone, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Gregor Dallas, Eric Benson, Mimi de Bentzmann-Fouilland, Isabelle Foulon, Ophélie Goubault, Françoise Guibert, Irene Hicks, Prudence Kupka, Muriel Lamoureux, Kenneth Nyakana, Bernadette Pédeflous, Philip Prosser, 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:** Ian

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.

The begining of Lent is February 26th—Ash Wednesday. The Eucharist will be celebrated at midday and at 19h30. Ashing will be part of both services.

Please help yourselves to Lent leaflets on the Landing which outline upcoming activities this Lent, Holy Week and Easter.

The RSCM welcomes you to its upcoming event: Singing the Word on Saturday 29th February, 10.30 am-4 pm here at St. George's (a joint venture). Starting at 10.30 with Mass, lunch and ending at 3.30pm with the Vigil of the Resurrection it's going to be a good day! Please sign up online. More details at www.rscmfrance.org.

The Bishop has written to every Chaplaincy urging you not to intinct at Holy Communion; the letter is on the Board. It is dangerously unhygienic particularly at this time of heightened awareness of cross-contamination.

There will be an Instrumental and Singing Day on Saturday, 14th March from 10 am at St. Mark's, Versailles. The choir will be prepared and directed by Adrian Shaw and the music group by Amanda Haste. Details and application form at www.rscmfrance.org.

Please sign up for Lent Books—an order will be placed with Amazon.fr on Thursday this week. Dominic will be pleased to receive your order/cash!

A huge thanks from Barbara Aveling to all those who've donated goods to the Migrants in the Pas de Calais. The Chaplaincy there is very grateful.

The Liftkar needs more hands. If you would like to be trained for this please speak to the Churchwardens or Chaplain.

St George's Paris

Sunday next before Lent : 23rd February 2020

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 **Messe chorale N°4** (sur intonations catholiques) by Charles Gounod (1818-1893) and the motet is **Salve regina** by Francis Poulenc (1899-1963). The Sortie is **Exultemus** by Percy Whitlock (1903-1946).

This week:

Sunday 23rd	Sunday next before Lent 0830 Mass (BCP) 1030 Solemn Mass
Monday 24th	Feria
Tuesday 25th	Shrove Tuesday 1800 Evensong 1830 Mass
Wednesday 26th	Ash Wednesday 1200 Mass with Ashing 1800 Evensong 1930 Solemn Mass with Ashing
Thursday 27th	George Herbert 1800 Evensong 1830 Mass
Friday 28th	Lenten Feria
Saturday 29th	Lenten Feria 1200 Mass
Sunday 1st	Lent I 0830 Mass (BCP) 1030 Solemn Mass 1630 Messe Malgache

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Please stand for the opening hymn (234) when the bell rings. The service continues in the yellow service books on page 1. The Gloria is **De Angelis** which you will find on the sheet.

Opening Prayer

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading: Exodus 24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.' Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Please remain seated for the choir to sing the psalm appointed for the day (Ps 99)

The Lord is King, be the people never so impatient * he sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet. The Lord is great in Sion * and high above all people. They shall give thanks unto thy Name * which is great, wonderful, and holy. The king's power loveth judgement; thou hast prepared equity * thou hast executed judgement and righteousness in Jacob. O magnify the Lord our God * and fall down before his footstool, for he is holy. Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name * these called upon the Lord, and he heard them. He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar * for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them. Thou heardest them, O Lord our God * thou forgavest them, O God, and punishedst their own inventions. O magnify the Lord our God, and worship him upon his holy hill * for the Lord our God is holy.

Second Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-21

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (178).

Holy Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them

up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

Creed

You will find the Creed (**De Angelis**) on the accompanying sheet.

Intercessions:

Holy God: **transform us and use us to your glory.**

Offertory

Please stand for the hymn (336) 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:



Christ has died. Christ is ri-sen. Christ will come again.

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 God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand for the hymn (494). After the Blessing and Dismissal the clergy and servers leave.