

discipline of their Church, are most welcome to come to the altar for a blessing at the time of communion.

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand for the hymn (382). After the Blessing and Dismissal the clergy and servers leave.

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 Gourbault, Françoise Guibert, Irene Hicks, Jean Johnson, 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:** Philip Prosser.

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.

During the Coronavirus epidemic following advice we ask that you please do not: shake or hold hands, exchange bisous, receive Holy Communion on the tongue, dip the Eucharist into the chalice.

This week we welcome French ARC to St George's. Please pray for Sonia and all those on the committee who are finalising the translation of Common Worship.

Please help yourselves to Lent leaflets on the Landing which outline upcoming activities this Lent, Holy Week and Easter. **The Lent Group** meets at 6.30pm every Wednesday in the Parish Hall. There will be an opportunity for **Silent Prayer** every Wednesday from 5pm in the Lady Chapel. On Saturday the Stations of the Cross will begin at 11am.

The Electoral Roll Revision period has begun. Please check your name is on the list at the top of the stairs. If its not then fill out the form you'll find on the Sidepeople's table.

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.

The next Quiz Night is on Saturday 28th March 18h00—keep your diary free!

If you are free to help the SOS Booksale which will take place on March 22 at the American Cathedral they are particularly looking for help lifting and carrying books in cartons from the van to the church on Saturday (10-2) and back again on the Sunday (16-18). Please contact Anne in the Office who will pass your details on to the organisers.

St George's Paris

Lent 2 : 8th March 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 **Mass of Milan** by the prolific Anon. and the motet is **Super flumina Babylonis** by Lassus, (1532-1594). The entrance antiphon is from the Lent Prose (507).

This week:

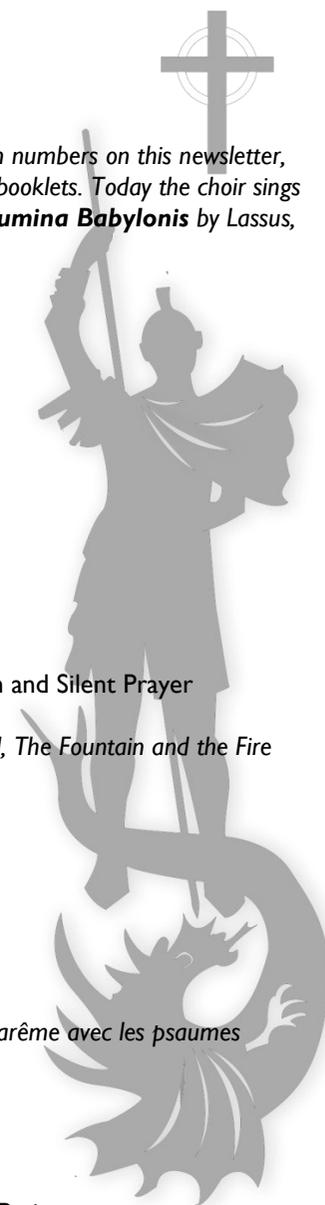
Sunday 8th	Lent 2 0830 1030 1730	Mass (BCP) Solemn Mass Caen
Monday 9th	Lenten Feria	
Tuesday 10th	Lenten Feria 1800 1830	Evensong Mass
Wednesday 11th	Lenten Feria 1200 1700 1800 1830	Mass Eucharistic Exposition and Silent Prayer Evensong Lent Group <i>The Wind, The Fountain and the Fire</i>
Thursday 12th	Lenten Feria 1800 1830	Evensong Mass
Friday 13th	Lenten Feria	
Saturday 14th	Lenten Feria 1100 1200 1500	Stations of the Cross Mass Lent Group <i>Vivre le Carême avec les psaumes</i>
Sunday 15th	Lent 3 0830 1030 1730	Mass (BCP) Solemn Mass Caen

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Please stand for the opening hymn (74) when the bell rings. The service continues in the yellow service books on page 1. Please note seasonal changes in this newsheet.

Prayer of Penitence

Lord God, we have sinned against you; we have done evil in your sight. We are sorry and repent. Have mercy on us according to your love. Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin. Renew a right spirit within us and restore to us the joy of your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

Please remain seated for the choir to sing the psalm appointed for the day (Ps 121)

*I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills * from whence cometh my help. My help cometh even from the Lord * who hath made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved * and he that keepeth thee will not sleep. Behold, he that keepeth Israel * shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord himself is thy keeper * the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand; So that the sun shall not burn thee by day * neither the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil * yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in * from this time forth for evermore.*

Second Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (342).

Holy Gospel: John 3:1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Creed

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

Intercessions:

During the first 3 weeks of Lent we use a traditional form of intercession with no response.

Offertory

Please stand for the hymn (65) 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:

Jesus Christ is Lord:

**Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

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

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word,
and I shall be healed.**

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 thg