

Notices :

Midday Prayer is moving! 12h30 isn't a popular time and will move to 13h00. An email will be sent on Monday to remind you of the change of time. A separate Zoom link will be provided for each type of online activity.

During this Lockdown the Chaplaincy will post Morning and Evening Prayer and a daily Eucharist for you to continue your spiritual life. There will also be a short service of Midday Prayer every Wednesday with an opportunity to catch up with familiar faces via Zoom. The Link will be sent out via email this week. Thursday will either be Book Club or Bible Study. I'm hoping that we'll be able to offer the service of Compline on Saturday evening as a preparation for Sunday. Services will be uploaded for the following times:

Morning Prayer 07h00
The Eucharist 18h00
Evensong 18h30
Compline (Saturday) 21h00

St George's Theology Book Club is about offering a forum for theological reflection, debate and discussion so that we can grow in faith. It is especially intended as a way in which adult formation can continue through the autumn and winter of 2020/21, during which time it is highly likely at least some elements of Covid restrictions will remain in place. For this reason, our book club will meet once a month online via Zoom. Our final novel this term is Alessandro Manzoni's *The Betrothed* on 3rd December. All books are available cheaply on bookfinder.com or Amazon.fr. More details will be available on the website.

Bible Study at St George's will also continue by Zoom this autumn; our next session is this week—Thursday 12th November at 20h30. We are looking at the Letters of St John. More details will be available on the website. You can join in at any point in the series!

Morning and Evening Prayer are posted daily to St George's YouTube channel by a small team and have a congregation of roughly 20 people across the globe. Would you be willing to join the team? You need wifi and either an iphone/android or a computer with camera. You are not leading live worship but making a resource available—promise it's not at all scary!

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, Eric Benson, Mimi de Bentzmann-Fouilland, Isabelle Foulon, Ophélie Goubault, Irene Hicks, Prudence Kupka, Muriel Lamoureux, Amy Linton, Mirentxu Le Maire, Kenneth Nyakana, Bernadette Pédeflous, Simone Rabaud, Pascale Stephany, Grace Valéry, Margaret Woods, Anitha Yannick and for Clare, Emilio and baby Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Maroussia, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul.

Those who have died: All who have died of Covid-19 this week.

St George's Paris

2nd Sunday before Advent : 8.11.2020

A warm welcome to St George's online worship this week. Everything you need for today's service you'll find in this pamphlet. You are invited to sing along—hymns and the Common of the Eucharist which are using the setting by **Merbecke**. During Lockdown the following services will be posted on the St George's YouTube page by our team who aim for the following times:

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Sunday 8th	2nd before Advent 1030 Solemn Mass
Monday 9th	<i>Margaret of Scotland, queen</i>
Tuesday 10th	<i>Hugh of Lincoln, bishop</i>
Wednesday 11th	<i>Elizabeth of Hungary, princess</i> 1230 Zoom Midday Prayer and Conversation
Thursday 12th	<i>Hilda of Whitby, abbess</i> 2030 Book Group or Bible Study
Friday 13th	<i>Edmund, king and martyr</i>
Saturday 14th	<i>Of Our Lady</i>
Sunday 15th	Christ the King 1030 Sung Eucharist

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing.

**Christ is our corner-stone, on him alone we build;
with his true saints alone the courts of heaven are filled:
on his great love our hopes we place of present grace and joys above.**

**Oh then with hymns of praise these hallowed courts shall ring;
our voices we will raise the Three in One to sing;
and thus proclaim in joyful song, both loud and long, that glorious name.**

**Here may we gain from heaven the grace which we implore;
and may that grace, once given, be with us evermore,
until that day when all the blest to endless rest are called away.**

Greeting

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

The celebration is introduced and we are invited to remember and confess our sins in preparation for our celebration together. The choir sings the Kyries.

Penitential Rite

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you, through our own fault,
in thought and word and deed,
and in what we have left undone.**

**We are heartily sorry and repent of all our sins.
For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Gloria

**Glory be to God on high and in earth peace, goodwill towards men. We
praise thee we bless thee, we worship thee we glorify thee, we give thanks
to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father
almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ: O Lord God, Lamb
of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have
mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our
prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy
upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O
Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art the Most High in the glory of God the
Father. Amen.**

Opening Prayer

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this
hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power
and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.**

The celebrant invites the people to Communion

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, Alleluia!

The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb

Whilst reading this at home you may like to use the following prayer:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament,

I love you above all things and I desire you in my soul.

Since I cannot receive you now sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my soul.

As though you were already there I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you;

permit not that I should ever be separated from you.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the
last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen.

Blessing

The Lord be with you

and also with you.

May God the... **Amen.**

The Mass is ended, go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!**

**Praise him for his grace and favour to his people in distress.
Praise him, still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia, alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness!**

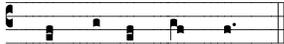
**Fatherlike he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows.
In his hand he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows!**

**Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace!**

**Pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand at His hand;
Joy doth wait on His command.**

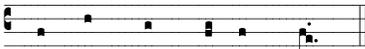
**Still from man to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ His Son.
Christ doth call one and all:
Ye who follow shall not fall.**

The Lord be with you



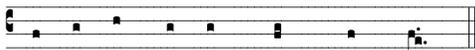
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts



We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give thanks and praise.

The celebrant praises God for his mighty acts in the Preface and the Choir sings the Sanctus.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The prayer continues until the Proclamation of Faith



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

At the end of the prayer we all respond Amen. We remain standing to pray together

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into
temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

As we prepare for Holy Communion we sing the Agnus Dei.

where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, 'The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm.' Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Please remain seated as the Choir sings the psalm appointed for the day (Psalm 90.1-8, 12)

*Lord, thou hast been our refuge * from one generation to another. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made * thou art God from everlasting, and world without end. Thou turnest man to destruction * again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men. For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday * seeing that is past as a watch in the night. As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep * and fade away suddenly like the grass. In the morning it is green, and groweth up * but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered. For we consume away in thy displeasure * and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation. Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee * and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance. So teach us to number our days * that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.*

Second Reading: I Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Sermon

Please be seated for the Sermon which is given by the Rev'd Grant Holmes.

Creed

We stand to sing the Profession of Faith (Merbecke)

We believe in one God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made, who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead,

whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets.

And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Intercessions

We remain standing to pray together. At the end of each petition this response is used

Lord, hear us: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.**

We are invited to give one another a sign of peace without touching—please use the Namaste or a bow of the head (a smile is really good too!). Our financial offering will be brought up by the Sidespeople from the Lower Landing table.

**All my hope on God is founded:
He doth still my trust renew.
Me thro' change and chance He guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown, He alone
Calls my heart to be His own.**

**Pride of man and earthly glory,
Sword and crown betray his trust:
What with care and toil he buildeth,
Tower and temple fall to dust.
But God's power, hour by hour,
Is my temple and my tower.**

**God's great goodness aye endureth,
Deep His wisdom, passing thought:
Splendour, light and life attend Him,
Beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore from His store
Newborn worlds rise and adore.**

**Daily doth th'almighty Giver
Bounteous gifts on us bestow.
His desire our soul delighteth,**