

Go in peace. Proclaim the Word made flesh.
Thanks be to God.

Notices :

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2021 won't this year be marked by a joint service here in Paris. Copies of *l'Unité* are to be found on your way out of church—please borrow a copy and bring it back!

In 2024 we celebrate our 200th Anniversary. The Church Council has asked for volunteers to form a Committee to organise the celebrations: a 'civic' service to which we'll invite Ambassadors, etc., a celebration of the role of St George's in ecumenical relations and a 'family' celebration. There will be concerts and eating and drinking but all of this needs to be planned around the Olympics! If you'd like to be involved please put your name of the list on the Landing Table.

The new Flower Rota is available this morning. If you'd like to arrange flowers or sponsor a particular date please see the list on the noticeboard.

The Theology Book Club this term will be reading:

The Ballad of Reading Gaol by Oscar Wilde, on Thursday 18th February

My Name is Asher Lev, by Chaim Potok, on Thursday 18th March

The Master and Margarita by Mikhail Bulgakov on Thursday 15th April

The Bible Study will restart on Thursday 21st January. We are currently studying the letters of St John and will be following the outline you can find on the website. Details of the course will be sent out via MailChimp.

Giving at St George's: now is the time to consider if you would like to top-up your giving to St George's for this tax year. If you pay tax in France and give by either standing order or cheque, you can have up to 66% of your giving to St George's deducted from your income tax liability. More details are available from Fr Mark or our Treasurer, Mike Orrin.

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: Mary Berg, Jean-Paul Buffet, Angela Casone, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Gregor Dallas, Eric Benson, Mimi de Bentzmann-Fouilland, Ophélie Gourbault, 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, Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Maroussia, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul.

Those who have died: Audrey Marshall, Mark Langham pr., Jane Sinclair pr., Dawn Holder-Maxwell, those who have died of Covid-19.

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St George's, Paris

2nd Sunday of Epiphany : 17th January 2021

A warm welcome to St George's worship this week—online or in person Everything you need for today's service you'll find in this pamphlet. Today the choir sings **Mass in C K258** by WA Mozart (1756–1791) and the motet during Communion will be **There shall a star from Jacob come forth** by Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847).

Sunday 17th **2nd Sunday of Epiphany**
0830 Holy Communion (1662)
1030 Solemn Eucharist

Monday 18th *The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity*

Tuesday 19th *Wulfstan, bishop*
1800 Evensong
1830 Mass

Wednesday 20th *Richard Rolle, mystic*
1200 Mass

Thursday 21st *Agnes, martyr*
1800 Evensong
1830 Mass

Friday 22nd *Vincent of Saragossa, deacon*

Saturday 23rd *Of Our Lady*
1200 Mass

Sunday 24th **3rd Sunday of Epiphany**
0830 Holy Communion
1030 Solemn Mass

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing.

Alleluia, sing to Jesus! His the sceptre, his the throne:

Alleluia! his the triumph, His the victory alone.

Hark the songs of peaceful Sion Thunder like a mighty flood:

Jesus, out of every nation, Hath redeemed us by his blood!



**Alleluya, not as orphans Are we left in sorrow now:
Alleluya! he is near us; faith believes, nor questions how;
Though the cloud from sight received him When the forty days were o'er
Shall our hearts forget his promise, 'I am with you evermore?'**

**Alleluya, Bread of Angels, here on earth our food, our stay:
Alleluya! here the sinful Flee to thee from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners, Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless Sweep across the crystal sea.**

**Alleluya, King eternal, Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluya, born of Mary, Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
Thou within the veil hast entered, Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim In the Eucharistic Feast.**

Greeting

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

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe!
**From the rising of the sun to its setting
your name is proclaimed in all the world.**

The Lord 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.

Penitential Rite

**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**

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

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your

Breaking of the bread

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

**God is here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

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

*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.*

Invitation to Communion

Christ is the true bread which has come down from heaven.
Lord, give us this bread for ever.

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. If you don't want to receive Holy Communion 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.*

Please follow the directions of the Sides-people.

Post Communion Prayer

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go, My daily labour to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know In all I think or speak or do.**

**The task thy wisdom hath assigned, O let me cheerfully fulfil;
In all my works thy presence find, And prove thy good and perfect will.**

**Preserve me from my calling's snare, And hide my simple heart above,
Above the thorns of choking care, The gilded baits of worldly love.**

**Thee may I set at my right hand, Whose eyes mine in-most substance see,
And labour on at thy command, And offer all my works to thee.**

**Give me to bear thy easy yoke, And every moment watch and pray,
And still to things eternal look, And hasten to thy glorious day.**

**For thee delightfully employ What e'er thy bounteous grace hath given;
And run my course with even joy, And closely walk with thee to heaven.**

Blessing

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

And may the blessing... always. **Amen**

**I shall not fear the battle If Thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway If Thou wilt be my Guide.**

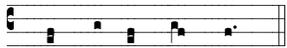
**Oh, let me hear Thee speaking, In accents clear and still,
Above the storms of passion, The murmurs of self-will;
Oh, speak to reassure me, To hasten, or control;
Oh, speak, and make me listen, Thou Guardian of my soul.**

**O Jesus, Thou hast promised To all who follow Thee
That where Thou art in glory There shall Thy servant be;
And Jesus, I have promised To serve Thee to the end;
Oh, give me grace to follow, My Master and my Friend.**

**Oh, let me see Thy footmarks, And in them plant mine own;
My hope to follow duly Is in Thy strength alone.
Oh, guide me, call me, draw me, Uphold me to the end;
And then to rest receive me, My Saviour and my Friend.**

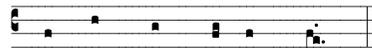
Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



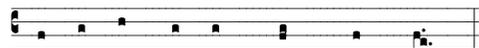
and also with you.

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.

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 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.**

heavenly glory; 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: I Samuel 3:1-20

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.' Then the Lord said to Samuel, 'See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfil against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house for ever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering for ever.' Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, 'Samuel, my son.' He said, 'Here I am.' Eli said, 'What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.' So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, 'It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him.' As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.

Please remain seated for the choir to sing the psalm appointed for today (Ps. 139:1-5, 12-18).

*O Lord, thou hast searched me out, and known me * thou knowest my down-sitting, and mine up-rising; thou understandest my thoughts long before. Thou art about my path, and about my bed * and spiest out all my ways. For lo, there is not a word in my tongue * but thou, O Lord, knowest it altogether. Thou hast fashioned me behind and before * and laid thine hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me * I cannot attain unto it. For my reins are thine * thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will give thanks unto thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made * marvellous are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well. My bones are not hid from thee * though I be made secretly, and fashioned beneath in the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect * and in thy book were all my members written; Which day by day were fashioned * when as yet there was none of them. How dear are thy counsels unto me, O God * O how great is the sum of them! If I tell them, they are more in number than the sand * when I wake up I am*

Second Reading: Revelation 5:1-10

Then I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals; and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?' And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. Then one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.' Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne. When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. They sing a new song: 'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every tribe and language and people and nation; you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God, and they will reign on earth.'

Gradual

**Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode.**

**The Lord, who left the heavens our life and peace to bring,
to dwell in lowliness with men, their pattern and their King;**

**Still to the lowly soul he doth himself impart,
and for his dwelling and his throne chooseth the pure in heart.**

**Lord, we thy presence seek; may ours this blessing be;
give us a pure and lowly heart, a temple meet for thee.**

Holy Gospel: John 1:43-51

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

Sermon

Please be seated for the sermon.

We stand to sing the Profession of Faith (Shaw)

*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.**

Prayers of Intercession

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

Draw us closer: closer to the heart of God.

After a pause for silent prayer, we conclude

**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.

**O Jesus, I have promised To serve Thee to the end;
Be Thou forever near me, My Master and my Friend;**