

Notices :

A huge thank you to all those who've made this Holy Week such a joy! Peter and Janet our Churchwardens, the musicians, servers, flower arrangers and sidespeople who have made our keeping of the Great Week safe as well as holy!

The Theology Book Club this week will be reading:

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

A Song of Julian of Norwich

God chose to be our mother in all things
and so made the foundation of his work,
most humble and most pure,
in the Virgin's womb.

God, the perfect wisdom of all,
arrayed himself in this humble place.
Christ came in our poor flesh
to share a mother's care.

Our mothers bear us for pain and for death;
our true mother, Jesus,
bears us for joy and endless life.
Christ carried us within him in love and travail,
until the full time of his passion.

And when all was completed
and he had carried us so for joy,
still all this could not satisfy
the power of his wonderful love.

All that we owe is redeemed in truly loving God,
for the love of Christ works in us;
Christ is the one whom we love.

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, Alan Fletcher, 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: Janet Haselhurst, All who have died of Covid-19.

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St George's Paris

2nd Sunday of Easter : 11th April 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 the **Mass in C (Credo Messe)** by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791) and the anthem is **Blessed be the God and Father** by Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876).

Sunday 11th	0830 1030	Second Sunday of Easter Holy Communion (1662 BCP) Solemn Eucharist
Monday 12th	0915 1800	Easter Weekday Morning Prayer & Eucharist Evensong
Tuesday 13th	0915 1800	Easter Weekday Morning Prayer & Eucharist Evensong
Wednesday 14th	1200 1800	Easter Weekday Eucharist Evensong
Thursday 15th	0915 1800	Easter Weekday Morning Prayer & Eucharist Evensong
Friday 16th		Isabella Gilmore
Saturday 17th	1200	Easter Weekday Eucharist
Sunday 18th	8.30am 1030	Third Sunday of Easter Holy Communion (1662 BCP) Solemn Eucharist

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing.

**The Day of Resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, From earth unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over, With hymns of victory.**

**Our hearts be pure from evil, That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal Of resurrection light;
And listening to his accents, May hear, so calm and plain,
His own 'All hail!' and, hearing, May raise the victor strain.**

**Now let the heavens be joyful! And earth her song begin!
Let round world keep high triumph, And all that is therein;
Let all things seen and unseen Their notes of gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord hath risen, Our joy that hath no end.**

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.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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 and the Gloria.

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.

Collect

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain,
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again
Like wheat that springeth green.**

**In the grave they laid Him, Love whom men had slain,
Thinking that never he would awake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:**

**Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain;
Quick from the dead, my risen Lord is seen:**

**When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Thy touch can call us back to life again,
Fields of our hearts, that dead and bare have been:**

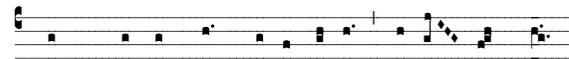
After the Blessing and Dismissal the clergy and servers leave during the organ voluntary. You are invited to remain in your seats for this final act of worship.

Dismissal

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

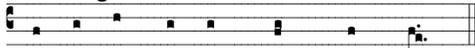
Go in the peace of Christ, alleluia, alleluia!



Thanks be to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le - lu - ia!



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give thanks and praise.

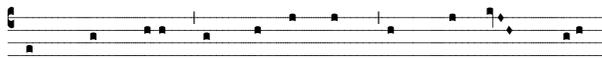
The celebrant praises God for his mighty acts in the Preface and the Choir sings the Sanctus.

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 risen. 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.**

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

As we prepare for Holy Communion the Choir sings 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.

The celebrant invites the people to Communion

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.

During this emergency Holy Communion will be given in its fullness in the Bread alone. 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. If you are 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.

our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ 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: Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

We remain seated as the choir sings the psalm appointed for today (Psalm 133).

*Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is * brethren, to dwell together in unity ! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down unto the beard * even unto Aaron's beard, and went down to the skirts of his clothing. Like as the dew of Hermon * which fell upon the hill of Sion. For there the Lord promised his blessing * and life for evermore.*

Second Reading: I John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Please stand for the gradual hymn

**The Lord is risen indeed! Now is his work performed;
Now is the mighty Captive freed, And death's strong castle stormed.**

**The Lord is risen indeed! Then hell has lost its prey;
With him is risen the ransomed seed To reign in endless day.**

**The Lord is risen indeed! He lives, to die no more;
He lives, the sinner's cause to plead, Whose curse and shame he bore.**

Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Sermon

Please be seated for the Sermon

Creed

During the Easter Season we affirm the faith into which we are baptised in the words of the Apostles Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Intercessions

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

My Lord and my God!: My Lord and my God!

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

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Peace

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'
Then were they glad when they saw the Lord, Alleluia!

The peace of the risen Christ 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!). before singing the hymn at the Preparation of the Table.

**Blessed Thomas, doubt no longer, See the wounds in hand and side,
Now behold the risen Saviour Who for thee has bled and died,
And from death's dark pit arising, Lives in body glorified.**

**Here behold the love victorious, Over death triumphant now,
See the feet where nails were driven, And thy faith in him avow:
For he lives, the world's redeemer, Unto whom all knees should bow.**

**Thomas looked upon the Master: Was it then indeed the Lord?
Were those wounds no phantom tokens? Did the sight with truth accord?
Scarce believing, joy unbounded, Leapt to greet the Saviour's word.**

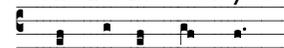
**Prostrate falling, Thomas worshipped: 'O my Master, Lord and God',
Here in truth was Christ the Saviour Who the path of suffering trod,
And, to ransom souls unnumbered, Broke in pieces Satan's rod.**

**Thomas, sight has now convinced thee, Faith within thy heart has stirred;
Blessèd more those faithful servants, Trusting in the Saviour's word,
Who, though vision is denied them, Still believe and own him Lord.**

**Grant, O Father, that among them We thy servants may be known,
And the ground be ever fruitful Where the seed of faith was sown,
Till at length in heaven's glory, Faith and vision are but one.**

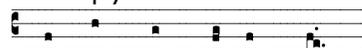
Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



and al-so with you.

Lift up your hearts.



We lift them to the Lord.