Yet nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be, When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.

**Blessing** 

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

And may the blessing... always.

**A**men

Go in peace. Proclaim the Word made flesh.

Thanks be to God.

#### **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 costs 2 euros or the coffee is free. **Bienvenue à Saint-Georges.** Nous vous invitons à prendre un verre de vin (2 euros) ou une tasse de café après la messe dans la salle paroissiale, et si vous êtes de passage dans notre église nous serons heureux de faire votre connaissance.

Our sister Angela Harrisson's funeral will be on Thursday 19th January at 11am at St George's. It will be followed by a private family committal.

Unity Week begins with a service at 20h30 on 18th January at Saint-Esprit 186 ave Daumesnil, 75012. Our preacher next Sunday is Canon Johannes Arens. The Theology Book Club Our next meeting will be 20h30 on Thursday 19th January when we will be talking about On the Morning of Christ's Nativity by John Milton. What happens when we die? A study morning on death and the afterlife in scripture and tradition, and what it means for us. At St George's, Saturday February 11th. Coffee from 10 am, starts prompt at 10.20. Eucharist at 12 followed by a bring-and-share lunch. It's free but please register so we know numbers by emailing Fr Jeffrey at drjphjohn@gmail.com Canon Anna Matthews will preside and preach at 10h30 on Sunday 12th February for the Dedication Festival. There is a lunch to follow—please sign up using the list on the noticeboard. Young Adults to Chartres—I8th February. Please sign up with Ed so we can plan transport. There will be a fundraising lunch for Ukraine on Sunday 19th February. Tickets (20€) are reservable from Jill Whitman. Rotas & Lists! The Lunch Rota is now up—if you can help prepare lunch (one course or three) then please sign up. If you're interested in helping but are a bit unsure of what's involved speak to Ryan Spooner (spooner.ryan@yahoo.com or 0781795002). There are spaces on the Flower Rota and the Prayer List for the Sick is on the Landing Table.

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: Robin Baker, Jeanette George, Beryl Bateman, Eric Benson, Jean-Paul Buffet, Angela Casone, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Gregor Dallas, Elizabeth Durand, Alan Fletcher, Francis Frois, Mimi de Bentzmann-Fouilland, Jeanette Georges, Ann Gould, Ophélie Gourbault, Irene Hicks, John James, Ernest Jeyam, Karen, Prudence Kupka, Muriel Lamoureux, Stacey McAdams, Hans Mayer, Giulia Miles, Monique Moron, Rosemary Neale, Kenneth Nyakana, Rev'd David Osborne, Grace Valéry, Fr Alan Warren, David Wetsel, Margaret Woods, Anitha Yannick, Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul.

Those who have died: Angela Harrisson, Vanessa Lind, Robert Wills (priest), Benedict XVI (bishop).

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# St George's, Paris



# The 2nd Sunday of Epiphany: 15th January 2023

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 **Office of the Holy Communion (in C)** by John Ireland (1879-1962) the motet during Communion will be **O God, who by the leading of a star** by Thomas Attwood (1765-1838).

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| Tuesday 17th        | Anthony of Eg<br>0915<br>1800/1830   | gypt, hermit; Charles Gore, fdr CR<br>Morning Prayer<br>Evensong / Eucharist             |                     |  |
| Wednesday 18th      | Week of Pray<br>1200<br>1800<br>2030 | er for Christian U<br>Eucharist<br>Evensong<br>Service for Ch                            |                     |  |
| Thursday 19th       | Wulfstan of V<br>0915<br>1800/1830   | Worcester, bishop<br>Morning Prayer<br>Evensong / Eucharist NB Fondation event postponed |                     |  |
| Friday 20th         | Richard Rolle,<br>1800 / 1830        | mystic<br>Evensong / Euc   | charist             | 7                                      |
| Saturday 21st       | Agnes, martyr<br>1200<br>1800        | Eucharist<br>l'Eucharistie   |                     | Cel JJ Pr JJ                           |
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## The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing the hymn (NEH 349):

Come, let us join our cheerful songs With angels round the throne; Ten thousand thousand are their tongues, But all their joys are one.

'Worthy the Lamb that died,' they cry, 'To be exalted thus'; 'Worthy the Lamb,' our lips reply, 'For he was slain for us.'

Jesus is worthy to receive Honour and power divine; And blessings, more than we can give, Be, Lord, for ever thine.

Let all that dwell above the sky, And air, and earth, and seas, Conspire to lift thy glories high, And speak thine endless praise.

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 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.** 

- 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. Please follow the directions of the Sidespeople. If you don't' want to receive Holy Communion you 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**

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.** 

Please be seated for the Notices. We then stand to sing the hymn (NEH 49).

God is working his purpose out as year succeeds to year,
God is working his purpose out and the time is drawing near;
Nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

From utmost east to utmost west where'er man's foot hath trod, By the mouth of many messengers goes forth the voice of God, 'Give ear to me, ye continents, ye isles, give ear to me, That the earth may be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea.'

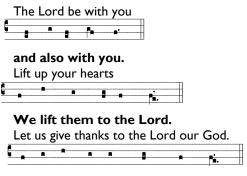
What can we do to work God's work, to prosper and increase
The brotherhood of all mankind, the reign of the Prince of Peace?
What can we do to hasten the time, the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea?

March we forth in the strength of God with the banner of Christ unfurled,
That the light of the glorious gospel of truth
may shine throughout the world;
Fight we the fight with sorrow and sin, to set their captives free,
That the earth may be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

All we can do is nothing worth unless God blesses the deed; Vainly we hope for the harvest-tide till God gives life to the seed; Crown Him the Lord of peace, Whose power a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, And all be prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end, And round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of glory now extend Their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years, The Potentate of time. Creator of the rolling spheres, Ineffably sublime. All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me; Thy praise shall never, never fail Throughout eternity.

**Eucharistic Prayer** 



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

... in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. 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.

**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.** 

# The Liturgy of the Word

#### First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.' But I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God.' And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength—he says, 'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.' Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, 'Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel. who has chosen you.'

Please remain seated whilst the choir sings the psalm appointed for the day (Psalm 40:1-11)

I waited patiently for the Lord \* and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling. He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay \* and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings. And he hath put a new song in my mouth \* even a thanksgiving unto our God. Many shall see it, and fear \* and shall put their trust in the Lord. Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the Lord \* and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies. O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts which are to us-ward \* and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee. If I should declare them, and speak of them \* they should be more than I am able to express. Sacrifice, and meat-offering, thou wouldest not \* but mine ears hast thou opened. Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required \* then said I, Lo, I come, In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God \* I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart. I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation \* lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.

### Second Reading: I Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (294)

Just as I am, without one plea, But that thy blood was shed for me, And that thou biddest me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt, Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea, all I need in thee I find, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; Because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am (thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down), Now to be thine, yea thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am, of that free love The breath, length, depth and height to prove, Here for a season then above, O Lamb of God, I come.

Holy Gospel: John 1:29-42

The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.' The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

Sermon

Please be seated for the sermon.

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 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 he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead,

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

True and living God: we want to know you more.

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.

whose kingdom shall have no end.

We exchange a sign of Peace before the hymn at the Preparation of the Table is sung (NEH 352):

Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne; Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns All music but its own! Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And hail Him as thy matchless King Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Virgin's Son, The God Incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won Which now His brow adorn:
Fruit of the mystic Tree, As of that Tree the Stem;
The Root whence flows Thy mercy free, The Babe of Bethlehem.

Crown Him the Lord of Love: Behold His hands and side; Rich wounds yet visible above In beauty glorified: No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight, But downward bends his burning eye At mysteries so bright.