

The funeral of Grace Valéry will take place here tomorrow Monday 13th March at 11h00. A reception will follow.

Lent 2023 :

Lenten 'Spiritual MOT' - un contrôle technique spirituel pour Carême! A chance to talk to any one of a team of experienced male or female, lay and ordained companions here at St George's about your prayer life—what goes on for you with God. Simply email your choice to make an appointment : Rev'd Elisabeth, deanenfrance@gmail.com; Fr Grant wenlockholmes@gmail.com; Fr Jeffrey drjphjohn@gmail.com; Fr Mark chaplain@stgeorgesparis.org; Fr Nicolas, rev.n.razafindratsima@gmail.com; Sonia Taylor, soniataylor146@gmail.com

Stations of the Cross (livestreamed) every Friday at **18h30**.

The Lent Course on the Sacraments continues to meet by ZOOM this Tuesday at 19h00, and on the next two Tuesdays thereafter. Please e mail Fr Jeffrey if you intend to take part: drjphjohn@gmail.com.

Recommended reading in Lent : The Falling of Dusk by Paul Dominiak, ISBN9781472990471; **The Way of Thomas Merton: A prayer journey through Lent** by Robert Inchausti (ISBN-10 028108582X) ; **Meeting God in Matthew** by Elaine Storkey (ISBN-13: 9780281081950).

Hymn Competition - To mark the Bicentenary of St George's next year, we are looking for a new hymn text and tune, which will be sung at our Festival Eucharist in 2024 and will remain associated with the church in perpetuity thereafter. First-time text and tune writers from our Chaplaincy are particularly welcome to enter the Competition. All details, including deadlines, may be found on the church web site.

The Theology Book Club is taking a break. Please let the Chaplain know if you want the online club to continue via chaplain@stgeorgesparis.org.

Revision of the Electoral Roll begins today. A copy of the current Roll is on the noticeboard halfway down the stairs. Please check that you are on it and if you are not, and would like to be, there are forms to fill in on the landing table. Please complete and hand to one of the clergy.

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-Fouillard, Jeanette Georges, Anne Gould, Ophélie Gourbault, Rev'd Richard Hicks, Irene Hicks, Pam Ingram, 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, Fr Alan Warren, David Wetsel, Anitha Yannick, Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul.

Those who have died: Grace Valéry, Anna Matthews, priest.

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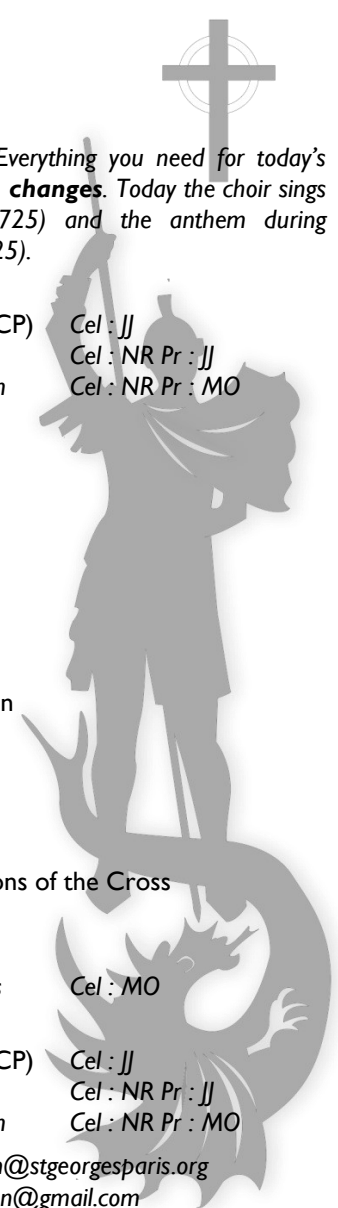
3rd Sunday of Lent : 12th March 2023

A warm welcome to St George's worship—online or in person. Everything you need for today's service you'll find in this pamphlet—**please note the seasonal changes**. Today the choir sings **Messa Quatuor Vocum** by Alessandro Scarlatti (1660-1725) and the anthem during Communion is **Justitiae Domini** by Alessandro Scarlatti (1660-1725).

Day	Time	Service	Notes
Sunday 12th	0830	Holy Communion (BCP)	Cel : JJ
	1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel : NR Pr : JJ
	1600	Office Malgache Zoom	Cel : NR Pr : MO
Monday 13th	1800	Evensong	
	1830	Eucharist	
Tuesday 14th	0915	Morning Prayer	
	1800/1830	Evensong & Eucharist	
Wednesday 15th	1200	Eucharist	
	1800/1815	Evensong & Exposition	
Thursday 16th	0915	Morning Prayer	
	1800/1830	Evensong & Eucharist	
Friday 17th	1800/1830	Patrick, patron of Ireland Evening Prayer/ Stations of the Cross	
Saturday 18th	1200	Eucharist	
	1800	Eucharistie en français	Cel : MO
Sunday 19th	0830	Holy Communion (BCP)	Cel : JJ
	1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel : NR Pr : JJ
	1600	Office Malgache Zoom	Cel : NR Pr : MO

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing the first hymn (NEH 369):

**Happy are they, they that love God, Whose hearts have Christ confest,
Who by his cross have found their life, And 'neath his yoke their rest.**

**Glad is the praise, sweet are the songs, When they together sing;
And strong the prayers that bow the ear Of heaven's eternal King.**

**Christ to their homes giveth his peace, And makes their loves his own:
But ah, what tares the evil one Hath in his garden sown!**

**Sad were our lot, evil this earth, Did not its sorrows prove
The path whereby the sheep may find The fold of Jesu's love.**

**Then shall they know, they that love him, How all their pain is good;
And death itself cannot unbind Their happy brotherhood.**

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.

**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.**

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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: Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the

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 Sides-people. 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.*

Anthem

*Justitiae Domini rectae, laetificantes corda;
et iudicia eius dulciora super mel et favum.
Nam servus tuus custodit ea.*

The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart;
and his judgments sweeter also than honey and the honey-comb.
For thy servant keeps them. (Psalm 19)

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the notices after which we sing the final hymn (NEH 464).

**Thou art the Way; by thee alone From sin and death we flee:
And he who would the Father seek Must seek him, Lord, by thee.**

**Thou art the Truth; thy word alone True wisdom can impart;
Thou only canst inform the mind, And purify the heart.**

**Thou art the Life; the rending tomb Proclaims thy conquering arm;
And those who put their trust in thee Nor death nor hell shall harm.**

**Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life; Grant us that Way to know,
That Truth to keep, that Life to win, Whose joys eternal flow.**

After the Blessing and Dismissal the clergy and servers leave in silence.

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

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

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Notices :

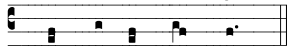
Welcome to the Eucharist today. We are delighted to meet visitors and newcomers after the service, when drinks will be served in the Parish Hall. Wine costs 2 euros and the coffee is free!
Bienvenue à Saint-Georges. Nous vous invitons à prendre un verre de vin (2 euros) ou une tasse de café (gratuit) après la messe dans la salle paroissiale, et si vous êtes de passage dans notre église nous serons heureux de faire votre connaissance.

Its secrets, where He dwells in light.

**To God the only Lord Our fathers' God, be praise;
His holy Name adored Through everlasting days. His mercies trace
In answered prayer, In love and care, And gifts of grace.**

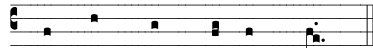
Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



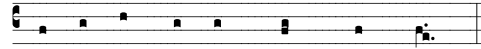
and al-so with you.

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** and **Benedictus**.

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

Jesus Christ is Lord:

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

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.**

Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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.*

Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins 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 my soul shall be healed.**

people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

Please remain seated for the choir to sing the psalm appointed for the day (Ps 95)

*O come, let us sing unto the Lord * let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God * and a great King above all gods. In his hand are all the corners of the earth * and the strength of the hills is his also. The sea is his, and he made it * and his hands prepared the dry land. O come, let us worship and fall down * and kneel before the Lord our Maker. For he is the Lord our God * and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts * as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness; When your fathers tempted me * proved me, and saw my works. Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said * It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways; Unto whom I sware in my wrath * that they should not enter into my rest.*

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-11

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (NEH 337).

**As pants the hart for cooling streams
When heated in the chase,
So longs my soul, O God, for thee,
And thy refreshing grace.**

**For thee, my God, the living God,
My thirsty soul doth pine:
O when shall I behold thy face,
Thou majesty divine?**

**Why restless, why cast down, my soul?
Hope still, and thou shalt sing
The praise of him who is thy God,
Thy health's eternal spring.**

**To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.**

Holy Gospel: John 4:5-42

So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and

Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.' Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that the Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.' Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.' Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

Sermon

Please be seated for the Sermon.

Creed

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

Intercessions

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you promised through your Son Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith. *Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Strengthen Robert and David our bishops and all your Church in the service of Christ, that those who confess your name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Bless and guide King Charles III and the President of France; give wisdom to all in authority; and direct this and every nation in the ways of justice and of peace; that we may honour one another, and seek the common good. *Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Give grace to us, our families and friends, and to all our neighbours, that we may serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us. *Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit ...; give them courage and hope in their troubles; and bring them the joy of your salvation. *Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Hear us as we remember those who have died in the faith of Christ ...; according to your promises, grant us with them a share in your eternal kingdom. *Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

Rejoicing in the fellowship of Mary, the Virgin Mother of God, George the Martyr and all your saints, we commend ourselves and the whole of creation to your unfailing love. *Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

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 with you
and also with you.

Please stand for the hymn at the Preparation of the Table (NEH 340 t: Dolphin Street) During this hymn a collection will be taken—you may like to use your debit card and give electronically?

**Beyond all mortal praise God's Name be ever blest,
Unsearchable his ways, His glory manifest; From his high throne
In power and might By wisdom's light He rules alone.**

**Our times are in his hand To whom all flesh is grass,
While as their Maker planned The changing seasons pass.
He orders all: Before his eyes Earth's empires rise, Her kingdoms fall.**

**He gives to humankind, Dividing as he will, All powers of heart and mind,
Of spirit, strength and skill: Nor dark nor night But must lay bare**