

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.

Today we welcome Rev'd Canon Dr Matthew Hill. Fr Matthew is Priest-in-Charge of St Peter's Carmarthen and Abergwili and Capel y Groes.

Don't forget the Spring Sale on Saturday 13th May. 11h00 till 14h00. Clothes and English books on sale in the Parish Hall. Offers of help—either on the day or before to help sort clothes and books—please speak to Jenny Mailhé or Pamela Hamilton.

Sunday Lunch is taking a break this month (too many jours fériés !).

We want to produce another Newsletter at Pentecost this year (28th May). Please send all contributions to the Newsletter to John Crothers by Sunday 21st May.

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 deadline for the text is today with the winning text to be sent out end of May/beginning of June to composers.

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

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: Robin Baker, Beryl Bateman, Eric Benson, Jean-Paul Buffet, Philippa Campsi, Angela Casone, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Gregor Dallas, Elizabeth Durand, Tina Fitzpatrick, Alan Fletcher, Francis Frois, Mimi de Bentzmann-Fouilland, Jeanette Georges, Anne Gould, Ophélie Goubault, 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, Fr Alan Warren, David Wetsel, Anitha Yannick, Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul.

Those who have died: Liesl Graz, Barry Woodward, Owen Parkes, Caroline Obiageli Mba, Anna Matthews, priest.

St George's Paris

Easter 4 : 30th April 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. Today the choir sings the **Gregorian Mass XI** and the anthem is **Paratum cor meum** by Andreas Hammerschmidt (1611-1675).

Sunday 30th	8.30am 1030	Fourth Sunday of Easter Holy Communion (1662 BCP) Solemn Eucharist	Cel : JJ Cel : JJ Pr : MH
Monday 1st	1800/1830	<i>Philip & James, apostles</i> Evensong/Eucharist	
Tuesday 2nd	0915 1800/1830	<i>Athanasius of Alexandria, bishop & Teacher of the Faith</i> Morning Prayer Evensong/Eucharist	
Wednesday 3rd	1200 1800/1830	<i>Easter Weekday</i> Eucharist Evensong/Adoration	
Thursday 4th	0915 1800/1830	<i>English Saints & Martyrs of the Reformation Era</i> Morning Prayer Evensong/Eucharist	
Friday 5th	1800/1830	<i>Easter Weekday</i> Evensong/Eucharist	
Saturday 6th	1200 1800	<i>Easter Weekday</i> Eucharist L'eucharistie en français	Cel : MO
Sunday 7th	8.30am 1030	Fifth Sunday of Easter Holy Communion (1662 BCP) Solemn Eucharist	Cel : MO Cel : JJ Pr : MO

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing (NEH 104 :

**At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King,
Who hath washed us in the tide Flowing from his pierced side;
Praise we him, whose love divine Gives his sacred blood for wine,
Gives his body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.**

**Where the paschal blood is poured, Death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love Eat we manna from above.**

**Mighty victim from on high, Powers of hell beneath thee lie;
Death is broken in the fight, Thou has brought us life and light.
Now thy banner thou dost wave Conquering Satan and the grave.
See the prince of darkness quelled; Heaven's bright gates are open held.**

**Paschal triumph, Paschal joy, Only sin can this destroy;
From sin's death do thou set free, Souls re-born, dear Lord, in thee.
Hymns of glory, songs of praise, Father, unto thee we raise.
Risen Lord, all praise to thee, Ever with the Spirit be.**

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 Kyries are sung by the choir and the Gloria is congregational.

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 (NEH 542) :

**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**

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Father, hear the prayer we offer:
Not for ease that prayer shall be,
But for strength that we may ever
Live our lives courageously.**

(NEH 357)

**Not for ever in green pastures
Do we ask our way to be,
But the steep and rugged pathway
May we tread rejoicingly.**

**Not for ever by still waters
Would we idly, rest and stay;
But would smite the living fountains
From the rocks along our way.**

**Be our strength in hours of weakness,
In our wanderings be our guide;
Through endeavour, failure, danger,
Father, be thou at our side.**

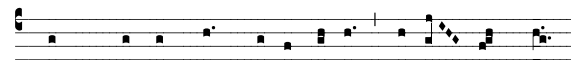
After the Blessing and Dismissal the clergy and servers leave during the organ voluntary. You are invited to remain in your seats for this final act of worship.

Dismissal

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

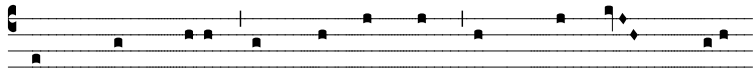
Go in the peace of Christ, alleluia, alleluia!



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

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.**

Breaking of the Bread

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.**

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 are watching online or 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.

The Communion motet is a setting for bass and organ of the first 4 verses of psalm 108 (107)

Paratum cor meum.

My heart is ready, O God: I will sing and give praise with my glory.
Arise, my psaltery and harp: I will arise at dawn.
I will praise thee, Lord, among the people: and I will sing unto thee among the nations.
For thy mercy is great above the heavens: and thy truth even unto the clouds. Alleluia.

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 God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

We remain seated as the choir sings the psalm appointed for today (Psalm 23).

*The Lord is my shepherd * therefore can I lack nothing. He shall feed me in a green pasture * and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort. He shall convert my soul * and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil * for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me. Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me * thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full. But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life * and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*

Second Reading: I Peter 2:19-25

For it is to your credit if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. 'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.' When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (NEH 457) :

**The King of love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his And he is mine for ever.**

**Where streams of living water flow My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow With food celestial feedeth.**

**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid, And home, rejoicing, brought me.**

**In death's dark vale I fear no ill With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.**

**Thou spread'st a table in my sight; Thy unction, grace bestoweth:
And O what transport of delight From thy pure chalice floweth!**

**And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise Within thy house for ever.**

Holy Gospel: John 10:1-10

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.'

Sermon

Please be seated for the Sermon. Our preacher is the Rev'd Canon Dr Matthew Hill, Priest-in-Charge of St Peter's Carmarthen and Abergwili and Capel y Groes.

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 again 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

The Lord is my shepherd: **there is nothing I shall want.**
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.

Please stand for the hymn at the Preparation of the Table (NEH 296 Second Tune). During this hymn a collection will be taken—you may like to use your debit card and give electronically?

**Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour, First-begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong Defender, Lifest up Thy people's head.
Alleluya! Jesu, true and living Bread.**

**Here our humblest homage pay we, Here in loving reverence bow;
Here for faith's discernment pray we, Lest we fail to know Thee now.
Alleluya! Thou art here, we ask not how.**

**Though the lowliest form doth veil Thee As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there Thine angels hail Thee Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluya! We in worship join with them.**

**Paschal Lamb, Thine offering, finished Once for all when Thou wast slain,
In its fulness undiminished Shall forever more remain,
Alleluya! Cleansing souls from every stain.**

**Life-imparting, heavenly Manna, Stricken Rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna Worship Thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluya! Risen, ascended, glorified**

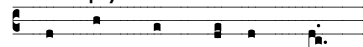
Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



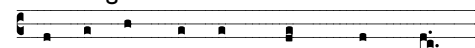
and al-so with you.

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.