#### **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.

A warm welcome today to Bishop Richard Chartres, formerly bishop of London who led our opening celebrations yesterday. Lunch today is a special celebration. A donation of 10€ is suggested towards the cost of the 4 course meal.

#### Lent 2024:

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 accompaniers 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 Sara: macvanesara@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

Recommended reading in Lent: My Sour-Sweet Days: George Herbert and the Journey of the Soul by Mark Oakley (ISBN 978-0-281-08032-8); The Hour is Come: Passion in Real Time by Andrew Nunn (ISBN-978-1-78622-396-8); Life on the Edge by Brother John of Taizé (ISBN-978-1-5326-1793-5).

**Stations of the Cross** on Zoom every Friday at **1900h.** The link for online Stations will come in our e:News.

The Lent Course in 2024 will be on the four Gospels and will take place by Zoom on four Tuesdays, February 20, 27, March 5th and 12th at 1900h. To receive the link for joining send an email to Fr Jeffrey at drjphjohn@gmail.com

A Lent Quiet Day on Making Sense of the Cross will be held at the Community of the Diaconesses de Reuilly (nr Versailles Chantiers RER station) from 1030h-1500h on Saturday 16th March. The day includes midday prayer with the community and lunch. Cost 25€. To register contact Fr Jeffrey on drjphjohn@gmail.com

The Newsletter Editor (john\_crothers@hotmail.com) would very much like to receive your articles for the next edition. Current deadline for contributions is 31st March.

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: HM The King, Robin Baker, Beryl Bateman, Eric Benson, Issy Brett, Jean-Paul Buffet, Angela Casone, Rev'd Jonathan Clarke, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Deidre Dalton, Gregor Dallas, Chris Defrasne, Elizabeth Durand, Alan Fletcher, Francis Frois, Mimi de Bentzmann-Fouilland, Jeanette Georges, Anne Gould, Ophélie Gourbault, Rev'd Richard Hicks, Irene Hicks, Pam Ingram, John James, Karen, Prudence Kupka, Muriel Lamoureux, Stacey McAdams, Hans Mayer, Monique Moron, Kenneth Nyakana, Fr Carl Schaefer, Bishop Alan Smith, Bishop Timothy Dudley-Smith, Fr Alan Warren, Alan Watts, David Wetsel, Anitha Yannick, Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul, Val.

Those who have died: Emma Guillou, Ramiro Tunin.

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# St George's Paris

# Sunday next before Lent: 11th February 2024

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 **Communion service in the Phrygian mode** by Charles Wood (1866-1926) and the motet during Communion is the **Ave Verum** by William Byrd (c.1539-1623)

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing (NEH 177).

Christ upon the mountain peak Stands alone in glory blazing. Let us, if we dare to speak, With the saints and angels praise him—Alleluia!

Trembling at his feet we saw Moses and Elijah speaking.
All the Prophets and the Law Shout through them their joyful greeting - Alleluia!

Swift the cloud of glory came, God, proclaiming in its thunder Jesus as his Son by name! Nations, cry aloud in wonder! - Alleluia!

This is God's beloved Son. Law and Prophets fade before him, first and last and only One. Let creation now adore him - Alleluia!

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. The choir sings the Kyries.

**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 (Shaw)

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 Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Thy glory fills the night; Thy face and garments, like the sun, Shine with unborrowed light.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Thy beauty to behold, Where Moses and Elijah stand, Thy messengers of old.

Fulfiller of the past, Promise of things to be, We hail thy Body glorified, And our redemption see.

Before we taste of death, We see thy kingdom come; We fain would hold the vision bright, And make this hill our home.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not remain;
But since thou bidst us leave the mount Come with us to the plain.

Blessing

The Lord be with you and also with you.

May God the... Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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 ri-sen. 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.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

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.

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 do not intinct—it is forbidden by our bishops and dangerous for coeliacs.** 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.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Please be seated for the notices after which we sing the final hymn (NEH 178).

with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

## First Reading: 2 Kings 2:1-12

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.' Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

Please remain seated as the Choir sings the psalm appointed for the day (Psalm 50.1-6).

The Lord, even the most mighty God, hath spoken \* and called the world, from the rising up of the sun, unto the going down thereof. Out of Sion hath God appeared \* in perfect beauty. Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence \* there shall go before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him. He shall call the heaven from above \* and the earth, that he may judge his people. Gather my saints together unto me \* those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice. And the heavens shall declare his righteousness \* for God is Judge himself.

# Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (NEH 286).

From glory to glory advancing, we praise thee, O Lord; thy name with the Father and Spirit be ever adored. From strength unto strength we go forward on Sion's highway, to appear before God in the city of infinite day.

Thanksgiving and glory and worship and blessing and love, one heart and one song have the saints upon earth and above. Evermore, O Lord, to thy servants thy presence be nigh; ever fit us by service on earth for thy service on high.

Holy Gospel: Mark 9:2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Sermon

Please be seated for the Sermon.

Creed

We stand to sing the Profession of Faith.

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 crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried,

and was made man.

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.

Intercessions

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

Let us worship the Lord: in the beauty of holiness.

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.

Please stand for the hymn. During this hymn a collection will be taken. The hymn at the Preparation of the Table (NEH 336).

Angel voices, ever singing, Round thy throne of light, Angel-harps, for ever ringing, Rest not day nor night; Thousands only live to bless Thee, And confess thee Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest Mortal eye can scan, Can it be that thou regardest Songs of sinful man? Can we know that thou art near us And wilt hear us? Yes, we can.

For we know that thou rejoicest O'er each work of thine; Thou didst ears and hands and voices For thy praise design; Craftsman's art and music's measure For thy pleasure All combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer Of thine own to thee; And for thine acceptance proffer All unworthily, Hearts and minds and hands and voices In our choicest Psalmody.

Honour, glory, might and merit, Thine shall ever be, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Blessed Trinity! Of the best that thou hast given Earth and heaven Render thee.

**Eucharistic Prayer** 



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