

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.

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

Pick up a Lent leaflet to help you think through your Lent.

Easter Flowers—there will be a retiring collection for the Easter Flowers for the next 2 Sundays.

Revision of the Electoral Roll is underway. 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.

The AGM of the Church Council will take place on Sunday, 7th April immediately after the 1030 Eucharist. The notices are on the noticeboard halfway down the stairs. Please consider signing up if you would like to be elected to the Church Council but do remember that you must be on the Electoral Roll in order to do so.

The Fondation Napoleon invite you to a talk on Thursday 21st March at 1900h given by Katherine Ellis (formerly a regular member of the choir) who will talk on **Une messe en la chapelle impériale de Napoléon III** RSVP to ce@napoleon.org

The Newsletter Editor (john_crothers@hotmail.com) thanks everyone who responded to the request for articles for the next edition. We now have a good spring Bicentenary edition in preparation: it should be available for reading in May.

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: HM The King, Robin Baker, Beryl Bateman, Eric Benson, Gordon Bradley, Issy Brett, Jean-Paul Buffet, Angela Casone, Rev'd Jonathan Clarke, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Deidre Dalton, Gregor Dallas, Chris Defrasne, 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: Dorothy Milner, Elizabeth Durand, Nina Haltermann,

St George's Paris

5th Sunday of Lent : 17th March 2024

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 **A Complete Communion Service** by Charles Wood (1866-1926) and the motet during Communion will be **God so loved the world (from the Crucifixion)** by John Stainer (1840-1901)

Sunday 17th	5th Sunday of Lent—Passion Sunday 0830 Holy Communion (BCP) Cel : MO 1030 Solemn Eucharist Cel : JJ Pr : MO 1630 Messe Malgache Cel : NR Pr : NR
Monday 18th	<i>Cyril of Jerusalem, teacher of the faith</i> 1800 Evensong 1830 Eucharist
Tuesday 19th	<i>Joseph of Nazareth</i> 0915 Morning Prayer 1800/1830 Evensong & Eucharist
Wednesday 20th	<i>Cuthbert of Lindesfarne, bishop</i> 1200 Eucharist 1800/1815 Evensong & Exposition
Thursday 21st	<i>Thomas Cranmer, bishop</i> 0915 Morning Prayer 1800/1830 No public worship—Conférence musicale
Friday 22nd	<i>Lenten Feria</i> 1900 Stations of the Cross by Zoom
Saturday 23rd	<i>Lenten Feria</i> 1200 Eucharist 1800 Chemin de Croix avec la Sainte Communion
Sunday 24th	Palm Sunday 0830 Holy Communion (BCP) Cel : MO 1030 Solemn Eucharist Cel : JJ Pr : MO

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing the first hymn (NEH 79):

**The royal banners forward go; The Cross shines forth in mystic glow;
Where he in flesh, our flesh who made,
Our sentence bore, our ransom paid.**

**Where deep for us the spear was dyed, Life's torrent rushing from his side,
To wash us in that precious flood Where mingled water flowed, and blood.**

**Fulfilled is all that David told In true prophetic song of old;
The universal Lord is he, Who reigns and triumphs from the tree.**

**O Tree of beauty, Tree of light, O Tree with royal purple dight!
Elect on whose triumphal breast Those holy limbs should find their rest!**

**On whose dear arms, so widely flung,
The weight of this world's ransom hung:
The price of humankind to pay, And spoil the spoiler of his prey.**

**O Cross, our one reliance, hail! So may thy power with us prevail
To give new virtue to the saint, And pardon to the penitent.**

**To thee, eternal Three in One, Let homage meet by all be done;
Whom by the Cross thou dost restore, Preserve and govern evermore.
Amen.**

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

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of

Holy Week : March 24th—March 31st 2024

Our preacher this year is the Very Rev'd Andrew Nunn.

Saturday 23rd	1800	Chemin de Croix avec la sainte Communion
Sunday 24th	Palm Sunday	
	0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)
	1030	Solemn Eucharist with the Blessing of Palms, Procession & Passion Gospel
Monday 25th	<i>Monday of Holy Week</i>	
	0915	Mattins
	1130	Chrism Eucharist & Renewal of Ordination Vows St George's Anglican Church, Paris
	1830	Evensong
	1900	Sung Eucharist & Address
Tuesday 26th	<i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i>	
	0915	Mattins
	1830	Evensong
	1900	Sung Eucharist & Address
Wednesday 27th	<i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i>	
	0915	Mattins
	1830	Evensong
	1900	Sung Eucharist & Address
Thursday 28th	Maundy Thursday	
	0915	Mattins
	1830	Evensong
	1930	Solemn Eucharist of the Last Supper With Foot-Washing, Procession to the Garden of Repose & Watch until Midnight
Friday 29th	Good Friday	
	0915	Mattins
	1230	Stations of the Cross (Meet at the Rond Point des Champs Elysées)
	1930	Liturgy of the Day With Passion Gospel & Veneration of the Cross
Saturday 30th	Holy Saturday	
	0915	Mattins
	1830	Evensong
	2100	Vigil and First Eucharist of the Resurrection With Blessing of the Fire & Exultet, followed by a champagne reception
Sunday 31st	Easter Day (NB—clocks go forward 1 hour tonight)	
	0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)
	1030	Solemn Eucharist
	1630	Messe Malgache le president et homéliste : p. Nicolas

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available in the Library Monday—Thursday at 1745 or by appointment.

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

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the notices after which we sing the final hymn (NEH 94).

**We sing the praise of him who died, Of him who died upon the cross;
The sinner's hope let men deride, For this we count the world but loss.
Inscribed upon the cross we see In shining letters, 'God is love:';
He bears our sins upon the Tree; He brings us mercy from above.
The Cross! it takes our guilt away; It holds the fainting spirit up;
It cheers with hope the gloomy day, And sweetens ev'ry bitter cup.
It makes the coward spirit brave, And nerves the feeble arm for fight;
It takes its terror from the grave, And gilds the bed of death with light;
The balm of life, the cure of woe, The measure and the pledge of love,
The sinner's refuge here below, The angels' theme in heaven above.**

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

Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Please remain seated for the choir to sing the psalm appointed for the day (Ps. 119: 9-16)

*Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way * even by ruling himself after thy word. With my whole heart have I sought thee * O let me not go wrong out of thy commandments. Thy words have I hid within my heart * that I should not sin against thee. Blessed art thou, O Lord * O teach me thy statutes. With my lips have I been telling * of all the judgements of thy mouth. I have had as great delight in the way of thy testimonies * as in all manner of riches. I will talk of thy commandments * and have respect unto thy ways. My delight shall be in thy statutes * and I will not forget thy word.*

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:5-10

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.' In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (NEH 89).

**O Dearest Lord, thy sacred head With thorns was pierced for me;
O pour thy blessing on my head That I may think for thee.
O dearest Lord, thy sacred hands With nails were pierced for me;
O shed thy blessing on my hands That they may work for thee.
O dearest Lord, thy sacred feet With nails were pierced for me;
O pour thy blessing on my feet That they may follow thee.
O dearest Lord, thy sacred heart With spear was pierced for me;
O pour thy Spirit in my heart That I may live for thee.**

Holy Gospel: John 12:20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father,

save me from this hour”? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.’ Then a voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, ‘An angel has spoken to him.’ Jesus answered, ‘This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.’ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Creed

You will find the Creed (**Plainsong I**) 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 our bishop 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 78) During this hymn a collection will be taken—you may like to use your debit card and give electronically?

**Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle Sing the ending of the fray,
O'er the cross, the victor's trophy, Sound the loud triumphant lay:**

Tell how Christ, the world's Redeemer, As a Victim won the day.

**God in pity saw man fallen, Shamed and sunk in misery,
When he fell on death by tasting Fruit of the forbidden tree:
Then another tree was chosen Which the world from death should free.**

**Therefore when the appointed fullness Of the holy time was come,
He was sent who maketh all things Forth from God's eternal home:
Thus he came to earth, incarnate, Offspring of a maiden's womb.**

**Thirty years among us dwelling, Now at length his hour fulfilled,
Born for this, he meets his Passion, For that this he freely willed,
On the Cross the Lamb is lifted, Where his life-blood shall be spilled.**

**To the Trinity be glory, To the Father and the Son,
With the co-eternal Spirit, Ever Three and ever One,
One in love and one in splendour, While unending ages run. Amen.**

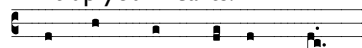
Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



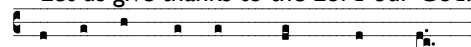
and al-so with you.

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 choirs sing 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 the Bread

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