# Holy Week : March 24th—March 31st 2024

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

Saturday 23rd	1800 Balma Sunda	Chemin de Croix avec la sainte Communion
Sunday 24th	Palm Sunda 0830	
	1030	Holy Communion (1662 BCP) Solemn Eucharist with the Blessing of Palms,
	1030	-
Monday 25th	Monday of Ho	Procession & Passion Gospel
rioliday 25th	0915	Mattins
	1130	Chrism Eucharist & Renewal of Ordination Vows
	1150	St George's Anglican Church, Paris
	1830	Evensong
	1900	Sung Eucharist & Address
Tuesday 26th	Tuesday of Ho	bly Week
	0915	Mattins
	1830	Evensong
	1900	Sung Eucharist & Address
Wednesday 27th	Wednesday of	f Holy Week
	0915	Mattins
	1830	Evensong
	1900	Sung Eucharist & Address
Thursday 28th	Maundy Th	-
	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 Frida	-
	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 Sature	-
	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		(NB—clocks go forward 1 hour tonight)
	0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)
	1030	Solemn Eucharist
	1630	Messe Malgache le president et homéliste : p. Nic

# St George's Paris Monday in Holy Week : 25th March 2024 19h00

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 **Mass for Four voices** by William Byrd (c; 1539-1623).

The Liturgy on these days is much simplified, and only the following is sung or said:

Clergy and serving team enter in silence

- The Mass is introduced and we are invited to confess our sins
- Kyrie Eleison sung by the choir
- Opening Prayer
- **First Reading** the congregation are invited to sit
- The Psalm is sung by the Choir (printed on the following pages)
- The Gospel is proclaimed and a period of silent reflection follows
- The Peace
- Hymn as the Gifts are Prepared (see hymn board)
- Eucharistic Prayer
- The Lord's Prayer
- Agnus Dei sung by the Choir
- Communion
- Prayer after Communion
- **Concluding Hymn** during which the clergy and servers leave
- The Address will be given after the liturgy

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# The Preparation

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 priest introduces the celebration and we are invited to confess our sins as the choir sings the ancient song of God's grace, the absolution follows.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

#### **Opening Prayer**

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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** 

# The Liturgy of the Word

#### First Reading : Hebrews 9:11-15

But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God! For this reason he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, because a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions under the first covenant.

#### Psalm 36: 5-11

Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens \* and thy faithfulness unto the clouds. Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains \* thy judgements are like the great deep. Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast; How excellent is thy mercy, O God \* and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings. They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house \* and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures, as out of the river. For with thee is the well of life \* and in thy light shall we see light. O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee \* and thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart. O let not the foot of pride come against me \* and let not the hand of the ungodly cast me down.

#### Holy Gospel: John 12:1-11

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was

#### Notices :

Welcome to the Eucharist today. Bienvenue à Saint-Georges.

#### **Confessions in Holy Week**

There will be a priest available at 1745 each evening (Monday—Fr Grant, Tuesday—Fr Jeffrey and Wednesday—Fr Andrew). You are welcome to make an appointment at any time simply email your choice to make an appointment :

Rev'd Sara: macvanesara@gmail.com ;

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There are no sacraments celebrated between the Maundy Thursday liturgy and the Easter Vigil—don't leave it too late!

**Easter Flowers**—there will be a retiring collection for the Easter Flowers today. **Gifts of champagne** for the Easter **Vigil are gratefully received.** 

There's a list on the board for Easter Sunday Lunch. Pamela will also be asking you in the Hall over apéro.

**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.

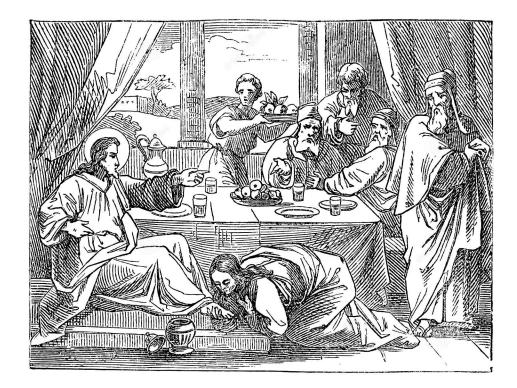
**The AGM of the Church Council** will take place on Sunday, 7th April immediately after the 1030 Eucharist. The notices are on the noticeboard halfway down the stairs. Please consider signing up if you would like to be elected to the Church Council but do remember that you must be on the Electoral Roll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

The 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, Valerie Canning, 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, Max Orrin, 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,

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filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus.

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Peace

Once we were far off, but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood, for he is our peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

We are invited to give one another a sign of peace. During the hymn a collection will be taken—you may like to use your debit card and give electronically? The hymn at the Preparation of the Table follows (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 every 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

#### **Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you

and also with you. Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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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 :



Lord, by your cross and re-surrection you have set us free.



You are the Sa-viour 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.

The celebrant invites the people to Communion

#### 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 who are baptised and communicant members of one of the Christian churches are welcome to receive communion with us. Those who are prevented from doing so by their conscience, or the discipline of their Church, are most welcome to come to the altar for a blessing at the time of communion. If you are reading this at home 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 humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.** 

We remain standing to sing the hymn (NEH 96).

O Thou, who through this holy week, Didst suffer for us all, The sick to heal, the lost to seek, To raise up them that fall.

We cannot comprehend the woe Thy love was pleased to bear: O Saviour Christ, we only know That all our hopes are there.

Then grant us, Lord, this week to trace Thy passion and thy love, And by thine all-inspiring grace Uplift our hearts above.

Beyond the pain, beyond the cross, The Christ of glory see, And count the things of earth but loss To gain our heaven in thee.

#### Blessing

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing ...

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

#### Holy Week Address

If you wish to hear the Holy Week address please remain in your seat. There will be a short pause between the Eucharist and the Address.