

**When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside;
 Death of death, and hell's Destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side:
 Songs of praises, I will ever give to thee.**

Blessing

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

And may the blessing... always. **Amen**

Go in peace. Proclaim the Word made flesh.
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 is 2€ but the coffee is free!

Bienvenue à Saint-Georges. Nous vous invitons à prendre un verre de vin ou une tasse de café après la messe dans la salle paroissiale. Le vin est à 2€ mais le café est gratuit ! Si vous êtes de passage dans notre église nous serons heureux de faire votre connaissance.

There will be a Chaplaincy Council Meeting on 30th January in the Library at 1915h. Any business should be notified to the Secretary to the Council—Jill Whitman—via email.

Revision of the Electoral Roll : This year we are required to undertake a total revision of the Church Electoral Roll. Everybody who considers St. George's to be their principal place of worship and who wishes to be included on the Electoral Roll **should please complete one of the forms available from today from the Welcome Team at the entrance to church or on the table in front of the Lady Chapel** and return it to one of the clergy or the Churchwardens or Anne, if she is in church.

Cette année est l'anniversaire de la mort de Dietrich Bonhoeffer. La paroisse luthérienne de la Résurrection vous convie à une séance de cinéma ***l'espion de Dieu***. Lundi 23 février 2030h au cinéma Chaplin St Lambert. Le film retrace le parcours du pasteur et théologien allemand luthérien Dietrich Bonhoeffer pendant la Seconde Guerre mondiale.

The rotas are up for the coming term: flowers, Sunday Lunch, etc. If you would like to read at the Eucharist on Sunday or welcome people to St George's as a sidesperson, or serve wine and cheese after the Eucharist please speak to Jane or Andrew respectively.

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, Tim Clarke, Cathy & Samantha Cox, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Deidre Dalton, Gregor Dallas, Chris Defrasne, Francis Frois, Georges, Anne Gould, Ophélie Gourbault, Karen Griggs, Irene Hicks, Pam Ingram, Ernest Jeyam, Kalvinder, Karen, Prudence Kupka, Muriel Lamoureux, Stacey McAdams, Juleka Maccher-Rajah, Hans Mayer, Monique Moron, Kenneth Nyakana, John & Yvonne Rogers, Alan Watts, David Wetsel, Anitha Yannick, Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul. **Those who have died:** Nick Shaw, Shirley Colwill, John James, Bruce Bridgewood, priest.

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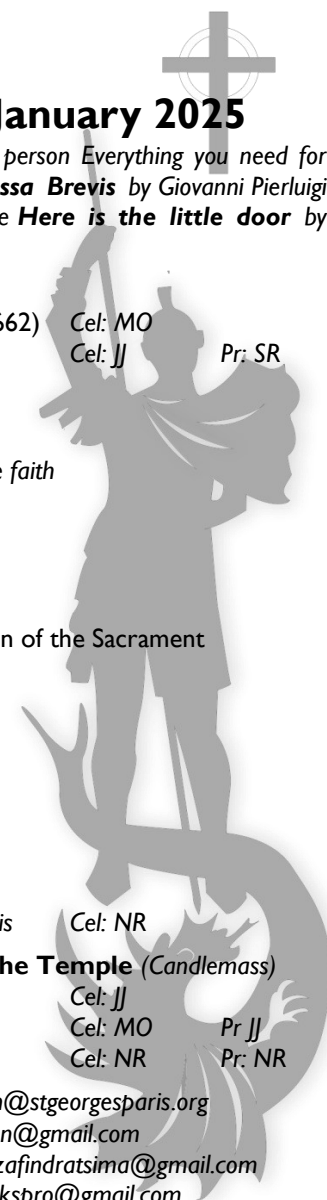
3rd Sunday of Epiphany (C) : 26th January 2025

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 **Missa Brevis** by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1603) and the motet during Communion will be **Here is the little door** by Herbert Howells (1892-1983).

Sunday 26th	Third Sunday of the Epiphany 0830 Holy Communion (1662) Cel: MO 1030 Solemn Eucharist Cel: JJ Pr: SR
Monday 27th	<i>Epiphany Weekday</i> 1800 Evensong & Eucharist
Tuesday 28th	<i>Thomas Aquinas, priest, teacher of the faith</i> 0915 Morning Prayer 1800/1830 Evensong & Eucharist
Wednesday 29th	<i>Epiphany Weekday</i> 1200 Eucharist 1800/1815 Evensong & Exposition of the Sacrament
Thursday 30th	<i>Charles, King and martyr</i> 0915 Morning Prayer 1800/1830 Evensong & Eucharist
Friday 31st	<i>John Bosco, founder of Salesians</i> 1800/1830 Evensong & Eucharist
Saturday 1st	<i>Brigid of Kildare</i> 1200 Eucharist 1800 l'eucharistie en français Cel: NR
Sunday 2nd	The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemass) 0830 Holy Communion Cel: JJ 1030 Solemn Eucharist Cel: MO Pr: JJ 1630 Messe Malgache Cel: NR Pr: NR

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing (NEH 339) :

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Be all but naught to me, save that Thou art;
Be thou my best thought, in the day and the night;
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord,
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son,
Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.**

**Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,
Be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might,
Be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower,
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.**

**Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;
Be thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Be thou and thou only the first in my heart;
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright sun
O grant me it's joys after vict'ry is wone,
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.**

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe!
**From the rising of the sun to its setting
your name is proclaimed in all the world.**

The Lord 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.

Penitential Rite

**Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought, in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light. Amen**

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:
**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

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

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

God is here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

As we prepare for Holy Communion the Choir sing 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

Christ is the true bread which has come down from heaven.

Lord, give us this bread for ever.

*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

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the notices after which we sing the final hymn (NEH 368)

**Guide me, O thou great Redeemer, Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty; Hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more.**

**Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through:
Strong deliverer, Be thou still my strength and shield.**

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

Peace

Please stand for the hymn. During this 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 (NEH 484)

**The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation By water and the word:
From heaven he came and sought her To be his holy Bride;
With his own blood he bought her, And for her life he died.**

**Elect from every nation, Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation, One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, With every grace endued.**

**Though with a scornful wonder Men see her sore opprest,
By schisms rent asunder, By heresies distrest,
Yet saints their watch are keeping, Their cry goes up, 'How long?'
And soon the night of weeping Shall be the morn of song.**

**'Mid toil and tribulation, And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation Of peace for evermore;
Till, with the vision glorious, Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.**

**Yet she on earth hath union With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, In love may dwell with thee.**

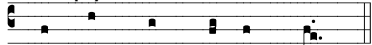
Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



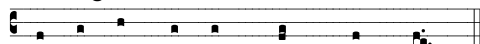
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts



We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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.

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.

During the Eucharistic Prayer we proclaim the mystery of faith by using the following:

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 God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.'

Please remain seated for the choir to sing the psalm appointed for today (Ps. 119).

*The heavens declare the glory of God * and the firmament sheweth his handywork. One day telleth another * and one night certifieth another. There is neither speech nor language * but their voices are heard among them. Their sound is gone out into all lands * and their words into the ends of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun * which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course. It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the end of it again * and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof. The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul * the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple. The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart * the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes. The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever * the judgements of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold * sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb. Moreover, by them is thy servant taught * and in*

keeping of them there is great reward. Who can tell how oft he offendeth * O cleanse thou me from my secret faults. Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over me * so shall I be undefiled, and innocent from the great offence. Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart * be always acceptable in thy sight, O Lord * my strength, and my redeemer.

Second Reading: I Corinthians 12:12-31a

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot were to say, ‘Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body’, that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear were to say, ‘Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body’, that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I have no need of you’, nor again the head to the feet, ‘I have no need of you.’ On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (NEH 431)

**O Thou who camest from above, The pure celestial fire to impart
Kindle a flame of sacred love Upon the mean altar of my heart.**

**There let it for thy glory burn With inextinguishable blaze,
And trembling to its source return, In humble prayer and fervent praise.**

**Jesus, confirm my heart's desire To work and speak and think for thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire, And still stir up thy gift in me.**

**Ready for all thy perfect will, My acts of faith and love repeat,
Till death thy endless mercies seal, and make my sacrifice complete.**

Holy Gospel: Luke 4:14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to

read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: ‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’ And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’

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 made man.**

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

**He suffered and was buried,
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.**

Prayers of Intercession

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

Open our ears, Lord: **and teach us to listen to you.**

After a pause for silent prayer, we conclude

Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**