

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.

Our Summer Programme continues with a Saturday Eucharist at 1200h and the Eucharist on Sunday at 0830 and 1030h.

A warm welcome to our preacher this week Fr George Guiver of the Community of the Resurrection.

St George's Retreat will this year be from 17th – 19th October 2025 and will be led by the Very Rev'd Richard Peers, formerly Dean of Llandaff. He will be looking at *Shakespeare and the Spiritual Life* at L'Abbaye de Notre Dame de Jouarre, 77640 Jouarre. This is a lovely Benedictine Abbey founded for women religious in the seventh century by the Irish monk-evangelist St Columbanus. It is 70 km east of Paris, easily reachable by RER and bus (but there is parking too). We will share worship with the nuns. There is accommodation in the Abbey for twenty people in single rooms, most with ensuite facilities. The cost will be around 140 euros. To reserve a place **on the Waiting List** please contact Fr Jeffrey on drjphjohn@gmail.com

Confirmation & Enquirers 2025. The confirmation will be on Sunday November 23rd and will be administered by our new Assistant Bishop, Andrew Norman. Adults – please let Fr Jeffrey know if you are interested, or if you know anyone who is interested, in exploring this as a possibility: drjphjohn@gmail.com For teenagers preparation for Confirmation begins on Sunday 28 September at 09h15. If you are interested please contact Fr Mark on chaplain@stgeorgesparis.org for more details.

We regularly receive kind donations during the year for the Christmas Bazaar. If you're clearing out cupboards or have friends who are moving don't forget Ali Baba will swallow anything and everything you want to give to St George's. If you want to make jam with a glut of fruit—there are loads of jam jars available in Parish Hall in the end cupboard!

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: HM The King, Esther Arens, Robin Baker, Beryl Bateman, Eric Benson, Issy Brett, Jean-Paul Buffet, Angela Casone, Tim Clarke, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Deidre Dalton, Gregor Dallas, Chris Defrasne, Francis Frois, Anne Gould, Ophélie Gourbault, Karen Griggs, Vaughan Hart, Irene Hicks, Pam Ingram, Ernest Jeyam, Kalvinder, Karen, Prudence Kupka, Muriel Lamoureux, 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: Vincent Strudwick, priest; Pierre Poussin, Bai Kamara.

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St George's Paris

Trinity 9 (Proper 15) : 17th August 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.

During the summer our choir takes a well earned break and today the congregational setting of the Eucharist is by John Merbecke. Born in Beverley, Yorkshire he was subsequently a choirboy at St George's, Windsor where he became organist from 1541. Condemned for heresy, and sentenced to be burnt, he was saved by Stephen Gardiner, Bishop of Winchester, who said he was "but a musician". His 1550 setting of the new English service became obsolete with the new Prayer Book of 1552 but was revived in the 19th century. You can find the setting at the back of the green hymnbooks (NEH 542).

During the summer programme the Eucharist is celebrated at midday on Saturday and at 0830 and 1030 on Sundays.

Sunday 17th	Trinity 9 (Proper 15)	
0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)	Cel: MO
1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel: MO Pr: GG
Monday 18th	Feria	
	Summer programme—no public worship	
Tuesday 19th	Feria	
	Summer programme—no public worship	
Wednesday 20th	Bernard of Clairvaux, Teacher of the Faith	
	Summer programme—no public worship	
Thursday 21st	Feria	
	Summer programme—no public worship	
Friday 22nd	Feria	
	Summer programme—no public worship	
Saturday 23rd	Feria	
1200	Eucharist	
Sunday 24th	Trinity 10 (Proper 16)	
0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)	Cel: MO
1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel: JJ Pr: GG

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing the first 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;**

**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.**

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. We then sing 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

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.

Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments: that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A heart that always feels thy blood So freely spilt for me:

**A heart resigned, submissive, meek, My dear Redeemer's throne;
Where only Christ is heard to speak, Where Jesus reigns alone:**

**A humble, lowly, contrite heart, Believing, true, and clean,
Which neither life nor death can part From him that dwells within:**

**A heart in every thought renewed, And full of love divine;
Perfect and right and pure and good, A copy, Lord, of thine.**

**My heart, thou knows't, can never rest Till thou create my peace;
Till of mine Eden repossess, From self, and sin, I cease.**

**Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart, Come quickly from above;
Write thy new name upon my heart, Thy new best name of Love.**

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.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

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 in our own language the **Lord's Prayer**.*

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.

The Breaking of Bread

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 we 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

Behold is 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 wish to receive Holy Communion you may like to use this 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

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the notices after which we sing the final hymn (NEH 74).

O for a heart to praise my God, A heart from sin set free;

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:23-29

Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

We remain seated to sing the hymn replacing the psalm of the day (NEH 277).

**Bread of the world in mercy broken, Wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken, And in whose death our sins are dead.**

**Look on the heart by sorrow broken, Look on the tears by sinners shed;
And be thy feast to us the token That by thy grace our souls are fed.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:29-40

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (NEH 315).

**Word of the Father, source of all things living,
Word once made flesh, our true and only Saviour,
Grow in our hearts, O seed of heaven's harvest, Jesus, Redeemer.**

**Gospel from heaven, living Word incarnate,
Open our minds, Lord, teach us your true wisdom;
Lamp to our footsteps, scatter all our darkness, Day-star of glory.**

**Lord of the faithful, guide us on our journey;
Pilgrims, we hunger for the life of heaven;
Jesus, our manna, feed us with your goodness, Here and hereafter.**

Holy Gospel: Luke 12:49-56

"I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

Sermon

Please be seated for the sermon.

Creed

We stand to sing the Profession of Faith (NEH 542)

**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.**

Intercessions

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

Lead us, Lord: **to walk in your ways.**

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.

*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? Please stand for the hymn at the
Preparation of the Table (NEH 445).*

**Rock of ages, cleft for me Let me hide myself in thee;
Let the water and the blood, From thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure; Cleanse me from its guilt and power.**

**Not the labours of my hands Can fulfill thy law's commands;
Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and thou alone.**

**Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to the cross I cling;
Naked, come to thee for dress; Helpless, look to thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Saviour, or I die.**

**While I draw this fleeting breath, When mine eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown, See thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in thee.**

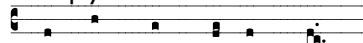
Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



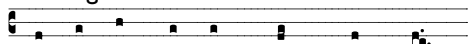
and al-so with you.

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 we 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.**