

## 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.

**Sunday Lunch today—15€** for a delicious 3 course meal—is a wonderful opportunity to deepen our fellowship together. Why not book a Sunday into your diary now? Ryan is always on the lookout for cooks to broaden the rota—if you fancy cooking contact him on [spooner.ryan@yahoo.com](mailto:spooner.ryan@yahoo.com)

**We're opening** on Saturday 20 September for the Journee du Patrimoine between 1000 and 1600. The clergy can staff the morning but we're in a Planning Day (in the Parish Hall) between 1230 and 1730. Can you help? Sign up on the list at the back of church.

**Our Diocesan Care for Creation Group** presents an Environmental Champions Conference. To be held online—more details on e:News— on Wednesday, 1st October at 19.00 CET. The conference involves a Scientist, a Theologian and an Activist each 'Speaking truth about climate change in a complex world – three perspectives'. Presentations by Warren Cairns Senior Researcher, Institute of Polar Sciences of the Italian National Research Council, the Rev'd Jack McDonald, Canon Theologian, Diocese in Europe and Mags Bird, Activist with Christian Climate Action will be followed by discussion with the wider audience. All are welcome to take part in this event

**St George's Retreat will this year be from 17th – 19th October 2025** and will be at L'Abbaye de Notre Dame de Jouarre, 77640 Jouarre. The cost will be around 140 euros. To reserve a place **on the Waiting List** please contact Fr Jeffrey on [drjphjohn@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:chaplain@stgeorgesparis.org) for more details.

**This year's Christmas Market** will take place on Saturday 29th November 2024. We need volunteers to run stalls and make jams, marmalades, savoury dishes and cakes. Donations are also welcome (books, toys, clothes, jewellery, etc.). For further information, please contact Pamela Hamilton on 06 78 42 68 08 or [phamiltonpam@yahoo.fr](mailto:phamiltonpam@yahoo.fr)

**In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list:** HM The King, Esther Arens, 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, Sally Hughes, 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:** Katharine LeMee, Elisabeth Hamilton, Robin Baker, Pierre Poussin, Bai Kamara.

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# St George's Paris

## The Holy Cross : 14th September 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 the **Missa Brevis** by G. Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1603) and the motet during Communion will be **Sicut Cervus** also by Palestrina.

Sunday 14th	<b>The Holy Cross</b>	
0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)	Cel: JJ
1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel: NR Pr: JJ
1630	Office Malgache	Cel: NR Pr JJ
Monday 15th	Cyprian of Carthage	
1800/1830	Evensong/Eucharist	
Tuesday 16th	Ninian of Galloway, apostle of the Picts	
0915	Morning Prayer	
1800/1830	Evensong/Eucharist	
Wednesday 17th	Hildegard, abbess, Visionary	
1200	Eucharist	
1800/1815	Evensong/Adoration	
Thursday 18th	Feria	
0915	Morning Prayer	
1800/1830	Evensong/Eucharist	
Friday 19th	Theodore of Tarsus, archbishop of Canterbury	
1800/1830	Evensong/Eucharist	
Saturday 20th	John Coleridge Patterson & Comps, martyrs of Melanesia	
1200	Eucharist	
1800	l'eucharistie en français	Cel JJ
Sunday 21st	<b>Matthew, Apostle</b>	
0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)	Cel: JJ
1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel: NR Pr: JJ
1630	Messe Malgache	Cel: NR Pr JJ

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## The Gathering

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

**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. Then are sung the Kyries and the Gloria.*

**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.*

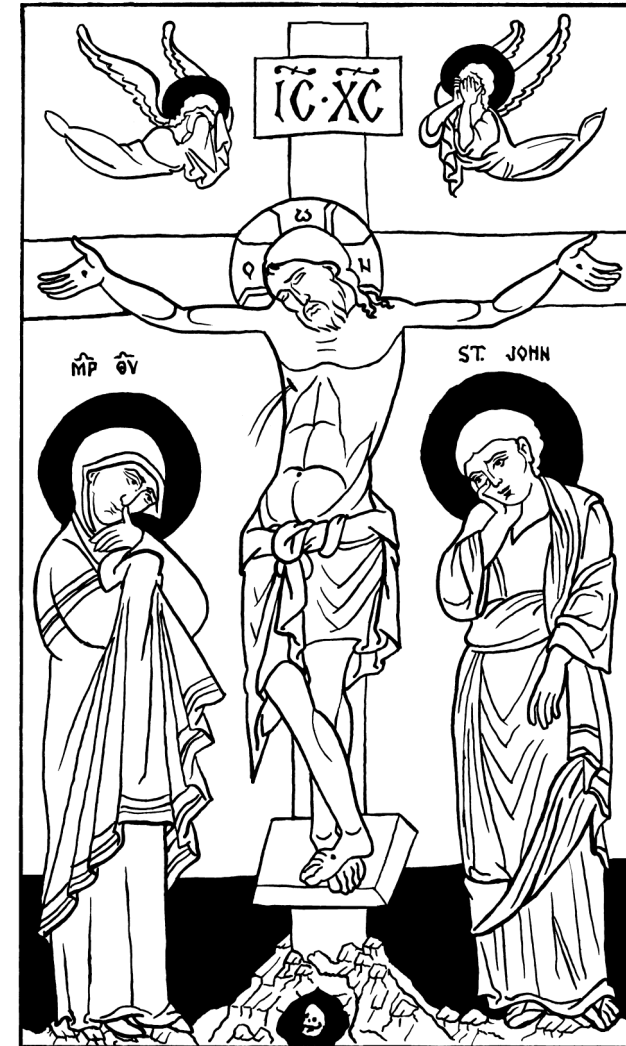
**Collect**

Almighty God, who in the passion of your blessed Son made and instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace: grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**



## Breaking of the 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 hear 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

Faithful God, whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death until he comes: give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our hope, who reigns as Lord, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the notices after which we sing the final hymn (NEH 95).*

**When I survey the wondrous Cross, On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.**

**Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the death of Christ, my God;  
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them through his blood.**

**See, from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down;  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**His dying crimson like a robe, Spreads o'er his body on the Tree;  
Then am I dead to all the globe, And all the globe is dead to me.**

**Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small.  
Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.**

*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.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading: Numbers 21:4-9

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

*Please remain seated as the choir sings the psalm appointed for the day (Psalm 22. 23-28)*

*O praise the Lord, ye that fear him \* magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel; For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor \* he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called unto him he heard him. My praise is of thee in the great congregation \* my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him. The poor shall eat, and be satisfied \* they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever. All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord \* and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him. For the kingdom is the Lord's \* and he is the Governor among the people.*

### Second Reading: Philippians 2.6-11

Who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*Please stand for the gradual hymn (NEH 91).*

**Sweet the moments, rich in blessing, Which before the Cross I spend,  
Life and health, and peace possessing From the sinner's dying friend.**

**Here I stay, forever viewing Mercy streaming in his blood;  
Precious drops, my soul bedewing, Plead and claim my peace with God.**

**Truly blessed is the station, Low before his Cross to lie,  
While I see divine compassion Floating in his languid eye.**

**Lord, in ceaseless contemplation Fix our hearts and eyes on thee,  
Till we taste thy full salvation, And unveiled thy glories see.**

### Holy Gospel: John 3:13-17

No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but

may have eternal life. “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

## Sermon

*Please be seated for the sermon.*

*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*

Let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

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

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

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 86).*

## Peace

**My song is love unknown, My Saviour's love to me,  
Love to the loveless shown, That they might lovely be.  
O who am I, That for my sake My Lord should take `Frail flesh and die?**

**He came from his blest throne, Salvation to bestow:  
But men made strange, and none The longed-for Christ would know.  
But O my Friend, My friend indeed, Who at my need, His life did spend.**

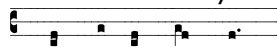
**Sometimes they strew his way, And his strong praises sing;  
Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King.  
Then ‘Crucify!’ Is all their breath, And for his death They thirst and cry.**

**They rise, and needs will have My dear Lord made away;  
A murderer they save, The Prince of Life they slay.  
Yet steadfast he To suffering goes, That he his foes From thence might free.**

**Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine;  
Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like thine.  
This is my friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend.**

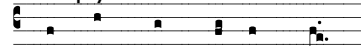
## Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



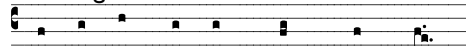
**and al-so with you.**

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.**

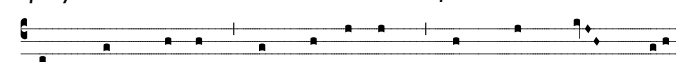
*The celebrant praises God for his mighty acts in the Preface and we sings the Sanctus and Benedictus.*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory.*

*Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high.*

*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.**