

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 or the coffee is free.

Bienvenue à Saint-Georges. Nous vous invitons à prendre un verre de vin (2 euros) ou une tasse de café après la messe dans la salle paroissiale, et si vous êtes de passage dans notre église nous serons heureux de faire votre connaissance.

Next Sunday marks the beginning of Christian Unity Week and we look forward to our **preacher Fr Miguel Desjardins**, of the Chemin Neuf and Secretary for Christian Unity for the French Bishops. The service for Christian Unity will be the United Service of Prayer on **Tuesday 20 January** at 2000h at the Armenian Cathedral, 15 Rue Jean Goujon, 75008 Paris.

You are warmly invited to Bart Konechni's thesis defence on the 29th January at 1500h in the Salle Goguel, 56 rue des Saints-Pères, Paris 7e. His subject is: **Essays on the Adoption of New Health Behaviors: A Sociological Perspective From the COVID-19 Crisis**. There are 7 judges—you don't get a vote—but accompanying the candidate is a French tradition and he'll be very happy to see you there.

Fr Jeffrey is on his post-Christmas leave this week. Fr Mark can be contacted through the Office.

There will be an opportunity for you to talk about the Bazaar on Saturday 31st January. Over a bring and share lunch after the midday Eucharist we can share what we think went well, badly or what we want to improve.

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: HM The King, Beryl Bateman, Eric Benson, Issy Brett, Jean-Paul Buffet, Angela Casone, Tim Clarke, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Huy Sun (Dara), Deidre Dalton, Gregor Dallas, Chris Defrasne, Anne Gould, Ophélie Goubault, 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, David Sweeney, Émile Vaillant, Alan Watts, David Wetsel, Anitha Yannick, Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul.

Those who have died: Kevin.

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St George's, Paris

The Baptism of Christ : 11th January 2026

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. **Please note the seasonal changes.** Today the choir sings **An Anglican Folk Mass 1946** by Martin Shaw (1875-1958) and a motet during Communion.

Sunday 11th	The Baptism of Christ			
	0830	Holy Communion (1662)	Cel MO	
	1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel NR	Pr JJ
	1630	Office Malgache	Cel NR	Pr JJ
Monday 12th	<i>Aelred of Hexham; Benedict Biscop</i>			
	1800 / 1830	Evensong / Eucharist		
Tuesday 13th	<i>Hilary of Poitiers</i>			
	0915	Morning Prayer		
	1800/1830	Evensong / Eucharist		
Wednesday 14th	<i>Epiphany Weekday</i>			
	1200	Eucharist		
	1800/1815	Evensong / Adoration		
Thursday 15th	<i>Epiphany Weekday</i>			
	0915	Morning Prayer		
	1800/1830	Evensong / Eucharist		
Friday 16th	<i>Epiphany Weekday</i>			
	1800 / 1830	Evensong / Eucharist		
Saturday 17th	<i>Anthony of Egypt; Charles Gore, bishop</i>			
	1200	Eucharist		
	1800	l'Eucharistie	Cel MO	Pr MO
Sunday 18th	2nd Sunday of Epiphany—Week of Prayer for Christian Unity			
	0830	Holy Communion (1662)	Cel MO	
	1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel MO	Pr MD
	1630	Messe Malgache	Cel NR	Pr SR

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing the hymn (REH 72):

**The sinless one to Jordan came To share our fallen nature's blame;
God's righteousness he thus fulfilled And chose the path his Father willed.**

**Uprising from the waters there, The voice from heaven did witness bear
That he, the Son of God, had come To lead his scattered people home.**

**Above him see the heavenly Dove, The sign of God the Father's love,
Now by the Holy Spirit shed Upon the Son's anointed head.**

**How blest that mission then begun To heal and save a race undone;
Straight to the wilderness he goes To wrestle with his people's foes.**

**Dear Lord, let those baptized from sin Go forth with you, a world to win,
And send the Holy Spirit's power To shield them in temptation's hour.**

**On you shall all your people feed And know you are the Bread indeed,
Who gives eternal life to those That with you died, and with you rose.**

Greeting

+ 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.

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.

Opening Prayer

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him

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 of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the Notices. We then stand to sing the hymn (REH 541).

**O love, how deep, how broad, how high! How passing thought and fantasy,
That God, the Son of God, should take Our mortal form for mortals' sake!**

**He sent no angel to our race Of higher or of lower place,
But wore the robe of human frame, And he himself to his world came.**

**For us baptized, for us he bore His holy fast and hunger sore;
For us temptations sharp he knew, For us the tempter overthrew.**

**For us to wicked men betrayed,
Scourged, mocked, in crown of thorns arrayed;
For us he bore the cross's death, For us at length gave up his breath.**

**For us he rose from death again, For us he went on high to reign;
For us he sent his Spirit here To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.**

**All honour, laud, and glory be, O Jesus, Virgin-born, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet, To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.**

Blessing

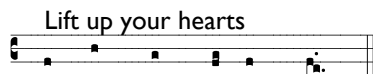
The Lord be with you
and also with you.

And may the blessing... always.

Amen

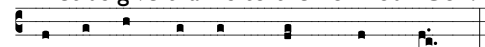
Go in peace. Proclaim the Word made flesh.

Thanks be to God.



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:

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

... in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power

be yours for ever and ever. 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*

with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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

Sunday School leave for their activities as we listen to the Scriptures.

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Please remain seated whilst the choir sings the psalm appointed for the day (Psalm 29)

*Bring unto the Lord, O ye mighty, bring young rams unto the Lord * ascribe unto the Lord worship and strength. Give the Lord the honour due unto his Name * worship the Lord with holy worship. It is the Lord, that commandeth the waters * it is the glorious God, that maketh the thunder. It is the Lord, that ruleth the sea; the voice of the Lord is mighty in operation * the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice. The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedar-trees * yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Libanus. He maketh them also to skip like a calf * Libanus also, and Sirion, like a young unicorn. The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness * yea, the Lord shaketh the wilderness of Cades. The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and discovereth the thick bushes * in his temple doth every man speak of his honour. The Lord sitteth above the water-flood * and the Lord remaineth a King for ever. The Lord shall give strength unto his people * the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.*

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded

us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

Please stand for the gradual hymn (REH 65).

**Why, impious Herod, shouldst thou fear Because the Christ is come so near?
He who doth heavenly kingdoms grant Thine earthly realm can never want.**

**Lo, sages from the east are gone To where the star hath newly shone:
Led on by light to light they press, And by their gifts their God confess.**

**The Lamb of God is manifest Again in Jordan's water blest,
And he who sin had never known By washing hath our sins undone.**

**Yet he that ruleth everything Can change the nature of the spring,
And gives at Cana this for sign, The water reddens into wine.**

**Then glory, Lord, to thee we pay For thine epiphany today;
All glory through eternity To Father, Son, and Spirit be. Amen.**

Holy Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

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

In God: all things work together for good.

After a pause for silent prayer, we conclude

**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 always with you
and also with you.**

We exchange a sign of Peace before the hymn at the Preparation of the Table is sung (REH 73):

**O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
With gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
Kneel and adore him: the Lord is his name.**

**Low at his feet lay thy burden of carefulness:
High on his heart he will bear it for thee,
Comfort thy sorrows, and answer thy prayerfulness,
Guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.**

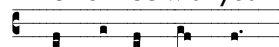
**Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
Of the poor wealth thou wouldst reckon as thine:
Truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,
These are the offerings to lay on his shrine.**

**These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
He will accept for the name that is dear;
Mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
Trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.**

**O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
Bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
With gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness,
Kneel and adore him: the Lord is his name.**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



and also with you.