

Holy Week : 29th March—5th April 2026

Our preacher this year is the Rev'd Iain Osborne

Saturday 28th	1800	Chemin de Croix avec la sainte Communion
Sunday 29th	Palm Sunday	
	0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)
	1030	Solemn Eucharist with the Blessing of Palms, Procession & Passion Gospel
Monday 30th	<i>Monday of Holy Week</i>	
	0915	Mattins
	1745	Evensong
	1900	Sung Eucharist & Address
Tuesday 31st	<i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i>	
	0915	Mattins
	1130	Chrism Eucharist & Renewal of Ordination Vows <i>St Michael's, Paris.</i>
	1745	Evensong
	1900	Sung Eucharist & Address
Wednesday 1st	<i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i>	
	0915	Mattins
	1745	Evensong
	1900	Sung Eucharist & Address
Thursday 2nd	Maundy Thursday	
	0915	Mattins
	1745	Evensong
	1930	Solemn Eucharist of the Last Supper <i>With Foot-Washing, Procession to the Garden of Repose & Watch until Midnight</i>
Friday 3rd	Good Friday	
	0915	Mattins
	1230	Stations of the Cross <i>(Meet at the Rond Point des Champs Elysées)</i>
	1745	Evensong
	1930	Liturgy of the Day <i>With Passion Gospel & Veneration of the Cross</i>
Saturday 4th	Holy Saturday	
	0915	Mattins
	2100	Vigil and First Eucharist of the Resurrection <i>With Blessing of the Fire & Exultet, followed by a champagne reception</i>
Sunday 5th	Easter Day	
	0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)
	1030	Solemn Eucharist
	1630	Messe Malgache le president et homéliste : p. Nicolas

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after Evensong in the Library at 1800-1830 or by appointment.

St George's Paris

Wednesday in Holy Week : 1st April 2026 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 **Communion Service in C minor** by Charles Wood (1866-1926).

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

Clergy and serving team enter in silence

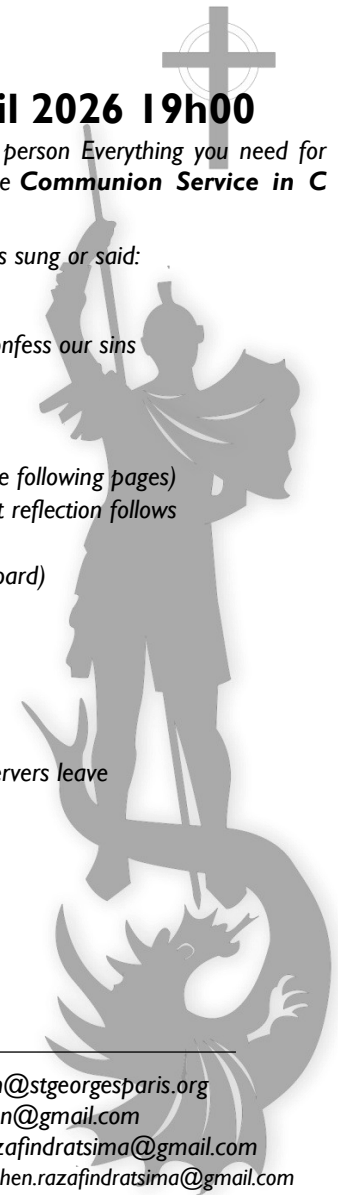
- ◆ **The Mass is introduced** and we are invited to confess our sins
- ◆ **Kyrie Eleison** sung by the choir
- ◆ **Opening Prayer**
- ◆ **First Reading** the congregation are invited to sit
- ◆ **The Psalm is sung by the Choir** (printed on the following pages)
- ◆ **The Gospel is proclaimed** and a 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

+ 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 12:1-3

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. Consider him who endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you may not grow weary or lose heart.

Psalm 70

*Haste thee, O God, to deliver me * make haste to help me, O Lord. Let them be shamed and confounded that seek after my soul * let them be turned backward and put to confusion that wish me evil. Let them for their reward be soon brought to shame * that cry over me, There, there. But let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee * and let all such as delight in thy salvation say always, The Lord be praised. As for me, I am poor and in misery * haste thee unto me, O God. Thou art my helper, and my redeemer * O Lord, make no long tarrying.*

Gospel : John 13:21-32

After saying this Jesus was troubled in spirit, and declared, 'Very truly, I tell you, one of you will betray me.' The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he was speaking. One of his disciples—the one whom Jesus loved—was reclining next to him; Simon Peter therefore motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. So while reclining next to Jesus, he asked him, 'Lord, who is it?' Jesus answered, 'It is the one to whom I give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish.' So when he had dipped the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas son of Simon Iscariot. After he received the piece of bread, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, 'Do quickly what you are going to do.' Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. Some thought that, because Judas had the common purse, Jesus was telling him, 'Buy what we need for the festival'; or, that he should give something to the poor. So, after receiving the piece of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night. When he had gone out, Jesus said,

Notices :

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

Holy Week 2026 :

A warm welcome to our Holy Week preacher, the Rev'd Iain Osborne and his wife Susan, to Janine Hamilton from the ERMTC and to Samson-Emmanuel Breda, currently a student at Westcott House.

Many thanks to David Smith for the donation of les buis for our Palm Sunday procession.

Easter Flowers—contributions gratefully received by Jane Saint-Sernin towards the cost of flowers for Easter—an excellent way to thank Janet, Louise and Fr Grant, our team of flower arrangers!

Gifts of champagne for the Easter Vigil are gratefully received.

Confessions in Holy Week

There will be a priest available for confessions. Every evening at 1800-1830 after Evensong in the Library. Or, 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!

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, 12th 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 is looking for good copy for the Pentecost edition of the Newsletter. If you have contributions please email him on john_crothers@hotmail.com

In Your Prayers please remember those on our sick-list: Beryl Bateman, Pamela Bruetsch, Jean-Paul Buffet, Ginette Barbé, Angela Casone, Tim Clarke, Anne Cozic, Jeanine & Caroline Cullinan, Huy Sun (Dara), Deidre Dalton, Gregor Dallas, Chris Defrasne, Anne Gould, Ophélie Gourbault, Karen Griggs, Vaughan Hart, Irene Hicks, Sally Hughes, Ernest Jeyam, Kalvinder, Karen, Prudence Kupka, Muriel Lamoureux, Hans Mayer, Jane Maurin, Monique Moron, Kenneth Nyakana, John & Yvonne Rogers, Émile Vaillant, David Wetsel, Anitha Yannick, Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul.

Those who have died: David Sweeney, Bill Neale.

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.



'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once.

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 (REH 108) :

**The royal banners forward go,
The Cross shines forth in mystic glow;
Where he in flesh, our flesh who made,
Our sentence bore, our ransom paid.**

**Where deep for us the spear was dyed,
Life's torrent rushing from His side,
To wash us in that precious flood,
Where mingled water flowed, and blood.**

**Fulfilled is all that David told
In true prophetic song of old,
The universal Lord is he,
Who reigns and triumphs from the tree.**

**O Tree of beauty, Tree of light!
O tree with royal purple dight!
Elect on whose triumphal breast
Those holy limbs should find their rest!**

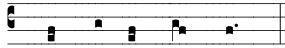
**On whose dear arms, so widely flung,
The weight of this world's ransom hung,
The price of humankind to pay
And spoil the spoiler of his prey.**

**O Cross, our one reliance, hail!
So may thy power with us prevail
To give new virtue to the saint,
And pardon to the penitent.**

**To thee, eternal Three in One,
Let homage meet by all be done:
Whom by thy Cross thou dost restore,
Preserve and govern evermore. Amen.**

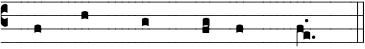
Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



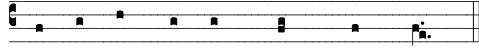
and also with you.

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** 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** before the celebrants invitation.

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 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 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

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 (REH 126).

There is a green hill far away,

Without a city wall,

Where the dear Lord was crucified,

Who died to save us all.

We may not know, we cannot tell,

What pains he had to bear;

But we believe it was for us

He hung and suffered there.

He died that we might be forgiv'n,

He died to make us good,

That we might go at last to heav'n,

Saved by his precious blood.

There was no other good enough

To pay the price of sin;

He only could unlock the gate

Of heav'n, and let us in.

O dearly, dearly has he loved,

And we must love him too,

And trust in his redeeming blood,

And try his works to do.

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.