

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.

Fr Mark is celebrating a wedding in the UK this weekend. He begins a week's annual leave and will return to France to celebrate a wedding in Oppède on the 29 August. Please contact Fr Jeffrey in case of need.

St George's Retreat will this year be from 23rd—25th October 2026 at L'Abbaye de Notre-Dame de Jouarre, 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. Fr Matthew Harrison will give the addresses. There is accommodation in the Abbey for twenty people in single rooms, most with en-suite facilities. The cost will be around 140 euros. To reserve a place, contact Fr Jeffrey on drjphjohn@gmail.com

Confirmation & Enquirers 2026. The confirmation will be on Sunday November 22nd. 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 take quality goods to help support 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: 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, Kay Firth, Paul Fothergill, 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, Miora Rabemanantsoa, John & Yvonne Rogers, David Wetsel, Anitha Yannick, Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul, Miora Rabemanantsoa.

Those who have died: James Macauley Hicks, Theresa Wong,

St George's Paris

The Blessed Virgin Mary : 16th August 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. During the summer our choir takes a well-earned break and today the congregational setting of the Eucharist is **The Mass of St Thomas** by David Thorne (NEH 682) but the Creed is by Merbecke (NEH 542). **During the summer programme the Eucharist is celebrated at midday on Saturday and at 0830 and 1030 on Sundays.**

Sunday 16th	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)	Cel : JJ	
1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel : JJ	Pr : JJ
Monday 17th	<i>Feria</i> <i>Summer Programme—No public offices</i>		
Tuesday 18th	<i>Feria</i> <i>Summer Programme—No public offices</i>		
Wednesday 19th	<i>Feria</i> <i>Summer Programme—No public offices</i>		
Thursday 20th	<i>Bernard of Clairvaux, Teacher; William & Catherine Booth</i> <i>Summer Programme—No public offices</i>		
Friday 21st	<i>Feria</i> <i>Summer Programme—No public offices</i>		
Saturday 22nd	<i>Feria</i>		
1200	Eucharist		
Sunday 23rd	Twelfth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 16)		
0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)	Cel : GH	
1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel : GH	Pr : GH

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing (REH 239):

**O Glorious maid, exalted far Beyond the light of burning star,
From him who made thee thou hast won Grace to be mother of his Son.**

**That which was lost in hapless Eve Thy holy offspring did retrieve:
The tear-worn sons of Adam's race**

Through thee have seen the heavenly place.

Hail, thou the gate of heaven's high Lord,

The door through which the light hath poured.

Christians, rejoice, for through a maid To all mankind is life conveyed.

**O Jesu, Virgin-born, to thee Eternal praise and glory be,
Whom with the Father we adore And Holy Spirit, evermore. Amen.**

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. After we receive absolution, we sing 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 sakes,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

**Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy,
Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria (REH 682b)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

**Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, Heavenly King, Almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Glory to God...**

**Lord, Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
Glory to God...**

*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

God most high, whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh: we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption you visit us with your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by your power; strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the notices after which we sing the final hymn (REH 277). 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.

**Hail, holy Queen enthroned above, O Maria;
Mother of mercy and of love, O Maria!
Rejoice ye cherubim, Exult ye seraphim!
Heaven and earth resound the hymn: 'Salve, salve, salve, regina.'**

**Our life, our sweetness here below, O Maria;
Our hope in sorrow and in woe, O Maria. Refrain**

**Eve's banished children cry to thee, O Maria!
We sigh, we mourn, we weep and grieve, O Maria! Refrain**

**When this our exile is complete, O Maria;
Show us thy Son, our Jesus meek, O Maria. Refrain**

**O clement, loving Mother sweet, O Maria;
O Virgin bless thee we entreat, O Maria. Refrain**

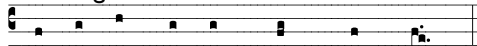
Blessing

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

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

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 then we sing the Sanctus (REH 682c).

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

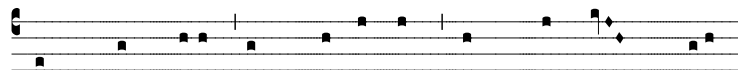
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest

The prayer continues until the Proclamation of Faith :



Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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 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 together the Agnus Dei (REH 682d).

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us 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. Please do not intinct (dip the bread into the common cup) as it has been banned by the bishops. If you would prefer, please come forward and bow your head for a blessing. 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.

**For you alone are the Holy one, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Glory to God...**

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; 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**

Liturgy of the Word

There is no Sunday School during the summer break.

First Reading: Revelation 11:19-12:6, 10

Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple; and there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail. A great portent appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pangs, in the agony of giving birth. Then another portent appeared in heaven: a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. Then the dragon stood before the woman who was about to bear a child, so that he might devour her child as soon as it was born. And she gave birth to a son, a male child, who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron. But her child was snatched away and taken to God and to his throne; and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, so that there she can be nourished for one thousand two hundred and sixty days. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, 'Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God.

We remain seated to sing the hymn instead of the psalm (REH 284).

**Virgin-born, we bow before thee; blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, mother meek and mild, blessèd was she in her child.**

**Blessèd was the breast that fed thee; blessèd was the hand that led thee;
blessèd was the parent's eye that watched thy slumbering infancy.**

**Blessèd she by all creation, who brought forth the world's Salvation,
blessèd they for ever blest, who love thee most and serve thee best.
Virgin-born we bow before thee; blessèd was the womb that bore thee;
Mary, mother meek and mild, blessèd was she in her child.**

Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (REH 240) :

**Greetings O Favoured! Ark of the Spirit,
All-holy, spotless, blessed and glorious!
You have arisen from earth to heaven
And all creation dances with joy.**

**Into his joy the Lord has received you,
Virgin God-bearer, Mother of Jesus.
You have beheld the King in his beauty,
Sion's fair daughter, Mother and Queen.**

**You have made answer for all creation
To the redeeming will of the Father.
Light, fire and life, divine and immortal,
Joined to our nature you have brought forth.**

**Now, at your passing to heavenly glory,
We see perfected life in the Spirit.
That to the glory of God the Father,
Earth and heaven might be restored.**

Holy Gospel: Luke 1:46-55

And Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Sermon

Please be seated for the sermon.

Creed

We stand to sing the Profession of Faith (REH 684c):

I 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,
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 prayer together. At the end of each petition this response is used

Lord, hear us: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

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.

Please stand for the hymn at the Preparation of the Table (REH 282); during which a collection will be taken—you may like to use your debit card and give electronically?

**Sing we of the blessed Mother Who received the angels word,
And obedient to his summons Bore in love the infant Lord;
Sing we of the joys of Mary At whose breast that child was fed
Who is Son of God eternal And the everlasting bread.**

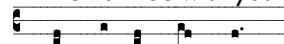
**Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows, Of the sword that pierced her through,
When beneath the cross of Jesus She his weight of suffering knew,
Looked upon her son and Saviour Reigning high on Calvary's tree,
Saw the price of man's redemption Paid to set the sinner free.**

**Sing again the joys of Mary When she saw the risen Lord,
And in prayer with Christ's apostles, Waited on his promised word:
From on high the blazing glory Of the Spirit's presence came,
Heavenly breath of God's own being, Manifest through wind and flame.**

**Sing the chiefest joy of Mary When on earth her work was done,
And the Lord of all creation Brought her to his heavenly home:
Virgin Mother, Mary blessed, Raised on high and crowned with grace,
May your Son, the world's Redeemer, Grant us all to see his face.**

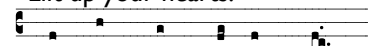
Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



and al-so with you.

Lift up your hearts.



We lift them to the Lord.