

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 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 Goubault, 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.

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St George's Paris

Trinity 12 (Proper 16) : 23rd 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 23rd	Trinity 12 (Proper 16)		
0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)	Cel : GH	
1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel : GH	Pr : GH
Monday 24th	Bartholomew, apostle Summer Programme—No public offices		
Tuesday 25th	Feria Summer Programme—No public offices		
Wednesday 26th	Feria Summer Programme—No public offices		
Thursday 27th	Monica, mother of Augustine of Hippo Summer Programme—No public offices		
Friday 28th	Augustine of Hippo Summer Programme—No public offices		
Saturday 29th	The beheading of John the Baptist Eucharist		
1200			
Sunday 30th	Trinity 13 (Proper 17)		
0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)	Cel : JJ	
1030	Solemn Eucharist	Cel : JJ	Pr : JJ

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing (REH 567):

**Soldiers of Christ, arise, And put your armour on,
Strong in the strength which God supplies, Through his eternal Son;**

**Strong in the Lord of Hosts, And in his mighty power,
Who in the strength of Jesus trusts Is more than conqueror.**

**Stand then in his great might, With all his strength endued;
And take, to arm you for the fight, The panoply of God,**

**Leave no unguarded place, No weakness of the soul,
Take every virtue, every grace, And fortify the whole.**

**From strength to strength go on; Wrestle, and fight, and pray;
Tread all the powers of darkness down, And win the well-fought day:**

**That, having all things done, And all your conflicts past,
Ye may o'ercome through Christ alone, And stand entire at last.**

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;**

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.

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 of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing:
grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the notices after which we sing the final hymn (REH 550). 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.

**Oft in danger, oft in woe, Onward, Christians, onward go;
Bear the toil, maintain the strife, Strengthened with the bread of life.**

**Onward, Christians, onward go, Join the war, and face the foe;
Will ye flee in danger's hour? Know ye not your Captain's power?**

**Let your drooping hearts be glad; March in heavenly armour clad;
Fight, nor think the battle long: Soon shall victory wake your song.**

**Let not sorrow dim your eye; Soon shall every tear be dry:
Let not fears your course impede; Great your strength, if great your need.**

**Onward then in battle move; More than conquerors ye shall prove:
Though opposed by many a foe, Christian soldiers, onward go.**

Blessing

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

Go in the peace of Christ.

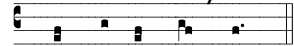
Thanks be to God.

**Sinners whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at his feet, And crown him Lord of all.**

**Let every tribe and every tongue To him their hearts enthral,
Lift high the universal song And crown him Lord of all.**

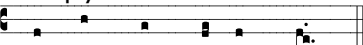
Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



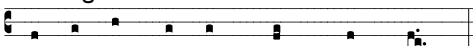
and al-so with you.

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 then we sing the Sanctus (REH 682c).

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

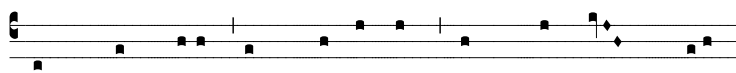
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

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 ri-sen. 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.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

Glory to God...

**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 and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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: Isaiah 51:1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

We remain seated to sing the hymn instead of the psalm (REH 371).

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, The Holy One, is here

Come bow before Him now, With reverence and fear

In him no sin is found We stand on holy ground

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, The Holy One, is here

Be still, for the glory of the Lord, Is shining all around;

He burns with holy fire, With splendour he is crowned.

How awesome is the sight, Our radiant King of light;

Be still, for the glory of the Lord, Is shining all around

Be still, for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place;

He comes to cleanse and heal, To minister his grace

No work too hard for him, In faith receive from him;

Be still, for the power of the Lord Is moving in this place.

Second Reading: Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (REH 582) :

**Through the night of doubt and sorrow Onward goes the pilgrim band,
Singing songs of expectation, Marching to the promised land.**

**Clear before us through the darkness Gleams and burns the guiding light;
Leading forth one holy people, Stepping fearless through the night.**

**One the light of God's own presence O'er his ransomed people shed,
Chasing far the gloom and terror, Brightening all the path we tread:**

**One the object of our journey, One the faith which never tires,
One the earnest looking forward, One the hope our God inspires:**

**One the strain that lips of thousands Lift as from the heart of one;
One the conflict, one the peril, One the march in God begun:**

**One the gladness of rejoicing On the far eternal shore,
Where the one almighty Father Reigns in love for evermore.**

Holy Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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

In you, O Lord: **is all meaning and truth.**

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 427); during which a collection will be taken—you may like to use your debit card and give electronically?

**All hail the power of Jesu's name; Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem To crown him Lord of all.**

**Crown him, ye morning stars of light, Who fixed this floating ball;
Now hail the strength of Israel's might, And crown him Lord of all.**

**Crown him, ye martyrs of your God, Who from his altar call;
Praise him whose way of pain ye trod, And crown him Lord of all.**

**Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, Ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace, And crown him Lord of all.**

**Hail him, ye heirs of David's line, Whom David Lord did call;
The God incarnate, man divine, And crown him Lord of all.**