St George's Paris

3 before Advent-Remembrance: 8th November 2026

A warm welcome to St George's worship this week—online or in person. You'll find everything you need for today's service in this pamphlet. Today the choir sings the ***Messe brève n°7 aux chapelles*** *by Charles Gounod (1818-1893), the anthem is* ***Ave Verum Corpus*** *by Edward Elgar (1857-1934), and the voluntary is the* ***Fugue from the Sonata n°2*** *by Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy (1809-1847).*

Sunday 8th		**3 before Advent – Remembrance**		
	0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)	*Cel: MO*	
	1030	Solemn Eucharist	*Cel: NR*	*Pr: MO*
	1630	Office Malgache	*Cel: NR*	*Pr: NR*
Monday 9th		*Margery Kempe, mystic*		
	1200	Eucharist		
	1930	Solemn Eucharist		
Tuesday 10th		*Leo the Great, Teacher of the Faith*		
	0915	Morning Prayer		
	1800/1830	Evensong / Eucharist		
Wednesday 11th		*Martin of Tours; Jour Ferie*		
		NO PUBLIC OFFICES		
	1500	Service of Remembrance *Cathedrale St Louis des Invalides*		
Thursday 12th		*Feria*		
	0915	Morning Prayer		
	1800/1830	Evensong / Eucharist		
Friday 13th		*Charles Simeon*		
	1800/1830	Evensong / Eucharist		
Saturday 14th		*Samuel Seabury*		
	1200	Eucharist		
	1800	Eucharistie *en français*	*Cel: NR*	*Pr: NR*
Sunday 15th		**2nd Sunday before Advent**		
	0830	Holy Communion (1662 BCP)	*Cel: JJ*	
	1030	Solemn Eucharist	*Cel: JJ*	*Pr: JJ*
	1630	Messe Malgache	*Cel: NR*	*Pr: NR*

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The Gathering

As the bell rings, we stand to sing (REH 533).

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home;

Under the shadow of thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone, And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God, To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Bears all its sons away;
They fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guard while life shall last, And our eternal home.

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. The choir sings 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.

Opening Prayer

Heavenly Father whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Liturgy of the Word

Sunday School leave for their age-appropriate activities.

First Reading: Amos 5:18-24

Alas for you who desire the day of the Lord! Why do you want the day of the Lord? It is darkness, not light; as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake. Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt-offerings and grain-offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Please remain seated as the choir sing the psalm for the day (Psalm 70).

*Haste thee, O God, to deliver me * make haste to help me, O Lord. Let them be ashamed 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 alway, 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.*

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4.13-end

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Please stand for the gradual hymn (REH 615):

O God of Earth and altar,
Bow down and hear our cry,
Our earthly rulers falter,
Our people drift and die;
The walls of gold entomb us,
The swords of scorn divide,
Take not thy thunder from us,
But take away our pride

From all that terror teaches,
From lies of tongue and pen,
From all the easy speeches
That comfort cruel men,
From sale and profanation
Of honour and the sword,
From sleep and from damnation,
Deliver us, good lord
Tie in a living tether

The prince and priest and thrall,
Bind all our lives together
Smite us and save us all;
In ire and exultation
Aflame with faith and free,
Lift up a living nation,
A single sword to thee

Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

'Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

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
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:

Waken us, Lord: **to understand your love.**

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

And now, O Father, mindful of the love
That bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree,
And having with us him that pleads above,
We here present, we here spread forth to thee,
That only offering perfect in thine eyes,
The one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

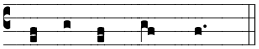
Look, Father, look on his anointed face,
And only look on us as found in him;
Look not on our misusings of thy grace,
Our prayer so languid, and our faith so dim;
For lo, between our sins and their reward
We set the passion of thy Son our Lord.

And then for those, our dearest and our best,
By this prevailing presence we appeal;
O fold them closer to thy mercy's breast,
O do thine utmost for their souls' true weal;
From tainting mischief keep them white and clear
And crown thy gifts with grace to persevere.

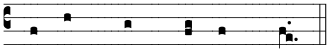
And so we come: O draw us to thy feet
Most patient Saviour, who canst love us still;
And by this food, so aweful and so sweet,
Deliver us from every touch of ill:
In thine own service make us glad and free,
And grant us nevermore to part from thee.

Eucharistic Prayer

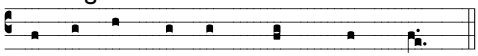
The Lord be with you



and al-so with you.
Lift up your hearts.



We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

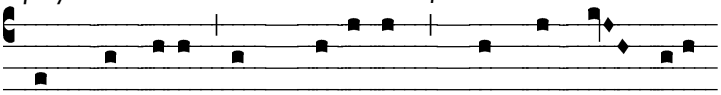


It is right to give thanks and praise.

The celebrant praises God for his mighty acts in the Preface and then we sing the Sanctus.

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 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.

We prepare for Holy Communion by singing 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 word, grant us thy peace.

Invitation to Communion

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, Alleluia!
The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb

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 peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the notices and the ***Commitment to Peace*** *after which we sing the final hymn (REH 481). 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.*

Act of Commitment

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God? *Micah 6.8*

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace? **We will**
Will you seek to heal the wounds of war? **We will.**
Will you work for a just future for all humanity? **We will.**

Merciful God, we offer to you the fears in us that have not yet been cast out by love: may we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people and live lives of justice, courage and mercy; through Jesus Christ our risen redeemer. **Amen.**

He who would valiant be
'Gainst all disaster
Let him in constancy
Follow the Master
There's no discouragement
Shall make him once relent
His first avowed intent
To be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round
With dismal stories,
Do but themselves confound —
His strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might,
Though he with giants fight:
He will make good his right
To be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, Thou dost defend
Us with Thy Spirit,
We know we at the end
Shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away!
I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labour night and day
To be a pilgrim.

Blessing

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

May God the… **Amen.**

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

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.*

On Sunday 22 November we welcome +Andrew Norman, our assistant bishop, to baptise and confirm our candidates this year. There will be lunch—please let Pamela know if you're planning to stay to welcome the Bishop.

Save the Date : The Christmas Bazaar 2026 will be on **Saturday, 28th November**.

Volunteers We're setting up the Church from 3pm on Wednesday 25th November and putting the church back together on Saturday 28th from 5pm—if you've a strong back and some time to spare we'd be really grateful for your help!

A Eucharist on Friday 27th will be at 12h00 followed by a Bring & Share Lunch

Stalls If you can look after a stall please see the poster upstairs and sign your name!

Books We need donations of books (in English please) for the Bookstall

Restaurant Can you cook shepherd's pies and fruit crumbles?

Cake Stall Don't forget to bake for the Cake stall too—cakes, biscuits and buns are all very welcome!

Tombola tickets are available for you to buy this morning—20€ a booklet or 2€ each. Contact Pamela Hamilton on 06 70 42 68 08 or **phamiltonpam@yahoo.fr** with any questions

The Adoremus_Anglican Bible Study is online this Wednesday at 20h00 for an hour. If you'd like to be sent the Zoom link please contact Fr Mark via email. The group meets this Friday at the Sacré Coeur Basilica at 1930 for Adoration then supper.

Poppies are on sale this morning in aid of the Royal British Legion. They support the long term needs of ex-servicemen and their families.

The Royal British Legion will host the Service of Remembrance at the Cathedrale Saint Louis des Invalides on 11 November at 15h00. All are welcome to attend.

Calendars for 2026-2027 are available this morning. Please take one home with you and stick it to the fridge or give it to your neighbour!

We regularly receive kind donations during the year for the Christmas Bazaar. 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, Deidre Dalton, Gregor Dallas, Francine Dubertret, Kay Firth, Anne Gould, Ophélie Gourbault, Karen Griggs, Christine Harris, 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, William Tallon, David Wetsel, Anitha Yannick, Lucas, Margo, Alex and Max, Sarah, Laurence, Marie-Thérèse, Susan, David, Paul, Saul.*

Those who have died: *Peter Sim, Bernard Russel Cooper.*

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