

***Welcome to St George's!*** This booklet contains all the material you will need for today's celebration of Mass. We hope you will find this service easy to follow, but please also do not be afraid to ask if you are unsure what to do at any point. The building is fitted with an Induction Loop - sit away from the pillars for best results!

*Families with small children are very welcome to make use of the carpeted area at the back of church, where you will find books, crayons and soft toys. There are two further play stations in the side aisles.*

*A toilet is at the back of church behind the screen. After Mass, please join us in the hall for refreshments. Before Mass, please try to maintain an atmosphere of quiet prayer.*

*Mass setting: A New People's Mass.*

*Please stand when the bell rings, for the procession of the clergy and servers, and to sing the opening hymn (NEH 408)*

**1 Love Divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
All thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
Pure unbounded love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation,  
Enter every trembling heart.**

**2 Come, almighty to deliver,  
Let us all thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never,  
Never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
Serve thee as thy hosts above,  
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,  
Glory in thy perfect love.**

**3 Finish, then thy new creation,  
Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation,  
Perfectly restored in thee,  
Changed from glory into glory,  
Till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee,  
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!**

*Then the priest sings,*

*Priest*      In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

*People*      **Amen.**

*Priest*      The Lord be with you

*People*      **And also with you.**

*The Priest introduces the Mass and invites the people to recall and confess their sins:*

*People*      **I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

*Priest*      May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

*People*      **Amen.**

*Remain standing to sing the Kyrie, Eleison*

*Cantor*      Lord have mercy.

*People*      **Lord have mercy.**

*Cantor* Christ have mercy.

*People* **Christ have mercy.**

*Cantor* Lord have mercy.

*People* **Lord have mercy.**

*Remain standing to sing the Gloria*

*People* **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. 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. 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. Amen.**

*Then the Priest prays the Collect,*

*Priest* Draw near to your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, you may restore what you have created and keep safe what you have restored. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*Now sit to listen to the First Reading. Ecclesiastes 1. 2, 2. 21 -23*

*Reader* Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity! For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun?

What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

*Reader* This is the Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*The Psalm follows the reading. Remain seated to sing,*

*Cantor* O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

*People* **O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.**

(Repeat after each verse)

*Remain seated for the Second Reading. **Colossians 3. 1-5, 9-11***

*Reader* Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him. That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

*Reader* This is the Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*We pause for reflection. Then stand for the Gospel Acclamation,*

*Choir* Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*People* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Choir* Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth.

*People* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Deacon* The Lord be with you

*People* **And also with you.**

*Deacon* A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.  
℟ Luke 12. 13-21

*People* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Deacon* A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.' Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is

when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

*Deacon* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*People* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Please sit for the Homily.*

*Then stand to recite the Nicene Creed,*

*People* **I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Please remain standing for the Prayers of Intercession.*

*The Priest introduces and concludes the prayers.*

*Reader* Lord, in your mercy or *Reader* Lord, hear us  
*People* **hear our prayer** or *People* **Lord, graciously hear us**

*At the prayer for the departed,*

*Reader* Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord,  
*People* **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*When the prayers of the saints are asked for,*

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

*In conclusion to the prayers,*

*Priest* Merciful Father,  
*People* **Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Please sit. Bread and wine are brought to the altar during which the choir sing the anthem,*

*Then stand to sing a hymn (NEH 456),*

**1 TEACH me, my God and King,  
In all things thee to see;  
And what I do in anything  
To do it as for thee!**

**2 A man that looks on glass,  
On it may stay his eye;  
Or if he pleaseth, through it pass,  
And then the heaven espy.**

**3 All may of thee partake;  
Nothing can be so mean,  
Which, with this tincture, 'for thy sake',  
Will not grow bright and clean.**

**4 A servant with this clause  
Makes drudgery divine;  
Who sweeps a room, as for thy laws,  
Makes that and the action fine.**

**5 This is the famous stone  
That turneth all to gold;  
For that which God doth touch and own  
Cannot for less be told.**

*Then the Priest says*

*Priest* Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

*People* **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for  
the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and  
the good of all his holy Church.**

*The Priest says the Prayer over the Offerings, to which all respond,*

*People* **Amen.**

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The priest prays the Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer, and then all  
sing the Sanctus and Benedictus,*

*People* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the  
highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please kneel. The eucharistic prayer continues, until the Memorial  
Acclamation,*

*Deacon* Great is the mystery of Faith.  
*People* **Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.**

*The eucharistic prayer concludes, and all sing,*  
*People* **Amen!**

*Please stand for the Lord's Prayer,*

*Priest* At the Saviour's command, and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say,

*People* **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.**

*Priest* Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant peace in our day,  
that by the help of your mercy,  
we may be always free from sin  
and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope  
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

*People* **For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.**

*Priest* Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:  
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you;  
look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,  
and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance  
with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Deacon* Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*Now sing the Agnus Dei*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us. (repeated)**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.**

*Then kneel.*

*Priest* Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

*People* **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

*The Priest says the Communion Antiphon and the people come forward to receive communion. If you have **not** been baptised and confirmed, please come forward for a blessing instead of communion, carrying this Order of Service.*

*After communion the following hymn (NEH 295) is sung, for which all remain seated or kneeling,*

**1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence  
And with fear and trembling stand;  
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,  
For with blessing in his hand  
Christ our God to earth descendeth,  
Our full homage to demand.**

**2 King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
As of old on earth he stood,  
Lord of lords, in human vesture,  
In the body and the blood:  
He will give to all the faithful  
His own self for heavenly food.**

**3 Rank on rank the host of heaven  
Spreads its vanguard on the way,  
As the Light of light descendeth  
From the realms of endless day,  
That the powers of hell may vanish  
As the darkness clears away.**

**4 At his feet the six-winged seraph;  
Cherubim with sleepless eye,  
Veil their faces to the Presence,  
As with ceaseless voice they cry,  
Alleluya, Alleluya,  
Alleluya, Lord most high!**

*Please then stand to sing the post-communion hymn (NEH 397),*

**1 Let us, with a gladsome mind,  
Praise the Lord, for he is kind:  
For his mercies ay endure,  
Ever faithful, ever sure.**

**2 Let us blaze his name abroad,  
For of gods he is the God:  
For his mercies ay endure,  
Ever faithful, ever sure.**

**3 He with all-commanding might  
Filled the new-made world with light:  
For his mercies ay endure,  
Ever faithful, ever sure.**

**4 He the golden-tressèd sun  
Caused all day his course to run:  
For his mercies ay endure,  
Ever faithful, ever sure.**

5 And the horned moon by night,  
Mid her spangled sisters bright:  
For his mercies ay endure,  
Ever faithful, ever sure.

6 All things living he doth feed,  
His full hand supplies their need:  
For his mercies ay endure,  
Ever faithful, ever sure.

7 Let us, with a gladsome mind,  
Praise the Lord, for he is kind:  
For his mercies ay endure,  
Ever faithful, ever sure.

*The Priest prays the Prayer after Communion,*

*People*     **Amen.**

*Please sit for the Notices.*

*Then stand for the Blessing & Dismissal,*

*Priest*     The Lord be with you.

*People*     **And also with you.**

*Priest*     May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠  
and the Holy Spirit.

*People*     **Amen.**

*Deacon*    Go forth, the Mass is ended.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

*The Angelus follows,*

*Priest*     The angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary,

*People*     **and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;**

**blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

*Priest* Behold the handmaid of the Lord,

*People* **be it unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary...**

*Priest* And the Word was made flesh,

*People* **and dwelt among us. Hail Mary...**

*Priest* Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,

*People* **that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

*Priest* Let us pray... *People* **Amen.**

*After Mass the organist plays Fugue sur les jeux d'anches – François Couperin*

**Collection – there is a plate at the back of church for your offering towards the cost of providing services and the upkeep of this church. If you are a UK taxpayer please place your offering in one of the envelopes in the pews (completed with your name and address) and place in the collection plate. A card reader to give by contactless payment is also available.**

## **NOTICES**

### **Confession**

Father Henry will hear confessions by appointment.

### **Holy Communion at home.**

If you know of anyone who would like Holy Communion at home, please contact Father Henry.

**Lamps** - If you would like to sponsor a lamp in memory of a loved one to burn for a week before the Image of Our Lady, the Sacred Heart or beside the Tabernacle on a date of your choice, please sign the list in church for the week you would like and give your donation to Father Henry or one of the churchwardens. The suggested donation is £5.

The **Food Bank** requires: tinned cold meat/corned beef, sponge pudding, jelly, custard, Angel Delight, fruit juice (long life), ladies and men's deodorant, men's shampoo and unisex razors. Donations can be left (bagged) in the box at the foot of the font.

**Father Richard Norman** – is returning to active ministry in the Anglican Church and has been appointed Vicar of **St Mary's, Kenton**, in the Diocese of London. His Collation and Induction will take place on **Friday 23 September at 7.00pm** which members of the congregation of St George's are invited to attend.

## **DIARY**

**Richborough Family Festival at St Albans Cathedral - Saturday 13 August. Mass at 12 noon followed by drinks in Bishop Norman's garden.** Please bring your own picnic.

**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Sunday 14 August.**

Visit to the **Shrine of St Augustine, Ramsgate, Saturday 20 August. Mass at 10.30am in St Augustine's Church.** This will be followed by a talk about the shrine and a walk around. See poster in church for full details or speak to Monica/Len.

**Walsingham Pilgrimage 2023** - this has been booked for the weekend of **23 to 25 June.**

### ***For your prayers***

**In need:** Eddie Allen, John Bamford, Neil Boorman, Sue Boorman & Daniel, June Callow, Linda Courquin, Alan Cowell, Mary Crosbie, Beatrice Dadson, Gordon Good, Elaine Greasley, Frances Hollingsworth, Catherine Jones, Marie Kerrigan, Nadeen Majid, Elsie Neill, Tom, Megan & Ellie Oakeshott, Vasant & Vasanti Paranjape, Lyn, Lee and Scott Ramsey, Janet Turner, Michael Turner, Joan Turpin, Elaine Warner & Family, Lyn Wheeler, Ann-Louise Whittaker, Peter Whitwell and Tara.

**Recently departed:** David Ramsey, Eddie Foley, Tracey Muggleton.

## **Mass times this week**

Wednesday – Mass 9.30am (St Germans of Auxerre)

*Readings:* Jeremiah 31. 1-7, Matthew 15. 21-28

Friday – Mass 9.30am

*Readings:* Nahum 2. 1,3, 3. 1-3, 6-7. Matthew 16; 24-28.

Saturday – Mass & Rosary 9.30am (**The Transfiguration of the Lord**)

*Readings:* Daniel 7. 9-10, 13-14. 2 Peter 1; 16-19. Luke 9. 28-36

## **Next Sunday (Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

8.00 am - Low Mass

10.30am - Sung Mass

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