



# St John the Evangelist East Dulwich

7th February 2016

## SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

Welcome to St. John's church, and a particular welcome to any visitors here today. If you are a newcomer or visitor to St. John's, please do make yourself known to one of our Pastoral Carers who are wearing red sashes, and join us for refreshments at the back of church after Sung Mass. Communicant members of all Christian denominations are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

**LOOP SYSTEM** - Please turn your hearing aid to the T position.

### 08.00 Said Mass

Celebrant and Preacher: The Venerable Dr Bill Jacob

### 10.00 Sung Mass

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd. Alistair McCulloch

Introit: Psalm 121 (anglican chant in D by Henry Walford Davies)

Opening Hymn: 234

Gradual Hymn: 389

Offertory Hymn: *Please see page 4* *Collection taken during this hymn)*

Anthem: *O nata lux de lumine - Thomas Tallis*

Communion Hymn: 177

Final Hymn: 408

Voluntary: Sonata No.1 in C minor, first movement - Josef Rheinberger

Organist: John Webber/Niall Baxter

11.30 **Children's Mass** The Revd. Anne Clarke

### 18.00 Silent Prayer Group

**CHILDREN:** Every Sunday there is a Crèche (pre-school) and most Sundays there is Sunday School (primary school age). Please ask one of our Churchwardens or Pastoral Carers and they will direct you. If you have children with you and they become restless please take them into the Centre Foyer so as not to disturb those who may be listening or praying. **PARENTS AND CARERS PLEASE NOTE: UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES** should children, toddlers or babies be left on their own at any time on these premises.

**GIVING TO ST. JOHN'S** If you are a U.K. taxpayer, please Gift Aid using the yellow envelope provided for your offering or complete a Planned Giving form available at the Information Point.

**Please take this sheet home with you for use during the week**

### **The Collect:**

Almighty Father,  
whose Son was revealed in majesty  
before he suffered death upon the cross:  
give us grace to perceive his glory,  
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him  
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

### **A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians (3:12-4:2)**

Since we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. This is the Word of the Lord.

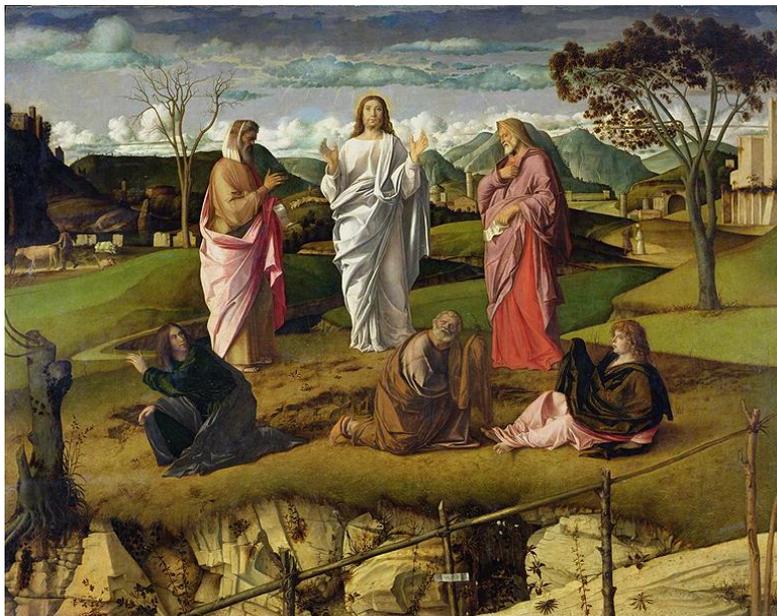
### **Responsorial Psalm 99 (8 o'clock only)**

**R\): Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God.**

## Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (9:28-43)

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' Peter did not know what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And the disciples kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Transfiguration of Christ - Giovanni Bellini (c1430-1516)

## Offertory Hymn

1. Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,  
sing and praise your God and mine!  
Great the Lord in love and wisdom,  
might and majesty divine!  
He who framed the starry heavens  
knows and names them as they shine.  
Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,  
sing and praise your God and mine!
2. Praise the Lord, his people, praise him!  
Wounded souls his comfort know.  
Those who fear him find his mercies,  
peace for pain and joy for woe;  
humble hearts are high exalted,  
human pride and pow'r laid low.  
Praise the Lord, his people, praise him!  
Wounded souls his comfort know.
3. Praise the Lord for times and seasons,  
cloud and sunshine, wind and rain;  
spring to melt the snows of winter  
till the waters flow again;  
grass upon the mountain pastures,  
golden valleys thick with grain.  
Praise the Lord for times and seasons,  
cloud and sunshine, wind and rain.
4. Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,  
peace and plenty crown your days!  
Love his laws, declare his judgements,  
walk in all his words and ways;  
he the Lord and we his children,  
praise the Lord, all people, praise!  
Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,  
peace and plenty crown your days!

## TODAY

**THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** today have been given by Pat Patten in loving memory of his wife Beryl.

**FAIR TRADE STALL** - There will be a Fair Trade Stall after the 8.00 and 10.00 Masses.

**12.00** Young People's Group making Pancakes

## DIARY

Tue 9 February	19.30 Said Mass	( <i>Shrove Tuesday</i> )
	20.00 Women's Spirituality Group	
<b>Wed 10 February</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	
	12.00 Said Mass	
	20.00 Sung Mass	
Thu 11 February	12.00 Said Mass	
	12.30 <i>Goose Green Lunch Club</i>	
	20.15 <i>Choir Practice (Vestry)</i>	
Sat 13 February	17.00 Young People's Lent Group (Vestry)	
<b>Sun 14 February</b>	<b>First Sunday of Lent</b>	
	8.00 Said Mass	
	10.00 Sung Mass	
	12.00 Baptisms	

## OTHER NOTICES

## **SILENT PRAYER GROUP**

The Silent Prayer Group meets on the first Sunday evening of each month in the Lady Chapel and is open to all. The pattern of our meetings is: a brief welcome followed by a short opening prayer, leading into 30 minutes of silence, which is marked at the beginning and end by the sound of a gong, and we then close with another prayer. The silence is an opportunity to be aware of God's presence in a space that is different to our Sunday morning worship. People can use the silence to meditate in whatever way they find appropriate. Some suggestions are; using a Christian mantra, reflection, breath or imagery. If you would like to find out more you are welcome to come along, or to contact Sue Lock 0207 639 4567 or Sarah Phillips 0208 690 7649.

## **WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP 8.00 pm Tuesday 9th February**

Our next meeting will be 28 Westwood Park. As this is Shrove Tuesday we are going to have pancakes together and talk about fasting and feasting in the Christian tradition. All women welcome. Further details contact Clare Brown 020 8291 5295.

## **CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

*'Lord, you have made us for yourself alone, and our hearts will always be restless until they find their rest in you.'*

Our deanery confirmation this year is in the evening on Sunday 8 May 2016 at St. Clement's Church, Friern Road. If you would like prepare for confirmation please tell Mother Anne or Father Bill preferably before Ash Wednesday. There is a form available at the information desk for you to complete. We will fix the dates for the two preparation sessions when we know who is involved. You are warmly invited to attend the Lent course on Wednesday evenings.

## **LENT 2016**

The pattern for Lent this year will be similar to last year. There will be five Wednesday evening sessions beginning on 17 February. We will be meeting in the Lady Chapel at 7.30pm (aiming to finish by 8.45pm). We shall begin with informal Evening Prayer with some singing and opportunities for quiet reflection. There will then be a short presentation which will continue to explore the themes of the previous Sunday's gospel followed by questions for discussion in small groups. There is no need to sign up for the course and all are welcome to come to any or all of the sessions. The course looks like this:

### **A Way through the Wilderness**

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| <b>Week 1:</b> | <b>17 February - Temptation</b> | (Luke 4.1-13)         |
| <b>Week 2:</b> | <b>24 February - Sorrow</b>     | (Luke 13.31-end)      |
| <b>Week 3:</b> | <b>2 March - Repentance</b>     | (Luke 13.1-9)         |
| <b>Week 4:</b> | <b>9 March - Acceptance</b>     | (Luke 15.1-3, 11b-32) |
| <b>Week 5:</b> | <b>16 March - Love</b>          | (John 12.1-8)         |

We very much look forward to drawing closer to Our Lord Jesus and to one another as we make this journey through Lent together.

Father Alistair

**COMMUNION WAFERS** We are now able to offer gluten-free communion wafers. These have been approved by the Coeliac Society. If you would prefer to receive one instead of the usual wafer, please speak to me or one of the clergy.

Alan Croft

## **CHOIR MEMBERSHIP**

The Church Choir welcomes new members. Adults are expected to have a basic reading of music and children (from the age of seven) need to be good readers. ***Our urgent need at the moment is for tenors.*** There is more information on the Parish website and you can contact me, the Director of Music, on 8650 9164 [ormaggieandjohn1@gmail.com](mailto:ormaggieandjohn1@gmail.com) John Webber.

## **ORGAN RECITALS**

Free copies of the London Organ Concerts Guide are available from the back of the Church. They include times and dates for this year's recitals at St. John's (on page 23). Please note that the reference to the Bach Sonatas applies to the two September dates only.

## **SAFEGUARDING AT ST. JOHN'S**

Every person has a value and dignity, which comes directly from the creation of people in God's image. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm. At St. John's we commit ourselves to nurture, protect and safeguard all our members, particularly children, young people and vulnerable adults.

## **SOUTHWARK FOODBANK**

The PCC has agreed that St John's should support Southwark Foodbank. If you are able to donate an item from the list below, Pecan will arrange to collect them from the church:

- Canned Rice Pudding
- UHT milk
- Fruit (tinned)
- Fruit Juice (UHT, Carton)
- Shower gel/Toiletries
- Tooth brush/tooth paste

*Thank you for your support!*

(Southwark Foodbank was launched in 2009 and is part of a national network of Foodbanks established by The Trussell Trust. It is a joint initiative between the Peckham charity Pecan and local churches across Southwark.)

## **VOCATIONS FAIR Saturday, 27 February**

An opportunity to explore, talk to others and find out more about your vocation. St Mary's Reigate, Church Centre, RH2 7RN from 2.30pm-5pm.

Seminars on: Discerning Your Call Lay Ministries Ordained Ministry

Plus: Talk by the Bishop of Croydon

Browse stalls and meet people engaged in a wide variety of different ministries

Quiet Space

For more information and to register, e-mail: [louise.ellis@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:louise.ellis@southwark.anglican.org)

## THE PARISH OFFICE

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**Parish Administrator:** Gareth Mills

The Parish Office is normally open to visitors from 10 until 2 on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays for general enquiries. **Outside those times** please either telephone or e-mail. For information about banns, weddings, baptisms etc. please contact the Parish Office.

### **Pew Sheet Notice**

All notices for the Pew Sheet to be passed, as usual, to the Parish Office (020 8693 3897/e-mail: [stjohnsse22@hotmail.com](mailto:stjohnsse22@hotmail.com)), preferably via e-mail, by 10.00 on **TUESDAY** mornings please with a copy to Christine Camplin at: [christine.bannan@virgin.net](mailto:christine.bannan@virgin.net). Thank you.

## THE GOOSE GREEN CENTRE

For Centre/hall bookings and enquiries please contact the Centre Manager.

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