



St John the Evangelist East Dulwich

13th March 2016

PASSION SUNDAY

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 Jane Steen

10.00 Sung Mass

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Voluntary: Pavane - Gabriel Fauré

Opening Hymn: 439

Asperges: singing of Penitential Rite

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory

Offertory Hymn: 90 (*Collection taken during this hymn*)

Anthem: Wilt thou forgive that sin? - Pelham Humfrey

Communion Hymn: 308

Final Hymn: 294

Voluntary: Sonata No.11 in D minor, first movement - Josef Rheinberger

Organist: Andrew Baars

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 UK 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:

Most merciful God,

who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:

grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross

we may triumph in the power of his victory;

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

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah (43.16-21)

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 126

R\): The Lord has done great things for us.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians (3:4b-14)

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that

I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

All: and also with you.

Deacon: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Lord is a great God.

O that today you would listen to his voice.

Harden not your hearts.

All: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (12:1-8)

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.' This is the Gospel of the Lord.

TODAY

Our hangings and vestments today are purple, the colour of penitence and reflection, and will be used during the penitential season of Lent as we prepare for Holy Week and Easter. We are sprinkled with Holy Water to remind us of our baptism promises.

Lent is a time when we are encouraged to be more aware of our relationship to the God who loves us and saves. You may wish to remain seated quietly after Mass is over to reflect on these great truths. Coffee is still available in the Centre but we ask you to move QUIETLY there after Mass for a chat so that those who wish to remain in Church may do so undisturbed. Thank you very much for your help and consideration.

11.30 Finance meeting

DIARY

Mon 14 March	10.00 Candidates to visit Parish
Tue 15 March	Interviews at Trinity House
	19.30 Said Mass
	20.00 PCC Meeting
Wed 16 March	19.30-20.45 Lent Group, led by Father Alistair "Love" (John 12.1-8)
Thu 17 March	12.00 Said Mass
	12.30 Goose Green Lunch Club
	20.15 Choir Practice (Vestry)
Sat 19 March	17.00 Young People's Lent Group
Sun 20 March	Palm Sunday
	8.00 Said Mass with Blessing of Palms
	10.00 Sung Mass with Blessing of Palms and Procession
	11.30 Choir Practice (Vestry)
	11.30 Servers Holy Week Rehearsal

OTHER NOTICES

LENT 2016 A Way through the Wilderness

We meet in the Lady Chapel at 7.30pm (aiming to finish by 8.45pm). We begin with informal Evening Prayer with some singing and opportunities for quiet reflection. There is then a short presentation which will continue to explore the themes of the previous Sunday's gospel followed by questions for discussion in small groups. You are all welcome to come to the final session.

Week 5: 16 March - Love (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

VISIT TO PARISH

Monday, 14 March

The short-listed candidates will be visiting the Parish on Monday 14 March to see the church, parish, vicarage, school and most importantly to meet the congregation. The draft timetable for the day is as follows:

10.00 Tour of the Vicarage

10.30 Meet Parishioners and tour of the Church

11.30 Visit to St John's & St Clement's School

Meeting with Head Teacher, Sarah Alexander and Miranda Wightman,
Chair of School Governors

12.30 Lunch

BUDS Nursery Teachers to join lunch

Tour of Goose Green Centre and meet with users

13.30 Tour of the Parish

15.00 Meeting with Assistant Priests, Anne Clarke and Alistair McCulloch

15.30 Tea with Parishioners

16.00 Close

Everyone is welcome to attend all or part of the day. If you can join us over lunch, please let us know so we can organise the catering. If you have any questions, please speak to Rachel or Michael.

SPECIAL CAUSE COLLECTIONS

The PCC have recently agreed which charities to support with the Special Cause Collections for the first half of this year. We would like to invite nominations for charities for the second half of the year to be considered at the next PCC meeting. If there is a charity that you would like St John's to support, please speak to Fr Bill or to the charity coordinator Jim Nurton, or email jimnurton@gmail.com with the details.

EASTER FLOWERS - If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of extra flowers in church on Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday, please use one of the yellow envelopes pre-marked 'Easter Flowers' available at the back of the church. If you are a UK taxpayer please sign the envelope in order to Gift Aid your donation. You may also like to use a Thanksgiving Card in dedication of a person or an event. Please put your donation and card in the yellow envelope and place in the collection bag. Thanksgiving Cards will be offered at the altar at the Easter Day Mass. Thank you.

PASTORAL CARERS AT ST JOHN'S

Would you like to join the Pastoral Carers Team?

Pastoral Carers welcome newcomers to St John's, and provide a friendly point of contact for all members of the congregation. They can be available for fellow worshipper to talk over any matters in relation to St John's and they also look out for any members of the congregation who have not been at church on Sundays for a week or two, so that we can check there is nothing wrong. There is a meeting of the Team every two months after a Sunday Sung Mass for general feedback, review and support. We are keen that the Team should be representative of the wide range of St John's congregation. For more information - there is an information sheet about the role - or to be considered, please e-mail Gareth Mills at stjohnsse22@hotmail.com or speak to Bill Jacob or Anne Clarke.

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.

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 or maggieandjohn1@gmail.com

John Webber .

SOUTHWARK FOODBANK

The PCC has agreed that St John's should support Southwark Foodbank. There is a box for donations at the back of the church. If you are able to donate an item from the list below, Pecan will arrange to collect them from the church:

- tins of rice pudding or fruit
- UHT cartons of milk or fruit juice
- shower gel/toiletries
- tooth brush/tooth paste

Thank you for your support!

MANNA SOCIETY

The Manna welcomes donations of any of the following:

- Men's underwear, socks, jeans, shoes and trainers.
- Toiletries: soap, deodorants, shaving foam, shampoo and disposable razors.

There is a box for donations at the back of the church (near the pigeonholes).

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.

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS 2016

St John's and St Clement's School are collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. If you would like to help them please put your vouchers in the basket at the back of church. Thank you

DIOCESAN PRAYER AND SPIRITUALITY DAY Saturday, 16 April

'Awakening: Meeting the risen Jesus in daily life' Southwark Cathedral
10am-4pm. Cost: £5 per individual or £20 per parish booking (up to 8 people).
To register and for further details contact: Caroline Wakelam-Jones:
awakening@southwark.anglican.org 020 7939 9475

PILGRIMAGE TO CANTERBURY

Saturday, 11 June 2016

The pilgrimage is being organised by Woolwich MEACC and is open to all members of churches in the Woolwich Episcopal Area. It will be led by Bishop Michael. We will be departing at 9am from outside St George's, Borough High Street and returning at about 7.30 pm. Price £10 (includes travel, admission to the Cathedral and a guided tour) To book a place, please email wmeacc.pilgrimage@gmail.com

STAYING IN TOUCH

If you have moved house, or changed your phone number or e-mail address please ensure that you let us know by completing a Change of Contact Details form available at the back of the church. Please then hand to one of the Churchwardens or the Parish Administrator. Thank you.

REVISION OF SAINT JOHN'S ELECTORAL ROLL

Saint John's Electoral Roll will be revised this year during the period 21st February to the 20th March. The Electoral Roll provides an accurate record of all those who worship here as well as enabling those on the list to vote at the forthcoming Annual Parochial Church Meeting and to hold office.

If therefore, you are not on the current Electoral Roll and are baptised and aged 16 years or over, have recently moved into the parish or joined the church, please complete one of the application forms that can be found at the back of the church. However, if your sixteenth birthday falls after the revision period but before or on the day of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, Sunday, 17th April, you may complete an enrolment form and shall be enrolled from the date of your birthday.

Once completed please hand your form to:
Gareth Mills, the Church Electoral Roll Officer, or one of the Churchwardens.

For those whose names already appear on the Roll, please note that you do not have to re-apply until 2019 when a new Roll will be prepared.

Outline of the proposed timetable for the recruitment of our new Incumbent:

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| 14 March | - Short-listed candidates to visit the parish and meet the congregation |
| 15 March | - Interviews |
| Easter | - Announcement of appointment |
| July | - Licensing of new Incumbent |

If you have any queries or questions, please speak to Michael or Rachel.

PARISH OFFICE/GOOSE GREEN CENTRE

For information on opening times, bookings etc. please see the leaflet at the Information Point. All notices for the Pew Sheet to be passed, as usual, to the Parish Office (020 8693 3897/e-mail: 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**. For information about banns, weddings, baptisms etc. please contact the Parish Office. For Centre bookings please call 020 8299 6483 or email: office@goosegreencentre.org.

www.stjohnseastdulwich.org