



# Welcome to St John the Evangelist East Dulwich

**31 December 2017 First Sunday of Christmas**

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## 8am Said Mass

### 10am Sung Mass

Voluntary	Slow movement from Voluntary in A minor by John Stanley
Introit	24
Offertory	28
Communion	A New Year Carol by Benjamin Britten
Anthem	Benjamin Britten
Hymn	42
Final	26 (omit v4)
Voluntary	A Double Voluntary by John Blow
Organist	John Webber

## Collect

Almighty God,  
who wonderfully created us  
in your own image  
and yet more wonderfully restored us  
through your Son Jesus Christ:  
grant that,  
as he came to share in our humanity,  
so we may share the life of his divinity;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

Gluten Free communion wafers are available from the Altar in the Lady Chapel.

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### **A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah (61.10 - 62.3)**

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.  
This is the Word of the Lord.

### **Responsorial Psalm: 148**

**R\:** Praise, O praise the name of the Lord

Alleluia

Praise the Lord from the heavens;

praise him in the heights.

Praise him, all you angels of his;

praise him, all his host.

Praise him, sun and moon;

praise him, all you stars of light. **R\:**

Praise him, heaven of heavens,

and you waters above the heavens.

Let them praise the name of the Lord,

for he commanded and they were created.

He made them stand fast for ever and ever;

he gave them a law which shall not pass away. **R\:**

Praise the Lord from the earth,

you sea monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and mist,

tempestuous wind, doing his will;

Mountains and all hills,

fruit trees and all cedars; **R\:**

Wild beasts and all cattle,  
creeping things and winged birds;  
Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the world;  
Young men and women,  
old and young together;                   **R\:**

let them praise the name of the Lord.  
For his name only is exalted,  
his splendour is over earth and heaven.  
He has raised up strength for his people  
and praise for all his loyal servants, •  
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.  
Alleluia.                   **R\:**

**A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians (4.4-7)**

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God. This is the Word of the Lord.

**Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (2.15-21)**

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

## **This week's Services & Groups**

Thu 4 December                      12pm      Said Mass

### **Sun 7 January                      Second Sunday of Christmas**

8am                      Said Mass

10am                      Sung Mass

6pm                      Silent Prayer

Revd. Gill O'Neill will be on leave until Wednesday 3 January 2018. The Revd. Anne Clarke, Assistant Priest, can be contacted during this time on 07788 766783. The Parish Office will be closed until Wednesday 3 January. For any queries please email [office@stjohnseastdulwich.org](mailto:office@stjohnseastdulwich.org) and Rachel Smith, Parish Administrator, will get back to you in the new year.



***The community of St John  
the Evangelist, East Dulwich  
wish you peace and joy this Christmas.***

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