



Welcome to St John the Evangelist East Dulwich

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The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

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Introit – *The Candlemas Ceremony*

Processional hymn No.33

Of the Father's heart begotten

Offertory hymn No.187

Virgin-born, we bow before thee

Communion Anthem

"When to the temple Mary went" – Johannes Eccard

Post Communion hymn

Angels sang in celebration. (*extra page*)

Voluntary

Cortege from Trois Improvisations – Louis Vierne

Organ played today by Niall Baxter

The Collect

Let us pray

Almighty and ever-living God,
clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son
was this day presented in the Temple,
in substance of our flesh: grant that
we may be presented to you with
pure and clean hearts,
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

The flowers in the Sanctuary have been gifted to the Glory of God In loving memory of Vic Hunt, a much loved father and grandfather. With love and prayers from Gary, Helen, Ben and Daniel

Covid measures at St John's –

- **Face coverings are recommended**, we ask that you use hand sanitiser and maintain social distancing. Thank you for all you do to keep our worship safe.
- Please notify us if you develop symptoms within 48 hours of your visit by contacting our churchwarden, Julie Whitney, by calling or text on 07786 686 385

Old Testament – Malachi 3.1-5

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 24 R/ The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory. (*8am mass only*)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 2.22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.' And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to

praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Notices

Please note: From today, Gill will be taking a mini sabbatical, which was originally planned for March 2020. She will be on sabbatical leave from 31/01/22 to 20/03/22 and will not be available during this time.

Contact details in Gill's absence:

Revd Gemma Birt will be the first point of contact for pastoral matters, funerals and church services, working with the rest of our clergy team.

For other matters, please contact our churchwardens, Jim Nurton or Julie Whitney, or our Parish Administrator, Denise Fulgoni.

If you have a Safeguarding concern, please get in touch with Mary Dawson, or the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser, Pamela Chisholm.

All contact details can be found on the weekly pew sheet, or on the "Contact Us" page of our website.

Thursday Mass: The noon Mass will resume on Thursday 3 February and continue weekly (except 17 February). This is a short service, held in the Lady Chapel. Everyone is very welcome to come along.

Church Flowers 2022 - You can offer your gift in thanksgiving of a person or an event. Specially labelled gift aid envelopes are available at the back of the church along with flower request forms which include a suggested donation. If you have any queries please speak to Revd. Gemma or contact Denise Fulgoni in the parish office.

Ash Wednesday, 2 March – Please return your Palm crosses for ashes to be made. Basket at the back of the church for collection.

Goose Green Coffee Morning – This week's coffee morning is planned to resume indoors, with social distancing and ventilation still in place to keep us as safe as possible. Wrapping up warm is still advised! If you would like to be added to the Coffee Morning mailing list or to find out more, please email sue.oneill0826@gmail.com

Lunch Club – Will resume on Thursday 3rd February. Meeting in the Goose Green Centre at 12.30 pm for a two course meal followed by tea or coffee (cost £5). If you would like to join us or would like further information, please contact Barbara Deller (020 8693 2090) or Martin Howell (020 8249 7411).

Messy Church – Next event on Sunday 13 March, please take a flyer from the back of the church with future dates. If you would like to come, please book tickets via [Eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk) Tickets are free. We look forward to seeing you as soon as it is safe to do so! Please get in touch with Julie Whitney or Gemma if you would like to help. The more the merrier, or messier!

Robes project 2022 - Thank you to all who donated, the packages are very much appreciated. St John's will be providing another set of support packages in March. Please visit <https://forms.gle/tVW8APw2XUwKMMDgx7> or contact Julie at julie.whitney@kcl.ac.uk, if you would like to donate a support package or find out more. If you'd like to find more about the Robes project, do visit their website: <https://robes.org.uk/>

Charities: The PCC will soon choose the charities that we will support with a special collection in 2022. If you would like to nominate a charity, please contact Joy Taylor or Jim Nurton.

Organ Recital – John Webber will be playing at the City Church of St. Stephen Walbrook, near Cannon Street and Bank / Monument Stations at 12.30pm on Friday, February 11th. All welcome to hear music by César Franck, Louis-Nicolas Clérambault, Florence Price, Heinrich Scheidemann - oh, yes, plus J S Bach.

Future Organ Recitals at St John's - There are three organ recitals to look forward to during 2022, all on Saturdays at 11.00a.m: Peter Smith (at one time based here) on May 14th, Norman Harper (Herne Hill) on June 25th. and Ann Hubble (violin) & Richard Pilliner (organ) on September 17th. All welcome; free admission, but we suggest a donation towards our expenses at the end.



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