



Welcome to St John the Evangelist East Dulwich

**14 May 2023
Easter 6**

Processional hymn 345

Christ is the King, O friends rejoice!

Offertory hymn 351

Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem

Communion music:

Anthem – Ave Maria, - Simon Lindley

414 O for a closer walk with God

Recessional hymn 103

Alleluya! Alleluya! Hearts to heaven and
voices raise

Voluntary

Trumpet Tune and Air - Eric Thiman

The Collect

God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of
darkness and brought us into the
kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled
us to life, so by his continual presence in
us he may raise us to eternal joy;
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**

This week's services and events

Wednesday 17 May

Morning Prayer, 9am, *in church*; Coffee Morning, 11am.

Thursday 18 May

Said Mass, 12 noon. Lunch Club, 12.30

Ascension Day Service at St Faith's, 8pm

Saturday 20 May

Organ recital, 11am

Sunday 21 May

Easter 7 Said Mass 8am, Sung Mass 10am

Christian Aid Café 12-3pm

Southwark Sinfonietta 6pm

A gift to St John's: in church, please use the envelopes provided, or by contactless giving, or this QR code. If you are a taxpayer, completing a gift aid declaration can increase the value of your gift by 25%. *Thank you for your generosity!*



First Reading: Acts 17.22–31

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, ‘Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, “To an unknown god.” What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For “In him we live and move and have our being”; as even some of your own poets have said,

“For we too are his offspring.”

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.

Psalm 66: R/ *Let the sound of his praise be heard.*

Second reading: I Peter 3.13–22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defence to anyone who demands from you an account of the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Gospel Reading: John 14.15–21

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. 'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see

me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

NOTICES

The Big Help Out

A special thank you to all those who helped clear up the churchyard on Monday 8th May as part of the Big Help Out.

SOUTHWARK SINFONIETTA

Our next concert will take place at St. John's Church, East Dulwich Road, SE22 9AT on 21st May at 6.00pm. We will be playing two pieces by early twentieth-century English composers Eric Coates and Cyril Rootham, each entitled "Miniature Suite", followed by Mozart's Symphony No.31 K297 "Paris". The piano soloist in the Rootham is Vincent Barella and the conductor is Rupert Bond, of course.

This year we are performing as part of the Dulwich Festival; further details and tickets can be obtained on their website

<https://dulwichfestival.co.uk/>

Ascension Day service at St Faith's, North Dulwich, 18th May 2023 - 8pm

This year, we look forward to celebrating Ascension Day together with our sister deanery churches, the parishes of St Faith's in North Dulwich and the parish of St Clement with St Peter at an Ascension Day Mass at 8pm at St Faith's. The choir of St John's will be singing and John Webber will be playing the organ. Please do join us!

Preparation of children for admission to Holy Communion

We will be holding a special service to admit children to participate in Holy Communion on 25th June 2023. Children above the age of 7 are welcome to receive Communion in the Church of England after a period of preparation which we will be organising. Please speak to Julie Witney or Revd Gemma if you would like to find out more. We very much look forward to welcoming your children!

St John's Christian Aid Café – Sunday 21st May

After the success of last year's event, St John's is once again holding a Christian Aid Café on Sunday 21st May, directly after church, until 3pm. This will coincide with The Dulwich Festival Goose Green Fair. We would love to see you there! If you would like to volunteer, either on the day itself or by way of cake baking in advance, please contact Mary Dawson (marydawson78@hotmail.com) Thank you.

Goose Green Coffee Morning: Wednesdays 11am – 12.30pm.

Volunteers are always welcome. For further information or to receive the Coffee Morning email contact: Sue O'Neill, sue.oneill0826@gmail.com, Christine Camplin, christine.bannan@virgin.net or Jane Hawkins.

The Strong and Steady Exercise Group: held in the Goose Green Centre on Wednesday mornings, for older people who are starting to experience unsteadiness or losing confidence in their ability to stay balanced. Speak to Sue O'Neill, Jane Hawkins, or email goosegreencoffeemorning@gmail.com

Lunch club: Held at 12.30pm in the Goose Green Centre on Thursdays (in term time). Come along for a two-course meal with tea or coffee (cost £5). To join us or for further information, please contact Barbara Deller, 020 8693 2090 or Martin Howell, 020 8249 7411.

Organ Recitals

Saturdays at 11am:

May 20 Richard Salmon (St. Dunstan's, Stepney)

July 15 Michal Szostak (Warsaw, Poland)

September 16 Matthew Dunn (All Saints, Blackheath)

Tea and coffee available; retiring collection.

Choral Evensong at St John's: June 18 and November 26, at 6:00pm.



ORGAN RECITAL
AT
ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
EAST DULWICH



Saturday 20 May at 11am

Richard Salmon
(St. Dunstan's, Stepney)
will play music by Buxtehude, Ireland,
Jongen, J S Bach and others

The recital will last for 40 minutes.
Refreshments available afterwards.

ADMISSION FREE
Retiring Collection

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