



# Welcome to St John the Evangelist, East Dulwich

## 19 March 2023 Mothering Sunday, Lent 4

**Introit** God be in my head, George Oldroyd

**Processional Hymn 185**  
Sing we of the Blesséd Mother

**Offertory Hymn** *on sheet*

**Communion Anthem**  
Hail! Blesséd Virgin Mary!, Italian carol,  
arr. by Charles Wood

**Communion Hymn 82**  
Drop, drop, slow tears

**Recessional Hymn 186**  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

**The Angelus**

**Voluntary** Cortege, from Trois  
Improvisations by Louis Vierne

### The Collect

God of compassion,  
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,  
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,  
and on the cross drew the whole human  
family to himself:  
strengthen us in our daily living  
that in joy and in sorrow  
we may know the power of your presence  
to bind together and to heal;  
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

**Tuesday 21 March** Funeral for Peter Bibby, 12 noon

*Please ask Anne for the link to the live stream of Peter's funeral, for those who may not be there in person:  
anne@oakhurstgrove.com 07788 766 783*

**Wednesday 22 March** Morning Prayer, 9am *in church, with discussion*  
Coffee Morning, 11am  
Wedding of Paul Kesington and Angelique Ferron, 2pm

**Thursday 23 March** Morning Prayer, 9am *on Zoom, link in weekly email*  
Said Mass, 12 noon • Lunch Club, 12.30pm

**Sunday 26 March** **Lent 5** Said Mass 8am • Sung Mass 10am

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### **First reading: Exodus 2: 1-10**

A man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

### **Psalm 23:**

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want*

### **Second reading: 2 Corinthians 1:3-7**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience

when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

### **Gospel reading: John 19:25-27**

Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

### **Offertory Hymn**

God of Eve and God of Mary,  
God of love and mother earth,  
Thank you for the ones who with us  
Shared their life and gave us birth.

As you came to earth in Jesus,  
So you come to us today;  
You are present in the caring  
That prepares us for life's way.

Thank you that the Church, our Mother,  
Gives us bread and fills our cup,  
And the comfort of the Spirit  
Warms our hearts and lifts us up.

Thank you for belonging shelter,  
Bonds of friendship, ties of blood,  
And for those who have no children,  
Yet are parents under God.

God of Eve and God of Mary,  
Christ our brother, human son,  
Spirit, caring like a mother,  
Take our love and make us one.

## Notices

**15 good minutes:** Stay after the 10am service for **fifteen good minutes**. In Lent, the preacher will be available for an opportunity to discuss that week's sermon.

**Robes:** On Saturday 25 March, 4-6pm, young people year 5 and above are invited to help prepare the food and set up the centre for the final night we host our guests. Let Julie or Gemma know if you'd like to take part.

**Covid:** We continue to take precautions so everyone can feel safe and welcome, with extra spacing and ventilation indoors; do wear a face covering if this is your preference. Please stay at home if you have symptoms eg cough, temperature, vomiting or diarrhoea. Thank you.

**Goose Green Coffee Morning:** This week there will be a Still Life session with The Arts Factory, starting at 11am. Please contact [sue.oneill0826@gmail.com](mailto:sue.oneill0826@gmail.com) if you would like to take part. Wednesdays 11am - 12.30pm, all welcome. To get the Coffee Morning email contact Sue.

**The Strong and Steady Exercise Group:** held in the Goose Green Centre, 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](mailto:goosegreencoffeemorning@gmail.com)

**Lunch club:** 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.

**Walking Through Walls:** the Woolwich Area Lay Conference. On Saturday 1 April. To find out more and book a place go to: <https://WalkingThroughWalls.eventbrite.co.uk>

**Imperial Male Voice Choir:** Concert at St. Catherine's, Hatcham, Saturday 1 April, 7pm. Male voice singing through the ages, from plainchant and early sacred music through madrigals, marching songs, shanties and spirituals to barbershop, Broadway, the King's Singers and Pop. With a great young soprano soloist. All Welcome.

**Planned Giving:** If you give by the Weekly Envelope scheme, your new boxes of envelopes for the year starting 9th April are ready for collection at the back of church. If you would like to join the envelope scheme, please let Martin Howell, our stewardship secretary, know.

In addition to giving by weekly envelopes St John's is a member of the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) direct debit service. This is the most efficient method of giving as we receive 100% of donations and any gift aid and it involves less administration. To give via the PGS visit [www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk](http://www.parishgivingscheme.org.uk), call 0333 002 1260 or pick up a form at the back of church.

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## **The Angelus**

The Angel of the LORD  
brought tidings to Mary,  
and she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

Hail Mary, full of grace;  
the LORD is with thee:  
blessed art thou amongst women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. Amen

Behold the handmaid of the LORD.  
Be it unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary...

and the Word was made flesh,  
and dwelt among us.

Hail Mary...

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,  
that we may be made worthy of the  
promises of Christ.

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O LORD,  
thy grace into our hearts;  
that, we, to whom the incarnation  
of Christ, thy Son,  
was made known by the message of an angel,  
may by his passion and cross be brought to  
the glory of his resurrection.  
Through the same Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*The Angelus (Latin for "angel") is a devotion commemorating the Incarnation of Christ, that is, the belief that the Word of God was made flesh by being conceived in the womb of a woman, the Virgin Mary, also known as the Theotokos (Greek for "God-bearer"). Belief in the incarnation entails that Jesus is fully God and fully human.*

