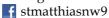
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Intercessions

For the sick and those in need who have asked for our prayers.

For the recently departed: Ruth, Nicolina Attoh, Gerald. Anniversaries of death:

Vinothan Reggie, Dennis Reed, Leslie Cyril Dobson.

11am Parish Mass Hymns:		
Entrance	217	God is love, let heaven adore him
		(tune: Blaenwern, 428(ii))
Offertory	333	It is a thing most wonderful
Communion	315	Immortal love, for ever full
Recessional	695	To God be the glory
Device Nations		

Parish Notices

Bishop Rob's Deanery Pilgrimage Thursday 9th March

Bishop Rob Wickham will be prayer walking on pilgrimage through our Deanery this Thursday, 9th March, beginning at Monkey Hadley School at 9am, touring through North Finchley, Cricklewood, and Edgware and concluding at St Augustine's, Grahame Park for Evening Prayer at 6pm. All are welcome to join in for that service or at any point of the route. His full itinerary is on the noticeboard.

Diocesan Lent Appeal - Healing the Memories

This year, the Diocese of London are partnering with MANNA (Mozambique Angola Anglican Association) to raise money to train leaders in Mozambique who can provide pastoral care and support for those with trauma.

Since 2017, over a million people living in northern Mozambique have been displaced by a violent insurgency and 4,000 have been killed.

The Anglican Diocese of Nampula has been working with traumatised and displaced people for the last couple of years supporting them with food, education and training via their community development work.

To donate, please use the envelopes available in church or give directly online. Donation link, more information and videos available here:

https://www.london.anglican.org/lentappeal2023



The Parish of Colindale

The Second Sunday of Lent 5th March 2023



Nicodemus visits Jesus by night - Alexander Bida, 1874 - https://commons.wikimedia.org/

Mass Times and Readings for Morning and Evening Prayer

Readings and psalms for Morning and Evening Prayer are given for use with Common Worship Daily Prayer or the Book of Common Prayer. MP = Morning Prayer; EP = Evening Prayer. For a shorter version of the Office, use one psalm and one reading. For the same services online see tinyurl.com/jusdp. (* = a long Psalm, part of which may be omitted. Where there is a choice of two sets of Psalms, the first is for the season, the second follows the ordinary cycle.)

Sunday 5th March 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration Second Sunday of Lent 11am Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 74; Jeremiah 22.1-9; Matthew 8.1-13 EP: Psalm 135*; Numbers 21.4-9; Luke 14.27-33

Mon 6th March No services

MP: Psalms 26, 32 (or) 98, 99, 101; Jeremiah 7.21-end; John 6.41-51 EP: Psalms 70, 74 (or) 105* (or 103); Genesis 43.16-end; Hebrews 1

Tues 7th March 12.30pm Mass

Memorial: Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

MP: Psalm 50 (or) 106* (or 103); Jeremiah 8.1-15; John 6.52-59 EP: Psalms 52, 53, 54 (or) 107*; Genesis 44.1-17; Hebrews 2.1-9

Weds 8th March 10am Mass

Memorials: Edward King, Bishop of Lincoln; Saint John of God

MP: Psalm 35 (or) 110, 111, 112; Jeremiah 8.18-9.11; John 6.60-end Pss 3, 51 (or) 119.129-152; Genesis 44.18-end; Hebrews 2.10-end

Thurs 9th March 10am Mass

MP: Psalm 34 (or) 113, 115; Jeremiah 9.12-24; John 7.1-13 EP: Psalms 71 (or) 114, 116, 117; Genesis 45.1-15; Hebrews 3.1-6

Fri 10th March 10am Mass

MP: Psalms 40, 41 (or) 139; Jeremiah 10.1-16; John 7.14-24

EP: Pss 6, 38 (or) 130, 131, 137; Genesis 45.16-end; Hebrews 3.7-end

Sat 11th March 10am Mass

Lent Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MP: Psalms 3, 25 (or) 120, 121, 122; Jeremiah 10.17-24; John 7.25-36 EP: Psalms 23, 27 (or) 118; Genesis 46.1-7, 28-end; Hebrews 4.1-13

Sunday 12th March 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration Third Sunday of Lent 11am Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 46; Amos 7.10-17; 2 Corinthians 1.1-11 EP: Psalm 40; Joshua 1.1-9; Ephesians 6.10-20

The Sunday Lectionary 5th March 2023

The Second Sunday of Lent

First Reading (Genesis 12.1-4a)

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord said to Abram,

'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

This is the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Psalm 121

Response:

My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth

I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come? My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. **R**

He will not let your foot be moved and he who watches over you will not fall asleep. Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep; **R**

The Lord himself watches over you; the Lord is your shade at your right hand, So that the sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. **R**

The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; it is he who shall keep you safe. The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth for evermore. **R**

Second Reading (Romans 4.1-5,13-17)

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.

What are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')— in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

This is the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

Those who do what is true come to the light,
says the Lord,
so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have
been done in God.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

Gospel (John 3.1-17)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, O Lord

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord Praise to you, O Christ