

Parish Contacts

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Intercessions

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

For the recently departed: Eugene Mmireku, Ellie Masters, Angela Osborn, the Ogumbanjo family, Maria Carla Gallinotto, Dora, Norman Hoare.

Anniversaries of death: Viothan Reggie.

11am Parish Mass Hymns:

Entrance	98	Christ is our cornerstone
Offertory	34	And now, O Father, mindful of the love
Communion	420	Lord, thy word abideth
Recessional	161	Father, hear the prayer we offer (1st tune)
Mass setting:	953	A Simple Mass (Andrew Moore)

Parish Notices

Welcome to Fr Joseph Gabor

Fr Joseph Gabor from St Augustine's Grahame Park is joining us this morning to preach and celebrate the Parish Mass. Fr Matthew is at St Augustine's

Informal Consultation on Parish Reorganisation

An informal consultation has begun on proposals to join St Matthias Colindale with St Augustine Grahame Park in one new parish, which it is proposed will have two churches and two priests (as now), one stipendiary based at St Augustine's, and one non-stipendiary based at St Matthias, with one PCC. At this stage, the conversation is setting out possible ideas of how this might work, listening to feedback and answering questions. A formal consultation of the PCC and other interested parties is likely to follow in the Spring. We are keen to get a comprehensive idea of the views of everyone on the electoral roll before that begins.

Last week Fr Matthew spoke at an open meeting after Mass and listened to feedback from members of the congregation.

This Sunday (3 March), Fr Joseph from St Augustine's will be available to meet members of the congregation after Mass and coffee to discuss current ideas. At about 12.30, the Archdeacon will visit to meet people, listen and answer any questions that people may have.



The Parish of Colindale

The Third Sunday of Lent Sunday 3rd March 2024



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 3rd March 10.15 Eucharistic Adoration Third Sunday of Lent 11am Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 18.1-25; Jeremiah 38; Philippians 1.1-26

EP: Psalms 11, 12; Exodus 5.1 - 6.1; Philippians 3.4b-14 or Matthew 10.16-22

Monday 4th March No services

MP: Psalms 5, 7 (or) 80, 82; Genesis 47.1-27; Hebrews 4.14 - 5.10

EP: Psalms 11, 17 (or) 85, 86; Jeremiah 11.1-17; John 7.37-52

Tues 5th March 12.30pm Mass

MP: Pss 6, 9 (or) 87, 89.1-18; Genesis 47.28-48.22; Hebrews 5.11 - 6.12

EP: Pss 61, 62, 64 (or) 89.19-end; Jeremiah 11.18-12.6; John 7.53 - 8.11

Weds 6th March 10am Mass

MP: Psalm 38 (or) 119.105-128; Genesis 49.1-32; Hebrews 6.13-end

EP: Psalms 36, 39 (or) 91, 93; Jeremiah 13.1-11; John 8.12-30

Thurs 7th March 9am Mass

Memorial: Saints Felicity, Perpetua, and their companions, Martyrs

MP: Pss 56, 57 (or) 90, 92; Genesis 49.33 - end of 50; Hebrews 7.1-10

EP: Psalms 59, 60 (or) 94; Jeremiah 14; John 8.31-47

Fri 8th March 9am Mass

Memorial: Saint John of God

MP: Psalm 22 (or) 88, (95); Exodus 1.1-14; Hebrews 7.11-end

EP: Psalm 69 (or) 102; Jeremiah 15.10-end; John 8.48-end

Sat 9th March 10am Mass

Lent Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MP: Psalm 31 (or) 96, 97, 100; Exodus 1.22 - 2.10; Hebrews 8

EP: Psalms 116, 130 (or) 104; Jeremiah 16.10 - 17.4; John 9.1-17

Sunday 10th March 10.15 Eucharistic Adoration Fourth Sunday of Lent 11am Parish Mass (Mothering Sunday)

MP: Psalm 27; 1 Samuel 16.1-13; John 9.1-25

EP: Psalms 13, 14; Exodus 6.2-13; Romans 5.1-11

First Reading (Exodus 20.1-17)

A reading from the Book of Exodus

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalms 19:

Response:

You, Lord, have the words of eternal life.

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
One day tells its tale to another,
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
Although they have no words or language,
and their voices are not heard,
Their sound has gone out into all lands,
and their message to the ends of the world. **R**

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun;
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens
and runs about to the end of it again;
nothing is hidden from its burning heat. **R**

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is clear
and gives light to the eyes. **R**

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever;
the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb. **R**

By them also is your servant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can tell how often he offends?

Cleanse me from my secret faults.

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;

let them not get dominion over me;

then shall I be whole and sound,

and innocent of a great offence. **R**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight,

O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. **R**

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 1.18-25)

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory!
You search the scriptures because you think that in them
you have eternal life,
and it is they that testify on my behalf.
Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory!

Gospel (John 2:13-22)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John
Glory to you, O Lord

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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