

Parish Contacts

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Intercessions

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

For the recently departed: Ruby Dussey

Anniversaries of death:

Rosa Docherty, John James Hall.

To preserve privacy, the names of the sick and those in need, and some of the recently departed, are omitted from the version of the news sheet published online. They are all, however, prayed for at the service in Church.

11am Parish Mass Hymns:

Entrance	259	Hail to the Lord's anointed
Offertory	552	O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness
Communion	85	Brightest and best of the suns of the morning (1st tune)
Recessional	49	As with gladness men of old
Mass setting:	952	A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)

Parish Notices

Weekday Mass Times

The weekday Masses resume their normal times this week. Looking ahead, please note that there will be no weekday Masses from Thursday 16th January to Thursday 23rd January, inclusive.

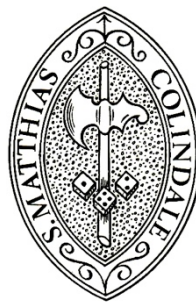
Sunday Mass Cover – 19th January

On Sunday 19th January we will welcome Mother Heather Betts as celebrant and preacher at the 11am Parish Mass. There will be no Eucharistic Adoration or live-streaming that day. Mother Heather is assistant priest at St Michael and All Angels, Mill Hill.

St Paul's Cathedral Events

On Tuesday 11th February at 6.30pm St Paul's will be hosting the book launch of Chine McDonald's "Unmaking Mary: Shattering the Myth of Perfect Motherhood". From birth trauma to post-natal depression, from infertility to the mental load, the motherhood penalty and pressures on women to be and have it all - especially in the church - this book attempts to liberate motherhood from the chains in which it has been placed, reconstructing a more authentic, grace-filled way forward for the most important job in the world.

<https://stpauls.co.uk/adultlearning>



The Parish of Colindale

The Epiphany of the Lord Sunday 5th January 2025



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 January 10.15 Eucharistic Adoration

The Epiphany of the Lord 11.00 Parish Mass

MP: Psalms 132, 113; Jeremiah 31.7-14; John 1.29-34

EP: Psalms 98, 100; Baruch 4.36 – 5.9 or Isaiah 60.1-9; John 2.1-11

Mon 6th January No services

MP: Psalms 8, 48 (or) 71; Isaiah 62; John 2.13-end

EP: Psalms 96, 97 (or) 72, 75; Ruth 4.1-17; Colossians 4.2-end

Tues 7th January 12.30pm Mass

MP: Psalms 99, 147.1-12 (or) 73; Isaiah 63.7-end; 1 John 3

EP: Psalm 118 (or) 74; Baruch 1.15 – 2.10 or Jeremiah 23.1-8; Matthew 20.1-16

Weds 8th January 10am Mass

MP: Psalms 46, 147.13-end (or) 77; Isaiah 64; 1 John 4.7-end

EP: Psalm 145 (or) 119.81-104; Baruch 2.11-end or Jeremiah 30.1-17; Matthew 20.17-28

Thurs 9th January 9am Mass

MP: Psalms 2, 148 (or) 78.1-39*; Isaiah 65.1-16; 1 John 5.1-12

EP: Psalms 67, 72 (or) 78.40-end*; Baruch 3.1-8 or Jeremiah 30.18 – 31.9; Matthew 20.29-end

Fri 10th January 9am Mass

Commemoration: William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr

MP: Psalms 97, 149 (or) 55; Isaiah 65.17-end; 1 John 5.13-end

EP: Psalms 27, 29 (or) 69; Baruch 3.9 – 4.4 or Jeremiah 31.10-17; Matthew 23.1-12

Sat 11th January 10am Mass

Epiphany Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MP: Psalms 98, 150 (or) 76, 79; Isaiah 66.1-11; 2 John

EP: Psalm 36; Isaiah 61; Titus 2.11-14; 3.4-7

(First Evening Prayer of the Baptism of Christ)

Sunday 12th January 10.15 Eucharistic Adoration

The Baptism of Christ 11.00 Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 89.19-29; Isaiah 42.1-9; Acts 19.1-7

EP: Psalms 46, 47; Isaiah 55.1-11; Romans 6.1-11

First Reading (Isaiah 60.1–6)

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 72.1–7, 10–14. Response:

**Kings bow down before him;
all the nations do him service.**

Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to the king's son;
That he may rule your people righteously
and the poor with justice;
That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,
and the little hills bring righteousness. **R**

He shall defend the needy among the people;
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure,
from one generation to another. **R**

He shall come down like rain upon the mown field,
like showers that water the earth.
In his time shall the righteous flourish;
there shall be abundance of peace
till the moon shall be no more. **R**

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute,
and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
All kings shall bow down before him,
and all the nations do him service. **R**

For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress,
and the oppressed who has no helper.
He shall have pity on the lowly and poor;
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence,
and dear shall their blood be in his sight. **R**

Second Reading (Ephesians 3.1–12)

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I, Paul, am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles – for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable

you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
The peoples are gathered together
and the kingdoms also, to serve the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 2.1–12)

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

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."' Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

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