

Parish Contacts

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Churchwardens:

Eleanor Arthur

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Intercessions

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

For the recently departed:

Ruby Dussey, Bruce Bridgewood (priest),

Dennis Bury (priest), Hugh Moore (priest),

Marianne Faithful.

Anniversaries of death:

Leslie Robinson, Enid Stone, Trevor Rivett.

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:

Please turn to face the back of the Church for the blessing of candles before the entrance hymn

Entrance	486	Of the Father's love begotten
Offertory	381	Let all mortal flesh keep silence
Communion	701	Virgin-born, we bow before thee
Recessional	157	Faithful vigil ended
Mass setting:	952	A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)

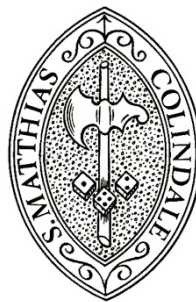
Parish Notices

Moveable Feast and Fasts for 2025

Ash Wednesday:	5 th March
Mothering Sunday (Lent IV):	30 th March
Palm Sunday:	13 th April
Maundy Thursday:	17 th April
Good Friday:	18 th April
Holy Saturday:	19 th April
Easter Sunday:	20 th April
Ascension Day:	29 th May
Pentecost:	8 th June
Corpus Christi:	22 nd June
Advent Sunday:	30 th November

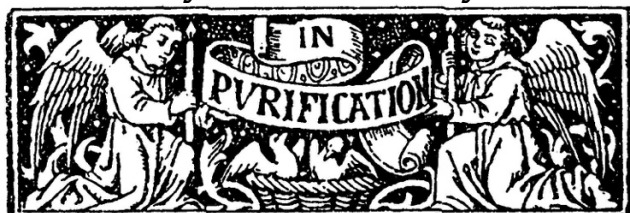
Fr Hugh Moore RIP – Funeral Arrangements

Fr Hugh's body will be received into St Alphage's Church, Burnt Oak, on Thursday 6th February at 16.30, followed by Vespers of the Dead and Pontifical Low Mass of Requiem (Bishop Peter Wheatley). His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday, 7th February at 12.30 at St Alphage, followed by a wake in the Parish Hall.



The Parish of Colindale

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple Sunday 2nd February 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 2nd February 10.15 Eucharistic Adoration The Presentation of Christ 11.00 Parish Mass in the Temple (Candlemas)

MP: Psalms 48, 146; Exodus 13.1-16; Romans 12.1-5
EP: Psalms 122, 132; Haggai 2.1-9; John 2.18-22

Mon 3rd February No services
Memorial: Saint Blaise, Bishop & Martyr; Saint Askar, Bishop & Missionary
MP: Psalms 1, 2, 3; Song of the Three 1-27 or Malachi 1.1, 6-end;
John 13.1-11
EP: Psalms 4, 7; Exodus 22.21-27, 23.1-17; Philippians 1.1-11

Tues 4th February 12.30pm Mass
Commemoration: Saint Gilbert of Sempringham
MP: Psalms 5, 6, (8); Song of the Three 28-end or Malachi 2.1-16; John 13.12-20
EP: Psalms 9, 10*; Exodus 29.38 – 30.16; Philippians 1.12-end

Weds 5th February 10am Mass
Memorial: Saint Agatha of Catania, Virgin & Martyr
MP: Psalm 119.1-32; Susannah 1-27 or Malachi 2.17 – 3.12;
John 13.21-30
EP: Psalms 11, 12, 13; Leviticus 8; Philippians 2.1-13

Thurs 6th February 9am Mass
Memorial: The Martyrs of Japan, 1597
MP: Psalms 14, 15, 16; Susannah 28-end or Malachi 3.13 – end of 4;
John 13.31-end
EP: Psalm 18*; Leviticus 9; Philippians 2.14-end

Fri 7th February 9am Mass
MP: Psalms 17, 19; Bel and the Dragon or Nahum 1; John 14.1-14
EP: Psalm 22; Leviticus 16.2-24; Philippians 3.1 – 4.1

Sat 8th February 10am Mass
Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary
MP: Pss 20, 21, 23; Prayer of Manasseh or Obadiah; John 14.15-end
EP: Psalms 24, 25; Leviticus 17; Philippians 4.2-end

**Sunday 9th February 10.15 Eucharistic Adoration
4th Sunday before Lent 11.00 Parish Mass**
MP: Psalms 3, 4; Jeremiah 26.1-16; Acts 3.1-10
EP: Psalms [1] 2; Wisdom 6.1-21 or Hosea 1; Colossians 3.1-22

First Reading (Malachi 3.1–5)

A reading from the book of the prophet Malachi.

Thus says the Lord God: See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years. Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 24:**Response:****The Lord of Hosts, he is the King of Glory**

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
the world and all who dwell therein.
For it is he who founded it upon the seas
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep. **R**

'Who can ascend the hill of the Lord?
and who can stand in his holy place?'
'Those who have clean hands and a pure heart,
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,
nor sworn by what is a fraud. **R**

They shall receive a blessing from the Lord
and a just reward from the God of their salvation.'
Such is the generation of those who seek him,
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob. **R**

Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.
'Who is this King of glory?'
'The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle.' **R**

Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.
'Who is he, this King of glory?'
'The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.' **R**

Second Reading (Hebrews 2.14–18)

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Since the children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not

come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
The true light which enlightens everyone
was coming into the world.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel (Luke 2.22–40)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
Luke

Glory to you, O Lord

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.' Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.' And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too.' There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

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