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Intercessions

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

For the recently departed:

Ruby Dussey, Marianne Faithful, Emmanuel Addy,
Richard Haggis (priest), Kevin.

Anniversaries of death:

Mario Bianchi, Patrick Baxter, John James Askew,
Agnes Mary Odell, Grace Barnes.

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	415	Lord of beauty, thine the splendour (tune: Regent Square, 225)
Offertory	6	All creatures of our God and King
Communion	640	Thee we adore, O hidden Saviour, thee (tune: Ellers, 587)
Recessional	684	Thou, whose almighty word
Mass setting:	952	A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)

Parish Notices

Be:Loved Fresh Expression of Worship

On Sunday 2nd March from 6.30pm to 8pm St Michael's Church Mill Hill will be hosting their first ever Be:Loved event, a Fresh Expression of Worship in Hartley Hall on Flower Lane NW7 2JA, immediately next door to the main church. Featuring Gospel House, Afrobeat and contemporary spiritual music it's designed to get you dancing, praising and praying like you may never have worshipped Jesus before! More information:

<https://smmh.org.uk/services-and-events/beloved/>

Ash Wednesday – Palm Crosses Please!

Ash Wednesday falls on the 5th of March this year. Please bring in last year's palm crosses to make the ash. There will be Mass with imposition of Ashes on Ash Wednesday at 10am and 7.30pm.

Lent Programme – Climate Justice & Discipleship

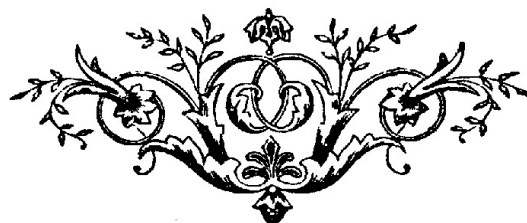
For Lent 2025, everyone across the Diocese of London is invited to reflect deeply on five significant moments in Jesus' life and ministry. As we take this journey together, how might we encounter Christ through creation, pursue justice from within, and convert our fearful reactions into a loving response? Online registration:

<https://tinyurl.com/3dc9mynr>



The Parish of Colindale

The Second Sunday before Lent Sunday 23rd 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 23rd February 10.15 Eucharistic Adoration 2nd Sunday before Lent 11.00 Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 104.1-26; Job 28.1-11; Acts 14.8-17
EP: Psalm 147*; Genesis 1.1 – 2.3; Matthew 6.25-34

Mon 24th February No services

February Memorial of Saint Matthias, Apostle

MP: Psalm 71; Ecclesiastes 7.1-14; John 19.1-16
EP: Psalms 72, 75; Genesis 29.31 – 30.24; 2 Timothy 4.1-8

Tues 25th February 12.30pm Mass

MP: Psalm 73; Ecclesiastes 7.15-end; John 19.17-30
EP: Psalm 74; Genesis 31.1-24; 2 Timothy 4.9-end

Weds 26th February 10am Mass

MP: Psalm 77; Ecclesiastes 8; John 19.31-end
EP: Psalm 119.81-104; Genesis 31.25 – 32.2; Titus 1

Thurs 27th February 9am Mass

Memorial: George Herbert, Priest, Poet

MP: Psalm 78.1-39*; Ecclesiastes 9; John 20.1-101
EP: Psalm 78.40-end*; Genesis 32.3-30; Titus 2

Fri 28th February 9am Mass

MP: Psalm 55; Ecclesiastes 11.1-8; John 20.11-18
EP: Psalm 69; Genesis 33.1-17; Titus 3

Sat 1st March 10am Mass

Feast: Saint David, Bishop of Menevia, Patron of Wales

MP: Psalms 76, 79; Ecclesiastes 11.9 – end of 12; John 20.19-end
EP: Psalms 81, 84; Genesis 35; Philemon

Sunday 2nd March 10.15 Eucharistic Adoration Sunday next before Lent 11.00 Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 2; Exodus 33.17-23; 1 John 3.1-3
EP: Psalm 89.1-18*; Exodus 3.1-6; John 12.27-36a

First Reading (Genesis 2.4b–9, 15–25)

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

'This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.'

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 65: Response:

**You visit the earth and water it;
you make it very plenteous.**

You are to be praised, O God, in Zion;
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come,
because of their transgressions.
Our sins are stronger than we are,
but you will blot them out. **R**

Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there!
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
by the holiness of your temple.

Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,
O God of our salvation,
O Hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the seas that are far away. **R**

You make fast the mountains by your power;
they are girded about with might.
You still the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves,
and the clamour of the peoples.
Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
will tremble at your marvellous signs;
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy. **R**

You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous; the river of God is full of water.

You prepare the grain, for so you provide for the earth.
You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase. **R**

You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.
May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,
and the hills be clothed with joy.
May the meadows cover themselves with flocks
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;
let them shout for joy and sing. **R**

Second Reading (Revelation 4)

A reading from the Book of Revelation.

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, 'Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.'

And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, 'You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.'

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Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Open our heart, O Lord,
to accept the words of your Son.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel (Luke 8.22-25)

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

One day Jesus got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

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