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Intercessions

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

For the recently departed:

Aurora Broomfield, Carol Davis, Kenneth Budd,
Victoria Adjei.

Anniversary of death:

Peggy Munday.

To preserve privacy, the names of the sick and those in need, and sometimes 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	757	Ye servants of the Lord
Offertory	381	Let all mortal flesh keep silence
Communion	619	Strengthen for service, Lord
Recessional	690	Thy kingdom come
Mass setting:	952	A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)

Parish Notices

Refreshments

All being well, we are planning to have refreshments after Mass today in the Vicarage garden. The entrance is through the gate immediately opposite the Church entrance (to your right as you leave the Church).

St Paul's Cathedral Autumn Events

The Autumn programme of events at St Paul's Cathedral is now available on the Cathedral website at:

www.stpauls.co.uk/st-pauls-cathedral-institute-events

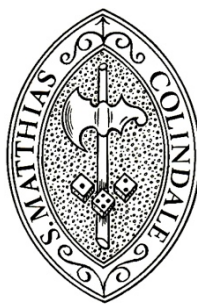
Free events in September (booking needed) include "Living the Psalms Today", with Martin Wroe, on Sunday 7th September 1:00pm - 2:00pm in the Wren Suite, and "Churchill and St Paul's: Icons of the finest hour" with Allen Packwood, Director of the Churchill Archives Centre, on Tuesday 16th September from 6:30pm - 8:00pm, in the Cathedral.

Funeral Services

The Funeral Service for Carol Davis will be held in St Matthias on Thursday 14th August at 1pm.

The Funeral Service for Aurora Broomfield will be held in St Matthias on Wednesday 20th August at 12 Noon.

We continue to hold them and their loved ones in our prayers.



The Parish of Colindale

Saint Matthias

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity 10th August 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.)

Sunday 10th August 11am Parish Mass

8th Sunday after Trinity (n.b. no Eucharistic Adoration today)

MP: Psalm 115; Song of Solomon 8.5-7 or 1 Maccabees 14.4-15;
2 Peter 3.8-13
EP: Psalms 108 [116]; Isaiah 11.10 - 12.6; 2 Corinthians 1.1-22

Mon 11th August No services

Memorial: Saint Claire of Assisi. Commemoration: Saint Philomena V.M.

MP: Psalms 27, 30; Ezekiel 28.1-19; James 2.1-13
EP: Psalms 26, 28, 29; 1 Samuel 14.24-46; Luke 23.13-25

Tues 12th August 12.30pm Mass

MP: Psalms 32, 36; Ezekiel 33.1-20; James 2.14-end
EP: Psalm 33; 1 Samuel 15.1-23; Luke 23.26-43

Weds 13th August 10am Mass (Morning Prayer at 9.30)

Memorial: Jeremy Taylor, Bishop of Down & Connor, Teacher of the Faith

MP: Psalm 34; Ezekiel 33.21-end; James 3
EP: Psalm 72; Exodus 34.29-end; 2 Corinthians 3

Thurs 14th August 9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 8.30) 1pm Funeral Service for Carol Davis

Memorial: Saint Maximilian Kolbe, priest, friar, martyr.

MP: Psalm 37*; Ezekiel 34.1-16; James 4.1-12
EP: Psalm 72; Proverbs 8.22-31; John 19.23-27
(First Evening Prayer of the Assumption)

Fri 15th August 9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 8.30) Solemnity: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MP: Psalms 98, 138, 147.1-12; Isaiah 7.10-15; Luke 11.27, 28
EP: Psalm 132; Song of Solomon 2.1-7; Acts 1.6-14

Sat 16th August 10am Mass (Morning Prayer at 9.30) Commemoration: Saint Stephen of Hungary

MP: Psalms 41, 42, 43; Ezekiel 36.16-36; James 5.7-end
EP: Psalms 45, 46; 1 Samuel 17.55 - 18.16; Luke 24.36-end

Sunday 17th August 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration The Assumption of the BVM 11am Parish Mass (Sunday Celebration)

MP: Psalm 119.33-48; Jonah 1 or Ecclesiasticus 3.1-15; 2 Peter 3.14-18
EP: Psalm 119.17-32*; Isaiah 28.9-22; 2 Corinthians 8.1-9

First Reading (Genesis 15.1-6)

A reading from the Book of Genesis

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the Lord came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalms 33.12-22

**Response: Happy the people
the Lord has chosen as his own!**

Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord!
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!
The Lord looks down from heaven,
and beholds all the people in the world.
From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze
on all who dwell on the earth. **R**

He fashions all the hearts of them
and understands all their works.
There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army;
the strong are not delivered by great strength.
The horse is a vain hope for deliverance;
for all its strength it cannot save. **R**

Behold, the eye of the Lord
is upon those who fear him,
on those who wait upon his love,
To pluck their lives from death,
and to feed them in time of famine. **R**

Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and our shield.
Indeed, our heart rejoices in him,
for in his holy name we put our trust.
Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us,
as we have put our trust in you. **R**

Second Reading (Hebrews 11.1-3,8-16)

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land,

living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, 'as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.'

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Who is greater, says the Lord, the one who is at the table,
or the one who serves?

But I am among you as one who serves.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel (Luke 12.32-40)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ