

First Reading (Isaiah 42.1–9)

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord:

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it:

I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols.

See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalms 29. Response:

The voice of the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due to his name;
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. **R**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders;
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour. **R**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox. **R**

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe
and strips the forests bare.
And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, 'Glory!' **R**

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.
The Lord shall give strength to his people;
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace. **R**

Second Reading (Acts 10.34–43)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius.

'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name'.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
The heavens opened and the Father's voice
resounded:
'This is my Son, the beloved, listen to him'.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 3.13–17)

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

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?'

But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented.

And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him.



And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased'.

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

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Intercessions

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

For the recently departed: John Merry, Peter Cutmore, Clinton Jones.

Anniversaries of death: Alice Rossiter, Evelyn Carter, Kay West, Hugh Moore (priest), Ingrid Robinson, William David Broomfield, Jess Small.

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	114	Come down, O Love Divine
Offertory	609	Songs of thankfulness and praise
Communion	541	O Thou who camest from above
Recessional	163	Father, Lord of all creation
Mass setting:	952	A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)

Parish Notices

Fr Steven Young Thanksgiving Mass

Fr Steven Young is moving on from St Michael's Mill Hill to be Team Rector of Borehamwood, in the Diocese of St Albans. There will be a Thanksgiving Mass for his ministry on Saturday 24th January at 6pm at St Michael's Mill Hill, followed by a reception in the Hartley Hall. All are welcome but please let Fr Steven know if you plan to be there, for catering purposes: priest@smmh.org.uk

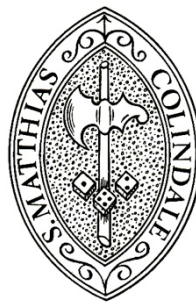
Pizza and Theology

Our next Pizza and Theology evening will be on Wednesday 28th January at 7pm in the Vicarage, looking at "Faith and Reason", on the feast day of St Thomas Aquinas. All are welcome but please sign up on the list for catering purposes.

Masses this Week

This week we are very grateful to Fr 'Mund Cargill Thompson for celebrating the weekday Masses, and to Fr Tony Halton for celebrating the Parish Mass next Sunday.

Please note the times of the weekday Masses this week: Tuesday 13th January at 12.30pm, Wednesday 14th to Saturday 17th all at 10am. The Mass on Thursday 15th January will be a Requiem for Fr Hugh Moore on his year's mind. There will be no Morning Prayer during the week, or Eucharistic Adoration on Sunday.



The Parish of Colindale

Saint Matthias

The Baptism of Christ 11th January 2026



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 11th January 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration The Baptism of Christ 11am Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 89.19-29; Exodus 14.15-22; 1 John 5.6-9
EP: Psalms 46, 47; Joshua 3.1-8, 14-end; Hebrews 1.1-12

Mon 12th January No Services Memorial: Saint Aelred of Hexham, Abbot of Rievaulx

MP: Psalms 2, 110 (or) 80, 82; Genesis 1.1-19; Matthew 21.1-17
EP: Psalms 34, 36 (or) 85, 86; Amos 1; 1 Corinthians 1.1-17

Tues 13th January 12.30pm Mass Memorial: Saint Hilary, Bishop of Poitiers, Teacher of the Faith

MP: Psalms 8, 9 (or) 87, 89.1-18; Genesis 1.20 - 2.3; Matthew 21.18-32
EP: Psalms 45, 46 (or) 89.19-end; Amos 2; 1 Corinthians 1.18-end

Weds 14th January 10am Mass

MP: Psalms 19, 20 (or) 119.105-128; Genesis 2.4-25; Matthew 21.33-46
EP: Psalms 47, 48 (or) 91, 93; Amos 3; 1 Corinthians 2

Thurs 15th January 10am Mass (n.b. different time this week)

MP: Psalms 21, 24 (or) 90, 92; Genesis 3; Matthew 22.1-14
EP: Psalms 61, 65 (or) 94; Amos 4; 1 Corinthians 3

Fri 16th January 10am Mass (n.b. different time this week)

MP: Pss 67, 72 (or) 88, (95); Genesis 4.1-16, 25-26; Matthew 22.15-33
EP: Psalm 68 (or) 102; Amos 5.1-17; 1 Corinthians 4

Sat 17th January 10am Mass Memorial: Saint Anthony of Egypt, Hermit, Abbot

MP: Psalms 29, 33 (or) 96, 97, 100; Genesis 6.1-10; Matthew 22.34-end
EP: Psalms 84, 85 (or) 104; Amos 5.18-end; 1 Corinthians 5

Sunday 18th January 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration 2nd Sunday of Epiphany 11am Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 145.1-12; Jeremiah 1.4-10; Mark 1.14-20
EP: Psalm 96; Ezekiel 2.1 - 3.4; Galatians 1.11-24