

Parish Contacts

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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:

William Little, May Mitchell, Beatrice Dobson,
Doreen Saunders.

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	Sheet	We sing the glorious conquest
Offertory	540	O thou who at thy Eucharist didst pray
Communion	29	Amazing grace
Recessional	716	We have a gospel to proclaim
Mass setting:	952	A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)

Parish Notices

Pizza and Theology

Our next Pizza and Theology evening is this week, on the Feast of St Thomas Aquinas, Wednesday 28th January, at 7pm in the Vicarage, looking at the relationship between faith and reason both in terms of different disciplines such as science and theology, and in terms of our personal faith – what do we know, and how do we know it? All are welcome but please sign up on the list in Church for catering purposes.

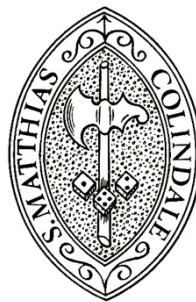
From London to Canterbury

The legal ceremony for the Confirmation of Election of Bishop Sarah as the new Archbishop of Canterbury will take place this Wednesday, 28th January, at 11am in St Paul's Cathedral. All are welcome to attend. During this ceremony she will formally assume her new office as the Archbishop.

Once the See of London is vacant, Bishop Emma Ineson of Kensington will take temporary office as Acting Bishop of London, until a new Bishop is appointed. Bishop Anderson continues as our Area Bishop of Edmonton.

Parochial Church Council

The PCC will meet on Sunday 1st February, after the Parish Mass.



The Parish of Colindale

Saint Matthias

The Conversion of Saint Paul 25th 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 25th January 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration
The Conversion of St Paul 11am Parish Mass

MP: Psalms 66, 147.13-end; Ezekiel 3.22-27; Philippians 3.1-14
EP: Psalm 119.41-56; Ecclesiasticus 39.1-10 or Isaiah 56.1-8;
Colossians 1.24 – 2.7

Mon 26th January No Services

Memorial: Saints Timothy and Titus, Companions of Saint Paul

MP: Psalms 40, 108 (or) 123, 124, 125, 126; Genesis 11.27 – 12.9;
Matthew 26.1-16

EP: Psalms 138, 144 (or) 127, 128, 129; Hosea 2.18 – end of 3; 1
Corinthians 9.15-end

Tues 27th January 12.30pm Mass

MP: Psalms 34, 36 (or) 132, 133; Genesis 13.2-end; Matthew 26.17-35
EP: Psalm 145 (or) 134, 135; Hosea 4.1-16; 1 Corinthians 10.1-13

Weds 28th January 10am Mass (Morning Prayer at 09.30)

Memorial: Saint Thomas Aquinas, priest, Teacher of the Faith

MP: Psalms 45, 46 (or) 119.153-end; Genesis 14; Matthew 26.36-46
EP: Psalms 21, 29 (or) 136; Hosea 5.1-7; 1 Corinthians 10.14 – 11.1

Thurs 29th January 9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 08.30)

MP: Psalms 47, 48 (or) 143, 146; Genesis 15; Matthew 26.47-56
EP: Psalms 24, 33 (or) 138, 140, 141; Hosea 5.8 – 6.6;
1 Corinthians 11.2-16

Fri 30th January 9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 08.30)

Memorial: Charles I, King, Martyr

MP: Psalms 61, 65 (or) 142, 144; Genesis 16; Matthew 26.57-end
EP: Psalms 67, 77 (or) 145; Hosea 6.7 – 7.2; 1 Corinthians 11.17-end

Sat 31st January 10am Mass (Morning Prayer at 09.30)

Memorial: Saint John Bosco, Priest, Founder

MP: Psalm 68 (or) 147; Genesis 17.1-22; Matthew 27.1-10
EP: Psalm 118; 1 Samuel 1.19b-end; Hebrews 4.11-end
(First Evening Prayer of the Presentation of Christ)

Sunday 1st February 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration
The Presentation of Christ 11am Parish Mass

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

First Reading (Jeremiah 1.4–10)

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

The word of the Lord came to me saying,

‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.’

Then I said, ‘Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.’

But the Lord said to me, ‘Do not say, “I am only a boy”; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.’

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, ‘Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.’

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalms 67. Response:

**Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.**

May God be merciful to us and bless us,
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations. **R**

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth. **R**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
The earth has brought forth her increase;
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
May God give us his blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him. **R**

Second Reading (Acts 9.1–22)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, ‘Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?’

He asked, ‘Who are you, Lord?’

The reply came, ‘I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.’

The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus.

For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, ‘Ananias.’

He answered, ‘Here I am, Lord.’

The Lord said to him, ‘Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.’

But Ananias answered, ‘Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name.’

But the Lord said to him, ‘Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.’

So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, ‘Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.’

And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, ‘He is the Son of God.’

All who heard him were amazed and said, ‘Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem among those who invoked this name? And has he not come here for the purpose of bringing them bound before the chief priests?’

Saul became increasingly more powerful and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Messiah.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Many who are first will be last,
and the last will be first.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 19.27–30)

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

Peter said to Jesus: ‘Look, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?’

Jesus said to them, ‘Truly I tell you, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man is seated on the throne of his glory, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields, for my name’s sake, will receive a hundredfold, and will inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.’

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