
Parish Contacts

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Priest in Charge:

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Churchwardens:

Eleanor Arthur

Robert Wilson

Parish Safeguarding Officer:

Frances Poulastides

Intercessions

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

For the recently departed:

Eunice McGinty Warren, Guido Adorni, Karim,

Bernardo Gayle, Malcolm Johnson (*priest*).

Anniversaries of death:

Grace Barnes, Clive Sergeant (*priest*), Viothan Reggie.

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 217 God is love, let heaven adore him

(*tune: Blaenwern, 428(ii)*)

Offertory 333 It is a thing most wonderful

Communion 315 Immortal love, for ever full

Recessional 695 To God be the glory

Mass setting: 953 *A Simple Mass (Andrew Moore)*

Parish Notices

Curry and Theology

The next Theology group (with curry for a change, instead of pizza) will be on the evening of Wednesday 18th March, from 7pm to 9pm at the Vicarage. Please sign up for your preference on the sheet at the back of church. The topic will be "The Mystery of Salvation".

Serving Team

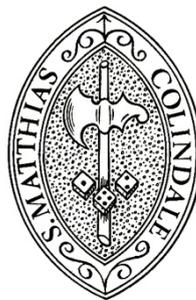
Fr Matthew is looking for members of the congregation able to make a regular commitment who would like to form a serving team for the Sunday Mass. Servers assist in the celebration of the liturgy by carrying the cross, candles and incense and by helping to prepare the bread and wine. Speak to Fr Matthew if you would like to find out more.

Next Sunday

Next Sunday Fr Matthew will be away preaching at St Andrew's Alexandra Park. The celebrant and preacher here will be Fr Brian Lewis.

Bishop's Visit & Confirmation – Sunday 19th April

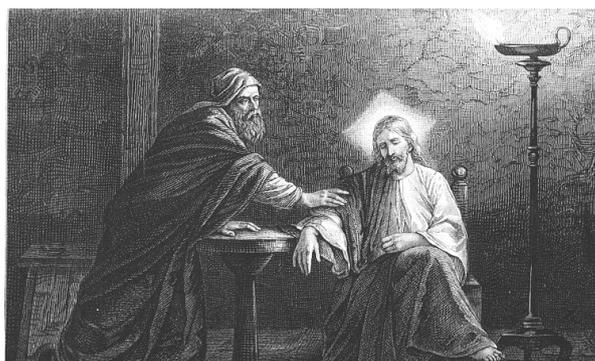
Bishop Anderson will be with us on Sunday 19th April, the Second Sunday of Easter. Please speak to Fr Matthew if you would like to be baptised and/or confirmed on that Sunday.



The Parish of Colindale

Saint Matthias

The Second Sunday of Lent 1st March 2026



Nicodemus visits Jesus by night - Alexander Bida, 1874 - <https://commons.wikimedia.org/>

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 1st March 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration
Second Sunday of Lent **11am Parish Mass**

MP: Psalm 74; Jeremiah 22.1-9; Matthew 8.1-13
EP: Psalm 135*; Numbers 21.4-9; Luke 14.27-33

Mon 2nd March *No Services*

Memorial: Saint Chad, Bishop of Lichfield

MP: Psalms 26, 32 (or) 80, 82; Genesis 43.16-end; Hebrews 1
EP: Psalms 70, 74 (or) 85, 86; Jeremiah 7.21-end; John 6.41-51

Tues 3rd March **12.30pm Mass**

MP: Psalm 50 (or) 87, 89.1-18; Genesis 44.1-17; Hebrews 2.1-9
EP: Psalms 52, 53, 54 (or) 89.19-end; Jeremiah 8.1-15; John 6.52-59

Weds 4th March **10am Mass** (*Morning Prayer at 09.30*)

MP: Psalm 35 (or) 119.105-128; Genesis 44.18-end; Hebrews 2.10-end
EP: Psalms 3, 51 (or) 91, 93; Jeremiah 8.18 – 9.11; John 6.60-end

Thurs 5th March **9am Mass** (*Morning Prayer at 08.30*)

MP: Psalm 34 (or) 90, 92; Genesis 45.1-15; Hebrews 3.1-6
EP: Psalms 71 (or) 94; Jeremiah 9.12-24; John 7.1-13

Fri 6th March **9am Mass** (*Morning Prayer at 08.30*)

MP: Psalms 40, 41 (or) 88, (95); Genesis 45.16-end; Hebrews 3.7-end
EP: Psalms 6, 38 (or) 102; Jeremiah 10.1-16; John 7.14-24

Sat 7th March **10am Mass** (*Morning Prayer at 09.30*)

Memorial: Saints Perpetua, Felicity and their Companions, Martyrs.

MP: Psalms 3,25 (or) 96,97,100; Genesis 46.1-7, 28-34; Hebrews 4.1-13
EP: Psalms 23, 27 (or) 104; Jeremiah 10.17-24; John 7.25-36

Sunday 8th March 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration
Third Sunday of Lent **11am Parish Mass**

MP: Psalm 46; Amos 7.10-end; 2 Corinthians 1.1-11
EP: Psalm 40; Joshua 1.1-9; Ephesians 6.10-20

First Reading (Genesis 12.1–4a)

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord said to Abram,

‘Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.’

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 121

Response:

**My help comes from the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth**

I lift up my eyes to the hills;
from where is my help to come?
My help comes from the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth. **R**

He will not let your foot be moved
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel
shall neither slumber nor sleep; **R**

The Lord himself watches over you;
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
So that the sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night. **R**

The Lord shall preserve you from all evil;
it is he who shall keep you safe.
The Lord shall watch over your going out
and your coming in,
from this time forth for evermore. **R**

Second Reading (Romans 4.1-5,13-17)

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

What are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? ‘Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.’ Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants,

not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, ‘I have made you the father of many nations’)— in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!
Those who do what is true come to the light,
says the Lord,
so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have
been done in God.
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

Gospel (John 3.1-17)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
John

Glory to you, O Lord

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, ‘Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.’ Jesus answered him, ‘Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.’ Nicodemus said to him, ‘How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?’ Jesus answered, ‘Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, “You must be born from above.” The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.’ Nicodemus said to him, ‘How can these things be?’ Jesus answered him, ‘Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

‘Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

‘For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

‘Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.’

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