

## Parish Contacts

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### Churchwardens:

Eleanor Arthur

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### Parish Safeguarding Officer:

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### Intercessions

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

### *For the recently departed:*

Peter Cutmore, Clinton Jones, Joseph Odametey.

### *Anniversaries of death:*

Lewis Tester, Sylvia Rowland, Peggy Rossiter.

*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	105	Christ, whose glory fills the skies
Offertory	12	Alleluia, sing to Jesus
Communion	365	Jesus, these eyes have never seen
Recessional	357	Jesus on the mountain peak (tune: St Albinus, 354)
Mass setting:	952	A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)

### Parish Notices

#### Ash Wednesday

Lent begins this week on Ash Wednesday. There will be Mass with imposition of ashes at 10am and 7pm.

Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence (from meat) for those in good health who are able. The weekdays of Lent generally are commended to us by the Church for the practice of discipline, self-denial, and almsgiving, in preparation for the Feast of Easter.

#### Diocesan Lent Programme

The Diocesan Lent programme this year is "Treasures of Darkness", Online on Tuesdays through Lent 24 February, 3, 10, 17 and 24 March.

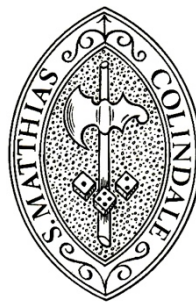
"This Lent, join us to explore the journey of discipleship amid uncertainty, mystery, and unknowing. Drawing on lived experience and the wisdom of disability and suffering theologies, we will reflect on what it means to follow Christ – not in spite of life's struggles, but as we encounter God's grace and guidance within them."

For more information and to register see here:

[www.london.anglican.org/church-and-parish-support/confident-disciples/treasures-of-darkness-lent-2026-2/](http://www.london.anglican.org/church-and-parish-support/confident-disciples/treasures-of-darkness-lent-2026-2/)

#### 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 before Lent 15th February 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](http://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 15th February 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration Sunday next before Lent 11am Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 72; Exodus 34.29-end; 2 Corinthians 4.3-6  
EP: Psalm 84; Ecclesiasticus 48.1-10 or 2 Kings 2.1-12  
Matthew 17.9-23 (or 1-23)

#### Mon 16th February No Services

MP: Psalm 44; Genesis 37.1-11; Galatians 1  
EP: Psalms 47, 49; Jeremiah 1; John 3.1-21

#### Tues 17th February 12.30pm Mass

Memorial (SMMS): The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

MP: Psalms 48, 52; Genesis 37.12-end; Galatians 2.1-10  
EP: Psalm 50; Jeremiah 2.1-13; John 3.22-end

#### Weds 18th February 10am Mass (Morning Prayer at 09.30) Ash Wednesday 7pm Mass

MP: Psalm 38; Daniel 9.3-6, 17-19; 1 Timothy 6.6-19  
EP: Psalm 51 or 102\*; Isaiah 1.10-18; Luke 15.11-end

#### Thurs 19th February 9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 08.30)

MP: Psalm 77 (or) 56, 57, (63\*); Genesis 39; Galatians 2.11-end  
EP: Psalm 74 (or) 61, 62, 64; Jeremiah 2.14-32; John 4.1-26

#### Fri 20th February 9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 08.30)

MP: Psalms 3, 7 (or) 51, 54; Genesis 40; Galatians 3.1-14  
EP: Psalm 31 (or) 38; Jeremiah 3.6-22; John 4.27-42

#### Sat 21st February 10am Mass (Morning Prayer at 09.30) Lent Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MP: Psalm 71 (or) 68; Genesis 41.1-24; Galatians 3.15-22  
EP: Psalm 73 (or) 65, 66; Jeremiah 4.1-18; John 4.43-end

#### Sunday 22nd February 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration First Sunday of Lent 11am Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 119.1-16; Jeremiah 18.1-11; Luke 18.9-14  
EP: Psalm 50.1-15; Deuteronomy 6.4-9, 16-end; Luke 15.1-10

**First Reading** (Exodus 24.12-18)

A reading from the book of Exodus.

The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

This is the word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God

**Psalm 2**

*Response:*

**You are my Son; this day have I begotten you.**

Why are the nations in an uproar?  
Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?  
Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt  
and the princes plot together,  
against the Lord and against his anointed? **R**

'Let us break their yoke', they say;  
'let us cast off their bonds from us.'  
He whose throne is in heaven is laughing;  
the Lord has them in derision. **R**

Then he speaks to them in his wrath  
and his rage fills them with terror.  
'I myself have set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.'  
Let me announce the decree of the Lord:  
he said to me, 'You are my Son;  
this day have I begotten you. **R**

Ask of me and I will give you the nations  
for your inheritance  
and the ends of the earth for your possession.  
You shall crush them with an iron rod  
and shatter them like a piece of pottery.' **R**

And now, you kings, be wise;  
be warned, you rulers of the earth.  
Submit to the Lord with fear,  
and with trembling bow before him;  
Lest he be angry and you perish;  
for his wrath is quickly kindled.  
Happy are they all  
who take refuge in him! **R**

**Second Reading** (2 Peter 1.16-21)

A reading from the second letter of St Peter.

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

This is the word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**  
The glory of the Lord shall be revealed;  
the mouth of the Lord has spoken.  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Gospel** (Matthew 17.1-9)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to  
Matthew

**Glory to you, O Lord**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead'.

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