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Intercessions

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

For the recently departed: Wendy Taylor.

Anniversaries of death:

Peter Odell, Stella Kenny, Jack Parkin.

11am Parish Mass Hymns:

Entrance	573	The King of love my shepherd is
Offertory	141	At the Lamb's high feast we sing
Communion	460	Faithful shepherd, feed me
Recessional	152	Now is eternal life
Mass setting:	681	A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)

Parish Notices

Welcome!

Today we welcome Mthr. Lyanne Beckerson, from St Paul's Winchmore Hill, as celebrant and preacher at the Parish Mass. Please note that there will be no weekday services until Friday this week.

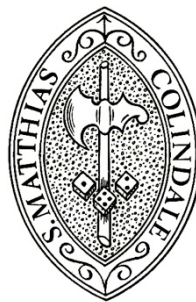
New Hymn Books

The replacement hymn books are being used for the first time today. The PCC has agreed to update to the recently published *Revised English Hymnal*. The previous hymn books were given in memory of Emmanuel Adenrele Abraham (1974-2012), and this memorialisation is acknowledged in the replacement books.

Electoral Roll and Annual Meeting

Our Annual meeting will be held on Sunday 17th May after the Parish Mass. This is a short but important meeting at which the Churchwardens and Parochial Church Council are elected, and reports received of the live of the Church and other matters of importance.

It is important that everyone who worships regularly here and is baptised and over the age 16 should be on the electoral roll, so that you can take your full part in the representation and governance of this Church, and so that St Matthias can have its full representation in the wider Church though participation in Deanery and other Synods. *Please complete an electoral roll application form if you are not currently on the roll.*



The Parish of Colindale Saint Matthias

The Fourth Sunday of Easter 26th April 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 26th April 11am Parish Mass 4th Sunday of Easter

MP: Psalm 106.6-24; Nehemiah 9.6-15; 1 Corinthians 10.1-13
EP: Psalm 29.1-10; Ezra 3.1-13; Ephesians 2.11-end

Mon 27th April No services

MP: Psalm 103 (or) 44; Exodus 32.1-14; Luke 2.41-end
EP: Pss 112, 113, 114 (or) 47,49; Deuter. 9.1-21; Ephesians 4.1-16

Tues 28th April No services

Commemoration: Saint Peter Chanel, Missionary, Martyr

MP: Psalm 139 (or) 48, 52; Exodus 32.15-34; Luke 3.1-14
EP: Pss 115, 116 (or) 50; Deuter. 9.23 - 10.5; Ephesians 4.17-end

Weds 29th April No services

Feast (in Europe): Saint Catherine of Siena, Teacher of the Faith

MP: Psalm 135 (or) 119.57-80; Exodus 33; Luke 3.15-22
EP: Psalms 47, 48 (or) 59, 60, (67); Deuteronomy 10.12-end; Ephesians 5.1-14

Thurs 30th April No services

MP: Psalm 118 (or) 56, 57, (63*); Exodus 34.1-10, 27-end; Luke 4.1-13
EP: Pss 81, 85 (or) 61, 62, 64; Deuter. 11.8-end; Ephesians 5.15-end

Fri 1st May 9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 08.30) Feast: Saints Philip & James, Apostles

MP: Psalms 139, 146; Proverbs 4.10-18; James 1.1-12
EP: Psalm 149; Job 23.1-12; John 1.43-end

Sat 2nd May 10am Mass (Morning Prayer at 09.30) Memorial: Saint Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, Teacher of the Faith

MP: Psalm 34 (or) 68; Exodus 40.17-end; Luke 4.31-37
EP: Pss 84, 86 (or) 65, 66; Deuteronomy 15.1-18; Ephesians 6.10-end

Sunday 3rd May 10.15am Eucharistic Adoration 5th Sunday of Easter 11am Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 30; Ezekiel 37.1-12; John 5.19-29
EP: Psalm 147.1-12; Zechariah 4.1-10; Revelation 21.1-14

First Reading (Acts 2.42-47)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Many were baptized and were added to the community. The believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 23

Response:

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters. **R**

He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **R**

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over. Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. **R**

Second Reading (1 Peter 2.19-25)

A reading from the First Letter of Peter

Brothers and sisters, it is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.'

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lamb at the centre of the throne
will be their shepherd;

and he will lead them to springs of the water of life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Gospel (John 10.1-10)

Hear the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to the Pharisees, 'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

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