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Intercessions

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

For the recently departed

Anniversaries of death: Martin Poole (priest, Vicar of this Parish 1994-2006), Donald West, John Bartrum.

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	140	Alleluya, alleluia!
Offertory	154	O praise our great and gracious Lord
Communion	176	The head that once was crowned
Recessional	600	O living Christ, our eyes behold (tune: 565 Palace Green)

Mass setting: 681 A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)

Parish Notices

Feast Days This Week

Ascension Day is on Thursday 14th May. There will be two Masses that day, at 9am and 7pm.

The Feast of Saint Matthias, Apostle, our Patron, will be celebrated next Sunday (transferred from Thursday).

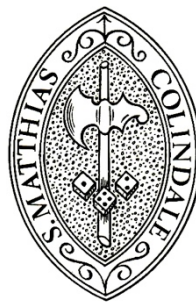
Electoral Roll and Annual Meeting

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 governance of this Church, and so that St Matthias can have its full representation though participation in Deanery and other Synods. *Please complete an electoral roll application form if you are not currently on the roll.*

Pizza and Theology - 27th May 7pm

The next Pizza and Theology evening will be on Wednesday 27th May, at 7pm in the Vicarage, looking at the accounts of the Resurrection in the four gospels. For catering purposes, please sign up on the sheet at the back, or email Fr Matthew, if you can come.



The Parish of Colindale

Saint Matthias

The Sixth Sunday of Easter 10th May 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 10th May 6th Sunday of Easter	10.15am Eucharistic Adoration 11am Parish Mass
MP: Psalm 73.21-28; Job 14.1-2, 7-15; 19.23-27a; 1 Thessalonians 4.13-end	
EP: Psalms 87, 36.5-10; Zechariah 8.1-13; Revelation 21.22 - 22.5	
Mon 11th May <i>Rogation Day</i>	<i>No services</i>
MP: Psalms 65, 67 (or) 80, 82; Numbers 16.1-35; Luke 6.27-38	
EP: Psalms 121, 122, 123 (or) 85, 86; Deuteronomy 26; 1 Peter 4.1-11	
Tues 12th May <i>Rogation Day; Commemoration: Saint Pancras, Martyr</i>	12.30pm Mass
MP: Pss 124 to 127 (or) 87, 89.1-18; Numbers 16.36-50; Luke 6.39-49	
EP: Pss 128 to 131 (or) 89.19-end; Deuter. 28.1-14; 1 Peter 4.12-19	
Weds 13th May <i>Rogation Day; Commemoration: Our Lady of Fátima</i>	10am Mass (Morning Prayer at 09.30)
MP: Psalms 132, 133 (or) 119.105-128; Numbers 17.1-11; Luke 7.1-10	
EP: Psalms 15, 24; 2 Samuel 23.1-5; Colossians 2.20 - 3.4 (First Evening Prayer of Ascension Day)	
Thurs 14th May <i>The Ascension of Our Lord</i>	9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 08.30) 7pm Mass
MP: Psalms 110, 150; Isaiah 52.7-end; Hebrews 7.[11-25] 26-end	
EP: Psalm 8; Song of the Three 29-37 or 2 Kings 2.1-15; Revelation 5	
Fri 15th May	9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 08.30)
MP: Psalms 20, 81 (or) 88, (95); Numbers 20.1-13; Luke 7.11-17	
EP: Psalm 145 (or) 102; Deuteronomy 29.2-15; 1 John 1.1-2.6	
Sat 16th May <i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	10am Mass (Morning Prayer at 09.30)
MP: Psalms 21, 47 (or) 96, 97, 100; Numbers 21.4-9; Luke 7.18-35	
EP: Psalms 84, 85 (or) 104; Deuteronomy 30; 1 John 2.7-17	
Sunday 17th May Saint Matthias	10.15am Eucharistic Adoration 11am Parish Mass
MP: Psalms 16, 147.1-12; 1 Samuel 2.27-35; Acts 2.37-end	
EP: Psalm 80; 1 Samuel 16.1-13a; Matthew 7.15-27	

First Reading (Acts 17.22-31)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said,

"For we too are his offspring."

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 66.7-18

Response:

**Bless our God, you peoples;
let the sound of his praise be heard.**

Bless our God, you peoples;
make the voice of his praise to be heard.
Who holds our souls in life,
and will not allow our feet to slip. **R**

For you, O God, have proved us;
you have tried us just as silver is tried.
You brought us into the snare;
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water;
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment. **R**

I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will pay you my vows,
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
with the smoke of rams;
I will give you oxen and goats. **R**

Come and listen, all you who fear God,
and I will tell you what he has done for me.

I called out to him with my mouth,
and his praise was on my tongue.
If I had found evil in my heart,
the Lord would not have heard me; **R**

But in truth God has heard me;
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
Blessèd be God, who has not rejected my prayer,
nor withheld his love from me. **R**

Second Reading (1 Peter 3.13-22)

A reading from the First Letter of St Peter

Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defence to anyone who demands from you an account of the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

A little while and you will no longer see me,
says the Lord;
and again a little while and you will see me.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Gospel (John 14.15-21)

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

Jesus said to his disciples, 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise be to you, O Christ