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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: Rose Hall, Lawrence Robinson.

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	222	The highest and the holiest place (Tune: Belmont, 123)
Offertory	174	See the conqueror mounts in triumph
Communion	175	The eternal gates lift up their heads
Recessional	287	Let the round world with songs rejoice
Mass setting:	681	A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)

Parish Notices

Services this Week

Fr Matthew will be away on retreat from Monday morning to Thursday midday. The Masses on Tuesday and Wednesday will be celebrated at the usual times by Fr Brian. The Mass on Thursday will be in the evening at 7pm. There will be no Morning Prayer on Wednesday or Thursday.

Annual Meeting

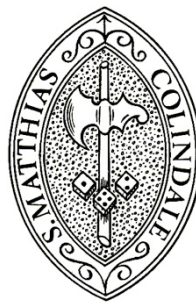
Our Annual meeting will be held today, Sunday 17th May after the Parish Mass. This is a short but important meeting at which the Churchwardens and Parochial Church Council are elected, and reports received of the live of the Church and other matters of importance.

Please stay for this meeting, which will last about 20 minutes.

The newly elected Parochial Church Council will meet for a few more minutes afterwards to deal with some short items of business.

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

Saint Matthias the Apostle 17th 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 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

Mon 18th May

No services

MP: Pss 93, 96, 97 (or) 98, 99, 101; Numbers 22.1-35; Luke 7.36-end
EP: Psalm 18 (or) 105* (or) 103; Deuteronomy 31.1-13; 1 John 2.18-28

Tues 19th May

12.30pm Mass

Memorial: Saint Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury

MP: Psalms 98, 99, 100 (or) 106* (or) 103; Numbers 22.36 – 23.12;
Luke 8.1-15
EP: Psalm 68 (or) 107*; Deuteronomy 31.14-29; 1 John 3.1-10

Weds 20th May

10am Mass

Memorial: Blessed Alcuin of York, Abbot of Tours

MP: Psalms 2, 29 (or) 110, 111, 112; Numbers 23.13-end; Luke 8.16-25
EP: Psalms 36, 46 (or) 119.129-152; Deuteronomy 31.30 – 32.14;
1 John 3.11-end

Thurs 21st May

7pm Mass (N.b. evening Mass this week)

Commemoration: Saint Helena, Empress, Protector of the Holy Places

MP: Psalms 24, 72 (or) 113, 115; Numbers 24; Luke 8.26-39
EP: Psalm 139 (or) 114, 116, 117; Deuteronomy 32.15-47; 1 John 4.1-6

Fri 22nd May

9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 08.30)

MP: Psalms 28, 30 (or) 139; Numbers 27.12-end; Luke 8.40-end
EP: Psalm 147 (or) 130, 131, 137; Deuteronomy 33; 1 John 4.7-end

Sat 23rd May

10am Mass (Morning Prayer at 09.30)

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MP: Psalms 42, 43 (or) 120, 121, 122; Numbers 32.1-27; Luke 9.1-17
EP: Psalm 48; Deuteronomy 16.9-15; John 15.26 – 16.15
(First Evening Prayer of Pentecost)

Sunday 24th May Pentecost

10.15am Eucharistic Adoration 11am Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 87; Genesis 11.1-9; Acts 10.34-end
EP: Psalms 67, 133; Joel 2.21-end; Acts 2.14-21 [22-38]

First Reading (Acts 1.15–26)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In those days Peter stood up among the believers; (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus – for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.'

(Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness; and falling headlong, he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. This became known to all the residents of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their language Hakeldama, that is, Field of Blood.)

'For it is written in the book of Psalms, "Let his homestead become desolate, and let there be no one to live in it"; and "Let another take his position of overseer." So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us – one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.'

So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said,

'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.'

And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 15

Response:

**Behold, whoever does these things
shall never be overthrown.**

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?
who may abide upon your holy hill?
Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, who
speaks the truth from his heart. **R**

There is no guile upon his tongue;
he does no evil to his friend;
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbour.
In his sight the wicked are rejected,
but he honours those who fear the Lord. **R**

He has sworn to do no wrong
and does not take back his word.
He does not give his money in hope of gain,
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
Whoever does these things shall never be overthrown. **R**

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 4.1–7)

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

My brothers and sisters:

Think of us in this way, as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by any human court. I do not even judge myself. I am not aware of anything against myself, but I am not thereby acquitted. It is the Lord who judges me.

Therefore do not pronounce judgement before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive commendation from God.

I have applied all this to Apollos and myself for your benefit, brothers and sisters, so that you may learn through us the meaning of the saying, 'Nothing beyond what is written,' so that none of you will be puffed up in favour of one against another.

For who sees anything different in you? What do you have that you did not receive? And if you received it, why do you boast as if it were not a gift?

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

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 15.9–17)

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

Jesus said to his disciples:

'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

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