

Parish Contacts

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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:

Daniel Lawson, Loleta McKenzie, Ernest Nickells,

George Hedgley, Carol Ann Davis,

Edward Sewell Butler (priest of this parish 1938-40).

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	589	When morning gilds the skies
Offertory	613	God is working his purpose out
Communion	384	Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts (2 nd tune)
Recessional	400	Strengthen for service, Lord
Mass setting:	681	A New People's Mass (Gregory Murray)

Parish Notices

Masses this week

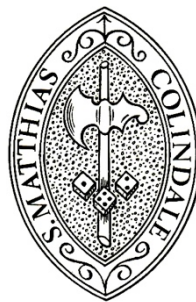
Today we welcome Fr Michael Fuller to celebrate and preach at the Parish Mass. Weekday Masses resume their normal schedule from Wednesday this week.

Parochial Church Council and Common Fund

The PCC will meet on Sunday 26th July immediately after the Parish Mass. At this meeting we will need to consider our Common Fund offer to the Diocese for 2027, as well as our other financial commitments towards essential maintenance and repairs for next year. Currently we give the Diocese less than half of what we cost, and are not able to save any significant sums for future capital projects. To help us improve both, it is important that every member of the congregation who is able to do so commits to regular financial giving. Thank you to everyone who has already made such a commitment! If you haven't yet done so, and can, please return a pledge form to the Treasurer before the PCC meeting.

Induction of the Vicar

The Institution and Induction of Fr Matthew as the Vicar will take place during a sung Mass on Thursday 30th July at 7pm. The principal celebrant and preacher will be the Archdeacon of Hampstead, as Commissary of the Bishop. The service will be followed by a party (in the Vicarage garden, if fine).



The Parish of Colindale

Saint Matthias

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity 12th July 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 12th July 11am Parish Mass 6th Sunday after Trinity

MP: Psalms 64, 65; Deuteronomy 28.1-14; Acts 28.17-end
EP: Psalms 60 [63]; 2 Samuel 7.18-end; Luke 19.41 – 20.8

Mon 13th July No Services

MP: Psalms 123, 124, 125, 126; 1 Samuel 5; Luke 20.41 – 21.4
EP: Psalms 127, 128, 129; Esther 4; 2 Corinthians 6.1 – 7.1

Tues 14th July No Services

Memorial: John Keble, Priest, Tractarian, Poet

MP: Psalms 132, 133; 1 Samuel 6.1-16; Luke 21.5-19
EP: Psalms (134), 135; Esther 5; 2 Corinthians 7.2-end

Weds 15th July 10am Mass

Memorial: Saint Swithun, Bishop of Winchester

MP: Psalm 119.153-end; 1 Samuel 7; Luke 21.20-28
EP: Psalm 136; Esther 6.1-13; 2 Corinthians 8.1-15

Thurs 16th July 9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 08.30)

Memorial: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

MP: Psalms 143, 146; 1 Samuel 8; Luke 21.29-end
EP: Pss 138, 140, 141; Esther 6.14 – end of 7; 2 Corinthians 8.16 – 9.5

Fri 17th July 9am Mass (Morning Prayer at 08.30)

MP: Psalms 142, 144; 1 Samuel 9.1-14; Luke 22.1-13
EP: Psalm 145; Esther 8; 2 Corinthians 9.6-end

Sat 18th July 10am Mass (Morning Prayer at 09.30)

Saturday Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MP: Psalm 147; 1 Samuel 9.15 – 10.1; Luke 22.14-28
EP: Psalms 148, 149, 150; Esther 9.20-28; 2 Corinthians 10

Sunday 19th July 11am Parish Mass

7th Sunday after Trinity

MP: Psalm 71; Deuteronomy 30.1-10; 1 Peter 3.8-18
EP: Psalms 67 [70]; 1 Kings 2.10-12; 3.16-end; Acts 4.1-22

First Reading (Isaiah 55.10-13)

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord:

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalms 65.1-3, 7-13

Response:

**To you, O God, shall all flesh come,
and you will blot out their sins.**

You are to be praised, O God, in Zion;
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come,
because of their transgressions.
Our sins are stronger than we are,
but you will blot them out. **R**

You still the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves,
and the clamour of the peoples.
Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
will tremble at your marvellous signs;
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy. **R**

You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
you make it very plenteous;
the river of God is full of water.
You prepare the grain,
for so you provide for the earth. **R**

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.
You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.
May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,
and the hills be clothed with joy. **R**

Second Reading (Romans 8.1-11)

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according

to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ the sower;
whoever finds this seed will remain for ever.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!'

'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ