



St Matthew's Church

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The Third Sunday of Easter Sunday 30 April 2017

Welcome to St Matthew's, which is part of the Wimbledon Team Ministry in the Diocese of Southwark Church of England. Our services today are: 8am Said Mass and 9.30am Sung Mass.

At the 9.30 service, children are welcome to use the crèche, or join: Pebbles (3-5 yrs) in the hall; or Godly Play (5-11 yrs) in the Lady Chapel.

Opening Voluntary

*Suite Gothique - Introduction-Chorale,
Menuet Gothique and Prière à Notre-Dame
Léon Boëllmann (1862 - 1897)*

Processional Hymn

NEH 121 *This joyful Eastertide*

The Collect

Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Reading
Acts 2.14a, 36-41

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 116, 1-8

**R. I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.**

I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my prayer;
because he has inclined his ear to me,
in the day that I called upon him. **R.**

The snares of death encompassed me;
the pains of hell took hold of me; I came to grief and sorrow.
Then I called upon the name of the Lord;
'O Lord I beseech you deliver my soul.' **R.**

Gracious is the Lord and righteous, our God is full of compassion.
The Lord preserves the simple;
I was in misery and he helped me. **R.**

Turn again to your rest O my soul, for the Lord has rewarded you.
For you have delivered my soul from death,
my eyes from tears and my feet from falling. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Peter 1.17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Gospel Acclamation

Lord Jesus explain the scriptures to us:
make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.

The Gospel

Luke 24.13-35

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he

vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Offertory Hymn

1 And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

2 'Tis mystery all: the Immortal dies!
Who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
To sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
Let angel minds inquire no more.

3 He left his Father's throne above-
So free, so infinite his grace
Emptied himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me!

4 Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light,
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed thee!

5 No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
Alive in him, my living head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Communion Antiphon

The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus: in the breaking of bread.
Alleluia.

Communion Motet

*Come ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness
R S Thatcher (1888 - 1957)*

*Words: St John of Damascus (c. 750), Tr J M Neale (1816-66),
NEH 106 vv 1 (1st four lines), 2 (1st four lines), 3 and 4.*

Communion Hymn

NEH 457 *The King of love my Shepherd is*

Post Communion Prayer

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.

Final Hymn

NEH 112 *Jesus lives!*

Closing Voluntary

Suite Gothique – Toccata

Léon Boëllmann

News and Notices

Kingston Episcopal Area Lay Conference, 2017

I am delighted to invite all members of congregations in Kingston Episcopal Area to our 2017 Lay Conference on 17 June 2017, starting at 9.15pm for 9.30pm and ending at 2pm. The event is at St Cecilia's School, Sutherland Grove, London SW18 5JR and there will be something for everyone who is interested in deepening their own Christian life and supporting the work of their church. The full programme will be available after Easter on the online booking website (see below) and tickets include a hot buffet lunch. The price is £15 each or £10 each for members of groups of five or more.

If you have any queries do contact the Archdeacons' PA, Romana Nelson, on 020 8545 2443 or romana.nelson@southwark.anglican.org
I hope very much to see you there.

+Richard

The Rt Revd Dr Richard Cheetham, Bishop of Kingston
www.hearts-on-fire-2017.eventbrite.co.uk

CAN YOU READ? Would you like to read the lesson in church? What could be nicer than an opportunity to read the Bible to God's people?

CAN YOU SMILE? Would you like to become a Welcomer at the 9.30am service? What could be more fun than an opportunity to welcome the faithful to worship?

CAN YOU WALK? Would you like to become a Server at the 8am service? What could be more uplifting than an opportunity to assist the priest at the altar?

For all these exciting activities the age range is c.7-100yrs old. Please speak to Mthr Helen.

MAY FAIR STUFF... We need BOTTLES, TEDDIES, BOTTLES, TOYS, BOTTLES, GIFTS, BOTTLES, CAKES and BOTTLES. And your presence and money on the day (don't bring any of those £5 notes that become defunct on 5 May, though). Muchas gracias!

POSTERS/LEAFLETS Please take some May Fair literature and display it liberally around your home, school, place of work, car, GP surgery, supermarket, local cafe, wine bar etc.

THANKS to all the HAWES boards May Fair advertisers! Much appreciated.

Team Ministry

Weekly Services in the Team

Monday	Daily Prayer	St Mary's 12 noon	
Tuesday	Morning Prayer	St Matthew's 8.30am	St Mary's 8.45am
Wednesday	Morning Prayer	St Matthew's 8.30am	St Mary's 8.45am
	Toddler Praise	St Mary's 9.15am	
	Eucharist	St Matthew's 10am	St Mark's 1.00pm
Thursday	Morning Prayer	St Matthew's 8.30am	St Mary's 8.45am
	Eucharist	St Mary's 10.30am	
	Team Prayer	St Mark's 12.30pm	
Friday	Morning Prayer	St Matthew's 8.30am	

Parish News

TEAM PRAYER ON THURSDAYS: members of all churches are very welcome to join team prayers at 12.30 every Thursday. **Team Prayer this week is at St Mark's Church.**

WOC meets today at 2.30-3.30pm in St Mary's church – the choir for anyone aged at least about 70 who enjoys singing!

THE GOVERNING BODY OF BISHOP GILPIN

PRIMARY SCHOOL is looking for two new **Governors** to play an active role in the governance of this successful local school. Candidates should have time to attend early morning or evening meetings approximately 4 times per term. It would be helpful if one of the governors had experience of the building industry. It's not necessary to have children at the school or indeed any children at all! **Please contact Bruce Underwood, Chair of Governors at chairofgovernors@bishopgilpin.org**

CINQUE COTTAGES, CROOKED BILLET: The post of **Clerk** to this small alms-houses charity will shortly fall **vacant**. The job would suit someone with business skills, a concern for others and some time to give. Home-based, flexible duties; local

interest; supportive trustees; contented residents; negotiable remuneration. **Further details and application form from colin@holloway.myzen.co.uk**

WIMBLEDON GUILD VILLAGE FAIR: Can you spare a few hours for charity and be part of this fun **on Saturday 17th June?** **Please sign up asap on 020 8946 0735 or volunteer@wgvf.co.uk if you are able to.** Thank you!

GREEN WALK ON MONDAY 1ST MAY. Everyone welcome. Meet Wimbledon Station for 11.22am train. Thames Path from Hampton Court to Kingston (3.5 miles). **More info on flyer or helen.jones2@btinternet.com**

THE CHURCH & CLIMATE CHANGE: Wednesday 10th May, 7.30pm at Trinity URC, Mansel Road, SW19 4AA. James Buchanan from Operation Noah will discuss “Divestment from fossil fuels and investment in a brighter future”. **Enquiries to christinedenwood247@btinternet.com**

“JUDAISM, ISRAEL & HATE SPEECH in our Universities”. The Council of Christians & Jews is holding a talk on **Wednesday 24th May, 7-9pm** at **Southlands College Chapel, Roehampton University, SW15 5SB.** All very welcome to hear 3 speakers explore an issue of great importance within British universities. **Admission is free but RSVP to Anita Wilson at anita.wilson@talktalk.net for catering.**

Please email news items by **Wednesday** each week to
parish.office@stmaryswimbledon.org

The Parish Office, Fellowship House, 30 St Mary's Road, SW19 7BP. Tel: 0208 946 2605

Services and Events during the Week

Monday

Tuesday

8.30am Morning Prayer

9.30-11am All Join in Toddler Group (Hall)

Wednesday

8.30am Morning Prayer

10.00am Said Mass, followed by coffee club

Thursday

8.30am Morning Prayer

Friday

8.30am Morning Prayer

Saturday

Next Sunday

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings: Acts 2.42-end, 1 Peter 2.19-end and John 10.1-10