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15TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

12th September 2021

ST GEORGE'S HYMNS

Introit	565
Gradual	44
Offertory	752
Communion	926, 923
Recessional	19



COLLECT

Lord God,
defend your Church from all false
teaching
and give to your people knowledge of
your truth,
that we may enjoy eternal life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your
perpetual mercy; and, because without
you our human frailty cannot but fall,
keep us ever by your help from all things
hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable
to our salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

FOR OUR PRAYERS: Margaret, Adam & family, Simon

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED: Laurie Wood

PRAYER VIGIL FOR COP26

On **23 October** from 14:00 at Southwark Cathedral everyone is invited for a time of prayer at the Cathedral for the success of COP26, the international conference for climate change in Glasgow. More info here: <https://stjohnswaterloo.org/page/1791/vigil-cop>. There will be a vigil at St George's on **31 October** from 17:00.



SYDENHAM FUN PALACE

Come along to learn a new skill, share your talents and see what Sydenham's community have to offer in these two fun-packed days, **2 & 3 October**. If you can share a skill or would like to get involved contact: sara.wickert@lewisham.gov.uk



ST GEORGE'S SCHOOL HEAD VISIT

The new headteacher at St George's school will be visiting church on Sunday 19 September. It will be a great opportunity to meet Darren and continue the strong links we have with the school.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 13 September

St Michael's: 09:30-11:20 - Toddler Group

St George's: 18:45 - Meditation group

Tuesday 14 September

St George's: 09:30-10:00 - Morning prayer

St George's church: 10:30 - Eucharist

Studio: 19:30-20:30 - Yoga class

St George's Hall: 18:00 - 19:30 - Brownies

St George's Hall: 19:45 - St George's Player

Wednesday 15 September

St Michael's: 09:30-11:20 - Toddler Group

St George's Hall: 18:00 - Cubs, 20:00 - Scouts

Studio: 19:30-20:30 - Yoga class

St George's Church: 19:00-21:00 New Life

Thursday 16 September

Chapel 18:30 - Eucharist service

St George's Hall: 19:45 - St George's Player

Friday 17 September

St George's Church: 19:00-21:00 New Life

Saturday 18 September

St George's: 09:30 - Morning Prayer on Zoom and in church

Sunday 19 September

St Michael's: 10:00 - Holy Communion service in church & on Zoom

St George's: 10:00—Parish Eucharist

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 26 September

St Michael's: 10:00 - **Patronal festival**

Thursday 30 September

St George's: 19:30 - **Faith Cafe**

Friday 31 September

St George's: 17:00 - **COP26 vigil**

ST MICHAEL'S PATRONAL FESTIVAL

To celebrate St Michael's Day, we will be having a joint service at St Michael's church for the whole parish. There will not be any service at St George's on that Sunday.



MICHAEL BRAY 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

Today at St George's we are giving thanks for Mike's 50 years of ordained ministry, please stay and celebrate with us after the service



OCTOBER FAITH CAFÉ ST GEORGE'S

Our faith café opens on **Thursday 30 September** at 19:30 with a showing of Fried Green Tomatoes... We will then meet on **7, 14 & 21 October** at 19:30 to draw out the theological threads from this warm, funny, wise film. We will be in church.



HARVEST AT ST GEORGE'S

...will be on **Sunday 17 October**. Please bring non-perishable food items to share with the food banks at St George's school and Mallam Road.

CONTACTLESS GIVING

We now have contactless giving available at our parish churches, either through a payment terminal where you can use your credit/debit cards or a printed QR code which you can scan with your mobile device which will take you directly to a webpage through which you can make donations. If you need any help, please ask our treasurers and wardens!



WALSINGHAM 5—7 NOVEMBER 2021

Walsingham is now open for business with all the necessary safeguards and our Pilgrimage will take place, led by Richard. Understandably the November discount we have enjoyed in the past is not available this year, so the cost per person for the weekend and travel by coach will be £195. We need to tell Walsingham our likely numbers as soon as possible, so if you wish to join us this year please let Pat Russell know. If you haven't managed a holiday this year and are longing to get away, do consider our Pilgrimage to this quiet spot in the Norfolk countryside with its peace and prayerfulness. There may be some help available if you wish to come and can't manage the full price.

NT: James 3: 1 - 12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters,^[a] for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness.² For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle.³ If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies.⁴ Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs.⁵ So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶ And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature,^[b] and is itself set on fire by hell.^[c] ⁷ For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species,⁸ but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹ With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰ From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters,^[d] this ought not to be so. ¹¹ Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹² Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters,^[e] yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.



GOSPEL: Mark 8: 24 - end

²⁴ And the man looked up and said, 'I can see people, but they look like trees, walking.' ²⁵ Then Jesus laid his hands on his

eyes again; and he looked intently and his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly. ²⁶ Then he sent him away to his home, saying, 'Do not even go into the village.'

²⁷ Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' ²⁸ And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' ²⁹ He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' ³⁰ And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. ³¹ Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³² He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³ But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶ For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷ Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸ Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'