

Sunday 23 February 2025

SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Welcome! If you here for the first time please introduce yourself to a member of the clergy or welcome team, and email us at welcome@spwh.org

Today's services

8am Said Eucharist		9.15am Joyful Noise	
Celebrant	Fr Daniel Sandham	Celebrant	Fr Daniel Sandham
Preacher	Alison Perera	Preacher	Fr Daniel Sandham
		<i>Texts for this service are on the screen</i>	
10.30am Sung Eucharist			
Celebrant	Fr Daniel Sandham		
Preacher	Alison Perera		
Entrance hymn	754 O worship the King, all glorious above (omit*)		
Offertory hymn	623 Eternal Father, strong to save		
Anthem	Let thy hand be strengthened—John Blow		
Communion hymn	647 God moves in a mysterious way 592 As the deer pants for the water		
Recessional hymn	546 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder		
Piano postlude	3rd movement, Tempo di Menuet from Sonata in F, Hob. 29-Haydn		

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Today's readings

Joyful Noise

Luke 5.17-26 There was a man who was paralyzed. Some men were carrying him on a mat. They tried to bring him in and put him down before Jesus. But because there were so many people there, they could not find a way to Jesus. So the men went up on the roof and made a hole in the ceiling. They lowered the mat so that the paralyzed man was lying right before Jesus. Jesus saw that these men believed. So he said to the sick man, "Friend, your sins are forgiven."

Then the man stood up before the people there. He picked up his mat and went home, praising God. All the people were fully amazed and began to praise God. They were filled with much respect and said, "Today we have seen amazing things!"

Said and Sung Eucharists

Genesis 2.4b-9, 15-end In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, 'This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.'

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

Psalm 65



Be joyful in God, all the earth.

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Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; to you that answer prayer shall vows be paid.
To you shall all flesh come to confess their sins;

when our misdeeds prevail against us, you will purge them away.

Be joyful in God, all the earth.

Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there.

We shall be satisfied with the blessings of your house, even of your holy temple.

With wonders you will answer us in your righteousness,

O God of our salvation, O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

Be joyful in God, all the earth.

In your strength you set fast the mountains and are girded about with might.

You still the raging of the seas, the roaring of their waves and the clamour of the peoples.

Those who dwell at the ends of the earth tremble at your marvels;

the gates of the morning and evening sing your praise.

Be joyful in God, all the earth.

Luke 8.22-25 One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

Notices

FR PETE is covering at St Andrew's, Enfield this morning

CHARITY CURRY NIGHT Friday 28 February at 7.30pm. Last chance to buy tickets! Two course meal with vegetarian option. Bring your own drinks. There is an order form at the back of church or you can buy tickets after our main Sunday services. Ticket prices: Adults £15, Children (under 12) £10, Family (2 adults and 2 children) £40. All proceeds will go to our annual charity, The Children's Society.

LENT The holy season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 5 March. Please make sure you attend the Eucharist this day, either at 12.30pm or 8pm. If you work in the city there will very likely be a church near you offering a lunchtime Eucharist. Our Lent programme is available on our website, and there are brochures in church. Sign up for our Devotional Tour of the National Gallery on 11 March by emailing the Parish Office.

PALM CROSSES Please return last year's palm crosses by Sunday 2 March, so they can be burned into ash for Ash Wednesday. We are ashing the whole school again this year, so we need lots of crosses.

PLANNED GIVING Are you part of our planned giving scheme? Part of our Christian discipleship is to give regularly, if we are able, to the Church's mission and ministry. It's really easy to set up using Parish Giving (www.parishgiving.org.uk) or just scan the QR code on the front of this notice sheet. Thank you to all those who support St Paul's in this way.

CONFIRMATION 2025 The Bishop of Edmonton will be with us on Sunday 15 June to baptise, confirm and receive candidates into the communion of the Church of England. Adults: Classes run on Thursdays during term-time at 8pm, starting on Thursday 6 March. Children in Year 5 and above: Classes are also on Thursdays, at 6.30pm, starting on Thursday 27 March. There are more details

on our website (www.spwh.org/confirmation). Please email the Parish Office to register your interest.

CHURCH OPEN Did you know that St Paul's Church is open every day of the week for people to pray, be quiet, or have a look around? Everyone is always welcome to find sanctuary here. There's also Morning Prayer at 9.10am on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

HAVE YOUR SAY The process to nominate the next Archbishop of Canterbury is underway, and there is a consultation which invites you to share your thoughts on what qualities, values, and vision the future Archbishop should embody. The consultation closes on 28 March. For more details head to the Church of England website (www.churchofengland.org).

MORE WAYS TO HELP AND SERVE We are looking to set up a group of people able to help on an ad-hoc basis, that the Parish Office can call upon when needed. This will include things such as serving drinks at events or collating leaflets and orders of service. If you are willing to join this group please contact Emily (office@spwh.org).

This week's diary

Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer are usually said publicly in church Monday-Thursday at 9.10am and 5pm. Everyone is welcome. The church is normally open every day for prayer, reflection and visitors.

Day		Observance	Time	Service/event	Prayer intention
Sunday	23	SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT	8am 9.15am 10.30am	Said Eucharist Joyful Noise Sung Eucharist with children's groups	<i>Our parish and its people</i>
Monday	24				<i>The Diocese of London</i>
Tuesday	25				<i>All those who contribute to our Sunday services</i>
Wednesday	26		12.30pm 1.30pm	Eucharist Toddler Group	<i>St Michael's Negage</i>
Thursday	27		11am	Churchwardens' Meeting	<i>The Media</i>
Friday	28		7.30pm 7.30pm	Choir practice Curry Night	<i>The unemployed</i>
Saturday	1				<i>The sick</i>
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