

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT 1st March 2026

8am SAID EUCHARIST

10am SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Setting: Missa Brevis *Palestrina*

Hymns: NEH 234, Sheet 634, 343

All: **Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
for we have sinned against thee.**

Choir: O thou chief Corner-stone, Right Hand of the Father:
Way of Salvation, Gate of Life Celestial:
cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.

Repeat refrain

Collect of the Day

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading Genesis 12:1-4a *Read by Pamela Hall*

In those days: The LORD said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonours you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the LORD had told him.

Responsorial Psalm 33: 1-12



Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, for it is good for the just to sing praises. Praise the Lord with the lyre; on the ten-stringed harp sing his praise. **R**

Sing for him a new song; play skilfully, with shouts of praise. For the word of the Lord is true and all his works are sure. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the loving-kindness of the Lord. **R**

By the word of the Lord were the heavens made and all their host by the breath of his mouth. He gathers up the waters of the sea as in a waterskin and lays up the deep in his treasury. **R**

Let all the earth fear the Lord; stand in awe of him, all who dwell in the world. For he spoke, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast. **R**

The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to naught; he frustrates the designs of the peoples. But the counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever and the designs of his heart from generation to generation. Happy the nation whose God is the Lord and the people he has chosen for his own. **R**

Second Reading 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 *Read by Diane Edwards*

Beloved: We share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling not because of our works, but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth, To those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Holy Gospel Matthew 17:1-9

At that time: Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter

said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.' When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Rise, and have no fear.' And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one, but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, 'Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.'

Schönster Herr Jesu
Silesian melody arr Martin How 1931-2022



Fairest Lord Jesus,
Lord of all creation,
Jesus, of God and Mary the Son;
Thee will I cherish,
Thee will I honour,
O thou my soul's delight and
crown.

2. Fair are the meadows,
Fairer still the woodlands,
Robed in the verdure and
bloom of spring. Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
He makes the saddest heart to
sing.

3. Fair are the flowers, Fairer still
the sons of men, In all the
freshness of youth arrayed:
Yet is their beauty
Fading and fleeting;
My Jesus, thine will never fade.

4. Fair is the moonlight,
Fairer still the sunshine,
Fair is the shimmering, starry
sky: Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines clearer Than all
the heavenly host on high.

5. All rarest beauty
Heavenly and earthly
Wondrously, Jesus is found
in thee; None can be nearer,
Fairer or dearer, Than thou, my
Saviour art to me.

6. When I lie dying,
Still on thee relying, Suffer me not
from thine arms to fall: At my last
hour Be thou my power, For thou,
Lord Jesus, art my all.

J A Seiss 1823-1904
Tran L S Stevenson 1870-1960

Please take this sheet away with you to use during the week

Communion Motet O nata lux *Tallis*

Post Communion Prayer

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

CALL AND CELEBRATION OF THE DECISION TO BE CONFIRMED

The celebrant introduces the Call in these words

Today it is our joy and privilege to present *N* and *N*, disciples with us on the Way of Christ. *They are* preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in Eastertide. *They are* among us as a sign of the journey of faith to which we are all called.

We pray for *them* today, and those preparing them, that they may continue their lifelong journey of faith and discipleship.

The Celebrant addresses the candidates

We thank God for his presence in your *lives* and for the grace that has brought you here today. What is it that you seek?

The candidates for Confirmation say

To follow the Way of Christ and come to confirmation.

The Celebrant prays over the candidates saying

May you follow the Way of Christ in all that you think and speak and do, and, growing in holiness, prepare carefully for your confirmation.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of these your servants and kindle in them the fire of your love.

All **Amen.**

Organ Voluntary Prelude and Fugue in E minor (BWV 533) *J.S Bach*

Refreshments are served in the church after this service. You are very welcome to stay for a cup of tea/coffee and enjoy a chat. The clergy are also available for pastoral conversations.

5.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG

Hymns: NEH 62, 358

Psalmody: Psalm 7 (Book of Common Prayer p. 351)

Readings: Numbers 21.4-9; Luke 14.27-33

The Second Service *Byrd*

Anthem: Lord, let me know mine end *Greene*

Organ Voluntary: Fantasia in G Minor (BWV 542) *J.S. Bach*

THROUGH THE WEEK (Monday – Friday)

8.30am MORNING PRAYER

11am WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

Monday *Chad, Bishop*

Tuesday *Tuesday of the Second Week in Lent*

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Eucharist at St George's Church, Waddon, CRO 4EZ at 10.30am

Friday *Friday of the Second Week in Lent*

5.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG (Tuesdays & Wednesdays)

For music details please see the Music List on the Minster website

LENT DEVOTIONS

Thursdays 11am Rosary, 7pm Stations of the Cross

PRAYER INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

From the parish daily cycle of prayer:

Sunday Cllr Richard Chatterjee (Civic Mayor of Croydon), Jason Perry (Executive Mayor of Croydon) & Colonel Ray Wilkinson (HM Deputy Lieutenant for Croydon)

Monday Croydon Borough Council: and the Fairfield & Waddon Ward councillors

Tuesday The Minster Infant & Junior Schools: Ali Silke (Executive Head), the governors, staff pupils & parents

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Wednesday	The schools of the John Whitgift Foundation - Whitgift School: Toby Seth, (headteacher); Trinity School: Alistair Kennedy, (headteacher)
Thursday	Aerodrome School; Zoe Foulsham, (headteacher); Harris Purley Way Academy; Affinity School
Friday	The children and young people of our church
Saturday	Revd Ruth Chapman (Area Dean) and the churches of Croydon Central Deanery

Those who are unwell: Isabella H; Gloria U, Daniel G; Desislava I; Marie Luis V; Margaret S, Jessica,

Ongoing Prayers for: Linda T; Malcolm; Zelma B; Michael B; Gordon H; Alan Kent; Linda M; Shantha N; Ranil P; Cedomir R; Margaret S; Jean W, Tony M; Jenny M, George C, Jan B; Emily Louise B; Jessica,

The Recently Departed: Ellis, Elaine Simpkin, Hazel Hill

Year's Mind (anniversary of death): Elsie May Sands; Joyce Daniel (4th); Harry Riley; Edna May Kenning (7th),

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT 8th March

8am Eucharist

10am Sung Eucharist

Eucharist Readings: Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

5.30pm Choral Evensong with Sermon

Readings: John 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

LENT AT CROYDON MINSTER

A Season of Prayer and Reflection

Join us as we journey through Lent with these special weekly devotions. All are welcome to find a moment of peace and contemplation in our beautiful Minster.

THE HOLY ROSARY

Every Thursday in Lent 11am

Gather with us in the St Nicholas Chapel for this traditional contemplative prayer, focusing on the life of Christ.

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Thursday in March (5th, 12th & 19th) 7pm

A prayerful pilgrimage through the final steps of Jesus. A moving service of scripture, art, and reflection as we prepare for Holy Week.



Offerings to the church can be made by card at our card reader or by cash in the donation box, both of which are located in the area under the tower by the main entrance of the church. Or by scanning the QR.