

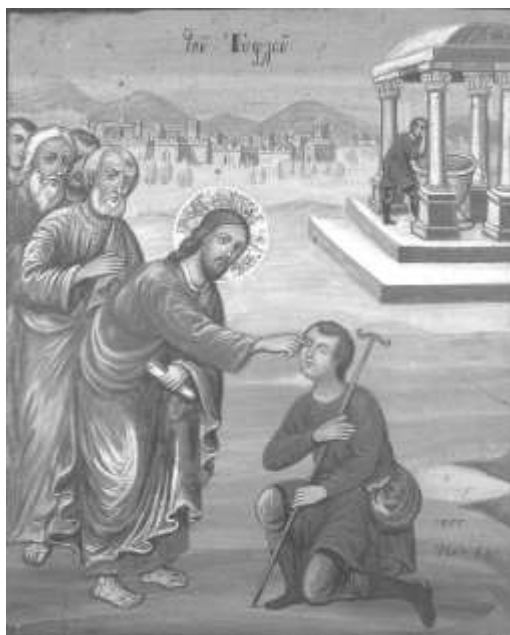


**St Cuthbert's Church  
Earl's Court, SW5**

**Sunday 22nd March 2020**

# **Fourth Sunday of Lent: Mothering Sunday**

**11am Sung Mass Sheet for Private Use**



**Welcome to St Cuthbert's**

*Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Paul Bagott  
Musical Setting of the Mass: Messe Basse  
by Gabriel Faure (1845-1924)  
Creed by Merbecke*

*The First Hymn*

Sing we of the blessed Mother  
Who received the angels word,  
And obedient to his summons  
Bore in love the infant Lord;  
Sing we of the Joys of Mary  
At whose breast that child was fed  
Who is Son of God eternal  
And the everlasting Bread.

Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows,  
Of the sword that pierced her  
through,  
When beneath the cross of Jesus  
She his weight of suffering knew,  
Looked upon her Son and Saviour  
Reigning on Calvary's tree,  
Saw the price of man's redemption  
Paid to set the sinner free.

Sing again the joys of Mary  
When she saw the risen Lord,  
And in prayer with Christ's  
apostles,  
Waited on his promised word:  
From on high the blazing glory  
Of the Spirit's presence came,  
Heavenly breath of God's own  
being,  
Tokened in the wind and flame.

4 Sing the chiefest joy of Mary  
When on earth her work was done,  
And the Lord of all creation  
Brought her to his heavenly home:  
Virgin Mother, Mary blessed,  
Raised on high and crowned with  
grace,

May your Son, the world's  
redeemer,  
Grant us all to see his face.

*New English Hymnal 185*  
*Words: G. B. Timms (b. 1910)*

*The choir sings the Introit*  
*Laetare, Jerusalem*

✠In the name of the Father, and of  
the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**All      Amen**

*The celebrant greets us in the name of*  
*Christ*

The Lord be with you.

**All      and with thy spirit.**

*The celebrant introduces the Eucharist*  
*and invites us to confess our sins as we*  
*prepare for the celebration.*

**All      Almighty God, our**  
**heavenly Father, we have**  
**sinned against thee**  
**through our own fault**  
**in thought and word and**  
**deed, and in what we have**  
**left undone.**  
**We are heartily sorry**  
**and repent of all our sins.**  
**For thy Son our Lord Jesus**  
**Christ's sake,**  
**forgive us all that is past**  
**and grant that we may**  
**serve thee in newness of**  
**life, to the glory of thy**  
**name. Amen.**

*The celebrant declares God's*  
*forgiveness in the words of the*  
*absolution*

*Kyrie Eleison (sung in Greek by the choir)*

*Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy.*

### **The Collect**

Merciful Lord, absolve your people from their offences, that through your bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins which by our frailty we have committed; grant this, heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever.

*All*      **Amen.**

### **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

#### **Sit for the first reading**

A reading from the first book of Samuel (Ch. 16: 1, 6-7, 10-13)

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul, seeing I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is before him." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord sees not as man sees; man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on

the heart. And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen these." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and fetch him; for we will not sit down till he comes here." And he sent, and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. And the Lord said, "Arise, anoint him; for this is he." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brothers; and the Spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah.

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Psalm 23 follows the first reading and is sung by the choir*

*The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.*

*He shall feed me in a green pasture:  
and lead me forth beside the waters of  
comfort.*

*He shall convert my soul: and bring me  
forth in the paths of righteousness, for  
his Name's sake.*

*Yea, though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death, I will fear no  
evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and  
thy staff comfort me.*

*Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.*

*But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*

### **The Second Reading**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians (5: 8-14)

For once you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light."

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

### **Stand for the Gospel**

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

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

**Choir:** *Sins oft committed we now lay before thee: with true contrition, now no more we veil them: grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.*

*Innocent, captive, taken unresisting: falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced, save us, we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer.*

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

*We remain standing to hear the gospel. When the Gospel is announced the reader says:* The Lord be with you

**All and with thy spirit.**

✠A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (9: 1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38)

**All Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

As he passed by, he saw a man blind from his birth. As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbours and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he"; others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man.

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his

eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet."

They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe"; and he worshiped him. Jesus said, "For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and that those who see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this, and they said to him, "Are we also blind?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, 'We see,' your guilt remains.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

*Sermon – A Sermon is given. – Sit*

**The Nicene Creed is sung – Stand**  
*Priest* I believe in one God

**All the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord \*Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together \*is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, ✠and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*The prayers of Intercession are offered  
At the end of each petition these  
responses may be used:*

Lord, in thy mercy

**All** hear our prayer.

*After the petition for the departed,  
the intercessor may say:*

Rest eternal grant unto them,  
O Lord.

**All** ✠ **And let light perpetual  
shine upon them.**

*The celebrant offers prayers in  
communion with the Saints. At the end  
we say together:*

**Hail, Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou among women  
and blessed is the fruit of thy  
womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother  
of God, pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death.  
Amen.**

*The celebrant concludes the  
intercessions with a final prayer, to  
which we respond: Amen.*

*Please sit for the notices.*

## **THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT – STAND**

The peace of the Lord be always  
with you

**All** and with thy spirit.

Let us offer one another a sign of  
peace. (*No handshaking*)

## **The Offertory Hymn**

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us  
O'er the world's tempestuous sea;  
Guard us, guide us, keep us, feed  
us,  
For we have no help but thee;  
Yet possessing every blessing  
If our God our Father be.

Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er  
us,  
All our weakness thou dost know;  
Thou didst tread this earth before  
us,  
Thou didst feel its keenest woe;  
Self denying, death defying,  
Thou to Calvary didst go.

Spirit of our God, descending,  
Fill our hearts with heavenly joy;  
Love with every passion blending,  
Pleasure that can never cloy;  
Thus provided, pardoned, guided,  
Nothing can our peace destroy.

*New English Hymnal 393*

*Words: James Edmeston (1791-1867)*

*The choir sings the Offertory antiphon  
Laudate Dominum*

## **The Preparation of the Gifts – Stand**

Pray my brothers and sisters  
that our sacrifice may be acceptable  
to God the almighty Father.

**All**      **May the Lord accept the  
sacrifice at thy hands,  
for the praise and glory of  
his name, for our good and  
for the good of all his holy  
Church.**

***Prayer over the Gifts:***

Grant, O Lord, we pray thee: that  
this oblation may in such wise  
cleanse us from all our sins; that we  
thy servants, being sanctified both  
in body and soul, may worthily  
offer unto thee this our sacrifice;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord

**All: Amen.**

***The Eucharistic Prayer***

The Lord be with you  
**All**      **and with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All**      **We lift them up unto the  
Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto the  
Lord our God.

**All**      **It is meet and right so to do.**

*The celebrant says the preface of the  
prayer, which praises God for his  
mighty acts. At the end of the preface  
the Sanctus is sung in Latin by the  
choir:*

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of  
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

***The celebrant now recalls the Last  
Supper and calls the Holy Spirit to  
come upon the gifts of bread and wine***

*that they may become for us the body  
and blood of Christ.*

*The celebrant introduces this  
acclamation:*

Great is the mystery of faith

**All**      Christ has died;  
            Christ is risen;  
            Christ will come again.

***At the end of the prayer: Amen.***

***The Lord's Prayer***

Let us pray with confidence as our  
Saviour has taught us.

**All**      **Our Father, who art in  
heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be  
done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us,  
And lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil,  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

***Breaking of the Bread***

We break this bread to share in the  
body of Christ.

**All**      **Though we are many,  
we are one body, because  
we all share in one bread.**

*Agnus Dei is sung in Latin by the  
choir.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins  
of the world, have mercy upon us.  
(grant us thy peace).*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

✠ Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**All**     **Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.**

*The celebrant and people receive holy communion. Communion will be given in one kind only, however this does not diminish the fullness of the sacramental presence. As the host is given the minister says:*

*The body of Christ to which we say **Amen** before we receive.*

*Communicant members of other Christian churches are welcome to receive communion here. Non-communicants are warmly invited to the altar for a blessing.*

### **Anthem:**

*'Lift thine Eyes' from Elijah – Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)*

### **Stand for the Post-Communion Prayer**

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Saviour gave his back to the smiters and did not hide his face from shame: give us grace to endure the sufferings of this present time with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

The Lord be with you  
**All**     **And with thy spirit**

*The priest gives the blessing with the final words being:*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the ✠ Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

**All**     **Amen**

Go in the peace of Christ  
**All**     **Thanks be to God.**

*The Choir sings the Marian Antiphon to a setting by Francesco Soriano (c1548-1621):*

*Hail, O Queen of Heaven enthroned!  
Hail, by angels mistress owned:  
Root of Jesse, Gate of Morn  
Whence the world's true light was born!  
Glorious Virgin, Joy to thee,  
Loveliest whom in heaven they see;  
Fairest thou, where all are fair,  
Plead with Christ our souls to spare.*

**Priest:** Vouchsafe that I may praise thee, O sacred Virgin.

**All: Give me strength against thine enemies.**

**Priest:** Let us pray.  
Grant, O merciful God, support our frailty: that we who commemorate the Holy Mother of God;



may, by the help of her  
intercession,  
arise from our iniquities.  
Through the same Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

*The final hymn is sung*

All ye who seek a comfort sure  
In trouble and distress,  
Whatever sorrow vex the mind,  
Or guilt the soul oppress,

Jesus, who gave himself for you  
Upon the cross to die,  
Opens to you his sacred heart;  
O to that heart draw nigh.

Ye hear how kindly he invites;  
Ye hear his words so blest--  
'All ye that labour come to me,  
And I will give you rest.'

O Jesus, joy of saints on high,  
Thou hope of sinners here,  
Attracted by those loving words  
To thee I lift my prayer.

Wash thou my wounds in that dear  
blood  
Which forth from thee doth flow;  
New grace, new hope inspire, a  
new  
And better heart bestow.

*New English Hymnal 63*  
*Words: 18<sup>th</sup> century Latin, Tr. Edward Caswall*  
*(1814-1878)*

**Organ Voluntary**  
Fuga Sopra il Magnificat BWV 733  
*J. S. Bach (1685-1750)*

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## INTERCESSIONS FOR THE SICK AND THE DEPARTED

### **Pray for the sick and the distressed:**

John Vine, William, Jeremy Page, Gill Pierse, David Kilpatrick, Shauna Campbell, Adelaide Haws, Bill Britton, Bruce Pullman, Nicole Connage, Frank Retief, Una De Witt, Flora Buchanan, Magda Pacok, Myfanwy Moran, Jose Tadeu Dias, Zareyah, Sylvie, Suzi Scott, Jean, Maria Melita Borres, Penny Howell, Eileen Hayward, Linda Elgharbawi, Robin Benson, Abdul Kareem Jassam, Manjola Krasniqi, Remy Daep, Phillip Irving, Alan Watson, Marie Anne van Niekerk, Lenora Hammond, James Dufficy, Colin Kilpatrick, Robert Burns, Rob Courtenay, David Noakes, Caroline Browne, Clifford Browne, Christopher Browne, Pete Cain, Francisco Soriano, Bill Troop, Seb Gillot.

### **Pray for all the recently departed, among them:**

George William Martin, Annabel Ferrers, Charles Williams, Graeme Watson (Priest), Mary Evans, Valerie Noakes, Mercia Warden.

## YEAR'S MIND

### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**

David Jenks (Priest), Sophia Mary Ashmore, Emma Jones, Percy Palmer

### **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**

Caroline Hare, Fanny Cole, Margaret Jane Helen Buckland, Chavela Eastman Edwards

### **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March**

Martha Ann Puzey

### **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

Ellen Clay Pearse

### **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March**

Elizabeth Lecky Harvey, George William Archer, Edith Uncles

### **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March**

Harriet Loveday, Catherine Bayden, Henry Paul Brancker, Leonard Marquis, Alfred James Edward (Tony) Reid (Priest)

### **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

Ellen Mary Beattie, Basil Elgar Percy Sadler, Margaret Ingram. Mary Burgess, David Forbes, Mary Noble, Elaine Spence

# Times Fr Paul will be offering Private Daily Prayer & Mass on Behalf of Parishioners

<b>Services this Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March:</b> <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</i> <i>Mothering Sunday</i>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>10am</b>	<b>Family Mass</b>
	<b>11am</b>	<b>Sung Mass</b>
	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Healing Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March:</b> <i>Feria</i>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>
	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March:</b> <i>Eve of the Annunciation of the Lord</i>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March:</b> <i>Annunciation of the Lord</i>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>
	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Mass</b>
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March:</b> <i>Feria</i>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>
	<b>6.15pm</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March:</b> <i>Feria</i>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Mass</b>
	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>
<b>Services next Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> March:</b> <i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</i>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	<b>10am</b>	<b>Family Mass</b>
	<b>11am</b>	<b>Sung Mass</b>
	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>

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# NOTICES

## A Special Message from Fr Paul:

You are all in my prayers and thoughts in this most frightening and unprecedented of times.

Daily offices of prayer - Morning and Evening Prayer - will continue to be offered in private, and the regular Mass will also be offered in private on behalf of the parish and its worshippers.

However the guidance from the Archbishops makes it clear that churches will remain open for anyone who wishes to say their own individual prayers.

Therefore when the church is open you are welcome to come in to pray, remembering to keep to the guidelines and restrictions as these are intended to reduce risks for both yourself and your neighbour. If you have any prayer requests, or any other concerns, then please let me know.

Age UK (Kensington & Chelsea) and other local volunteers will be running a food and essentials distribution centre from the Church to serve the elderly and vulnerable. This will start on Monday 23rd March.

Please keep in touch by telephone or email. Do not hesitate to call if you need help or know of others who need help too. Please keep each other updated and do call anytime for a chat or for any other matter.

As Christians in these most difficult times it is crucial to continue a daily and weekly pattern of prayer and worship. Please join me in prayer at the regular times that are advertised, even if you cannot be there in person. It is important to stay in touch in the Lord.

The Mass will be recorded and uploaded on this website and we hope to live stream it in due course. The Sunday Mass sheet will be sent to you either by email or post. This is for private use so that you can follow the weekly Mass with the readings, prayers and even sing the hymns. It will enable you to keep a weekly pattern of prayer, worship and spiritual communion.

Be reassured that you are being prayed for; stay strong and healthy knowing that we are loved and cared for by God; that the prayers of St Cuthbert and St Matthias, Our Lady and all the Saints will be with us.

Every Blessing,

Fr Paul