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21st April 2024



ST GEORGE

HYMNS

Introit	177 (vv. 1, 2	, 4, 7)
Gradual Psalm Antiphon (Ps 84)		
How lovely is your dwelling place.		
Offertory	758	
Communion	731	
Recessional	492	

COLLECT

Loving God, We have been taught by the story of St George to fight against dragons and to rescue the helpless. Help us to follow his example, that we may be delivered From the dragons of fear, selfishness and greed. Free us from our slavery to that which leads us away from you, that together, as your people at St George's, we may discover the courage, resilience and creativity to be your people and so draw others to the peace and joy of life with you. Through Jesus Christ, friend and brother, Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving God, who gave us this holy meal in which we have celebrated the new life of Easter and the courage of your martyr George: through our communion with Christ give us, with George, the courage to stand up to evil and so to share the fruit of the tree of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

FOR OUR PRAYERS: Fintan, Ian, Molly, Benjamin, Brian, Ann

IN REMEMBRANCE: Alice Whitehead , Agnes D'Aguilar, Clarice Wilson, Fran Farley

ST GEORGE'S DAY PATRONAL FESTIVAL Bring & Share Lunch We'll be celebrating on **Sunday 21 April** with a Bring & Share lunch! Please sign the list if you're coming and let us know what you'll be bringing. APCM

The **APCM** will be held at **St Michael & All Angels** on **Tuesday 30 April** at 19:30. Please come if you can. If you'd like a paper copy of the reports and / or the financial report, please ask Luiza.

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FILM FOR THOUGHT

Just a reminder that our next meeting in **Monday 29 April.** The film we will be discussing is 'The Scarlet and the Black', available on Amazon or on YouTube: https://shorturl.at/cewW6

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CHRIST CHURCH CHAPEL ECUMENICAL SERVICES We will resume our Thursday evening services at Christ Church Chapel, South Road SE23 2UJ, on **Thursday I I April at18:30** These are quiet, contemplative services and are open to everyone so please do join us.

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KNIT & NATTER

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Knit & Natter will have to take a break for the time being but will resume this Autumn. We'll let you know the next meeting date when we have it. ST CHRISTOPHER'S FUN WALK Don't forget, Susie and Mo are taking part in St Christopher's Hospice fundraising '**Fun** Walk' on **Sunday 12 May**. If you can sponsor them, that would be great! Please speak to them asap and get your name on their list.

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BOOK STALL

Good morning readers. After the service, you can browse through our book selection in the foyer. Paperbacks 50p Hardbacks £1. If anyone fancies giving a hand occasionally you would be more than welcome. Happy reading, Pat and Judy.

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EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 22 April

Church: 19:00 - Meditation group Studio: 19:00 - 20:30 - Guides *Tuesday 23 April* Church: 09:30- Morning prayer Church: 10:30 - Ecumenical service Hall: 18:00-19:30 - Brownies Studio: 18:00-19:30 - Rangers *Wednesday 24 April* Church: 13:00 - Lunch Club Hall: 18:00 - Cubs, 20:00 - Scouts Studio: 19:30-20:30 - Yoga class

Thursday 25 April Hall: 18:15 - 19:15 - Beavers (NEW!) Chapel 18:30 - Ecumenical service

S**aturday 27 April** Church: 09:30 - Morning Prayer Studio: 11:00-12:00 - Yoga class

Sunday 28 April Church: 10:00 - Eucharist Studio: 14:00 - 17:00 - Outside group

UPCOMING EVENTS Monday 29 April Church: 19:30 - Film for Thought

Tuesday 30 April St Michael's: 19:30 - APCM

Wednesday 29 May Church: 13:00 - Lunch Club

Wednesday 26 June Church: 13:00 - Lunch Club

NT: 2 Timothy 2: 3—13

³ Share in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴ No one serving in the army gets entangled in everyday affairs; the soldier's aim is to please the enlisting officer. ⁵ And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to the rules. ⁶ It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share of the crops. ⁷ Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things.

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, ⁹ for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. ¹¹ The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

GOSPEL: John 15:18-21

¹⁸ 'If the world hates you, be aware that it hated me before it hated you. ¹⁹ If you belonged to the world, the world would love you as its own. Because you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world—therefore the world hates you. ²⁰ Remember the word that I said to you, "Servants are not greater than their master." If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also. ²¹ But they will do all these things to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me.

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