

St George



Take up your cross
and follow Him

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity 30 August 2026

WELCOME

A very warm welcome to St George's Church for our 8.00am Holy Communion, 9.30am Parish Eucharist 5.30pm Evening prayer Large Print service-books are available. There is a loop system; please adjust the setting of your personal hearing aid. Join us for refreshments and conversation after the service.

CROSS

Jesus is walking the path ordained by God that leads directly to the Cross. The disciples are not just witnesses of Jesus' suffering but participants in it - they live through his suffering in their own bodies. What does it look like to follow the Messiah? A path littered with crosses, but also a promise of deliverance.

SUPPORT

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readings

Jeremiah 15.15-21 One of the confessions of Jeremiah, a passage in which there is an intense and personal dialogue between the prophet and God. Jeremiah calls for God's support by describing how his calling has affected his relationships and inner life.

Romans 12.9-21 More of Paul's ethical instructions based on parts of the OT and the words of Jesus. Fundamental to early Christian teaching was the appeal to love one another, in and beyond their community.

Matthew 16.21-28 The passage is a modification of St Mark's Gospel (8.31) in which Jesus identifies Peter with Satan. What follows is crucial teaching on the cross-marked character of Christian life.

hymns

Processional: 271 Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Gradual: 76 Take up thy cross

Offertory: 339 Be thou my vision

Post communion: 296 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour

Gloria: St George's Mass – Caesar

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Psalm 105. 1-15

2 Kings 6. 24-25, 7. 3-end

Acts 18. 1-16

psalm 26. 1-8 (8am service)

Give judgement for me, O Lord,
for I have walked with integrity;
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

**Test me, O Lord, and try me;
examine my heart and my mind.**

For your love is before my eyes;
I have walked in your truth.

**I have not joined the company of the false,
nor consorted with the deceitful.**

I hate the gathering of evildoers
and I will not sit down with the wicked.

**I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord,
that I may go about your altar,**

To make heard the voice of thanksgiving
and tell of all your wonderful deeds.

**Lord, I love the house of your habitation
and the place where your glory abides.**

Sunday 6 Sept 2026 - Fourteenth after Trinity (Year A)

8.00am - Holy Communion (said)

9.30am - Sung Eucharist

5.30pm - Choral Evensong

Eucharist

First reading: Ezekiel 33. 7-11

Second reading: Romans 13. 8-end

Gospel: Matthew 18. 15-20

Choral Evensong

Ezekiel 12. 21-13. 16

Acts 19. 1-20

notices *The church is closed on Monday 31 August for the Bank Holiday.*

Today 30 August Hannah, Chris and Lily would like to invite members of the congregation to attend the baptism service for George at 12noon in the church and afterwards for the reception. Please let the office know if you plan to attend.

Craft and Chat Group will not meet tomorrow as it is a Bank Holiday . We next meet on Mondays 7 Sept at 11.30am at the back of the church. Refreshments are served and we are a friendly group. Bring your craft or come and learn a new one.

Living Well Foodbank - We are a foodbank hub for Living Well Bromley. Thank you for supporting the foodbank over the summer. Food or financial donations may be left between 9am and 1pm Monday to Friday. Your kindness and generosity is much appreciated.

Junior Church will return on Sunday 13 September. Activity sheets are available at the back of the church for young worshippers during the summer break.

Friends of the Churchyard - Sunday 13 Sept 2026 2.30pm - we will next meet on 13 Sept, if anyone can spare an hour or more to help please email the office or speak to Carol after the 9.30am service. Many thanks

The People's Emergency Briefing film will be showing -

8 Sept, 18.30 - 20.30, Everyman Cinema Crystal Palace SE19 2TE To book: bit.ly/4z5ArTl

12 Sept 19.00 - 21.00, St John's Church West Wickham BR4 9FA To book: eventbrite.co.uk/e/film-night-the-national-emergency-briefing-on-climate-change-tickets-1996438366898

29 Sept 19.00-20.45, Penge East Community Centre SE20 7BE. To book: bit.ly/4z5ArTl

We will be holding a **MacMillan fund-raising coffee morning** again this year on **Sat 26 Sept 9.30am to 10.45am** followed by a piano recital at 11.00am. Please spread the word and invite your friends.

National Baby Loss Awareness week runs from 9th - 15th October and Making Miracles holds their annual Big Knit at our Rochester Cathedral to continue that raising awareness locally for families within our Diocese. You are invited to attend this event from 10:00am to 1:00pm on Sat 10 Oct at the Cathedral bringing any newly knitted or crochet baby items to donate to the charity. In addition, for the first time for those in the West of the Diocese, St Luke's Church in Sevenoaks has offered to host the same event on the day before, so Friday 9th October again from 10:00am to 1:00pm, where Trustees from Making Miracles will also be there to tell people about their work. See poster and patterns on the noticeboard at the back of the church.

A date for our diaries. On 29 Dec 2026 at 11am, Janey and Ian (M) will be celebrating their Silver Wedding Anniversary with a renewal of vows service in St George's followed by refreshments. The congregation are all invited to attend. Please let the office know if you plan to attend as we shall need to confirm numbers for catering purposes by the end of Oct.

calendar

Sunday 30 August
Thirteenth after Trinity
8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Parish Eucharist
12noon Baptism
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Monday 31 Aug

Aiden, bishop
Bank Holiday
Church Closed

Tuesday 1 Sept

Feria
9.00am Church Open

Wednesday 2 Sept

Feria
10.30am Holy Communion
12.30pm Funeral in church

Thursday 3 Sept

Gregory the Great, bishop
9.00am Church open

Friday 4 Sept

Birinus, bishop
12.30pm Music Recital

Saturday 5 Sept

Feria
11.00am Music Recital

Monday to Friday

The Peace Table has resources to reflect and pray for those in conflict.



'Extend hospitality to strangers'

intercessions

For those who are sick
Emma Allen
Adah B. Broome
Gill Clark
Pam Carpenter
Terry Carpenter
Judi Chapman
Sue Fielder
Jack Heaton
George Hetherington
Jill Hollamby
Alison Jones

Arlo Albert Patel (baby)
Robert Powles
Nick Sales
Logan Searle (baby)
Margaret Tonkin
Rev Margaret Tremeer
Benjamin Washington
David Weston
Deirdre Wingfield - Digby
Gary Wilkins

For the Departed: Joan Bell who died on 31 July 2026
Patricia Willis - funeral in church 2 Sept at 12.30pm
Harry Bramma
Chris Spencer
Samuel Ellis

collect

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness that
you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

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