

MUSIC AT MASS

The organ music before Mass is by J S Bach's son C P E Bach. Mozart said of him, "Bach is the father, we are the children". After communion cantor Emma will sing Mozart's *Ave Verum Corpus*, "...O may you, dear Lord, be given at death's hour to be my food". At the start of Mass she will sing a hymn telling the story of when St Silas and St Paul were in prison together. The music after Mass is by Henry Heron, organist of St Magnus the Martyr by London Bridge in the eighteenth century. *Martin*

BOUNCE-BACK SUNDAY

We're all set to 'Bounce Back' next Sunday with congregational singing at Mass for the first time in 16 months! It will be the Feast of St James (Parish Co-Patron) and Fr Rayner will be celebrating 10 years as our Parish Priest. We'll be joined at Mass by a trumpeter and professional singer. At the end of Mass we'll take a congregational photo and then share lunch together. If you're not able to stay for lunch you could still join us in the hall for a drink. Could you help with organising things in the hall next Sunday? If so please speak with Fr Rayner.

DAY PILGRIMAGE TO ST ALBANS

For several years now we have organised a Day Pilgrimage to St Albans to coincide with a festival organised by the Bishop of Richborough. This year the Mass will take place in St Albans Abbey on Saturday 7 August at 12 noon. Afterwards, drinks are served in the bishop's garden (not far from the cathedral) where picnic lunches can be eaten. If you would like to attend, please sign the list at the back of church and meet at St Pancras Station (by the barriers to platforms A & B) at 9.30 am. Cost: £7.00. St Albans is a nice city to visit. There are plenty of places to have lunch (if you have no picnic) and there's a good Saturday Market (unless it's very windy).

COMMUNITY TEA PARTY

We usually have a Community Tea Party in the garden to coincide with The Great Get Together. That wasn't possible this year because of Covid restrictions. We could try to organise this for Saturday 14 August. Could you help with this? We give out free tickets, so that we know how many to cater for, but we keep the catering quite simple. We'd move inside if it was raining.

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Welcome to SAINT SILAS, PENTONVILLE in the Parish of St Silas with All Saints & St James

OUR MISSION

Bringing people in. Bringing people on. Witnessing to Jesus Christ.



SUNDAY 18 JULY 2021

WELCOME TO OUR FESTIVAL MASS FOR THE FEAST OF ST SILAS, PARISH PATRON

THE ORDER OF SERVICE is in the leaflet you have been given. Do join us in the garden, after Mass, for some simple refreshments.

JUNIOR CHURCH is now on summer break and will resume on Sunday 5 September.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING, even though the seats in church are now (almost) back to the usual arrangement. We shall continue to have an 'out of bounds' area on the south side due to the risk of falling plaster.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the PCC is on Tuesday, 20 July, at 7.00 pm after Mass at 6.30 pm.

LIFTING OF COVID RESTRICTIONS

At the time of writing, we have not received any detailed guidance about what we should do after the lifting of Covid restrictions, but I guess that:

We will continue to provide sanitising gel at the door.

You might continue to wear a mask at church (but we will not provide masks).

You might continue to make sure that areas of seating do not get too crowded.

Congregational singing will be allowed.

We might be advised to avoid receiving Communion from the chalice (and avoid kneeling together at the Communion rail?). We might also be advised to avoid sharing the peace.

We shall be able to have refreshments after Mass.

We will not keep a record of those attending, but will continue to display the QR code for the NHS App.

Fr Rayner

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

You are asked to sign in as you arrive. This is in case you need to be contacted for test and trace.

If you have the NHS COVID-19 App you can scan the church QR code as you enter or leave.

Use sanitising gel, or wash your hands, on arriving at church and before leaving.

Maintain social distancing at 2 metres/6 feet whenever possible - though households can sit together. Seating has been arranged so that people can spread out.

Wearing a face covering is mandatory, unless you are exempted. Those reading the Scriptures or leading prayers at Mass do not need to be wearing a face covering.

There will be no congregational singing, only the cantor will sing.

The peace will not be exchanged.

Collection baskets will be at the doors.

Communion will be given in one kind only, only the priest will receive from the chalice.

Queue in the central aisle only to receive communion and return to your seat via the side aisles.

Receive communion in the hand, with arms stretched forwards.

Leave via the fire exit whenever possible.

Take the news sheet and Bible readings sheet home with you.

No refreshments will be served after Mass. If you wish to chat after Mass, please stay in the church or gather outside, avoiding use of the Community Hall. Social distancing must be observed.

Avoid using the church lavatories if possible.

POP-UP PAVEMENT SALE

On Sunday 1 August, after Mass, we could try and sell various items we've got by putting them out on the pavement by the garden. This would include some larger items and some new things for which we want to get a good price! If it's wet, we'd postpone until another day. Could you help with this, it would only need a couple of people?

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK @ ST SILAS CHURCH & COMMUNITY HALL

Monday 19 July

19:00 Overeaters Anonymous

Pray for those with 'Long Covid'.

Tuesday 20 July

18:15 Rosary Prayers

18:30 Mass

19:00 PCC meeting

19:00 Alcoholics Anonymous

Pray for our PCC.

Wednesday 21 July

09.30 Relax, Stay & Play
(booked places only)

13:00 Good Neighbours
Coffee Afternoon
(booked places only)

Pray for the isolated elderly.

Thursday 22 July

St Mary Magdalene

10:30: Good Neighbours
Coffee Morning
(booked places only)

12:30 Mass

19:00 Drop-In @ St Silas

*Pray for St Mary Magdalene's
Academy.*

Friday 23 July

St Bridget

09.30 Relax, Stay & Play
(booked places only)

Pray for Members of Parliament.

Saturday 24 July

09:30 Holy Dusters
(church cleaning)

10:30 Alcoholics Anonymous

12:00 Mass

Pray for the Society of Mary.

Sunday 25 July

**THE SOLEMNITY OF
ST JAMES, PARISH CO-PATRON**

11:00

FESTIVAL MASS

with

**trumpeter & professional singer
followed by
drinks & buffet lunch**

Pray for the people of our parish.

BIBLE READINGS THIS WEEK 	Monday 19 July	Exodus 14:5-18 / Matthew 12:38-42
	Tuesday 20 July	Exodus 14:21-15:1 / Matthew 12:46-50
	Wednesday 21 July	Exodus 16:1-5,9-15 / Matthew 13:1-9
	Thursday 22 July	Exodus 19:1-2,9-11,16-20 / Matthew 13:10-17
	Friday 23 July	Exodus 20:1-17 / Matthew 13:18-23
	Saturday 24 July	Exodus 24:3-8 / Matthew 13:24-30