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The Parish of Camberwell: St Giles with St Matthew

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# St Giles' Church

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## The Fifth Sunday in Lent

St Giles' church has a loop  
for people with hearing aids  
– set your switch to 'T'



Please take this sheet  
home with you 😊

Enquiries for Child Baptism, Weddings, Banns of Marriage  
or other matters – please email Fr Nicholas on Office email

### Churchwardens :

Doris Avbulimen, Deborah Dairo & Phyllis McLaughlin

**Musical Director:** Ashley Valentine **Head Server:** Cuthbert Rogers

## Welcome to St Giles' Church



We try to be a welcoming,  
open, inclusive, friendly  
community church



- **a Home** for a worshipping Church of England congregation
- **a Place** for music & the arts, for gathering & community use
- **a Space** of beauty, rest & refreshment

Are you visiting - or here for first time at St Giles' ? – you are very welcome 😊

Toilets are in the Crypt, down the stairs in the entrance porch where you came in.

- To keep in touch or to arrange pastoral phone calls or visits – Please Text Fr Nicholas on 07771 603 217 (Text only)

We are in the anglo-  
catholic tradition of the  
Church of England, and we  
support the ministry of all.

**TODAY:** The Fifth Sunday in Lent 8am Said Mass & 10am Parish Mass  
Men's Group Meeting after Mass

Wednesday 10am Mass

Next Sunday Palm Sunday 8am Said Mass & 10am Parish Mass with procession  
Holy Week begins – see the flyer or website (& next week's notices) for the usual Holy Week services

Thank you for being with us today may you know God's presence and peace throughout this week  
We pray for all who cannot be with us

**Walsingham Pilgrimage 2024 Friday 16<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August**  
please see Doris or Bamie to book your place and start making payments.  
This years cost for £250 per person (Children £150)

**Community Charity Help Boxes.....** Please remember to bring items for the boxes at the  
back of church - through the year for: **Spring Community Hub** (especially for their foodbank),  
**Sunshine House** (for young mothers and their children), and **The CenterPoint Foyer** for Young  
People **Thank you**

**Praying for the conflict between Israel and Gaza** We pray for the work of the United Nations in  
bringing countries together to make peace and to bring much needed relief to those who are in need  
of humanitarian aid. We pray that the conflict will not spread, there will be a ceasefire, and that all  
hostages may be released soon. We pray for all innocent civilians who are caught up in the conflict.

**Praying with the people of Ukraine** The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his  
people the blessing of peace (Psalm 29.10) God of strength and peace, send your blessing on the people  
of Ukraine. Sustain them in their struggles, hold them in their fear, protect them from all danger; and  
be for them the hope they desire; for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

### Regular Giving (Stewardship)

Please help us by  
moving to use on-line  
giving to St Giles'  
for regular  
**Stewardship  
Payments**  
for one-off gifts

Please ask for the bank  
details by emailing the  
parish office  
(please put your name  
as a reference)

If you pay tax – please  
Gift-Aid your regular  
donation - ask for a  
form or email office to  
request one

For cash offerings  
TODAY use a small  
BROWN envelope (or  
put loose in the basket)

To make a one-off  
Gift-Aid Donation (of  
over £20) TODAY -  
use a PINK envelope

### Readings Next Week: Palm Sunday

O.T. Reading: Isaiah 50.4-9a

N.T. Reading: Philippians 2.5-11

Gospel Reading: The passion from St Mark's Gospel

### Camberwell Choir School (with fun music sessions)

Saturdays in term time - St Giles' Parish Hall (Benhill Rd)

New Children always welcome – details at the back of church

## Fifth Sunday of Lent

YEAR B

Blessed are you, Creator of life and joy.  
We give you thanks for the promise of eternal life  
offered through the death and resurrection  
of your Son, Jesus Christ.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day  
we seek to delight in you and in your great love.  
Blessed are you for ever.

We give thanks for all who have helped us  
to grow in the faith,  
for teachers and preachers, for shining examples,  
for friends and relatives.  
Bless all who seek to bring others to you,  
all who by their goodness  
show the world of your goodness.  
We remember all who work in mission and outreach.

Silence

Holy and strong God,  
**help us to reveal your glory.**

We give thanks for explorers and inventors,  
for all who extend our experience  
of the world and its mysteries.  
We remember especially all who are involved in research.  
We ask you to bless all who work in farming and agriculture,  
all who seek to provide us with food.  
Help us to care for the hungry and the homeless.

Silence

Holy and strong God,  
**help us to reveal your glory.**



We give thanks for those  
who regularly sacrifice their time and energies for us.  
We remember especially our parents  
and all who care for us.

Lord, as we are loved, help us to show love to others.  
We ask your blessing on all who feel unwanted or lonely.

Silence

Holy and strong God,  
**help us to reveal your glory.**

We give you thanks for all medical research,  
for the caring of doctors and nurses.

We pray for all who work in the emergency services  
and those who risk their lives for others.

Lord, bless all who are ill, in pain or in danger  
with an awareness of your love and care.

Silence

Holy and strong God,  
**help us to reveal your glory.**

Glory be to you, O God,  
for through our Saviour Jesus Christ  
you have opened to us the way to eternal life.  
We rejoice in the fellowship of all your saints.

We remember before you  
our loved ones who are departed from us.

Silence

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

# The Fifth Sunday in Lent

**Entrance Hymn:** *See separate sheet*

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give me justice, O God, and defend my cause against the wicked; rescue me from deceitful and unjust men. You, O God, are my refuge.

## OPENING PRAYER

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross **we may triumph in the power of his victory**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 31.31-34

*A reading from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah*

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt – a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: **I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.** No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

## PSALM

Psalm 51

**RESPONSE: A pure heart create for me, O God.**

1. **Have mercy on me, God in your kindness.**  
In your compassion blot out my offence.  
O wash me more and more from my guilt  
and cleanse me from my sin. **R.**

2. **A pure heart create for me, O God,**  
**put a steadfast spirit within me.**  
Do not cast me away from your presence,  
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **R.**

3. **Give me again the joy of your help;**  
**with a spirit of fervour sustain me,**  
That I may teach transgressors your ways  
and sinners may return to you. **R.**

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 5.5-10

*A reading from the letter to the Hebrews*

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but **was appointed by the one who said to him,**

**'You are my Son, today I have begotten you';**

as he says also in another place,

**'You are a priest for ever,**

**according to the order of Melchizedek.'**

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission.

Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, **he became the source of eternal salvation** for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.  
Whoever serves me must follow me  
And where I am, there will my servant be also.  
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.*

## GOSPEL READING

John 12.20-33

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
Glory to you, O Lord.*

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them,

**'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.**

**Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.**

Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also.

Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say – "Father, save me from this hour"?'

No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.'

**Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.'** The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.'

Jesus answered,

**'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.'**

He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.*



**Offertory Hymn:** *See separate sheet*

## PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Almighty God, may the sacrifice we offer take away the sins of those whom you enlighten with the Christian faith. **Amen.**

**Communion Hymn:** *See separate sheet*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: **give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all,** and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Final Hymn:** *See separate sheet*



## HYMNS for The Fifth Sunday of Lent

### Entrance Hymn

1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways!  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,  
in purer lives thy service find,  
in deeper rev'rence praise,  
in deeper rev'rence praise.
2. In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
beside the Syrian sea,  
the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a word,  
rise up and follow thee,  
rise up and follow thee.
3. O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
the silence of eternity,  
interpreted by love!  
Interpreted by love!
4. Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and  
stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of thy peace,  
the beauty of thy peace.
5. Breathe through the heats of our desire  
thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind  
and fire,  
O still small voice of calm!  
O still small voice of calm!

*John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892)*



## Offertory Hymn

1. And now, O Father,  
mindful of the love  
that bought us, once for all,  
on Calv'ry's tree,  
and having with us him  
that pleads above,  
we here present,  
we here spread forth to thee  
that only off'ring  
perfect in thine eyes,  
the one true, pure,  
immortal sacrifice.
2. Look, Father,  
look on his anointed face,  
and only look on us  
as found in him;  
look not on our  
misusings of thy grace,  
our prayer so languid,  
and our faith so dim:  
for lo, between our sins  
and their reward  
we set the Passion  
of thy Son our Lord.
3. And then for those,  
our dearest and our best,  
by this prevailing presence  
we appeal:  
O fold them closer  
to thy mercy's breast,  
O do thyne utmost  
for their souls' true weal;  
from tainting mischief  
keep them pure and clear,  
and crown thy gifts  
with strength to persevere.
4. And so we come:  
O draw us to thy feet,  
most patient Saviour,  
who canst love us still;  
and by this food,  
so awful and so sweet,  
deliver us from  
ev'ry touch of ill:  
in thine own service  
make us glad and free,  
and grant us never more  
to part with thee.

*William Bright (1824-1901)*



## Communion Hymn

1. Be thou my guardian and my guide,  
and hear me when I call;  
let not my slipp'ry footsteps slide,  
and hold me lest I fall.
2. The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell  
around the path I tread;  
O save me from the snares of hell,  
thou quick'ner of the dead.
3. And if I tempted am to sin,  
and outward things are strong,  
do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,  
and save my soul from wrong.
4. Still let me ever watch and pray,  
and feel that I am frail;  
that if the tempter cross my way,  
yet he may not prevail.

*Isaac Williams (1802-1865)*



## Final Hymn

1. Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have come to us,  
you are one with us,  
Mary's Son;  
cleansing our souls from all their sin,  
pouring your love and goodness in,  
Jesus, our love for you we sing,  
living Lord.
2. Lord Jesus Christ,  
now and ev'ry day  
teach us how to pray,  
Son of God.  
You have commanded us to do  
this in remembrance, Lord, of you.  
Into our lives your pow'r breaks  
through,  
living Lord.
3. Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have come to us,  
born as one of us,  
Mary's Son.  
Led out to die on Calvary,  
risen from death to set us free,  
living Lord Jesus, help us see  
you are Lord.
4. Lord Jesus Christ,  
I would come to you,  
live my life for you,  
Son of God.  
All your commands I know are true,  
your many gifts will make me new,  
into my life your pow'r breaks  
through,  
living Lord.

*Patrick Appleford (b. 1925)*