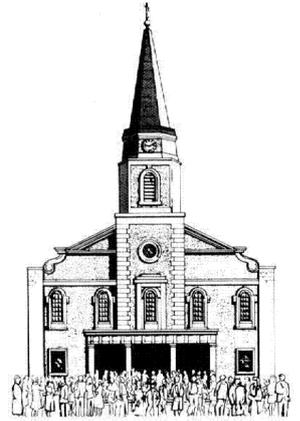


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Parish of St George

Hanover Square



St George's Church

Grosvenor Chapel

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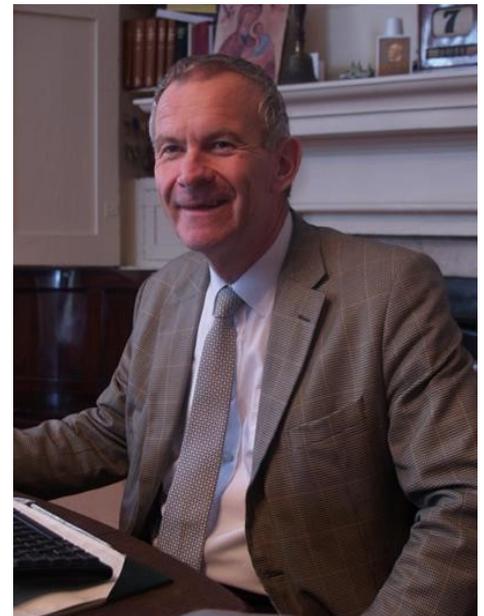
June seems to be an auspicious month for St George's. On 12th June 1711, the Act of Parliament that established the Commission for the Building of Fifty New Churches (in London) received royal assent. St George's was one of twelve churches actually built. 306 years and six days later - on 18th June 2017 to be precise - the Parochial Church Council of St George's unanimously adopted an imaginative plan to bring into active use that half of St George's only ever previously used for storage (see page 9). People are often surprised to hear the Undercroft is that large. And yet the floor area of our handsomely vaulted crypt is in fact even greater than that of the church itself at ground level, extending as it does under the portico.

In his introduction to the business plan considered by the PCC on 18th June, the Rector wrote, 'St George's is faced with one of the biggest decisions and opportunities in its near 300 year history, and what a way to mark our forthcoming 300th anniversary: to bring the unused space under the Church to life, whilst at the same time offering access to people with disabilities.' He went on to allude to the Parable of the Talents reminding Council members that 'it is simply not Christian to bury our talents and hide the Master's money safely away out of fear and nervousness. We are to use all the resources God gives us, both personally as baptised Christians, and also as the Body of Christ in this parish. We are presented with a huge opportunity to leave things better for those who come after us.'

We will outline detailed plans for the operation of the Undercroft once it opens next year in later editions of this Newsletter. In the meantime we have been told work will start on the 40-week conversion on 24th July. The church itself will remain open throughout although access to the south gallery will be restricted for a number of months. Alternative toilet arrangements will also be made, details of which will be published in the church, on our website and in the *Weekly Bulletin* circulated every Friday. If you do not currently receive the *Bulletin* but would like to, please get in touch. Contact details may be found on the back page of this publication. I also hope to run a pictorial blog illustrating the conversion process as it happens. Details of how to access this will be published electronically in the coming weeks.

Meanwhile the life of St George's will continue although not without some important other changes unrelated to activity beneath our feet.

After more than twenty three years' service as Verger at St George's, Seamus O'Hare has asked to reduce the hours he works. As a result we have advertised for a second part-time verger who will not only cover the hours for which Seamus will no longer be on duty but also some of his out of hours duties, notably at weddings and some of the many concerts and other evening events that take place in the church. A copy of the advertisement appearing in the *Church Times* and on the London Diocesan website as this *Newsletter* goes to press may be found on page 6. We hope that the new arrangements will come into play in October. In the meantime,



**Seamus O'Hare
Verger at St George's**

at the beginning of August, Seamus will move from his flat, in South Street to a splendid new apartment in Rochester Row. Invitations to a house warming to end all house warmings are promised and eagerly awaited!

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The Rector writes . . .

Encountering a breathtaking creation such as Pisano's Baptistry Pulpit in Pisa (and there are countless other examples) is a reminder to the preacher of the care and preparation required to encounter the mystery of God. Such works of art, as well as being an inspiration, make it quite clear that the Word of God is to be taken seriously and carefully. No quick or shoddy appreciation of beauty is possible. Time is required and demanded in order to engage.

After applying for tickets for the past 25 years I am off to Bayreuth to see my favourite non-Ring Wagner operas in August. I've been once before, and was struck how what was passed off to the music student as Wagner's almost mad megalomania actually begins to make sense when you see how things fit together. The opera house itself is a marvel. And starting at 4pm means in effect most of the day has to be given over to engaging with Wagner's art/music. Changing into suitable clothes...getting there etc. Rather sensibly each interval lasts an hour. Time not only for a drink and a bratwurst, but also 20 minutes to calm down after the inevitably intrusive interventions of the Director, 20 minutes to try and make sense of what he/she might be trying to say, and finally 20 minutes in order to clear the mind and start the next Act as open and receptive as possible. There are no quick-fixes or short cuts!

In the case of most of our congregation I can imagine that again, a lot of preparation and time is involved in worshipping at St George's. Perhaps up to an hour to get here (longer in the case of some of our choir), another hour to get home etc. so that coming to the Sung Eucharist and getting home might often take up to 4 hours of somebody's time on a Sunday. Hopefully just the journey here and home can be used as a good time for preparation and reflection. And we all know from decorating our homes, as in so many jobs, how most of the time is taken up in careful and meticulous preparation. Doing the actual painting is the quick bit.

Preparing for worship is no different. Anglicans are encouraged to read the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, the night before, or perhaps in the morning— to consider what sins we might be sorry for or to think about who or what we wish to pray for.

In the Book of Common Prayer we read: 'what is required of them who come to the Lord's Supper?'

Answer: To examine themselves, whether they repent them truly of their former sins, steadfastly purposing to lead a new life; have a lively faith in God's mercy through Christ, with a thankful remembrance of his death; and be in charity with all men.

In advance of coming to church, or maybe when we arrive we might wish to use the following by way of preparation:

The Beatitudes
(St Matthew 5: 3-11)

The Ten Commandments
(Exodus 20)

Veni Creator Spiritus
(Come Holy Ghost our Souls inspire...)

The Comfortable Words:

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him. Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 9:28*

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3: 16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith. This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1: 15*

Hear also what Saint John saith. If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins. *1 John 2: 1-2*

When I arrived at St George's as Rector I was impressed by the words of preparation which my predecessor Fr John Slater had added at the beginning of the Sung Eucharist leaflets - seasonally variable words of preparation. Also by the words of thanksgiving to be said privately after receiving the Holy Sacrament. In addition of course, every Eucharist begins with the Collect for Purity which itself is a preparation for worship and a call to open our hearts. This Collect, along with the prayer of St Richard of Chichester, is learned by heart by all the children who attend St George's, Hanover Square, School. And so we pray that we may be prepared... the message of St John the Baptist, and a lifetime's vocation for the Christian who one day will meet God face to face, be called upon to give an account, and, we hope, be ready and willing to receive God's love and mercy.

Some dates for your diaries:

Renewal of Marriage Vows on Sunday 9th July at 11am followed by a reception

School Speech Day in church on Friday 14th July at 2.30pm

Renewal of Baptismal Vows on Sunday 17th September followed by a reception

Confirmation on Sunday 1st October with Bishop Edward Holland

Harvest Festival on 8th October

Prisons Sunday on Sunday 15th October

The Royal Society of St George are invited to join us for their Annual Parade Service on Sunday 22nd October

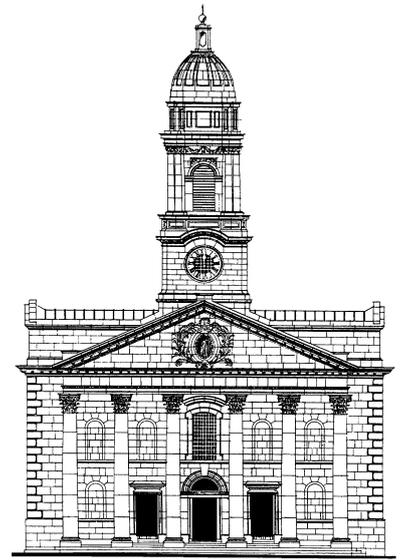
The Friday Eucharist has attracted more people at the trial time of 1.10pm and so we have changed to the new time accordingly.

Charity Concert to raise funds for TARIRO (jointly supported by St George's, the Grosvenor Chapel

and St George's School) Together with Marc Prema-Ratner (who worships at St Mary's Bourne Street) and Andrew Collis, I am involved in organising and performing in a lovely programme of music for solo violin, viola, 'cello and recorder, as well as two movements each from piano quartets by Mozart and Brahms. **This will take place on Thursday 12th October at 7pm** - do please come along and bring friends if you can.

There are daily prayers in church, Monday - Thursday at 12.10pm The Midday Office is said on most days except when the Eucharist is celebrated on Fridays and Saints Days. Please join us if you are in the area.

Requiem for departed loved ones will be celebrated on Friday 1st September at 13.10pm. Please inform the Verger if you wish to include names for prayer. (contact details on the back page.



Holy Cocktail Hour Open House - all are welcome for drinks on Wednesdays 13th September, 4th and 18th October, 6.30pm–8pm at the Rectory, 21a Down Street W1J 7AW - entrance in Brick Street opposite the tapas bar - top bell.

Mayfair Organ Concerts

Tuesday 4th July
St George's
Alexander Goodwin
(Ely Cathedral)
Buxtehude, Bach, Mendelssohn, Brahms, Wills, Quinn

Tuesday 11th July
Grosvenor Chapel
Alex Flood (St Peter's, St Albans)
Music by Bach, Purcell & Couperin

Tuesday 18th July
St George's
Ghislaine Reece-Trapp
(Eltham College)
Music by Bach & Couperin

Tuesday 25th July
Grosvenor Chapel
Richard Hobson

Tuesday 1st August
St George's
Marilyn Harper
(Dulwich College Chapel)
Music by Buxtehude

Tuesday 8th August
Grosvenor Chapel
Christopher Nickol
(New Kilpatrick Church, Glasgow)

Tuesday 15th August
St George's
Julian Haggart
(St Peter Mancroft, Norwich)
Music by Bach, Brahms, Bruhns, Byrd & Rogg

Tuesday 22nd August
Grosvenor Chapel
Chris Farr (St Peter's, Barford)

Tuesday August 29
St George's
Iris Rieg (Cologne)
Music by Dupré, Latry, Tournemire & Vierne

Tuesday 5th September
Grosvenor Chapel
Robin Walker
(Corpus Christi, Cambridge)

Tuesday 12th September
St George's
Thomas Allery
(Worcester College, Oxford & St Marylebone Parish Church)

Tuesday 19th September
Grosvenor Chapel
James Johnstone

Tuesday 26th September
St George's
Norman Harper
(St George's Cathedral, Southwark)
Music by Arro, Backfark, Bach, Bliss, Franck & Lebégue

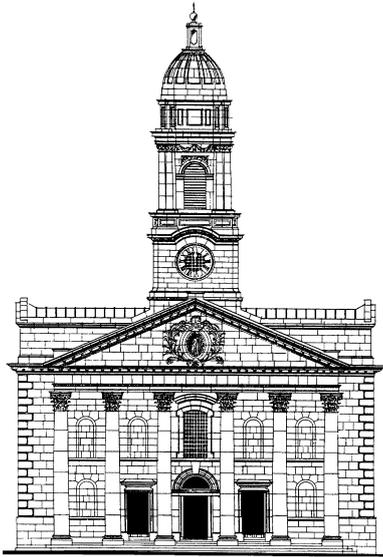
Tuesday 3rd October
Grosvenor Chapel
Richard Hobson

Tuesday 10th October
St George's
Robin Walker
(Corpus Christi, Cambridge)

Tuesday 24th October
Grosvenor Chapel
Andrew Benson Wilson
(Basingstoke)

Tuesday 24th October
St George's
Simon Williams (organ)
Matthew Hampton (trumpet)

Tuesday 31st October
Grosvenor Chapel
Richard Hobson (organ)
Moyra Montagu (oboe)



Services at St George's July–October 2017

Sunday 2nd July Third Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector
Communion Service in C (Ireland)
A prayer of King Henry VI
(G Jackson)
Paeon (Leighton)

Monday 3rd July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 4th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 5th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 6th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 7th July
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 9th July Fourth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist &
Renewal of Marriage Vows
Celebrant: The Rector
Preacher:
The Revd Dr Alan McCormack
Missa Brevis in D (Mozart)
Set me as a seal (Walton)
Hornpipe from Water Music
(Handel)

Monday 10th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 11th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 12th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 13th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 14th July
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 16th July Fifth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher:
The Revd Reg Bushau
Missa Cantate Domino (Lobo)
Ave verum corpus (Lassus)
Fugue in C minor BWV546/ii (Bach)

Monday 17th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 18th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 19th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 20th July
Margaret of Antioch, Martyr, 4thc
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 21st July
St Mary Magdalene (trans)
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd July Sixth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector
Communion Service in G (Whitlock)
The Lord has been mindful
(Wesley)
Master Tallis's Testament
(Howells)

Monday 24th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 25th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 26th July
St James the Apostle (trans)
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 27th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 28th July
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 30th July Seventh Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector
Missa Simile est regnum caelorum
(Victoria)
Salvator Mundi (Tallis)
Praeludium in C (Buxtehude)

Monday 31st July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 1st August
Lammas Day
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 2nd August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Thursday 3rd August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 4th August
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 6th August The Transfiguration of our Lord

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant: The Rector
Preacher:
The Revd Dr Alan McCormack
Short Service (Batten)
Sacerdotes Domini (Byrd)
Praeludium in G minor (Buxtehude)

Monday 7th August
The Name of Jesus
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 8th August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 9th August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Thursday 10th August
St Laurence, Deacon, Martyr, 258
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 11th August
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 13th August Ninth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher:
The Revd Michael Redman
Mass for Four Voices (Byrd)
Ave verum corpus (Byrd)
Prelude & Fugue in G BWV541
(Bach)

Monday 14th August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 15th August
The Blessed Virgin Mary
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 16th August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Thursday 17th August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 18th August
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 20th August
Tenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant:
The Revd Dr Alan McCormack
Preacher: The Rector
Missa Aeterna Christi Munera
(Palestrina)
Sicut servus (Palestrina)
Vigilia (Martinů)

Monday 21st August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 22nd August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 23rd August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Thursday 24th August
St Bartholomew the Apostle
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 25th August
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 27th August
Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector
Missa O quam gloriosum (Victoria)
Jesus, dulcis memoria (Victoria)
Toccata in G minor (Reincken)

Monday 28th August
St Augustine of Hippo
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 29th August
The Beheading of
St John the Baptist
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 30th August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Thursday 31st August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 1st September
St Giles of Provence, Hermit,
c710
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 3rd September
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant: The Rector
Preacher:
The Revd Dr Alan McCormack
Communion Service in F (Darke)
Expectans expectavi (Wood)
Psalm Prelude Set 1/1 'Lo the
poor crieth' (Howells)

Monday 4th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 5th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 6th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 7th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 8th September
The Nativity of the B V Mary
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 10th September
Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector
Mass in E flat (Rheinberger)
Ave verum corpus (Mozart)
Prelude & Fugue in A minor BWV543
(Bach)

Monday 11th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 12th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 13th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 14th September
Holy Cross Day
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 15th September
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 17th September
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist &
Renewal of Baptismal Vows
Celebrant:
The Revd Dr Alan McCormack
Preacher: The Rector
Missa Brevis in D minor (Mozart)
O nata lux (Tallis)
Sonata No 2 - Fuga (Mendelssohn)

Monday 18th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 19th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 20th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 21st September
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 22nd September
St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist
(trans)
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 24th September
Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher:
The Revd Alistair McDonald-Radcliff
Missa Brevis (Antony le Fleming)
O sacrum convivium (Grayston Ives)
Paeon (le Fleming)

Monday 25th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 26th September
St Cyprian, Bp of Carthage,
Martyr, 258
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 27th September
Ember Day
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 28th September
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 29th September
St Michael & All Angels
Ember Day
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 1st October
Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist &
Confirmation
Celebrant & Preacher:
The Right Revd Edward Holland
Communion Service in B flat
(Stanford)
O for a closer walk with God
(Stanford)
Grand Chœur in D alla Handel
(Guilmant)

Monday 2nd October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 3rd October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 4th October
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 5th October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 6th October
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 8th October
Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Harvest Festival
8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector
Missa Brevis in B flat (Mozart)
The heavens are telling (Haydn)
Fugue sur la trompette (Couperin)

Monday 9th October
St Denys, Bishop of Paris,
Martyr 250
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 10th October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 11th October
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 12th October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 13th October
St Edward the Confessor,
King of England, 1066
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 15th October
Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Prisons Sunday

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant: The Rector
Preachers: St George's members of Churches Together in Westminster Prisons Mission
Missa Collegium Regale (Howells)
O Lord in thy wrath (Gibbons)
Chorale prelude on 'Dundee' (Parry)

Monday 16th October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 17th October
St Etheldreda, Abbess of Ely, 679
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 18th October
St Luke the Evangelist
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 19th October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 20th October
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 22nd October
Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist & Royal Society of St George Parade Service
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector
Missae Brevis (Mathias)
The fair chivalry (Ashfield)
Sonata in G: Allegro maestoso (Elgar)

Monday 23rd October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 24th October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 25th October
St Crispin, Martyr at Rome, c287
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 26th October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 27th October
Ss Simon & Jude, Apostles (trans)
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 29th October
Twentieth Sunday after Trinity
8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector
Messe Solennelle (Vierne)
Cantique de Jean Racine (Fauré)
Paeon (Howells)

Monday 30th October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 31st October
12.10pm Midday Prayer

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St George's Hanover Square

Verger

The Rector & Church Wardens of this Mayfair church seek a **Verger** to work on a variable hours contract as part of a two-person team of vergers who also fulfil the role of caretaker and sacristan.

The successful candidate will be a practising Christian sympathetic with the ethos of traditional Anglican worship, to the disparate needs of visitors, wedding couples and the homeless as well as with the practicalities of the many concerts that take place at St George's.

An attractive remunerative package is offered, comprising a competitive salary and accommodation in a two-bedroom flat close to the church. Residence in this flat is required.

It is hoped that the successful candidate will start work in October.

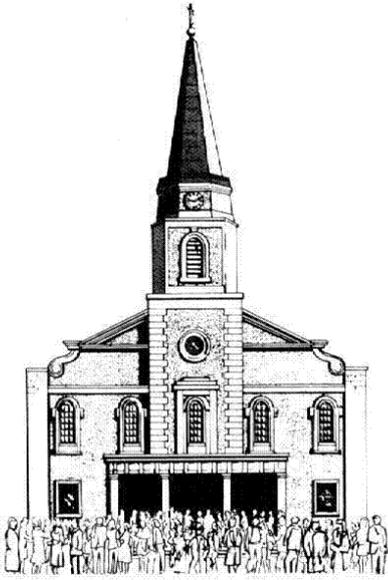
Full details and an application form may be obtained by writing to the Parish Administrator at St George's Vestry, 2A Mill Street, London W1S 1FX or by email parish.administrator@stgeorghanoversquare.org

Closing date: 14th July 2017

If you know of anyone who might be interested please ask them to be in touch.



St George's Undercroft as it is at present



Services at Grosvenor Chapel July-October 2017

Sunday 2nd July
Third Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Palestrina
Missa Aeterna Christi munera
Schütz
Verlei uns Frieden genädiglich
William Russell
Voluntary in G minor

Sunday 9th July
Fourth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Darke Communion Service in F
Jonathan Dove *Into thy hands*
Richard Lloyd *View me, Lord*
Kenneth Leighton *Fanfare*

Sunday 16th July
Fifth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Guerrero *Missa Iste Sanctus*
Viadana *Exsultate justi in Domino*
Bach *Concerto in A minor after*
Vivaldi

Sunday 23rd July
Sixth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Anthony Caesar
Missa Brevis Capella Regalis
Cesar Franck *Paris Angelicus*
Louis Vierne *Carillon de Longpont*

Sunday 30th July
Seventh Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Victoria *Missa O quam gloriosum*
Byrd *Ave verum corpus*
Bach *Toccata in D minor*

Sunday 6th August
The Transfiguration of Our Lord
11.00am Sung Eucharist

with congregational music, cantor
and organ

Sunday 13th August
Ninth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

with congregational music, cantor
and organ

Sunday 20th August
Tenth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

with congregational music, cantor
and organ

Sunday 27th August
Eleventh Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

with congregational music, cantor
and organ

Sunday 3rd September
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Lassus *Missa super mon coeur*
Blow *Salvator mundi salva nos*
Buxtehude *Praeludium in G minor*

Sunday 10th September
Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Lennox Berkeley *Missa Brevis*
Fauré *Cantique de Jean Racine*
John Cook *Prelude*

Sunday 17th September
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Eccard *Mass for Five Voices*
Byrd *Siderum rector*
Bach
Prelude in B minor BWV 544(i)

Sunday 24th September
Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Victoria
Missa Simile est regnum coelorum
Guerrero
Simile est regnum coelorum
Bach
Fugue in B minor BWV 544(ii)

Sunday 1st October
Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity
St Michael and All Angels
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Byrd *Mass for Five Voices*
Dering *Factum est silentium*
Bach *Jesus Christus, unser Hei-*
land BWV665

Sunday 8th October
Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Stanford
Communion Service in B flat
Elgar *Fear not, O land*
Gordon Jacob *Festal Flourish*

Sunday 15th October
Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Music by Francis Jackson
b 17/10/1917
Missa Sancti Petri
Come, thou Holy Paraclete
Intrada

Sunday 22nd October
Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Lassus *Missa Je prens en gres*
Peter Phillips *Ave verum corpus*
Thomas Tomkins *Voluntary*

Sunday 29th October
Twentieth Sunday after Trinity
Feast of the Dedication
11.00am Sung Eucharist

Mozart *Missa Brevis in C K259*
Bruckner *Locus iste*
Weelkes
O how amiable are thy dwellings
Boëllmann *Toccata*

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Mrs E Adair
Mr J Hughes
Mr A Milward
Mr L Porter
Mr A Youdell

Mr W M C Beckett
Mr A Jones
Mr S J Munro
Mr S J Roberts

Mr M Hewitt
Mr V A K Martins
Mr J Plummer
Mr C Stephens

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Mrs D Dennis
Ms L Fraser
Mr P Godfrey
Mrs K Rose
Mr S Trotter

Mr N Bedwell
Mr G Eaborn
Ms G Freybote
Ms J Jukes
Ms S Simmons

Mrs M Blackburn
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Mr A Milward
Mr J Rowland

Mrs J Barnes,
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Mr G Arendt & tba

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Churches Together in Westminster Prisons Mission

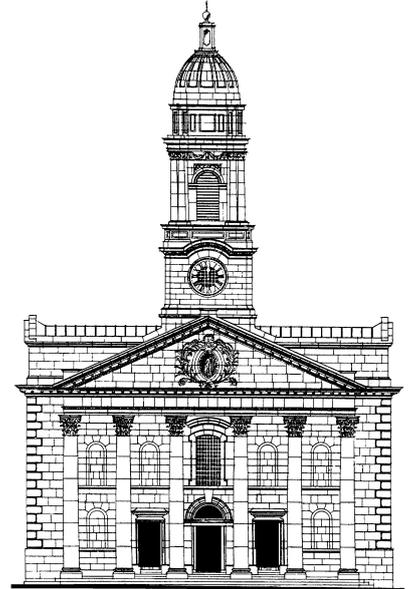
St George's was one of three founding members of the Churches Together in Westminster Prisons Mission in 2013. Since then several members of our congregation have been actively involved in the leadership and growth of the initiative. The aims are firstly; to support the multi-faith Chaplaincy Teams, which work, often under intense pressure, in some of the overcrowded, understaffed London prisons; secondly, to enable a small number of volunteers to practice their personal ministry by reaching out to prisoners, some of whom are isolated, vulnerable and have suffered abuse and neglect; thirdly, to take the messages about prisons and prisoners back to our churches, so that we all learn more about the 94,800 men, women and children detained inside them "in our name".

We have recently taken on more volunteers, some of whom aim to regularly attend one of the Visitors' Centres adjacent to the prison gates. There they can be a friendly, non-official face for the often distressed and anxious members of an inmate's family. Others will undergo training before becoming mentors for individuals for several weeks before and after discharge from custody. We now need to recruit some volunteers who are willing and able to provide regular administrative support within the busy Chaplaincy Team offices. They will be at the interface of links between prisoners,

officers, family and chaplains. For those unwilling or unable to take on the pressures of visiting a prison, there are opportunities to become a Prisoners' Penfriend. By this means one can engage in regular correspondence with a prisoner and have all the letters sent to and from prison via a well-managed central office, to maintain the confidentiality of the writer's home address. Such communications sometimes continue for many years and are found to be of value and interest to both parties.

The key churches engaged with the Prisons Mission have been Anglican, but we will soon be joined by the Roman Catholic Church of Notre Dame de France in Leicester Square. One of their major achievements is the development of a range of high quality advice and support services for refugees. With their help, we hope to extend our reach to some of the hundreds of people held in Immigration Detention Centres, pending reviews of their cases, or deportation. We hope that a leading Baptist church will soon engage and thus increase the denominational spread of the initiative.

Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prisons has recently referred to the system as being "in crisis". The Prison Governors Association has, for the first time in its history, called for "an independent public inquiry into the state of prisons due to the increase of sui-



cides, self-harm and violence." The government has recently appointed the fifth Justice Secretary in six years. In his first speech on taking office, Justice Secretary David Lidington MP expressed his determination to "make prisons true places of safety, reform and rehabilitation and to support offenders to turn their lives around".

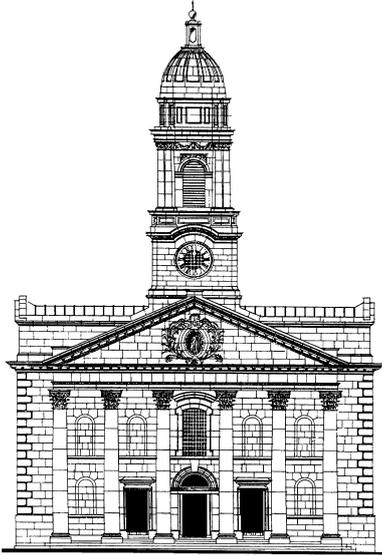
Against this background, the contribution of a few volunteers and the growing interest of a few central London churches is no more than minute. However, it is also illuminating and valued by all concerned, both inside and outside. For more information please speak to John Plummer, Alistair Millward, Sarah Jane Vernon, or John Rowland at our church.

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Bygone Undercroft

A relic of the time when the Undercroft was used for wine storage. We hope to retain this hoist when the Undercroft is re-opened in 2018.



The Little Dragons

After many years without one, a Sunday School was restarted at St George's in 2014. It was 'rebranded' in 2015 as the *Little Dragons*. PCC member Pamela Atekpe who had led the group since its inception handed over the reins to Sarah Jackson-Stevens and Katherine Harris in 2015 and they continue to lead the *Little Dragons* who continue to meet most Sundays during school terms in St George's Vestry. Of all the current activities that will benefit from the opening up of the St George's Undercroft in 2018, it is the *Little Dragons* who will perhaps benefit most from the extra space. In the meantime, Sarah Jackson-Stevens reports as follows:

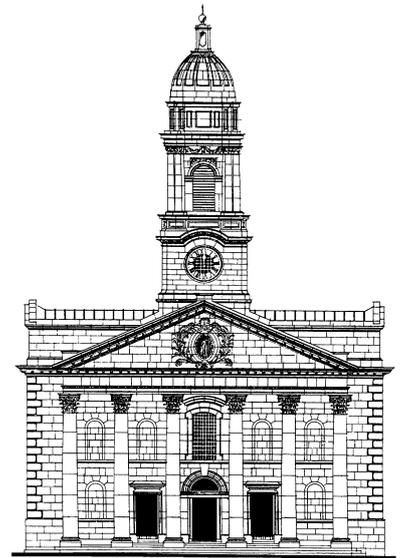
St George's *Little Dragons* continues to flourish and our numbers are growing. The children enjoy learning about Christianity, our Church and the Bible through a range of activities crafts, games, stories and cartoons and sometimes, songs.

Katherine Harris and I continue to take turns leading the sessions and with both of us having DBS clearance and a passion for teaching, we are delighted if parents want to leave their children with us so that they may enjoy a moment of peace and reflection during the communion service at St George's. Equally we very much welcome anyone wishing to stay and play with their very little ones (we do have a box of wooden toys and jigsaw puzzles) or those who are happy to help in the making of our latest creations!

Our annual St George's *Little Dragons* lunch party for children, parents and of course, Fr Roderick, was held after church at the Mayfair Pizza Company in January. These are most enjoyable events and we look forward to organising more social opportunities in the future for our *Little Dragons*.



Hyde Park Place Estate Charity



CIVIL TRUSTEES

At their meetings on 8th March and 24th May 2017, the Civil Trustees of the Hyde Park Place Estate Charity awarded grants totalling £89,250 to the following organisations working in the City of Westminster:

The Marylebone Project
Depaul UK
DreamArts
Soho Theatre
Family Lives
The Passage
Church Housing Trust
Bishop Ho Ming Wha Association
FareShare
St Augustine's C E Primary School
St John's Hospice
InterAct Stroke Support
Pimlico Toy Library
Contact the Elderly
The Food Chain
Royal Trinity Hospice
Mousetrap Theatre Projects
Octavia Foundation
Wigmore Hall Trust – Music for Life
Shakespeare Schools Foundation
Cardinal Hume Centre
St George's School
St George's Hanover Square - Refreshment Coupon Scheme

The next meeting of the Civil Trustees will be on Wednesday 27th September (application deadline: Monday 11th September). A further meeting will be held on Wednesday 29th November (application deadline: Monday 13th November).

ECCLESIASTICAL TRUSTEES

A total of £60,425 was awarded in grants at the Ecclesiastical Trustees' meeting held on Sunday 21st May, for the benefit of the churches and clergy based in the original historic Parish of St George, Hanover Square. The next meeting will be held on Sunday 26th November (application deadline: Monday 13th November).

Shirley Vaughan
Clerk to the Trustees

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