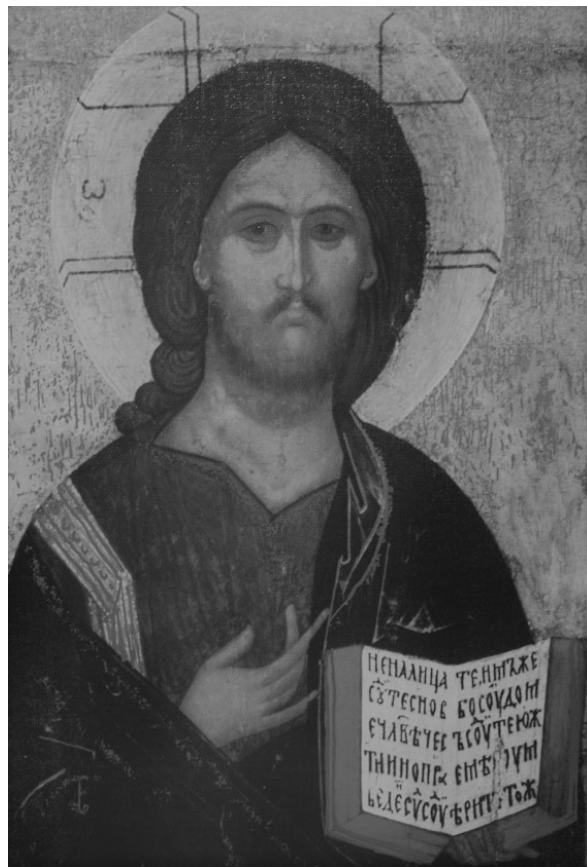


# ST ANNE'S, SOHO

## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2026



The Eucharist



A Soho Parish Sunday

# Welcome to St Anne's Church, Soho

The Celebrant is  
**The Revd Martha Pennel**  
*Curate of St Anne's, Soho*

The Preacher is  
**The Revd Simon Buckley**  
*Rector of St Anne's, Soho*

Organist  
**Anthony Winter**

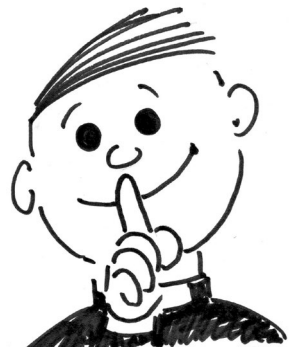
This order of service contains all you need to join in with our worship whether you are in St Anne's or joining us online -

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Worshipping in church we gather with strangers and friends, and from home we join virtually with those we see and hear on screen. But wherever we are, we join with the church throughout the world, and all the saints in Heaven, as children of God and disciples of Christ.

We invite everyone to:

- **Join us in keeping a time of quiet before the service begins.**
- Switch off your mobile phone for this hour and avoid other distractions.
- Support St Anne's via contactless giving, the collection taken during the service, or by direct debit.
- Keep this booklet for your reflection in the coming week.
- **If you are in church, please save the chatter until the organ voluntary has concluded.**



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We pray this time together will be a blessing for all who share in it, and strengthen us to serve others in the week ahead.

## Welcome

We meet in the name of the Father and  
of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**All:** and also with you.

## Opening Hymn

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.

In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;  
he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned.

How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;

he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.

No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

*David J. Evans (b.1957)*

## The Lord's Summary of the Law

As we gather for worship in the presence of God and one another, let us hear Our Lord Jesus' summary of the Ten Commandments which call us to love both God and our neighbour.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

The first commandment is this:

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God with all you heart,  
with all your soul, with all your mind,  
and with your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

There is no other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandants hang all the law and the prophets.

**All: Amen. Lord, have mercy and write these laws on our hearts.**

## Invitation to Confession

After his baptism, and filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led into the wilderness, where after forty days he was tempted by the devil, but did not sin. We confess that we have not followed his example, but have given in to temptation and failed to keep God's commandments.

*Silence for reflection.*

All: God our Father,  
 we confess  
 that we have not always followed your commandments,  
 or followed the example of Christ.  
 We are truly sorry for any wrong we have done,  
 and any good that we have failed to do.  
 Forgive us our sins,  
 and help us to live more generously  
 and kindly with others.  
 Amen

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

### Absolution

Almighty God,  
 who forgives all who truly repent,  
 have mercy upon you,  
 pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
 confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
 and keep you in life eternal;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

## The Collect

Almighty God,  
by the prayer and discipline of Lent  
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,  
and by following in his Way  
come to share in his glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## ∞ The Liturgy of the Word ∞

**First reading: Genesis 12: 1-3**

*A reading from the Book of Genesis*

Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

Reader: Hear the word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 121

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills;  
from where is my help to come?
- 2 **My help comes from the Lord,  
the maker of heaven and earth.**
- 3 He will not suffer your foot to stumble;  
he who watches over you will not sleep.
- 4 **Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel  
shall neither slumber nor sleep.**
- 5 The Lord himself watches over you;  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 **So that the sun shall not strike you by day,  
neither the moon by night.**
- 7 The Lord shall keep you from all evil;  
it is he who shall keep your soul.
- 8 **The Lord shall keep watch over your going out  
and your coming in,  
from this time forth for evermore.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever.  
Amen.**

## Taizé Chant

Christ Jesus

O Christe Domine Jesu

O Chri - ste Do - mi - ne Je - su, O Chri - ste Do - mi - ne Je - su! O

## Gospel Reading

*Please stand for the Gospel reading.*

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

**All:** Glory to you, O Lord.

*Matthew 5: 1-9*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All:** Praise to you, O Christ.

*We repeat the Taizé Chant.*

## The Devil in The Desert *a sermon with puppets*

*Followed by a short piece of organ music.*

## The Creed

Let us declare our faith in God.

**All:** We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.

We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

## The Intercessions

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the Father.

*To the bidding 'Lord in your mercy'  
We respond 'hear our prayer'.*

*And at the end:*

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

## ☞ The Liturgy of the Sacrament ☛

### The Peace

Blessed are the peacemakers:

they shall be called children of God.

We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

**All:** And also with you.

*Please greet one another and  
then be seated as the altar is prepared and the collection taken.*

## Hymn

From heaven you came, helpless babe,  
entered our world, your glory veiled;  
not to be served but to serve,  
and give your life that we might live.

### *Refrain*

*This is our God, the Servant King,  
he calls us now to follow him,  
to bring our lives as a daily offering  
of worship to the Servant King.*

There in the garden of tears,  
my heavy load he chose to bear;  
his heart with sorrow was torn.  
'Yet not my will but yours,' he said.

### *Refrain*

Come see his hands and his feet,  
the scars that speak of sacrifice,  
hands that flung stars into space,  
to cruel nails surrendered.

### *Refrain*

So let us learn how to serve,  
and in our lives enthrone him;  
each other's needs to prefer,  
for it is Christ we're serving.

### *Refrain*

Graham Kendrick (b.1950)

## The Eucharistic Prayer

**All:** Merciful Father,  
Turn us from sin to faithfulness,  
From disobedience to love,  
And prepare us to celebrate  
The death and resurrection of Christ our Saviour,  
Who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.  
Amen.

The Lord be with you  
**All:** and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.  
**All:** we lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**All:** it is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good  
to give you thanks and praise,  
almighty God and everlasting Father,  
through Jesus Christ your Son.

For in these forty days  
you lead us into the desert of repentance  
that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline  
we may grow in grace  
and learn to be your people once again.

Through fasting, prayer and acts of service  
you bring us back to your generous heart.  
Through study of your holy word  
you open our eyes to your presence in the world  
and free our hands to welcome others  
into the radiant splendour of your love.  
As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast  
with joyful hearts and minds  
we bless you for your mercy  
and join with saints and angels  
for ever praising you and singing:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho-san - na in the high - est, ho-san - na in the high - est.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
 grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
 and according to your holy will,  
 these gifts of bread and wine  
 may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
 who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
 took bread and gave you thanks;  
 he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
 Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
 do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
 he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
 he gave it to them, saying:  
 Drink this, all of you;  
 this is my blood of the new covenant,  
 which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
 Do this, as often as you drink it,  
 in remembrance of me.

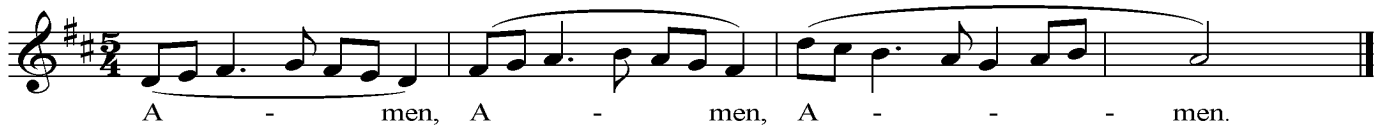
Great is the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died:  
 Christ is risen:  
 Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
 his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
 rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
 and looking for his coming in glory,  
 we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for  
counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your  
kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in  
the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Anne and all the  
saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ  
our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of  
the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for  
ever and ever.



## The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**All:** Our Father, who art in heaven  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.

## Breaking of the Bread

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

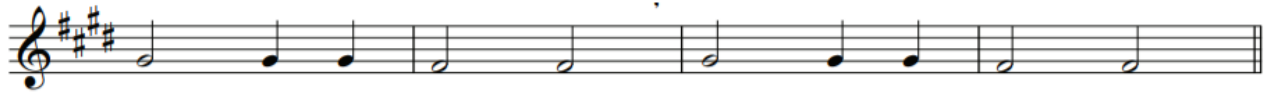
We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All:** Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.

## Agnus Dei



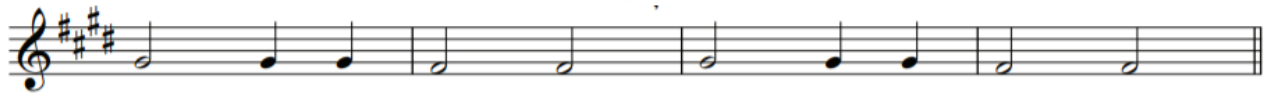
Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin \_\_\_\_ of the world:



have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin \_\_\_\_ of the world:



have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin \_ of the world: grant us peace.

## Giving of Communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper:

**All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*All are welcome to gather around the altar, as directed,  
to receive Communion or a blessing.*

*Holy Communion may be received in the bread alone, or in bread and wine as  
you prefer. Please indicate clearly what you wish to receive, and wait until those  
standing with you have received before returning to your place.*

*The practice of intinction (dipping) the host is not permitted.*

## Prayer after Communion

**All: Almighty God,  
we thank you that you give us the food of salvation,  
to nourish us on our journey through the wilderness of this world.  
Keep us faithful to your Son as he was faithful to you,  
and keep us joyful in his service.  
Amen.**

## Hymn

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
give me joy in my heart, I pray.  
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,  
keep me praising till the end of day.

### *Refrain*

*Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!  
Sing hosanna to the King of kings!  
Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!  
Sing hosanna to the King!*

Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,  
give me peace in my heart, I pray.  
Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting,  
keep me resting till the break of day.

### *Refrain*

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,  
give me love in my heart, I pray.  
Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,  
keep me serving till the end of day.

### *Refrain*

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,  
give me oil in my lamp, I pray.  
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,  
keep me burning till the end of day.

### *Refrain*

## Notices

### The Dismissal & Blessing

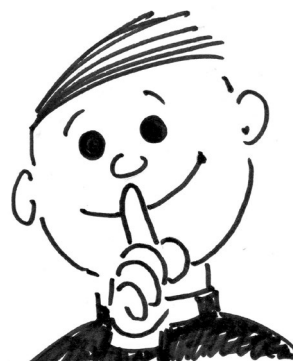
Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,  
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;  
and the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All: Amen**

Let us all go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All: In the name of Christ. Amen.**

*Please sit quietly after the clergy have departed and enable  
those who wish to listen to the organ voluntary to do so.  
There's plenty of time to chat over coffee.*



The names of those recorded in St Anne's Book of Remembrance  
and whose anniversaries fall during this month  
are displayed in our entrance corridor.



# NOTICES

- **Visitors and newcomers** to St Anne's are always welcome to stay for refreshments after the service, if you've not been to St Anne's before please be sure to pick up a copy of our newsletter and find out what is going on and coming up.
- **During Lent** we are asking people to make a £1 donation for refreshments after church, to be donated by us to City Harvest London. Please pay your £1 in cash, or pay a fiver up front and be done with it!
- **Today:** Sunday School for Adults is at 12.45 today in the chapel (all welcome), Grief Café from 3-4.30 in the Allen Room, and a short service of Holy Communion with unaccompanied singing at 5pm
- **Tuesday Tea** is this week from 3-4:30pm and all are welcome to drop in for cake and a cuppa.
- **Next Sunday:** Children's Group meet during our 11am service, (but '2nd Sunday lunch' is moved to 15th March).
- **Mothering Sunday** (15th March) is when flowers are distributed to all members of the congregation as gifts for, or in memory of, their mothers. Be here to receive yours!
- **The next Soho Parish Sunday** will be on the 5<sup>th</sup> July. Children are welcome every Sunday at St Anne's where books and worksheets related to the day's readings are available at their special 'activity table'. On the second Sunday in the month they go out for part of the service to a 'children's group' led by Josh and another DBS checked member of the congregation.

# REGULAR SERVICES AT ST ANNE'S, SOHO

Sunday	11.00am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	5.00pm	Holy Communion ( <i>first Sunday of the month</i> )
Tuesday	8:30am	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	1:05pm	Holy Communion
Wednesday	8:30am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	4:30pm	Evening Prayer
Thursday	8:30am	Morning Prayer

The church is open for private prayer  
**Monday – Friday 9am – 5:30pm (often until 8pm)**

*For Pastoral Care including home visits, prayers for healing and anointing, confessions, funeral services, weddings & baptisms please contact:*

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