

*The church is open for quiet thought or prayer from 8am – 5.30pm Monday – Friday,
11am – 4pm on Saturdays.
Monday – Friday there will be daily mass at 12.15pm. Monday 1.05pm Mediation group.
On Sunday there is a Sung Eucharist at 11am.*

Thank you for attending our service this morning. You are all very welcome to join us after the service for tea/coffee in the Church hall.

Diary

Thursday	29 March	6.30pm	Celebration of the Last Supper to be held at St Mary's, Aldermay
Friday	30 March	12noon	Celebration of The Passion
Friday	30 March	1.30pm	Film of "Gods & Men" to be shown in The Rectory with hot cross buns.

St Vedast's Hall is available for hire for events, meetings, etc. Please contact the administrator for more information.

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**The Parish of
Saint Vedast-alias-Foster**
Foster Lane, London EC2V 6HH
Third Sunday of Lent
4th March 2018

Celebrant: Revd Paul Kennedy
Preacher: The Rt Revd Dr Stephen Platten

Setting: Parish Mass - Allcoat

Hymn: 383 Jesu Lover of my Sou

Collect

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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.

1st Reading: Exodus 20.1-17

Psalm 19

R The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart.

The heavens are telling the glory of God and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. One day pours out its song to another and one night unfolds knowledge to another. They have neither speech nor language and their voices are not heard, yet their sound has gone out into all lands and their words to the ends of the world .**R**

In them has he set a tabernacle for the sun, that comes forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber and rejoices as a champion to run his course. It goes forth from the end of the heavens and runs to the very end again, and there is nothing hidden from its heat. **R**

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the simple. The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is pure and gives light to the eyes. **R**

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter also than honey, dripping from the honeycomb. **R**

By them also is your servant taught and in keeping them there is great reward. Who can tell how often they offend? O cleanse me from my secret faults! Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins lest they get dominion over me; so shall I be undefiled, and innocent of great offence. **R**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. **R**

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.18-25

Gospel acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
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The Lord is a great God, O that today you would listen to his voice.
Harden not your hearts.
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Gospel: John 2: 13-22

Intercessions

We pray for those who are sick especially those named in our Prayer Intention book: Margaret Spencer, Roger Bloomfield

We pray for those who have died recently:
James Davie, Ernest Hecht

We pray for those whose anniversary falls during this time.

If there is anyone you wish to be included in our prayers, please call the Church office on 020 7606 3998 or email administrator@vedast.org.uk.

Offertory Hymn: 294 Just as I am Without One Plea

Anthem: Holy spirit ever dwelling - Howells

Communion: *All baptised communicant Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at this service. Alternatively, please come forward for a Blessing. If you have difficulty kneeling, it is perfectly acceptable for you to remain standing to receive Holy Communion.*

Thanksgiving Hymn: 391 King of Glory, King of Peace