



St James's
PICCADILLY

St Pancras
Euston Road

Sanctuary Eucharist

Tuesday 9th September 2025
at 6.30pm

A chance to reflect, reconnect, re-charge

Sanctuary is a home for everyone, where you can belong and where we can be in community with each other.

If you are able to contribute to the running of this service, there are a couple of ways you can help. If you would like to be a reader or lead prayers during the service, please speak to Elijah.

If you are in a position to make a donation towards the costs of this service, please use the tap donation points at the back of the church or the QR code on page 14. We know that sometimes it's not possible to donate, and that's ok too. We deeply appreciate everyone's participation, support, and presence at Sanctuary.

For more details of how to get involved at St Pancras and St James's go to:

www.stpancraschurch.org

www.sjp.org.uk

Before the service, from 6pm, please keep silence until 6.25pm when all join in the Taizé chant ...

**The Kingdom of God is justice and peace
and joy in the Holy Spirit.
Come, Lord, and open in us
the gates of your kingdom.**

ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening responses *(led by a lay leader)*

For sacred space to dream and ponder.
Thanks be to God.

For small things that give life richness.
Thanks be to God.

For the freshness of the Gospel.
Thanks be to God.

For the Spirit that enfolds us.
Thanks be to God.
Amen.

Welcome and Opening Prayer *(by the presiding priest)*

Gracious God, give us time this night to make a prayer that will become the prayer of our soul. Help us to listen to the voices of longing in our hearts, and listen to our hungers. Help us give attention to the unexpected happenings at the edges of our life. Help us listen to our memory and to the inrush of our future, to the voices of those near us and those we have lost. Help us to know we are surrounded by so great

a cloud of witnesses and give us the eyes of faith to know that we are loved, and forgiven and free.

Amen.

Prayers of Reconciliation *(led by lay leader)*

In meeting together and reflecting on our lives and society, we acknowledge in the presence of God, our choices and habits that bring injustice and pain to the world.

My friends, I confess before you and in the presence of God that the world is broken by the wrong I have done.

May God forgive you and give you peace.

Amen.

We confess before one another and in the presence of God, that the world is broken by the wrong we have done.

The priest says

May God forgive you and give you peace.

Amen.

Music for reflection

*Michael will play **Prière-Choral** by Déodat de Séverac*

Listening to the Wisdom of the World

***The Stone**, by Mary Fordyce Carruthers*

On my spiritual path I am
blocked by a stone;
It is ugly and heavy and it shouldn't be there.
I try to walk around it but am unable.

I focus on the soft mosses and lichens on its surface
and write a poem.
But it is still there.

I hope that if I go away and
come back again, it will have
simply just rolled away by itself.
But no, there it is still –
big dense, immovable, solid.

I feel such shame that I have a stone in my path (a
heavy, ugly stone at that).
I have been expecting a river to cross or
at the very least a lovely tower
with a ladder to climb.

And what will the other
spiritual seekers think if they
ever find out about this stone
in my path that I can't move?

I tug and I tug and I push
and I pray. I complete all my
spiritual practices and then
fall silent. I realise that I
can't move this stone that is blocking my path.

I sit down next to it. I take
Some time to feel its
Cold, heavy density with my hands. 'Yes,
You are a stone' I say
'and here you are'.

The then the stone replies.

I am your sacred stone
I am the voice of your soul.
Not a barrier, but a guide.
When you push against me
and resist me you cannot hear,
but now at last you are listening.

And then I know what to do.
I slowly walk through, with it.

All join in singing the Taizé chant ...

Lord God, you love us, source of compassion.

**The Gospel:
Luke 6.12-19**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you O Lord.

Now during those days he went out to the mountain to pray; and he spent the night in prayer to God. And when day came, he called his disciples and chose twelve of them, whom he also named apostles: Simon, whom he named Peter, and his brother Andrew, and James, and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James son of Alphaeus, and Simon, who was called the Zealot, and Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor. He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured.

And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Hear the gospel of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Reflection on Listening to the World and Listening to Scripture

given by a member of the St James's Sanctuary team.

Silence.

Music for reflection

*Robert will sing **The Vagabond** from Songs of Travel, words by Robert Louis Stevenson and music by Ralph Vaughan Williams.*

Intercessions

Let us pray for the earth and her life, for people in trouble, for our city, for ourselves.

After each line of prayer, please join the chant response ...

Through our lives and by our prayers, your kingdom come.

The Peace

Jesus says "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God."

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All share a sign of peace.

Chant at the Preparation of the Table

All sing the Taizé chant ...

**Holy Spirit come to us,
kindle in us the fire of your love.
Holy Spirit come to us,
Holy Spirit come to us.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The priest sings ...

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

God, we have been gathered by you, caught in your net,
summoned to your table.
As we open ourselves to your generous hospitality,
let your Spirit move among us
and be present in the food we share
so that this bread and wine
become for us the living presence of Jesus.
That so with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we may proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and singing ...

Sanctus and Benedictus

Singer

Holy.

All sing

Holy.

Singer

Holy.

All

Holy.

Holy Lord of power and might.

Singer

Heaven.

All

Heaven.

Singer

Earth.

All

Earth.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

(in canon) **Hosanna in the highest.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Singer

Blessed.

All

Blessed.

Singer
Blessed.

All
Blessed.
Is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Singer
Blessed.

All
Blessed.

Singer
Blessed.

All
Blessed.
Is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
(in canon) **Hosanna in the highest.**
Hosanna in the highest.

The priest continues

Blessed are you, O God,
and blessed are your messengers and prophets
who have proclaimed liberty to the captives
and good news to all who are poor.
Blessed is your son Jesus,
who came to make known your mysteries,
to seek out and save what is lost in this life,
and to heal and bring wholeness
by the forgiveness open to all,
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.

Singer

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

All sing

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one
bread and one cup.

Remembering the eternal self-giving of Christ,
we proclaim the mystery of God's presence among us
in this bread and wine.

Made one with you eternal God,
we offer these gifts of your creation,
and with them, ourselves, as we are,
so that you can make us who we can be.

And now, all honour and glory be yours, eternal God,
through all ages and in all time, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Silence is kept.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Communion

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

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

Music for reflection

*During Communion Robert will sing **Look Not In My Eyes** from
A Shropshire Lad, words by A.E. Housman and music by
George Butterworth.*

Prayer After Communion

**All praise to God our Creator,
for you have fed us with the bread of heaven
and quenched our thirst with the cup of salvation:
hear our prayer that, being one with Christ,
we may grow together in unity and feast with you in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.
Amen.**

*Final notices are given by the service leader ...
after which, please stand for the blessing.*

The Blessing

All say to one another ...

**May the road rise to meet you,
and the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face
and the rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
may we know that we are held in the hollow of God's hand.
Amen.**

Final Hymn

[Tune: Repton; Words: John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-92)]

**Dear Lord and Father of us all,
forgive our foolish ways;
re-clothe us in our rightful mind:
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise,
in deeper reverence, praise.**

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.

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.

Everyone is welcome to stay for drinks and food.

*The next Sanctuary Eucharist is on **Tuesday 16th September**
at St Pancras Euston Road, starting with 30 minutes of
reflection and prayer at 6pm, followed by the service at
6.30pm.*



*If you'd like to make a donation towards
St James's work, cash may be left in the
basket on the refreshments table.*

*Card donations may be made using the tap
donation points at the back of the church or
this QR code.*

Weekly Services and Events at St Pancras, Euston Road

Sunday at 11am	Parish Eucharist
Monday at 12.45pm	Psalm Prayers
Tuesday at 1.10pm	Lunchtime Concert
Tuesday at 6.30pm	Sanctuary Eucharist
Wednesday at 12 noon	Community Coffee
Wednesday at 1.15pm	Lunchtime Eucharist
Wednesday at 5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Thursday at 1.10pm	Lunchtime Concert
Thursday at 5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Saturday at 12 noon	Midday Prayer
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 8.30am - Morning Prayer	

Mememto Vivere

The Crypt Gallery at St Pancras, Euston Road
until 18th September 2025

Welcome to Memento Vivere, an exhibition by Outsider Artist, Slart, presented by Gabriel Fine Arts at the Crypt Gallery. This remarkable crypt now offers the perfect setting where visitors can contemplate our shared fate-Death.



Memento Vivere reminds us to pause, breathe, and appreciate being alive. As you explore the art, allow the space to inspire reflection on art, life, the forgotten beauty that is all around us, and the quiet wonders that are hidden in plain sight.

See www.cryptgallery.org/events/ for further details, tickets and opening times.

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