

In Our Prayers This Week

Collect for 1st Sunday after Trinity

Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer by Jeannie Carr-Gomm

Give us strength to encounter that which is to come, and grant that we may be brave in peril, constant in tribulation, temperate in wrath, and in all change of fortune and down to the gates of death, loyal and loving to one another Amen.



Peter & Paul. Window in St Mary & St Lambert in Stonham, Aspal. Wikipedia

Those in acute need

Laila Attia	Patrick North
Hillary Bardsley	Buyile Phiri
Brian Cripps	June Scully
Julie Costley-White	David Strong
Evelyn Ellison	Jill Traynor
Fr David Michaels	Adam
Nyako Nakar	Matt
	Nathan

Rose
Stephanie
Talia
Yves

Those in long-term need

Annie Redmile
James Worsley
Michael
Conor

For those affected by conflict

Antonina	Dmitri Mykola Gnatovsky	Ilya
Dmytro Kuleba	Nadia Vadim	

and for all who have died recently

Fiona Mendel	Frank Doran	Jethro
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and for all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time

Olwen Haslam, 27 th June	Carys Wynne, 2 nd July
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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

150th Anniversary, 1872-2022

Sunday 26th June 2022

Welcome to St Mary Abbots

The church is open daily from 8.30am to 6pm
and 10am - 6pm on Saturday & bank holidays

SUNDAY 26th June – 2nd Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 9.30 am Parish Eucharist
 11.15 am Choral Matins
 5.30 pm Sung Evensong

MONDAY 27th June – Cyril, Bishop

8 am Morning Prayer
 8.30 am Bible Study
 12 noon Informal Eucharist, Sunday on Monday
 5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

TUESDAY 28th June – Irenaeus, Bishop

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
 12 noon Holy Communion (BCP)
 5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

WEDNESDAY 29th June – Peter and Paul, Apostles

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
 12 noon Holy Eucharist
 1.05pm Meditation Group
 5.30 pm Evening Prayer in church
 6.30 pm COS Summer Drinks

THURSDAY 30th June

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
 9.30 School Eucharist – all are welcome
 5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

FRIDAY 1st July – Henry, John & Henry Venn

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
 9.30am Mini Abbots in Centre
 12 noon Holy Eucharist
 1.05 pm Royal College of Music Concert
 5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

SATURDAY 2nd July

12 noon Holy Communion (BCP)
 5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church
 3 pm Mark and Alba's wedding

SUNDAY 3rd July – Thomas the Apostle

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 9.30 am Family Eucharist
 11.15 am Choral Matins
 5.30 pm Sung Evensong

Message from Mother Emma

Once again, a very big thank you to everyone who helped with the Summer Party last Saturday – despite the drizzle from time to time, a lot of fun was had, and many drinks and cakes were consumed! The children too seemed to have a wonderful time with all the Jubilee activities.



It was also lovely to see a good number of you at the excellent talk and tour by Mother Ayla on the Sacred Treasures of the Church. One person who attended has kindly written a short review (see below), for those who were unable to make it; and our Exhibition of photographs of other sacred items will be going up shortly in the Holland Chapel for people to visit. Our thanks to Knight Frank for their sponsorship of the exhibition.

Our next event in our 150th Anniversary celebrations is the Concert by our professional choir, now coming up fast on Thursday 7th July at 6.30 pm. They will be performing pieces written by those who lived or worked in Kensington, and we very much hope you will be able to attend – tickets are available on the 'what is on' page of our website and include a program and glass of wine. The concert is kindly being sponsored by John D Wood, the estate agents, who are also celebrating their 150th Anniversary this year!

Some of you have been asking about the return of the chalice, so that we can receive the wine as well as the bread at the Eucharist, as the Church of England is now encouraging this where there is no reason to do otherwise. Many of you will be aware that I was classed as clinically extremely vulnerable during the Covid outbreak; that any consecrated wine left in the chalice at the end of the service must be fully consumed, and that I have been medically advised against doing so for the time being. This question was brought to the Parochial Church Council last night and discussed with great kindness and compassion, though appreciating that there are many in the congregation for whom a return to receiving Communion in both kinds is very important. It was resolved that we would restore the shared chalice to our Eucharists on Sunday, but that for now, we would continue only to receive the bread at our daily Eucharists throughout the week, when there may not be others present to consume in my place. The PCC was also keen to stress that there is no obligation upon anyone to receive in both kinds – theologically the Church teaches that if we receive in one kind (bread only) as we have been doing for the past two years, the sacrament is valid and Christ is fully present.

Father of mercy, keep us joyful in your salvation and faithful to your covenant; and, as we journey to your kingdom, ever feed us with the bread of life, your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen [Common Worship, Daily Prayer, response to Psalm 81]

With my love and prayers, Mother Emma



Review of 'The Art of Worship, the Sacred Treasures of St Mary Abbots'

Dr Ayla Lepine's talk on the Treasures of St Mary Abbots was a feast of facts, images and fascinating anecdotes. Her infectious enthusiasm proved as great as her knowledge! The guided tour of the church took us to places and artefacts often unseen on a Sunday. I particularly loved standing in the sanctuary, close to the glowing mosaic work behind the altar and looking down the sweep of the nave to the Old Testament pictures in the west window (matching the New Testament ones in the east). Others explored the decorative work encircling the font or marvelled at the fine gilded embroidery of vestment stoles. But for Dr Lepine - soon to become Associate Rector of St James's, Piccadilly - a church's architecture and artefacts are not just "visual culture" but an intrinsic part of the worship that takes place within it every day. I do hope we can invite her again!" Maggie

Photography Exhibition – next week

As part of the 150th Anniversary celebrations we are delighted to announce that from next week there will be an Exhibition of the sacred artifacts of St Mary Abbots, in effect a history of the Church in objects. Generously sponsored by Knight Frank, with photographs by the very talented Emmanuel Saint and members of staff, the Exhibition will be in the Holland Chapel and continue for the rest of the year. We hope that you will enjoy it!

OTHER PARISH NEWS

Summer Festival - Youth Ministry Event Sunday 3rd July 2022, 5-8pm

Summer Festival for secondary School ages (year 6) is taking place at All Saints Church Hall, 70a Fulham High Street. There will be a bucking bronco, sumo suits, BBQ, many other games and a short Eucharist. If you would like to go please register your interest by emailing jacob@standrewsfulham.com

Bishop Graham Tomlin Tuesday 12th July 2022, 7.30pm

Bishop Graham Tomlin will be stepping down as the Bishop of Kensington next month in order to lead the Centre for Cultural Witness, which looks at how to change the perceptions of Christian faith in contemporary culture. Bishop Graham says: "It has been a huge privilege to serve as the Bishop of Kensington over these past years. I have had the joy of working with a wonderful group of clergy and lay people, who have borne witness to Christ during difficult times in ways that have constantly inspired and encouraged me. It will be a wrench to leave the Area and the wider London diocese, but I do feel the urgency and am excited by this call to engage with the Church's public witness in a more focussed way in the years to come." If you would like to attend the leaving service, sign his e-card or contribute to his leaving gift then please email Mother Emma or Leonora for details.

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Thursday 7th July 2022 at 6.30 pm

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