In Our Prayers This Week

Collect for 12th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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.

Amen

Prayer of the week

Loving Father and Creator of all, we come to you today deeply grateful for your creation. As we look around us we are amazed at the greatness and majesty of all that you have made. May we show our love and reverence to you, our Lord, by caring for all that you have created. We humbly give you praise and thanks. **Amen**



Christ Blessing the children, by Lucas Cranach the Elder, Stadel Museum, Frankfurt

Those in acute need	Patrick North	Rose
Laila Attia	Buyile Phiri	Stephanie
Hillary Bardsley	June Scully	Talia
Brian Cripps	David Strong	Yves
Julie Costley-White	Jill Traynor	Those in long-term need
Evelyn Ellison	Adam	Christopher Browne
Fr David Michaels	Matt	Annie Redmile
Marina McIlveen	Nathan	James Worsley
		Conor

For those affected by conflict
Antonina Dmitri Mykola Gnatovsky Ilya
Dmytro Kuleba Nadia Vadim

and for all who have died recently
James Sylvester Pam

and for all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time

Stuart Gibson, 1st September Mary McKenna, 5th September

Evghenia Burlac, 5th September

Ella Duffy, 9th September Marcus Ames-Lewis, 10th September

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Sunday 4th September 2022

Welcome to St Mary Abbots
The church is open daily from 8.30am to 6pm and 10am - 6pm on Saturdays & Bank Holidays

SUNDAY 4th September - 12th Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am
9.30 am
11.15 am
12 noon
5.30 pm
Holy Communion (BCP)
Family Eucharist
Choral Matins
Interment of Ashes
Sung Evensong

MONDAY 5th September

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

12 noon Informal Eucharist (Sunday on Monday)

5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

TUESDAY 6th September – Allan Gardiner, Missionary

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

WEDNESDAY 7th September

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
12 noon Holy Eucharist
1.05 pm Meditation
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

THURSDAY 8th September

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

9.30 am School Eucharist – all are welcome

5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

FRIDAY 9th September - Charles Fuge Lowder, Priest

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
 9.30 Mini Abbots at St Mary Abbots Centre
 12 noon Holy Eucharist
 RCM concerts resume 23rd September

 2.30 pm Wedding of Justin and Shannon
 5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

SATURDAY 10th September

12 noon 2 pm Blessing of Ester and Øyvind 5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

SUNDAY 11th September

Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary (tr)
8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30 am NO SERVICE

11.15 am Patronal Festal Eucharist

President and Preacher: The Rt Revd & Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally, Bishop of London Followed by a picnic in the Vicarage Garden

5.30 pm Sung Evensong

Message from Mother Emma

Dear all

We are much looking forward to welcoming back those who have been away as everyone prepares for the return to work and school this weekend. We shall especially be praying for teachers



and school staff and for all those starting a new school this term, and for our own St Mary Abbots Primary School as we remember the School Prayer: "Father God, Help us to be thankful for all the opportunities we have to flourish. May we grow from tiny seeds into mighty trees and be generous in sharing all the wonderful gifts you give us. Bless all those who teach, support, feed and lead us. May our school be filled with your love, your peace and your joy."

Once again, a reminder that Sunday 11th September is our Patronal Festival and the Bishop of London will be coming to preside and preach at the service. It is Bishop Sarah's first visit to the parish, and I truly hope that all our wonderful congregations will be able to come together at 11.15 am for the Festal Eucharist to welcome her to St Mary Abbots (NB There will be NO 9.30 Eucharist that day, but there will be children's provision at the 11.15), and then for the lunch in the Vicarage garden afterwards.

With my love and prayers, Mother Emma

150th Anniversary Events Dates for your September diary

Patronal Festal Eucharist 11th September at 11.15

President and Preacher: The Bishop of London,

followed by celebratory lunch in the garden.

Victorian Society Talk 21st September at 6.30pm.

A talk by Dr Christopher Miele from the Victorian Society on Sir George Gilbert Scott and the building of our church. Tickets are £10 and available on the 'what is on page' of our website. Drinks available to purchase.

Royal College of Music Concert 23rd September at 1.05pm

First of the Autumn term concerts performed by students of the RCM, free entry

Children's Victorian Fun Day 24th September from 2pm

A fun day out for all the family with Victorian games and activities and other entertainments and refreshments.

Free entrance.

Refugees' Coffee Morning Zoom training Thursday 8th September from 7 pm – 9pm

We are hoping to start a Saturday coffee morning for refugees as part of the Welcome Churches, a national body we worked with last year to help Afghans refugees. The coffee mornings will be at St Cuthberts, Earls Court, probably at 11am and will be coordinated by Christopher Thurn. If you can help please email him at christhurn@hotmail.com. The Welcome Churches training is mandatory if you wish to take part, and you can book a place here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/supporting-hotels-training-tickets-400646012007

Homeless Ministry Starts 12th September at 6pm

Our new homeless ministry starts next month, beginning with some informal prayer and then taking food down the High Street to people in their spots, ending at Holland Park with a debrief and more informal prayer for those we have met. If you have said you can help with food, please could you let Father Christopher know whether you intend to be helping on that day? We would like to have soup, tea and anything else that is easily prepared and distributed.

Glass Door Sleep Out – Join our team Friday 7th October

If you would like to join us for the 10th Glass Door sleep out this vear then please sign up here: giving.givestar.com/microsite/glass-door/glass-door-sleep-out and then ask to join the St Mary Abbots team. As the cost of living increases it is likely that more individuals and families will lose their homes. The money you raise will help the Glass Door casework team provide essential support and advice. Since the first sleep out this event has raised over £1.5 million which has helped caseworkers find 1,734 people more permanent accommodation, as well as provide immediate accommodation for 2,494 people in shelters and hostels.

Christmas Fair, 26th November –Stall Holders

Our aim this year is to restore the Christmas fair to its usual pre-pandemic glory and have lots on offer for Christmas shopping. So far we have ceramics, glassware, bric-a-brac, cakes and jams, clothes, hats and jewellery, antiques and the usual church offering of tea & cakes, a BBQ and children's area (as always if you are able to volunteer for a stint at one of these please let us know!), however if you or anyone you know has items that would sell, particularly if they would make good Christmas presents, please get in touch. Last year the team raised £4,500 – please help us to raise even more this year

Food Bank

The food bank is still in need of your donations over the summer, so please bring any donations to the church and leave in the two food boxes. Please remember not to bring any fresh food or ready meals as we have no way of storing them. A full list can be found on our food bank page www.smaw8.org/food-bank-support.html



Patronal Festival

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary



President and Preacher

The Bishop of London

The Rt Revd & Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally DBE

Sunday 11th September 2022 11.15 am