

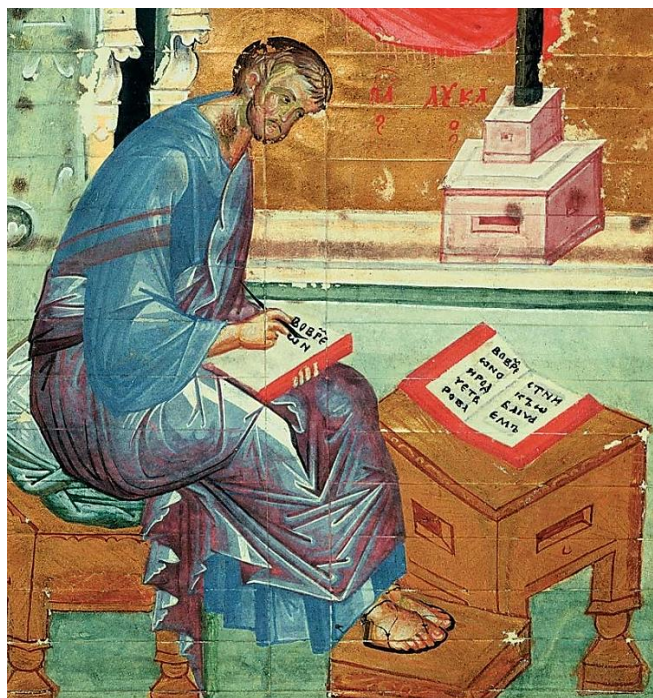
In Our Prayers This Week

Collect for 18th Sunday after Trinity

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect for Luke the Evangelist

Almighty God who called St Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul: May it please thee that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**



St Luke the Evengelist, Andrei Rublev. Wikimedia

Those in acute need

Laila Attia
Hillary Bardsley
Evelyn Ellison
Monica Libby
Jill Meyer
Michael Turner

Buyile Phiri
William Service
Jill Traynor
Adam
Rose
Stephanie
Talia

Those in long-term need

Christopher Browne
Julie Costley-White
Fr David Michaels
Annie Redmile
James Worsley
Conor

and for all who have died recently

Queen Elizabeth II
Michael Pam Yves

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

Jo Pitt, 18th October Malcolm Ballisat, 20th October
Vida Nevell, 22nd October John Darrell, 22nd October
Albert Atack, 23rd October

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

150th Anniversary, 1872-2022

Sunday 16th October 2022

Welcome to St Mary Abbots

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

SUNDAY 16th October – 18th Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30 am Parish Eucharist
11.15 am Choral Matins
12.30 pm Servers Training and Lunch
5.30 pm Taizé

MONDAY 17th October – Ignatius, Bishop

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
12 noon Informal Eucharist, Sunday on Monday
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church
6 pm Homeless Ministry

TUESDAY 18th October – Luke the Evangelist

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

WEDNESDAY 19th October – Henry Martyn, translator

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

THURSDAY 20th October

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

FRIDAY 21st October

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

SATURDAY 22nd October

12 noon Holy Communion (BCP)
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

SUNDAY 23rd October – Bible Sunday

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

Message from Mother Emma

I start with some news from the staff team: Adam Norton, who has been Manager of St Mary Abbots Centre since June 2011, has decided that the time has come for him to retire at the end of this month. He is very sad to be leaving St Mary Abbots after so many years (and we are sad to see him go!), but he is looking forward to being able to spend much more time with his family. We are all so grateful to Adam for the positivity and cheerfulness he has brought to the job; dealing with our varied Hall bookings, maintaining the Centre for our use and offering calm and unfailing help to those who hire spaces, with all their different needs and requests. Many of you will have encountered Adam through birthday party bookings, Church Fairs and other events, and perhaps the event we most associate with him – the November Bonfire Party! Adam's final evening at St Mary Abbots will be at this year's Bonfire Party (Friday 4th November) when we look forward to thanking him and bidding him farewell in a very appropriate setting.



We shall be collecting for a goodbye present for Adam over the next couple of weeks. If you would like to contribute, please put your gift into a yellow envelope at church (clearly marked "For Adam"), or contact Petter for bank transfer details. Tickets are also still available for the Bonfire Party at the vicarage via the 'what is on' page of the website.

Next week, we do hope that you will be able to join us for the exciting contemporary concert, "Resonances for Sir George Gilbert Scott", on 27th October. This will be the 1st public performance of this piece, written and played by the students of the Royal College of Music, in honour of our church and Sir George Gilbert Scott. Tickets are available via the 'what is on' page of our website.

This year we shall be holding our All Souls Service at 5.30 pm on Sunday 30th October. At this service, we remember all those who have gone ahead of us into God's heavenly kingdom; the choir will sing movements from Duruflé's Requiem and we shall read out the names of the departed before God's altar. If you would like the name of someone recently departed to be remembered at this service, please let Leonora know, or write the name (clearly in capitals so we get it right!) on the forms at the church entrance.

In our wider outreach, Fr Christopher is still looking for anyone who might be able to host a Ukrainian refugee family with children at our school (or other local schools) to prevent them from having to move away from the area. Please do get in touch with him if this is something you could consider. And if you haven't yet sponsored our Sleep Out team raising money for the homeless, their website is still open for donations. They are hugely grateful to all those who have already sponsored them.

Heavenly Father, you are the source of all goodness, generosity and love. We thank you for opening the hearts of many to those who are fleeing for their lives. Help us now to open our arms in welcome, and reach out our hands in support. We pray that the desperate may find new hope, and lives torn apart be restored. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who fled persecution at His birth and at His last triumphed over death. Amen. [Church of England website: prayer for refugees]

With my love and prayers, Mother Emma

150th Anniversary Concert

Resonances

FOR SIR GEORGE GILBERT SCOTT

A CONTEMPORARY CONCERT

Music composed & performed by

Students from

The Royal College of Music

On 27th October at 6.30pm the Royal College of Music students will perform a very special concert to celebrate the church and the works of Sir George Gilbert Scott. Groups of musicians will play from different parts of the church, creating a contemplative work which will surround the listeners, bathing them in sound.

Tickets are £12 and include a glass of wine and after the concert there will be a chance to meet the composers and musicians. Students may purchase tickets for £8 with a student card. Tickets are available on the 'what is on' page of the website.

We hope you will join us for this Premier performance.



Tickets are available for bonfire night in at the Vicarage via the 'what is on' page of our website. These tend to sell out very quickly so please book now to avoid disappointment.

Bonfire Night - Volunteers

If you are willing to volunteer for a portion of bonfire night please let Leonora know. We are still looking for help with soup and mulled wine, supervising the fire pits (and Marshmallow cooking) and handing out sparklers. All help gratefully received!

Food Bank

A reminder to please bring any donations for the food bank to the church and then leave items in the two food boxes. As we get into winter and cost of living crisis gets worse our donations will be even more necessary. Please remember not to bring any fresh food or ready meals as we have no way of storing them. A full list of what is needed, or other ways to donate, can be found on our food bank page www.smaw8.org/food-bank-support.html

OTHER PARISH NEWS

Black History Month

As part of Black History Month the RBKC are hosting a series of events at the Library throughout October which feature lectures and talks covering History, film, new literature, poetry, fashion and an performance by the mangrove Steel band. See their website for details.