

## In our Prayers this week

### Collect for 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### Collect for St James

Merciful God, whose holy apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, was obedient to the calling of your Son Jesus Christ and followed him even to death: help us, forsaking the false attractions of the world, to be ready at all times to answer your call without delay; **Amen**



St James. 16<sup>th</sup> Century Russian Icon. Wikipedia

#### Those in acute need

Martin Carroll  
Evelyn Ellison  
Paul Fitch  
Hakan Groth  
Adrianna Henley  
Jill Traynor  
Luke Thomas  
Buyile Phiri  
James Philpot

George Rabbett-Smith  
Lucille Simpson  
Janneke Mulder

Adam  
Gillie  
Jeremy  
Luke  
Nichola  
Olive

Stephanie  
Talia

#### Those in long-term need

Hillary Bardsley  
Christopher Browne  
Fiona Paine  
Paul Proudman  
Mary Roberts  
Michael Turner  
James Worsley  
Conor

#### *and for all who have died recently*

Iris Michelle Bennie  
Frances Martin  
Mark Lengyel  
Patrick Tuft, Priest

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

Elsie Wilson, 25<sup>th</sup> July  
Richard Pethybridge, 28<sup>th</sup> July  
Dorothy Coleman, 25<sup>th</sup> July  
Bill McBryde, 28<sup>th</sup> July  
Hilary Pethybridge, 29<sup>th</sup> July

**The Parish and Vicarage offices are open from 10am – 5pm**

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## ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH KENSINGTON

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023

### Welcome to St Mary Abbots

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

#### **SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> July – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

8 am **Holy Communion (BCP)**  
9.30 am **Choral Eucharist with farewell to Rev'd Dr Cecillie Jorgensen Strommen**  
11.15 am **Choral Matins**  
5.30 pm **Choral Evensong**

#### **MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> July**

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
8.30 am Bible Study via Zoom  
9 am **No** Parents Prayer Group  
12 noon **Informal Eucharist** (Sunday on Monday)  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in church

#### **TUESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> July – James the Apostle**

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

#### **WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> July – Anne & Joachim, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
8.35 am **No** Bitesize Bible Group (resumes 20<sup>th</sup> Sept)  
12 noon **Holy Eucharist**  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in church

#### **THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup> July**

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
9.30 am **No School Eucharist** (resumes 14<sup>th</sup> Sept)  
12 noon Holy Eucharist  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

#### **FRIDAY 28<sup>th</sup> July**

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
9.30 **No** Mini Abbots (resume 8<sup>th</sup> September)  
12 noon **Holy Eucharist**  
1.05 pm **No** Royal College Music (resume 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept)  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in church

#### **SATURDAY 29<sup>th</sup> July – Mary, Martha & Lazarus**

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

#### **SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> July – 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

8 am **Holy Communion (BCP)**  
9.30 am **Parish Eucharist**  
11.15 am **Sung Matins**  
5.30 pm **Sung Evensong**

## Message from Mother Emma

It was wonderful (though sad) to be able to say farewell and thank you to Fr Christopher last Sunday – and many thanks to all those who contributed to the feast in the Vicarage garden! (see below for photos!) If you would still like to contribute to Fr Christopher's leaving present, please leave your contribution in a marked envelope in the collection, or contact Petter for ways to pay online.



I am delighted to be able to announce that the PCC and Churchwardens have generously decided that we can appoint TWO Associate Vicars for the three years ahead. As you can see, Fr Evan (joining us from end August) and Fr Tim (joining us from end October) are introducing themselves below. We will keep you informed about the exact details of their arrival and look forward to welcoming them in person before long.

This Sunday is the professional choir's final Sunday with us until early September, although we shall still have a cantor for our two main services on Sundays.

Please make sure that you mark in your diary our first big service of the autumn – on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September, we shall be celebrating our Patronal Festival, with the Bishop of London coming to preach and preside (you may remember she was planning to come last year, but was prevented by the sad death of the late Queen Elizabeth II). It is the first time a Bishop of London has visited the parish for some years, and we do hope that as many people as possible can be present. There will be NO 9.30 Eucharist on that day, so we can all come together at 11.15 am, when children's activities will be provided, and the service will be followed by a celebratory picnic in the Vicarage garden. **Please save the date for this incredibly special occasion.**

We look forward to welcoming you at services over the summer, but for those who will be travelling some or all of the time, we send you our prayers and blessings:

With my love and prayers, Mother Emma

## Father Evan McWilliams – joining us at end of August



*"I am excited to join you all at St Mary Abbots later this summer. Having served in a parish and as a hospital chaplain in the City of London as well as curate in a Lincolnshire market town, I relish the challenges and joys that will come from working at St Mary Abbots. I am looking forward to sharing hospitality and taking the time to get to know you all. Though I have few hobbies as such, most of my free time is spent either reading quietly at home, attending concerts and visiting art galleries. My partner and I also enjoy spending time outdoors and trying new restaurants together. I especially like: late-medieval art and architecture, pudding wines, and bad puns!"*

## Father Tim Carroll - joining us at the end of October



*"I really am excited to come and work at St Mary's Abbots. Having met the clergy and staff, I am confident it will be a great place to be. I am returning to London after serving 3 busy and rewarding years as curate at Wakefield Cathedral. You'll soon discern that I am from neither Yorkshire or London but born and bred in Belfast, where I lived and worked as a youth and community worker into my late twenties. I arrived in London, via the Netherlands, to work in a Church in North London, before going into full time ordination training in London through Stepney Diocese. In my personal time, I would say my main passions are music (live jazz and improv), football (watching and playing) and reading. I'm not sure in which order! As I said, I'm excited to be coming back to London and I'm very much looking forward to getting to know the parish and congregation and hopefully contribute to ministry and mission in Kensington. See you in October!"*

## 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Wishes to Father Peter Stubbs

Many Happy Returns of the day to Father Peter Stubbs, a former Honorary Curate of the Parish, who turns 100 this week. Peter served with distinction as a radio operator in World War II and, for a time in the early 1990's when Christ Church was part of our parish, he was priest in charge there. Steve Atack, Founding Patron of the Friends of St Mary Abbots writes: *"So many of us have such fond memories of dear Father Peter Stubbs. He had a holiness about him which many have been deeply touched by. On the day of my partner Russell and my civil partnership he invited us up to the High Altar to bless us - it was the most touching part of our special day. All Blessings to you on your 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Father Peter!"*