

In our Prayers this week

Collect for 21st Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, in whose service lies perfect freedom: teach us to obey you with loving hearts and steadfast wills; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Bible Sunday

Lord, bless this Bible, your living Word given to us to be shared, read aloud, and acted on through the worship of our lives. **Amen.**



Detail of Maesta at Museo del Opera del Dumo, Siena. Pintrest

Those in acute need

Juliet Fenwick
Paul Fitch
Buyile Phiri
James Philpot
George Rabbett-Smith
Duncan Stafford Shaw

Sara Strong
Jill Traynor
Luke Thomas
Adam
Jean
Luke
Stephanie
Talia

Long-term need

Hillary Bardsley
Christopher Browne
Evelyn Ellison
Paul Proudman
Michael Turner
James Worsley
Conor

and for all who have died recently

Gary Codd Jamie Dundas Olive Fuller
Jennifer MacLellan Simon Mulvihill

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

Andrew Crosthwaite, 30th October Angela Sellars, 31st October
David Grieve, 1st November Olivia Band, 5th November

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH KENSINGTON

Sunday 29th October 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 29th October – Bible Sunday

8 am **Holy Communion (BCP)**
9.30 am **Parish Eucharist** (no children's provision)
11.15 am **Choral Matins**
5.30 pm **Sung Evensong**

MONDAY 30th October

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
8.30 am Bible Study via Zoom
9 am Parents Prayer Group
12 noon **Informal Eucharist** (Sunday on Monday)
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in church

TUESDAY 31st October

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

WEDNESDAY 1st November – All Saints Day

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
8.35 am Bitesize Bible Group
10 am Funeral of Olive Fuller
12 noon **Holy Eucharist**
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in church

THURSDAY 2nd November – All Souls Day

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
9.30 am School Eucharist (all welcome)
2.30 pm **Rainbow Poetry Group on 'Anticipation'**
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

FRIDAY 3rd November – Richard Hooker, Priest

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
9.30 Mini Abbots, St Mary Abbots Centre
12 noon **Holy Eucharist**
1.05 pm Royal College of Music free concert
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in church
6pm Bonfire Night – please bring your ticket

SATURDAY 4th November

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

SUNDAY 5th November – All Saints & All Souls

8 am **Holy Communion (BCP)**
9.30 am **Family Eucharist with children's choir**
11.15 am **Choral Matins**
5.30 pm **All Souls' Requiem**

Message from Mother Emma

I am delighted to say that Fr Tim Carroll, Associate Vicar, was licensed by the Bishop of Kensington on Wednesday. Some of you will have met him already at midweek services, but he will be around this weekend and definitely at the Bonfire Party next Friday! The second part of his licensing – by the churchwardens in the presence of the congregation – will take place next Sunday (5th November) at the Eucharist, and we shall be offering drinks in celebration that day between the Family Eucharist and Matins – please do join us as we welcome him officially.



You will see outside the that our new accessible entrance is now taking shape, and should be completed over the next couple of weeks. We regret that we have had to close the South (cloister) door on weekdays during this week and next, but it will be open as usual on Sunday for the services.

Next week we also very much hope to welcome as many of you as possible to our Commemoration of All Souls at 5.30 pm on 5th November, as we remember those who have died. If you would like to add someone please use the sheet at the South Door or email Leonora with their name.

Looking beyond that, a reminder that Sunday 12th November is Remembrance Sunday, and this year we are once again hosting the Civic Remembrance Service. That day there will be a shortened Family Eucharist at 9.30 am, followed by the Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial on the corner of Kensington Church Street at 10.55 am, followed directly by the service in church. You are warmly invited to attend as we remember those who have died in the service of their country.

It seems hard to believe, but Christmas is fast approaching, and, as a taster, our Christmas events and services can be seen on the 'what is on page' of the website. Posters and information on tickets will follow shortly.

We continue to pray for all those caught up in war and conflict across the world at this time, and to ask God to lead us all into wisdom and peace.

"O God, when the earth shakes and the nations are in uproar, speak, and let the storm be still, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen" [Response to Psalm 46, Common Worship Daily Prayer]

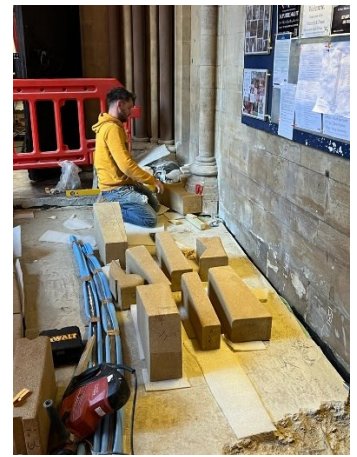
With my love and prayers, Mother Emma



ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH
KENSINGTON

The Commemoration of
All Souls
with movements from
Fauré's Requiem
Sunday 5th November 2023
5.30 pm

Ramp Project – Stones and Doors



The work on the ramp continues with the newly cut stones being laid out to make sure they fit properly. At the same time the South doors are being rehung so that they open inwards. The work will take one more week and so access to the church will be via the West Doors except on Sunday. The church remains open 8.30 – 6pm every day other than on Saturday when it is open from 10am – 6pm. We hope you will forgive the temporary dust and noise while they carry out the work.



We are looking forward to welcoming you to Bonfire Night on Friday. For those of you attending please remember that names and tickets will be checked at the entrance so please bring your ticket with you. Tickets are NON TRANSFERABLE. If you are no longer able to attend please let us know so that the ticket can be offered to the waiting list. **Children at this event remain the responsibility of their parent and carers. Please stay with them especially in the vicinity of the live flame areas: the bonfire, fire eater, fireworks, fire pits and sparklers.** We look forward to welcoming you to the vicarage garden.



Father Tim and Bishop Emma at his licencing.