

In our Prayers this week

Collect

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer for peace

God our Creator, we rejoice in the well-being that is ours. We remember in your presence all who are suffering at this time. We pray for all who are caught up in war, in violence and acts of wickedness. We remember all who are suffering. Lord, in the storms of life, we call upon you. Grant us your peace, **Amen**



Edmund the Magnificent, Royal Family tree of England

Those in acute need

Brian Cripps
Paul Fitch
Emmanuel Kupa
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
Juliet Fenwick
Paul Proudman
Michael Turner
Conor

and for all who have died recently

Donald Cameron of Lochiel Jack Gunn Jennifer MacLellan
Simon Mulvihill Camilla Peters James Worsley

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

Christopher Bennie, 19th November Margaret Wilkinson, 22nd November
Trudi Bliss, 21st November Penelope Fergusson, 22nd November
Joseph Crosthwaite, 24th November

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

KENSINGTON

Sunday 19th November 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 19th November – 2nd Sunday before Advent

8 am **Holy Communion (BCP)**
9.30 am **Holy Eucharist with Baptisms**
11.15 am **Choral Matins**
5.30 pm **Taizé Eucharist**

MONDAY 20th November – Edmund, King

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 21st November

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

WEDNESDAY 22nd November

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
8.35 am Bitesize Bible Group
12 noon **Holy Eucharist**
1 pm **Decorate the Church**
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in church

THURSDAY 23rd November – Clement, Bishop

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
9.30 am School Eucharist (all welcome)
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

FRIDAY 24th November

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

SATURDAY 25th November

11.30 am **Victorian Christmas Fair**
12 noon **NO Holy Communion (BCP)**
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in church

SUNDAY 26th November – **Christ the King**

8 am **Holy Communion (BCP)**
9.30 am **Choral Eucharist**
11.15 am **Choral Matins**
12.30 **Mother Alice leaving lunch**
5.30 pm **Sung Evensong**

Message from Father Tim

As I reflect on my first 3 weeks as Associate Vicar at St Mary Abbots it strikes how busy and rewarding it has been already. Beginning a job can be an adjustment no matter what the time of year, but to begin when the Church has hosted a large Bonfire evening, an All-Souls service, Bishops Vision evening, a volunteers evening and large civic Remembrance Day service, well, it definitely hasn't been boring! While it has been a particularly busy period, it's becoming obvious to me that St Mary Abbots is a vibrant Church in the heart of the local community all the year through.



I have met many of you over the past few weeks, but if we have yet to talk in person, please come and say hello after a service or feel free to email me and we can get a coffee!

Of course, the Church buildings are not merely for large events; the foundations of the community are prayer and worship. The pattern of Morning prayer, midday Eucharist and ending with Evening prayer is the heart of community life here and these sustain and give us the passion to engage in parish life. I've enjoyed praying with faithful congregation members at the beginning and ending of the day. It has helped me settle into life here.

It also been a real joy to work with St Mary Abbots school. I hadn't anticipated the level of involvement clergy and staff would have. The weekly Thursday School Eucharist has been a new experience for me, it's been great to have the children serve alongside clergy, reading scripture, and saying the prayers. I have also joined Fr Evan in some R.E classes where the children have asked us some difficult questions about faith. They've kept us on our toes! I'm looking forward to future involvement with the school.

If you attended services on Remembrance Sunday, you will hopefully have noticed that the access ramp has been completed and is ready for use. Coming in at the tail end of construction and hearing conversations between clergy, staff and builders it has been a team effort, and all involved should be proud.

Looking further ahead to Saturday 25th November the Church will be hosting the yearly Victorian Christmas Fair. Expect Christmas Stalls, Punch & Judy, Carols, Victorian Tea, Mulled wine. Something for everyone!

If you would like to host the travelling crib in your house over the advent period please contact Father Evan – the crib travels for one night in each house before returning to the church for Christmas Eve. Prayer ideas are included but we suggest a friendly drink and catch up as the crib is dopped off.

With prayers and best wishes, Father Tim

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Illustration from *The Tale of Two Bad Mice* by Beatrix Potter
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Victorian Christmas Fair

*celebrating Beatrix Potter's church
St Mary Abbots, Kensington, W8*

*Christmas Stalls, Victorian Carol Singers, Punch & Judy
BBQ, mulled wine, hot chocolate, home made cakes,
games & children's activities and much more.....*

Saturday 25th November

11.30 am - 3 pm

Free entry
children's activity voucher £8 for
all games and entertainment, drink & slice of cake
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We would be very grateful for any donations of home-made cakes. We are delighted that the Beatrix Potter Society will have a stall at the fair – come and chat to them. Lastly a reminder to take part in the Beatrix Potter **fancy dress competition**: prizes for children and adults!

Mother Alice lunch

Sunday 26th November 2023

Soup, Bread, Cheese and cake will be provided after the 11.15 Service on 26th to say goodbye to Mother Alice who is leaving for Yorkshire. A reminder that if you would like to donate towards her leaving present then please use one of the yellow envelopes or contact Petter directly.

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HANDEL'S Messiah

A concert by candlelight Part 1
with our professional choir and The Purcell Players

Tickets are now available for the Messiah on Sunday 10th December at 5.30 pm via the 'What is on' page of the website or by emailing or calling Leonora. Tickets are £15 and include a programme, glass of mulled wine & mince pie.