IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We pray for all victims of terrorist outrage; here and throughout the world

We pray for those whose lives have been devastated by natural disaster, especially for all victims of hurricanes and earthquake.

We pray for those whose lives are affected by violence and war.

We continue to pray for all the victims of the GRENFELL TOWER DISASTER

We pray for those being baptised today
ESME HAWTHORN: MURDO HAWTHORN
JULIANE WILSON STEPHENS: LILAH WILSON STEPHENS
SAM WILSON STEPHENS

We pray for those recently married, especially GEORGIOS TZENECHRISTOS & CANDICE BREVIS

We pray for new Clergy in our Deanery:
The Revd PAT ALLERTON (St Peter's, Notting Hill)
Fr SAM MCNALLY-CROSS (St Thomas, Kensal Town)

Please pray for the sick and those in distress, especially
SAMIR ABOURAHME: VINCENZO ACCURSO
SERGIO AVANZI: FRIEDA BILGER
VINCENZO BLANDINI: SHEILA BRADSHAW
TOVAH CAMERON: JOAN DAVIES
NICK ERIKSEN: DOUGLAS EVANS
TONY GORDON: MICHELLE HARDMAN
JEREMIAH JUNG: HILAL KIBBARA
BILL KIRKPATRICK: LEO KOYMANS
JOAN MARTIN: AUDREY RASKIN
PETER ROBERTS: CECILY SCOTT
JUNE SCULLY; GODERT VON CAMPE
IRIS WOON: CARL-FREDRIK
CAROLYN: GOHAR: MICHAEL

Please pray for all who have died recently JOHN LEGGETT: BEN LEONG

And for those whose anniversary of death falls at this time SEYMOUR DALLAS (September 20) JEAN CARR-GOMM (September 21) PAUL SALE (September 24)

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH



NEWSLETTER

for the week beginning 17th September 2017



Sun 17th September 14th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST

First Lesson: Galatians 5. 16-24 Gospel: Luke 17. 11-19

9.30am SUNG EUCHARIST & HOLY BAPTISM

with Children on Sunday Group
Reading: Genesis 50. 15-21

Gospel: Matthew 18. 21-35

Preacher: The Revd Canon Stephen Fielding

11.15am CHORAL MATINS

Old Testament: Ezekiel 20. 1-8, 33-44

New Testament: Acts 20. 17-end

Preacher: The Revd Jonathan MacNeaney

12.30pm HOLY EUCHARIST 6.30pm SUNG EVENSONG

Old Testament: Isaiah 44. 24- 45. 8
New Testament: Mark 8. 27-end

Preacher: The Revd Preb Gillean Craig

followed by HOLY EUCHARIST

Monday 18th September

8.00am Morning Prayer

1.05pm INFORMAL EUCHARIST 'Sunday on Monday'

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 19th September Commemoration of St Theodore

8.00am Morning Prayer

11.30am HOLY EUCHARIST (BCP)

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 20th Sept Commem'n of John Coleridge

Pattenson and his Companions

8.00am Morning Prayer8.15am HOLY EUCHARIST

11.00am COMMEMMORATION OF SEYMOUR DALLAS

1.05pm Meditation Group.

2.00pm HOLY EUCHARIST OF HEALING

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 21st September St Matthew

8.00am Morning Prayer

9.30am SUNG EUCHARIST: St Mary Abbots School Service

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Friday 22nd September St Cyprian

8.00am Morning Prayer8.15am HOLY EUCHARIST5.30pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 23rd September

9.40am Morning Prayer 10.00am HOLY EUCHARIST 5.30pm Evening Prayer

Sun 24th September 15th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST

First Lesson: Galatians 6. 11-end Gospel: Matthew 6. 24-end

9.30am SUNG EUCHARIST

with Children on Sunday Groups

Old Testament: Jonah 3. 10 – 4. 11
New Testament: Philippians 1. 21-30
Gospel: Matthew 20. 1-6

Preacher: The Revd Jonathan MacNeaney

11.15am SUNG MATINS

Old Testament: Ezekiel 33. 23, 30 – 34. 10

New Testament: Acts 26. 1, 9-25

Preacher: The Revd Preb Gillean Craig

12.30pm HOLY EUCHARIST

6.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG

Old Testament: Isaiah 45. 9-22 New Testament: Mark 9. 30-37

followed by HOLY EUCHARIST

NEWCOMERS TO OUR CHURCH AND SERVICES

At this time of the year the greatest number of people wonder whether, after all, there may be something in all this God stuff and come to church either for the first time or after a long break. If you're not a hardened worshipper services can seem strange and daunting experiences. Please look out for new faces, young and old. We don't need to be excessively, gushingly, overwhelming. For many people nothing could be more off-putting, and we must respect those who come to church precisely to be alone with God. But a welcoming smile, help with finding the place in service booklet and hymn book (I'm talking to that minority of our regular congregation who have worked out how to do this), and at the 9.30 explaining to those who bring children where they will find the children's groups, etc, can make all the difference to people, proving that the love of God, rather than his stern distant frown of disapproval, is really present and active with us. And this ministry, shared by all, continues after the service, over the refreshments. Please do seek out our visitors and newcomers and make them welcome

CHILDREN ON SUNDAYS

A reminder about the nominal age range of the groups and where they meet: **CATERPILLARS** 0, 1 & 2s School Dining Room (downstairs)

CHRYSALIS 3-pre-school 4s School Main Hall

BUTTERFLIES reception & Sch Yr 1 School Technology Room
JUNIORS Sch Yr 3 & 4s Vicar's Parlour, above Church Vestry
SENIORS Sch Yr 5, 6 & 7s Lobby outside the old school Library

This is the main time of the year for children to go up to a new group. NB Remember that one parent to stay with preschool children – but as soon as the children reach the Butterflies it's important that the children **avoid the distraction of their parents in the room** – so you can take part in the service in church. Of course we realise that there are times when a child might need settling and reassurance from Mum or Dad.

IF YOU BRING CHILDREN TO ST MARY ABBOTS

(whether they go to the groups or not) you should shortly receive an invitation to a **SOCIAL EVENING on Thursday week**, **28**th **September** to give us a chance to meet each other,(without the distraction of the children) and hear about many of the aspects of our life here and what it might offer you. Letter with all the details are available today - make sure you take one.



Our thanks to everyone who gives so generously to the DALGARNO TRUST FOODBANK

We collect on Sundays & Thursdays to support

our LOCAL FOODBANK, in the Dalgarno Community Centre in North Kensington. Handbills in church provide the shopping lists. We deliver the gifts each Thursday morning. Further details Alice Bulkai (07973 156 599



2.00pm this Wednesday – 20 September EUCHARIST OF HEALING

with Laying-on of hands and Anointing

Have you a friend or neighbour who might value this ministry - why not bring them?; if not, still come along to support the sick with your prayers and/or provide sandwiches, scones or cake for the tea that follows the service. Thanks for all help.

TRANSFER DEADLINE

We have a remarkable influx of clergy into the Deanery of Kensington – first our own Fr JONATHAN MACNEANEY; then NEIL TRAYNOR and PETER WOLTON at St John the Baptist, Holland Road, and ANDY BUCKLER at St Barnabas, Addison Road. Fr PHILIP BARNES is the new Priest-in-Charge of St Stephen Gloucester Road, we shared in the rejoicing of our dear friends and neighbours at St Philip, Earls Court Road as they welcomed as their Vicar on Wednesday 6th September The Revd PIPPA TURNER (Kensington Deanery's first woman Incumbent – at last!) and last Tuesday St Peter's Notting Hill received its new Vicar, The Revd PAT ALLERTON.

Finally, tomorrow, Monday 18th September at 7.30pm, **Fr SAM McNALLY-CROSS** will be inducted as Vicar of **St Thomas's**, **Kensal Town**.

We are all warmly invited to share in this service

As far as I can tell, this is an absolutely unprecedented crop of new priests in any one Deanery, anywhere. It sends a strong message that the Church of England, here at least, is flourishing and growing, with great confidence in its future ministry. Pippa's arrival completes at last the team for our new Central Kensington Group Ministry (inaugurated on Jan 1st) and we look forward to a new era of co-operation and mutual support between ourselves, St Philip and Christ Church. We pray for God's Blessing on all these clergy and parishes, and for our common and shared Witness throughout Kensington.

From time to time members of the congregation wonder why it is that the clergy are, generally, so unsatisfactory: remember the uncomfortable truth – the only source God has to draw on for his ordained ministers is the laity, that is YOU! Perhaps God is calling you to this wonderful service? Why not talk to one of the clergy......

FRIDAY MORNING PLAYGROUP

Children from birth to 4yrs (with a parent or two – not au-pairs, please) are warmly welcomed at our playgroup, which meets in St Mary Abbots Centre, Vicarage Gate W8 4HN. A support & friendship group for parents as a play-and-sing session for the children. playgroup@stmaryabbotschurch.org

We hope to see you this Wednesday 20 September at 11.00 to

REMEMBER SEYMOUR DALLAS

An Unique Service Of Commemoration for a most remarkable St Mary Abbots priest



The Revd Chaplain William Loraine Seymour Dallas (1884 – 20th September 1917) was curate of St Mary Abbots from 1908. He volunteered for missionary service in the Alberta Prairies ministering there from 1911-15. During that time he built several churches, including the only other St Mary Abbots in the world, in Barrhead, Alberta. Returning to Great Britain in 1915 he became an Army Chaplain with the rank of Captain and was killed in action on 20th September 1917, two days after his 33rd birthday. A **Service of Remembrance** will be held here at 11.00 on Wednesday 20th September - 100 years to the day of his death. All are welcome to remember and give thanks for

the Revd Chaplain Dallas and all who perished in the Great War. We will be joined by distinguished guests, including the Mayor of our Royal Borough. Steve Atack, Founding Patron of the Friends of St Mary Abbots has written an excellent Monograph about his life available in church today.

LONG OVERDUE LOO REFURBISHMENT!

We have entirely inadequate provision to cater for our physical necessities in our beloved church building, and the one WC and sink is heavily overused. We're delighted that **this week** it will be completely replaced and refurbished – but that this means no running water in church. You'll find a portaloo along the south passageway to help us survive the week.

NEXT SUNDAY NEW MUSICAL PROVISION!

Next Sunday we launch our experimental once-a-month provision: the professional quartet, whose splendid singing graces weddings and funerals and 11.15 matins here, but never our main Sunday service, will join forces with the voluntary choir and offer two or three anthems/motets in the course of the **9.30 SUNG EUCHARIST**. We are inviting the occasional volunteer singers – those who sing at Choral Evensong, Messiah etc – to join for these Sundays. As well as greatly enhancing our liturgy, we hope that this will encourage new singers to join the volunteers. We are aware that our congregation includes many excellent singers: this might just be the occasion for you to join in. Contact uglowmark@yahoo.co.uk
On these Sundays 11.15 MATINS will have instead of the usual 4-part choir a single professional cantor to lead the music and explore the undervalued repertoire of solo religious music.

Next Sunday 24 September

6.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG

Our Professional and Voluntary choirs also combine to offer a First Evensong, that particular glory of the Church of England, for Michaelmas PALESTRINA'S Stetit Angelus Justus; WOOD's Canticles in G, and STANFORD 'And I saw another angel'





Thanks to all who worked so hard to make last Sunday's **PATRONAL FESTIVAL** such a joyful celebration of our life here, Among many others we welcomed our MP, and Mayor Deputy Mayor and Councillors of our Royal Borough. The music was spectacular – so thanks to the choir and organist, the servers, the sidemen and the catering team under

Hannah Redman and all who generously gave the refreshments – and above all to our excellent visiting preacher, Lord HENNESSY of Nympsfield.

OUR AUTUMN PROGRAMME

Sunday 1 October HARVEST FESTIVAL.

Come to help us decorate the church on Sat 30 Sept –sg@smaw8.org
We're finalising details of events and meetings, but basically look forward to:
September: meetings with Children on Sundays Leaders and Parents;
October: Stewardship campaign (Quiz Supper Thursday 19th)

& study sessions on the Church's Mission at national and local level; **November**: Friday 3rd Bonfire Night; Sunday 5th at 6.30: Commemoration of All Souls with the Mozart Requiem; 'An encounter with Mark's Gospel' based around dramatic readings of the entire text.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR We're putting together a team to plan and prepare for our major fundraising event of the year. Do you have plans, ideas, skills, sponsorship leads – contact sg@smaw8.org



'READY FOR ANGELS?' AN AUTUMN QUIET DAY

Wednesday 27 September 9.30-3.00

If you've never been to a Quiet Day before, here's your chance. It's a sort of day retreat (it fits within the school day), with devotional addresses, silence

for you own private meditation, an informal Eucharist and simple Lunch. Conductor: the Vicar; venue: St Mary's Convent, Chiswick. You'll find further details in the fliers in church - book at sg@smaw8.org