#### IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

We thank God and pray for all those Ordained this Petertide, especially the thirty-nine Deacons, and thirty-one deacons ordained Priest in our own Diocese of London

We pray for those preparing for Baptism, including ELIANA ROSE BASSEN : KATERINA GIBSON SAMUEL THOMAS FREESTONE VASQUEZ AURELIE LEILA SKY SILCOCK PHEONIX ALEXANDER FREDERICK WAINWRIGHT BROOK ARTHUR VALENTINE WAINWRIGHT

We pray for all those sitting exams at this time, and especially those overwhelmed by pressure and anxiety.

Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers TAREK ALWER : SERGIO AVANZI FRIEDA BILGER : SHEILA BRADSHAW THEO BULKAI : SARAH DEAL JAKE FITZGERALD : FRANK GAME TONY GORDON : BRIAN HARVEY HILAL KIBBARA : LEO KOYMANS ISABEL MILNER : ROGER MORRELL ANNIE REDMILE : MARK REDMAN MARGY WHEELER : CAROLYN GOHAR : LARISSA : OYIN and DAMALOLA

Please pray for all who have died recently VICTORIA NIGHTINGALE : PATRICK LONGFORD HERMIONE KERR-DINEEN : TEDDY FAURE-WALKER DARRELL DALE

> and for those whom we love but see no longer, and all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time SUSANNAH FARRANT (24 June) OLWEN HASLAM (27 June)

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Fr Jonathan (it's nothing to do with the Vicar) offers these **WORLD CUP PRAYERS**  *A Prayer for the World Cup* Lord of all the nations, who played the cosmos into being, guide, guard and protect all who work or play in the World Cup. May all find in this competition a source of celebration, an experience of common humanity and a growing attitude of generous sportsmanship to others. *Amen* 

RUSSIA 2018 A Prayer for Russia

God of the nations, who has always called his people to be a blessing for the world, bless all who take part in the World Cup. Smile on Russia in her hosting, on the nations represented in competition and on those who travel to join in the party. *Amen* 

A Prayer for those simply not interested

Lord, as all around are gripped with World Cup fever, bless us with understanding strengthen us with patience and grant us the gift of sympathy if needed. *Amen.* 

### A Prayer for the England football team

#### "Oh God ..."

A Second Prayer for the England football team

God, who played the cosmos into being, please help England rediscover their legs, their eyes and their hunger: that they might run more clearly, pass more nearly and enjoy the game more dearly. *Amen*.

#### ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER 24<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June **BIRTH OF** ST JOHN THE BAPTIST 8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST Epistle: Isaiah 40. 1-11 Luke 1. 57-80 Gospel: 9.30am SUNG EUCHARIST With Children on Sundays Groups Isaiah 40. 1-11 & Acts 13. 14b-26 Readings: Luke 1. 57-66, 80 Gospel: The Revd Preb Gillean Craig Preacher: 11.15am **CHORAL MATINS** Old Testament: Malachi 4 New Testament: Matthew 11. 2-19 The Revd Jonathan MacNeaney Preacher<sup>.</sup> 12.30pm HOLY EUCHARIST readings as at 9.30am 6.30pm SUNG EVENSONG followed by Holy Communion Old Testament: Ecclesiasticus 48. 1-10 New Testament: Luke 3. 1-17 Preacher: The Revd Jonathan MacNeaney Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 8.00am Morning Prayer Informal Eucharist 'Sunday on Monday' 1.05pm **Evening Prayer** 5.30pm Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 8.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Thomas's School Summer Concert 11.30am HOLY EUCHARIST (BCP) 5.30pm **Evening Prayer** Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June Ember Day - Commem. St Cyril Morning Prayer 8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST 8.15am 12.00pm Thanksgiving Service for Darrell Dale Meditation Group 1.05pm 5.30pm **Evening Prayer** 7.00pm Gala Recital: Alexander Pushkin Words and Music Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June St Irenaeus 8.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am SUNG EUCHARIST - St Mary Abbots School All Welcome Thanksgiving Service for Hedi Detterbeck 2.00pm 5.30pm **Evening Prayer** Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June St Peter & St Paul 8.00am Morning Prayer HOLY EUCHARIST 8.15am 1.05pm Final RCM Students' Recital of the Academic Year 5.30pm **Evening Prayer** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June Ember Day 9.40am Morning Prayer HOLY COMMUNION 10.00am 5.30pm **Evening Prayer** 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July 8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST 1 Peter 3. 8-15a Epistle: Luke 5. 1-11 Gospel FAMILY EUCHARIST AND HOLY BAPTISM 9.30am With Children on Sundays Groups Lamenations 3. 22-33 Reading. Gospel: Mark 5. 21-24; 35-43 All-age presentation: The Revd Preb Gillean Craig **CHORAL MATINS** 11.15am Old Testament: Jeremiah 11. 1-14 New Testament: Romans 13. 1-19 The Revd Canon Stephen Fielding Preacher<sup>.</sup> 12.30pm HOLY EUCHARIST readings as at 9.30am

**Central Kensington Group Ministry** 

6.30pm TAIZE PRAYER AND COMMUNION 'True Discipleship'

# Don't miss this Wednesday.....



## St Mary Abbots: WHAT KIND OF CHURCH?

Today your churchwardens launch a congregation-wide survey – our first ever? The purpose of this survey is to find out from you, the congregation, what we do well as a church, what we could improve, what is important to you about St Mary Abbots, and what kind of church you would like in the future. The really clued-up among you might realize that it could well form part of the process of discernment required of all parishes as they enter an Interregnum, to help in thinking about the qualities we look for in a new Vicar.....

The survey is anonymous. However, if you do want us to contact you about anything, you will have the chance to add your details at the end. It will take 5-7 minutes to

complete, and each question is optional - but we hope you will fill it out as comprehensively as possible.

How you can take part: You can fill in the online version at <u>www.bit.ly/sma-w8</u> e the OR code on your mobile phone



Or use the QR code on your mobile phone Or pick up one of the paper copies available in church today

Thank you very much for your help! It really will make a difference.

### **MINISTERS IN CHRIST'S CHURCH**

This is the year's major **ORDINATION SEASON** where women and men are ordained as deacon or priest into the church's sacred ministry. In the Diocese of London as a whole, no fewer than thirty-nine Deacons are being ordained, and thirty-one deacons ordained Priest. Do pray for them, for the parishes where they will minster, and that God will continue to raise up Ordinands among us. The Almighty has only one source of potential clergy - it is the laity, ie: You. It's not so many years since two members of our congregation were ordained. I wonder who God might next be calling from St Mary Abbots to this sacred ministry? Might s/he, perhaps, actually be YOU? Why not talk to the clergy?

### 12noon this Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June DARRELL DALE THANKSGIVING SERVICE

We give thanks for and celebrate the life of Darrell Dale, a long standing congregant of St Mary Abbots, originally nicknamed "Lord Hove" because he often travelled from his home in Hove to attend Sunday Matins. He died suddenly at home a couple of weeks week ago.

A reception for his friends will follow afterwards at the back of the church. A retiring collection will take place for the work of the Friends of St Mary Abbots. If you wish to make a donation in Darrell's memory but are unable to attend please leave it in the Vestry or contact Steve Atack at <a href="steveatack@aol.com">steveatack@aol.com</a>

#### This Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 1.05pm FINAL RCM RECITAL OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR

We have had once more a wonderful series of recitals this term and throughout the year. You may be surprised how many people from outside the congregation congratulate me on the extraordinary quality of the music making that we enjoy, week by week – and with such a remarkable range! This week's final programme has: BACH for solo violin, SAINT-SAENS for violin and piano; two new pieces by SA-SANTAS; and a piano solo by MAZZOLI. Do join us if you can.

#### FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

Every Friday morning in termtime we offer a parent-and-child Playgroup in the St Marty Abbot Centre, Vicarage gate. The Long Room is set up with toys, playmats, games, activities and refreshments. It's friendly, informal and supportive (newborn babies particularly welcome – as are dad's and grandparents). In fine weather we have the run of the splendid Vicarage Garden. Contact playgroup@smaw8.org - or just turn up!



We're always delighted to welcome members of other churches who are drawn to our monthly Taize service where the worship is expressed through simple chants, developed in the Ecumenical community based in Burgundy. Why not join them for this peaceful and moving service?



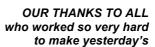
#### Have you bought your tickets for this unique Summer's evening performance in our beautiful church?

#### ALEXANDER PUSHKIN Life, Literature, Legacy Vocal & Poetry Recital in aid of St Mary Abbots Lola Ganzarolli, soprano, Samson Tsoy, Piano Nicholas Kolarz, reader Tickets (incl wine) £20 from www.pushkinrecital.eventbrite.co.uk

Wednesday 27 June 7.00pm wine / 7.30 Recital Our own Lola Ganzarolli is a professional soprano whose career

spans a very wide range of styles and genres – but for this event she has devised a special programme in homage to the genius of Pushkin, with both his spoken verse and examples of the many composes who have been inspired to set his words to music. (No doubt Fr MacNeaney will see in this an undoubted link to the locations of the current football World

Cup competition). The climax will be Tatiana's Letter Scene from Tschaikowsky's Eugene Onegin – one of the greatest of all romantic operatic moments. We are very grateful to Lola and her friends for their generosity in offering this performance to raise funds towards the continuing ministry and witness of our church – do come and support them



# SUMMER FETE

such a successful and unique experience. Our thanks to all who planned it and prepared for it; to those who set and manned stalls all day; to those who ran the attractions and ran the barbeque; to those who contributed materials for the activities; to those who cleared away afterwards; to all our generous sponsors and givers of prizes



As always, until we know the full extent of expenses and other costs I prefer not to publish a financial result – but at the time of writing it is looking like a bumper year in terms of takings. Bravo and well done everyone!

#### PART-TIME RELIEF/ASSISTANT VIRGER

We are seeking to appoint a part-time assistant Virger. We are offering £16,500 pa for 1,500 hours spread over 3-days-a-week including Sundays, high days and great church festivals & events and full-time to cover the Head Virgers Holiday. It's a responsible, demanding but for the right person a highly rewarding post. There's no accommodation – but it might suit someone who already has somewhere to live & wants to put together a menu of part-time work. Perhaps you know just the right person – or perhaps it's YOU? You can find the full Job Description, Person Specification and Application Form on our church website <u>www.smaw8.org</u> - they're at the top of the home page. But of course if you'd like to know more the best thing would be to talk to our Head Virger Simon Fitter 020 7937 5136.

#### ST MARY ABBOTS READING GROUP

Are you passionate about modern and classic literature? Always thought about reading Farenheit 451 but never quite got round to it? Give your book consumption a new lease of life with St Mary Abbots Reading Group. Launch planned for this autumn with daytime midweek meetings. If YOU are interested contact Fr Jonathan: <u>im@smaw8.org</u>

#### Key dates for your diary:

Thursday 12 July Opera in the Vicarage Garden **The Marriage of Figaro** – semi-staged gala performance Details & tickets to be released shortly

Monday 13 August Vicarage Garden Youth Theatre Shakespeare