In Our Prayers This Week

We pray for the senior members of our government, we ask that in your mercy you would bring harmony and a common sense of purpose.

In the wider negotiations with the EU we pray that a mutually beneficial structure will be agreed that will enable crucial trading and cooperative relationships.

We are deeply thankful that for many years we have been blessed by relative peace and freedom from war in Europe. We earnestly pray for continued stability in this area.

We ask that as a nation we would be able to move forward together after the divisions that the referendum has exposed. May the Christian community provide support to the oppressed and the needy, and encourage us to show the love and compassion of our Saviour

> We pray for those being Baptized Arabella Pieri

Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers

Those in acute need	June Scully	And those in long-term need
Sheila Bradshaw	Sue Spicer	Sergio Avanzi
Theo Bulkai	Sheila Uglow	Vincenzo Blandini
Phoebe Coleman	Margy Wheeler	John Cantlie
Sarah Deal	Ben	Daphne Craig
Dianne Gabitass	Gohar	Joan Davies
Frank Game	Simon	Leo Koymans
Tony Gordon	Carolyn	Sylvia Nazareth
Joan Jackson	Roger	Annie Redmile
Denise North	_	Sonia Samuels
Michael North		James Worsley
James Philpot		Carl-Fredrik
Mark Redman		Larissa

Please pray for all who have died recently Tony Meyer

and for those whom we love but see no longer, and all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time Ann Peerless 18 November Trudi Bliss 21 November Margaret Wilkinson 22 November Penelope Fergusson 22 November Joseph Crosthwaite 24 November



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Central Kensington Group Ministry ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH







Services for Sunday 18th November The Second Sunday before Advent

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)
- 9.30am Sung Eucharist with Holy Baptism Children on Sundays Groups
- 11.15am Choral Matins Eucharist Setting: Missa Congratulamini mihi – Guerrero Anthem: Cantantibus organis - Philips Preacher: Rev'd Jonathan MacNeaney

There will be no 12.30pm Holy Eucharist

6.30pm Sung Evensong Followed by Holy Eucharist Preacher: Canon Stephen Fielding

Monday 19th November Hilda

8.00am Morning Prayer1.05pm Informal Eucharist 'Sunday on Monday'5.30pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 20th November Edmund

8.00am Morning Prayer 11.30am Holy Eucharist (BCP) 5.30pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 21st November

8.00am	Morning Prayer
8.15am	Holy Eucharist
1.05pm	Meditation Group
2.00pm	Healing Eucharist
5.30pm	Evening Prayer

Thursday 22nd November Cecilia

- 8.00am Morning Prayer
- 9.30am St Mary Abbots School Eucharist All Welcome
- 5.30pm Evening Prayer

Friday 23rd November Clement

- 8.00am Morning Prayer
- 8.15am Holy Eucharist
- 1.05pm Royal College of Music Lunchtime Recital
- 5.30pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 24th November

- NB 8.00am Morning Prayer
- NB8.15am Holy Eucharist
- 11.00am 3.00pm St Mary Abbots Church Christmas Fair 5.30pm Evening Prayer

Services for Sunday 25th November Christ the King

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)
- 9.30am Choral Eucharist with voluntary and professional choir and Children on Sundays Groups Motet: O salutaris hostia - Elgar Preacher: Rev'd Jonathan MacNeaney
- 11.15am Choral Matins Solo Cantor Canticle: Jubilate in e - Blow Anthem: Ich bin des Herrn - Rheinberger Preacher: Reverend Dr Brian Curnew
- 12.30pm Holy Eucharist
- 6.30pm Sung Evensong Followed by Holy Eucharist Preacher Rev'd Jonathan MacNeaney

St Mary Abbots Church Christmas Fair

24th November 11am-3pm in the Church and Grounds

We are pleased to announce that the annual Christmas Fair has returned to St Mary Abbots Church.

Children's "all you can play" ticket includes entry, unlimited play on the inflatables, treasure hunt, football coaching, games and drinks. Adult ticket includes: entry, hot and soft drinks. Hot food and mulled wine payable with cash and cards. 25% discount for tickets purchased online at <u>www.smaw8.org/christmas2018</u> Tickets also available at the door: Kids ticket £13: Adults: £7; Seniors: £5.

Silent Auction

Our Silent Auction is now Live!

Place your bid for wonderful prizes ranging from a bespoken children's story by Father Jonathan, to spa and high tea treats, books, jewellery, professional photo shoots and many many more. Please bid at



https://auctionofpromises.com/SMAChristmasBazaar2018

Handel's Messiah

On 9th December we offer a unique chance to experience one of the world's great musical masterpieces as it was originally intended.

This will be a wonderful candlelit Christmas concert played on Baroque instruments recreating the atmosphere of Handel's original performance –please invite friends, family, neighbours, work colleagues etc. and encourage them to buy tickets. Every ticket sold contributes towards much needed Church funds. We look forward to seeing you there Tickets: £20 (£10 under 16) including programme and interval drink. Book online at: http://www.smaw8.org/messiah2018

Interfaith artwork in the Church

You cannot have failed to notice the artwork gracing the west wall of the church this week. Our thanks for this go to artist and John Moore's exhibitor, Juliet Goodden. She has focused on the religious landscape of migrant communities in urban Great Britain. By spending time drawing in diverse religious centres she has gained an understanding of the role of religion for communities who, for whatever reason, have moved to countries far from their native homes. Juliet has been working with religious icons and souvenirs, and using oil paint applied to old patterned saris has created a series of still lives, where objects from different faiths share the same space. In the spirit of interfaith week, which begins on Remembrance Sunday, these images remind and encourage us to appreciate each other and our different backgrounds.

Quiet day "Reflecting Richly"

An autumn quiet day led by Fr Jonathan MacNeaney Including addresses, silence, Eucharist and simple lunch Wednesday 28 November, 9.30am-3.00pm at St Mary's Convent, Burlington Lane, Chiswick. W4 2QE We face moments in our lives that hold significance beyond the time and space they occupy. It is important for us to have both the skills and the space to explore deeply the underlying issue that provoked strong feelings about a particular situation. We'll be engaging in the kind of rich reflection, do join us.

To book: email jm@smaw8.org or sign the list in church

Royal College of Music Student Recitals

Each Friday at 1.05 in church, splendid free concerts. Tea & Coffee served – bring sandwiches if you want!

Refugees Welcome

Come make Kensington and Chelsea a more welcoming place for refugees! The RBKC Refugees Welcome Committee, in partnership with local charity Migrants Organise, invites you for an evening of powerful testimony, encouraging everyone to take action in our communities.

- Inspiring speeches from local residents, refugees, and volunteers
- Iranian music performed by celebrated musicians Saeid Kordmafi and Fariborz Kiannejad
- Delicious Syrian mezze catered by the Damascus Chef
- Learn about ways to get involved

Join us to make a difference and shape our community. The Committee hopes to see you there! Tickets are just £10 and can be purchased on Eventbrite: <u>https://goo.gl/tbRPfA</u>

Advent and Christmas Highlights (This is not an exhaustive list!)

Saturday 24 November – In the Church

11am-3pm St Mary Abbots Church Christmas Fair For the adults - Guest Chef, Jewellery, Raffle, Home Produce and Clothing

For the children - Football Coaching, Inflatables, Treasure Hunt and Crafts

Sunday 2 December Advent Sunday 6.30 pm The Advent Procession

Monday 3 December Advent Windows Start

- 3.45pm Pickwicks, Holland Street
- Sunday 9 December Advent 2 6.30 pm Handel's Messiah by Candlelight
- Sunday 16 December Advent 3

9.30 am Family Eucharist with Nativity Play

- 11.15 am Choral Matins Leading into
- Choral Eucharist
- Wednesday 19 December

1.05 pm Community Carol Service Thursday 20 December

7.00 pm Nine Lessons & Carols

Monday 24 December Christmas Eve 4.00 pm Children's Crib Service

- 11.30 pm_Midnight Mass
- Tuesday 25 December Christmas Day
 - 9.30 am Family Eucharist 11.15 am Choral Matins

4.00 pm Carols, Prayers & Communion by the Crib

Sunday 30 December Christmas 1

- 9.30 am Sung Eucharist
- 11.15 am Choral Matins
- 4.00 pm Sung Evensong

Advent Windows – 'Light in our Darkness'

This is the third year in succession that we have launched a Living Advent Calendar across central Kensington. The programme runs each weekday from Monday 3 December to Friday 21 December.

The theme is Light in our Darkness, and it will be very interesting to see what participants make of the theme. As usual, we value your support, especially in joining us any (or every) weekday at 3.45. Bring your mobiles or cameras to take pictures of us and everyone having a good time.

MONDAY		WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY 6	FRIDAY
Pickwicks	Ole and Steen	La Fortuna	Beauty by Nicole	' Gail's
10	11	12	13	14
Ottoemezzo	SMA Centre	Skillmans	Bickersteth House	SMA School
17	18	19	20	21
Burlingtons	Marcela's	Gallery 19	Barclays	Beatrice Place