

## In Our Prayers This Week

*We commend to you St Mary Abbots' School. Praying particularly at this time for the Governing Board as they prepare to select the next head teacher. We pray for all candidates being interviewed this week. Grant Lord the wisdom and guidance of your Holy Spirit.*

*We pray for all suffering from addiction. Meet them in their loneliness, help them to have the confidence to speak with someone to lead them from this prison, healing mind and body.*

*We pray father that you would vindicate your people in your cause. Prosper all those who seek to serve in your name.*

*We pray for the work of the Children's Society. Guide all who are a voice for children and young people to speak loudly and clearly, particularly in parliamentary settings and on our streets, so that security and safety, love and hope might be the experience of all children and young people.*

*Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers*

<i>Those in acute need</i>		<i>And those in long-term need</i>
Mal Bains	James Philpot	Sergio Avanzi
Sheila Bradshaw	Patsy Ramsay	Vincenzo Blandini
Theo Bulkai	June Scully	John Cantlie
Phoebe Coleman	Sue Spicer	Joan Davies
Sarah Deal	Margy Wheeler	Leo Koymans
Margaret Drage	Ben	Sylvia Nazareth
Tony Gordon	Gohar	Simon Portal
Joan Jackson	Roger	Annie Redmile
Richie Marienthal	Joseph	Sonia Samuels
Michael North		James Worsley
		Carl-Fredrik

*Please pray for all who have died recently*

Maurice Hockey Blaine Johnson Liudmila Dubson

*and for those whom we love but see no longer,*

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

Ivan Cameron (25 February) Arthur Harriman (28 February)

Anthony Minoprio (29 February)



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Central Kensington Group Ministry

## ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH



# NEWSLETTER

24<sup>th</sup> February 2019



### Services for Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February The Second Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)

9.30am Sung Eucharist with Combined Voluntary and Professional Choir and Children on Sunday's Groups

Introit: O praise the Lord – BATTEN

Anthems: Thou visitest the earth - GREENE

Introibo ad altare Dei - ISAAC

Preacher: Canon Stephen Fielding

11.15am Sung Matins – Solo Cantor

Jubilate Deo: 2nd Service TOMKINS

Anthem: Qui sedes ad dexteram - VIVALDI

Preacher: Rev Jonathan MacNeaney

12.30pm Holy Eucharist

6.15pm Organ Prelude

Praeludium in e - BRUHNS

6.30pm Sung Evensong

Preacher: Canon Stephen Fielding

Followed by the Holy Eucharist

### Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February

8.00am Morning Prayer

1.05pm **Sunday on Monday – Informal Eucharist**

5.30pm Evening Prayer

### Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February

8.00am Morning Prayer

11.30am **Holy Eucharist** (BCP)

5.30pm Evening Prayer

### Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February George Herbert

8.00am Morning Prayer

8.15am **Holy Eucharist**

1.05pm Meditation Group

5.30pm Evening Prayer

### Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February

8.00am Morning Prayer

9.30am **St Mary Abbots School Eucharist** All Welcome

5.30pm Evening Prayer

### Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March David of Wales

8.00am Morning Prayer

8.15am **Holy Eucharist**

1.05pm Royal College of Music Recital

5.30pm Evening Prayer

### Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March Chad

9.40am Morning Prayer

10.00am **Holy Eucharist**

5.30pm Evening Prayer

### Services for Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

#### The Sunday next before Lent

8.00am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)

9.30am Family Eucharist with

Children on Sunday's Groups

Preacher: Canon Stephen Fielding

11.15am Choral Matins and Eucharist

Mass Setting: Missa Canonica – BRAHMS

Responses: TOMPKINS

Anthem: O where shall wisdom be found - BOYCE

Preacher: Rev'd Jonathan MacNeaney

There is no 12.30pm Holy Eucharist

6.30pm Taize Prayer

Followed by the Holy Eucharist

## J S Bach - St John Passion

You can now buy tickets for Sunday, 14 April 2019 from 18:30 to 21:00. An Easter performance by candlelight.

St Mary Abbots Choir, The Purcell Orchestra (on period instruments)

Tickets here:

[stjohnpassion19.eventbrite.co.uk/](http://stjohnpassion19.eventbrite.co.uk/)



## St Mary Abbots Reading Group

We are currently reading Alan Johnson's – This Boy. The next meeting is on 13<sup>th</sup> March 3pm at Kensington Central Library. You would be most welcome even if you haven't read the book and you will be able to pick up the next title whilst there.

## Service Pattern 2019

From January the Holy Eucharist will be celebrated twice a month after our Sunday 6.30pm service rather than every week. This will enable us to invite local licensed lay ministers to lead the service of Evensong. The dates when the Eucharist will not be celebrated are Mar 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April 28<sup>th</sup> May 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>.

We are sorry about this disruption to our worshipping pattern and we thank you for your understanding.

## Flower Rota

After some time convalescing the flower rota is now being revitalised. Experienced arranger and new florists welcome. All flowers and materials provided. Quarterly commitment. Contact Lesley Pullen to express interest: [pullen.london@btinternet.com](mailto:pullen.london@btinternet.com) Introduction day planned for Sat Feb 23 10.30am.

## Ecumenical Lent Course

The Ecumenical Lent Course 2019 will take place on five Thursdays, at 7.30pm, commencing 14th March - again using CTBI materials, The Mystery of God - <https://ctbi.org.uk/lent/>

- Thursday March 14th: St James Norlands (C. of E.)
- Thursday March 21st: St Sarkis Armenian Apostolic Orthodox
- Thursday March 28th: St Marks, Coptic Orthodox Church
- Thursday April 4th: Carmelite Priory (RC)
- Thursday April 11th: St John's Notting Hill (C. of E.)

## A New Electoral Roll

Every six years we are required by the church to create a brand new electoral roll. Everyone must sign up afresh there is no carryover. The electoral roll of the church bears no relation to the electoral roll held by the council.

Being on the electoral roll of the church demonstrates your commitment to the parish as well as making it much easier for us to communicate with you.

Additionally it gives you voting rights at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and it allows you to be married in church amongst other things. Please fill in a form ideally online at:

<https://tinyurl.com/smaroll> Or a paper copy picked up from church.

Our electoral roll officer is Ed Warrick: [er@smaw8.org](mailto:er@smaw8.org)

Who will be happy to answer any further questions

**Clarification** – *The list of names of those on the electoral roll is publically available no other information supplied is made public.*



## St Mary Abbots Lent Courses

The Clergy will be leading a series of Lenten presentations on Tuesday mornings in the St Paul's Chapel at 10.30am leading into the 11.30am Eucharist.

There will be a single evening Lenten event taking place on the evening of Tuesday 12 March at 7pm in the Church on the theme of C.S Lewis. Tom Price Senior Tutor at the Oxford Centre for Christian Apologetics explores C S Lewis' prophetic voice and his relevance to the world today. Invite your neighbours!

## Quiet Day

Our next quiet day held at St Mary's Convent Chiswick is on 27th March. The session runs from 9.30am-3pm. The theme is "Refreshed by God" and it is being led by Angela Fielding. If you would like to attend let Sophie know [sg@smaw8.org](mailto:sg@smaw8.org) 020 3479 4731 or sign up on the sheet by the south door.

## Quiz Supper

Was capably led by Kim – quizmaster supremo. Top prize went to Sophie's table - Congratulations

## Confirmation 2019

Bishop Graham will be present at St Mary Abbots on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2019 for a service of confirmation. We run two groups one for teenagers and adults and one for children in years 5-6

The adults group will be meeting on Tuesday evenings at St Mary Abbots Centre starting on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 7.00pm

The children's group will be meeting Wednesday afternoons in church, starting Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 3.40pm

If you are interested please let Sophie know: [sg@smaw8.org](mailto:sg@smaw8.org)

## Finding a new Vicar for our Parish

Parishioners may wish to see the advertisement copied below which has been published in the Church Times. The parish representatives for the selection process are Jamie Dunford Wood and Emma Porteous.



## Vicar, St Mary Abbots, Kensington

The Bishop of Kensington wishes to appoint a Priest in Anglican Orders as Vicar of St Mary Abbots

St Mary Abbots is a very significant church in the heart of the Royal London Borough of Kensington & Chelsea. Parish worship has a strong choral tradition, and is modern catholic in style, providing over 20 services each week that draw in local residents from both within and beyond the Parish, and office workers, shoppers and tourists. The Church has a close and important connection with the local School, as well as a significant and active civic role in the Royal Borough.

### The Bishop and PCC are seeking a Vicar who is:

- Someone to lead our mission to become a true community hub, building Christian outreach and ministry in the heart of West London.
- A confident preacher of deep faith.
- Resilient and with strong administrative and organisational competencies.
- A strategic and imaginative thinker who can inspire and enable others.
- Confidently catholic, with an openness to other forms of worship.
- Able to inspire and minister to children of all ages.
- A good listener, with emotional intelligence, and experience of life and culture.

## Teaching English to Refugees

Connect & Learn is a mentoring scheme matching refugees to volunteers for 121 English language support.

**Expectation** -Depending on availability and needs this could be for 2 hours a week for 6 months, or for longer per week for a shorter amount of time.

**Training & Support** -Volunteers will receive induction training on Saturday March 16th (all day) Volunteers will receive on-going support from Migrants Organise staff.

Travel expenses will be provided to volunteers and members.

**Who would benefit from this?** - This scheme has been created with people who have additional barriers to learning English; e.g. they find classroom learning difficult due to trauma, they cannot access mainstream education for various reasons such as child care barriers or perhaps they are children who have been outside of the school system for some time. Generally they have very basic and limited English. The 121 support from a volunteer will help build confidence and help overcoming practical barriers.

**Is this for you?** - Email Fr Jonathan [jm@smaw8.org](mailto:jm@smaw8.org) to be referred on.

## Refugee Housing

Housing is our single biggest blocker to offering more refugees a safe place to call home in our community.

Ed Latham is leading the hunt for housing in the borough he would be pleased for support contact him on [ejolatham@gmail.com](mailto:ejolatham@gmail.com)