

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

*Alleluia! Christ is risen. He is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

*We pray for the unity and diversity of our commonwealth.*

*We give you thanks for the faithful stewardship of Her Majesty the Queen, and pray that you continue to grant her, and all who lead with her, your blessing, wisdom and support.*

*We pray for those who face persecution and injustice, especially those who do so at the hands of the church.*

*We pray for the peace of the nations remembering especially those places of warfare and nations on the brink of conflict.*

*We pray for those preparing for marriage at this time, among them.*

MARK YOUNG & FRANCES PECK

*We pray for those preparing for their confirmation:*

JAMES ALEXANDER BIANCA ANTE-FERKO

ALEX BESSADA ELIZABETH COKAJ

KIMBERLEY COLLISON ELI DARKO DANIEL D'SOUZA

AVELINE EICKELBERG JASPER EICKELBERG

JACOB EMMANUEL ROXANA FOLESCU

GUNNAR HANSON VICTORIA HANSON

NOELLE IRVINE MORGAN JONES

GILBERT KANDAMATH KIKI KRISTENSEN SHARP

FLORA LYSTER KAREN MAK JEM MAVROLEON

ELIO MESSIMERIS TASSIA MESSIMERIS YIMA MIRZAI

HONOR PURVIS JAMES REDMOND

STANLEY REYNOLDS ANTONIS VAKIS

WILLOW WHITFIELD CHARLOTTE WILLIAMS RAN XU

*Please intercede for those who have asked for our prayers*

TAREK ALWER : SERGIO AVANZI

FRIEDA BILGER : SHEILA BRADSHAW

THEO BULKAI : SARAH DEAL

FRANK GAME : TONY GORDON

BRIAN HARVEY : HILAL KIBBARA

LEO KOYMANS : ISABEL MILNER

ANNIE REDMILE : MARK REDMAN

CAROLYN : TARA : GOHAR : LARISSA

*Please pray for all who have died recently*

AUDREY RASKIN : MARGO HORSEWOOD

*And for those whose anniversary of death falls at this time*

WINIFRED HOWE (24<sup>th</sup> April)

RICHARD HORSLEY (27<sup>th</sup> April)

OLIVER PHILPOTT (28<sup>th</sup> April)

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**St MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH**



**NEWSLETTER**

22<sup>nd</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> April 2018



**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8.00am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)

Epistle: 1 Peter 2. 11-17

Gospel: John 16. 16-22

**9.30am CHORAL EUCHARIST**

with Children on Sundays Groups and voluntary and professional choir

Reading: Acts 4. 5-12

Gospel: John 10. 11-18

Preacher: Revd Preb Gillean Craig

11.15am SUNG MATINS with Solo Contor

Old Testament: Exodus 16. 4-15

New Testament: Revelation 2. 12-17

Preacher: The Revd Jonathan MacNeaney

12.30pm HOLY EUCHARIST Readings as at 9.30am

6.30pm SUNG EVENSONG followed by HOLY COMMUNION

Old Testament: Nehemiah 8. 1-12

New Testament: Luke 24. 25-32

Preacher: Natasha Beckles (Ordinand)

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

**St George the Martyr**

8.00am Morning Prayer

1.05pm INFORMAL EUCHARIST 'Sunday on Monday'

Introducing the Psalms: Psalms of Praise

5.30pm Evening Prayer

7.30pm 'Aurora Borealis' Piano Recital

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

**St Melitus**

8.00am Morning Prayer

11.30am HOLY EUCHARIST (BCP)

5.30pm Evening Prayer

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

**St Mark**

8.00am Morning Prayer

8.15am HOLY EUCHARIST

1.05pm Meditation Group

5.30pm Evening Prayer

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April**

8.00am Morning Prayer

9.30am SUNG EUCHARIST: StMA School Service

All welcome

5.30pm Evening Prayer

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April**

**Commem'n of Christina Rossetti**

8.00am Morning Prayer

8.15am HOLY EUCHARIST

5.30pm Evening Prayer

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April**

**Commemoration of Peter Chanel**

9.40am Morning Prayer

10.00am HOLY COMMUNION

12.00pm Holy Matrimony: Frances Peck & Mark Young

5.30pm Evening Prayer

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8.00am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)

Epistle: James 1. 17-21

Gospel: John 16. 5-15

**9.30am FAMILY EUCHARIST**

with Preschool Childrens Groups

Reading: Acts 8. 26-38

Gospel: John 15. 1-8

All-Age Presentation

**11.15am Choral Matins leading into**

**CHORAL EUCHARIST**

Old Testament: Isaiah 60. 1-14

New Testament: Mark 16. 9-16

Preacher: The Revd Canon Stephen Fielding

**NO 12.30 HOLY EUCHARIST TODAY**

6.30pm SUNG EVENSONG followed by HOLY COMMUNION

First Reading: 2 Maccabees 7. 7-14

New Testament: John 15. 1-8

Preacher: Revd Preb Gillean Craig

## TODAY: NEW MUSICAL PROVISION at 9.30 & 11.15

Today we offer our experimental once-a-month provision: the professional quartet, whose splendid singing graces 11.15 matins weddings & funerals, but never our main Sunday service, will join forces with the voluntary choir to offer special music in **9.30 SUNG EUCHARIST**. Our worship will be enhanced by anthems by Charles Wood, WH Harris, and Thomas Tomkins – all stars of the Anglican choral tradition.

*If you enjoy singing, we'd be delighted if you'd like to join our voluntary choir. There is a potential range of involvements: the weekly 9.30 Sung Eucharist, the monthly 9.30 Sung Eucharists with the professional quartet, and the less frequent Choral Evensong. And twice a year the really major sings: Bach's St John Passion and Handel's Messiah. Recently several new singers have joined – perhaps it's YOUR turn? For details, contact our Director of Music [uglowmark@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:uglowmark@yahoo.co.uk)*

At **11.15 SUNG MATINS** we are delighted that DAVID COSTLEY-WHITE, the bass from our professional quartet, will act as **cantor**, leading the music generally and offering two solos: a setting of the Easter Anthems by Michael Wise, and another in our series of Arias from the Bach Cantata proper to this Sunday of the Year 'Wo Gehest Du Hin?'

## EASTER SMARTIES FINAL CALL

Thank you to all of our children and young people who collected money over Lent to support the London Diocese Lent Appeal for local homeless charities – in our case **Glass Door**. If you still have a smarties tube full of money lying around then please bring it with you to church next week. There will be a pot of smarties at the back of the church for any little fingers.

## VISITING PREACHER AT 6.30 EVENSONG TONIGHT

We welcome **NATASHA BECKLES** who is studying in preparation for Ordination at St. Mellitus College, just across the Cromwell Road. She describes herself thus: *Natasha is a daughter, sister and aunt who fell in love with Jesus in September 2005. For the past 8 years she has worked as Assistant Head Teacher for Inclusion, supporting the most vulnerable children and families at The Willow Primary School. The school serves the Broadwater Farm Estate in Tottenham and was at the epicentre of the London 2011 riots. In May 2017 the school received an outstanding Ofsted judgement, much to the delight and celebration of the whole community. Natasha loves to worship and read about the amazing things God has done.*



## Dalgarno Trust Foodbank

Our thanks for your terrific response to our recent Easter appeal for this vital project. Even the *Daily Mail* joined in, donating a large bag of Easter Eggs! It is greatly appreciated - let's keep up the good work!

## NEW & SIMPLE WAYS TO DONATE TO THE COLLECTION!

With your Apple or android smartphone you can directly to StMA (and add giftaid) just three clicks. Try it now!



Or pay by creditcard using the 'Goodbox' readers by the doors



## St MARY ABBOTS SERMONS AVAILABLE ONLINE!

Didn't quite get your fill on Sunday morning? Jonathan's sermons are accessible here: [youtube.com/user/jmacheaney](https://youtube.com/user/jmacheaney). Many other sermons are available: [goo.gl/rMaUYN](https://goo.gl/rMaUYN). Alternatively check our facebook or twitter feed on Monday to see links to the previous days sermons.



## OUR SUNDAY ON MONDAY COURSE: 'INTRODUCING THE PSALMS'

A new five weeks course began last Monday. Within our 1.05 Sunday on Monday informal Eucharist, Fr Stephen & Fr Jonathan will introduce and illustrate the 5 kinds of psalm. Week 2 considers the **Psalms of Praise**.

Join us to learn more about this wonderful treasury of prayers in which 'the whole of the Bible is found' (Luther). Afterwards there's a light lunch with time for fellowship.

## Next Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April our special once-a-month Sunday provision:



## 9.30 FAMILY EUCHARIST

An all-age modern language service so the whole family can worship together. Younger members of our fellowship will take on many roles: sidesmen, taking the collection, acting as servers and readers. Do YOU want to help? Let us know....

## 11.15 Choral Matins leading into CHORAL EUCHARIST

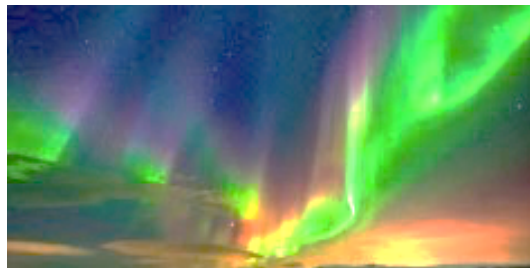
our professional choir sings a classic setting of the Eucharist - this month **HAYDN'S Missa Sancti Nicolai** and the motet is **GIBBONS'S** If ye be risen again



## ANNUAL CONFIRMATION: 7.00pm Thursday May 24<sup>th</sup>

We are preparing 30 Junior and Adult candidates (see list overleaf). Book the date, support them on the day, and keep them all in your prayers.

## It's this Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April at 7.30pm: CELEBRITY PIANO RECITAL



## AURORA BOREALIS

Our own PETER ROPER-CURZON will play a marvelous range of great piano music, with works by BACH : MOZART : BEETHOVEN : RACHMANINOV : CHOPIN Culminating in the world premiere of his own new Prelude 'AURORA BOREALIS'  
**Tickets (inc sherry & programme!): £20 from [tinyurl.com/Peter2018](http://tinyurl.com/Peter2018) or on the door**

## ELECTION SPECIAL!

### LAST WEDNESDAY ST MARY ABBOTS HELD ITS ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS & ANNUAL PAROCHIAL MEETING

**We received the Annual Report, Accounts, etc  
and thanked God for all that has taken place at  
St Mary Abbots throughout 2017.**

*(The report is available to read online and hard copies are available for all who missed the meeting)*

We congratulate all who were elected/re-elected:

*Churchwardens:*

**JAMIE DUNFORD-WOOD & HANNAH STEWART**

*For a three year term on the Parochial Church Council:*  
**DAVID PEERLESS, LAURA SYLVESTER & ANDREW GIBLIN**  
they take responsibility for managing our church's life, ministry, witness – *please pray for them.*



This **WEDNESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> APRIL** is **St MARK'S DAY** and your vicar will be exercising his duty as a prebendary of St Paul's Cathedral by **PREACHING AT 5.00pm EVENSONG**

All are most warmly welcome – I doubt that advance booking will be required, and although you hear him give quite as many sermons as anyone could wish for, the choir and music is always well worth hearing....

### 2.00pm Saturday 12 May at St Pauls Cathedral THE INSTALLATION OF THE RT REVD SARAH MULLALLY DBE as the (first woman) Bishop of London

*Pray for her as she prepares to take on this taxing and important role – and for her family. We have been told that we can nominate two members of our congregation for tickets for this highly significant event in the 1,400 year old history of our Diocese: if you are interested contact the Vicar ASAP.*

## CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 13-19 May Building Hope in Haiti

This year Christian aid week is collecting money to safeguard impoverished communities from the effects of hurricanes. They have already built 700 hurricane resistant homes on Haiti and with our help will build many more. Each year we collect money in Kensington Arcade from Monday - Friday during CA Week. Historically, we have taken responsibility for the early morning 7.30am - 9.30am slot. *Please sign the sheet by the south door.*

*And who knows? Perhaps your aging and decrepit Vicar will one final time bestir himself to attempt the Christian Aid 'Circle The City' sponsored stagger around the Square Mile – Watch out for his begging letters.....*



## ECUMENICAL WORK

On 1st May Fr Jonathan is travelling to Uganda where he will be working with St Paul's Church of Uganda Kiwuliriza and ministering alongside Rev'd Paulson Tumutegyereize. Like us as St Mary Abbots they have a church school which he will be visiting during his time there. So far his schedule includes preaching at the school service; leading a study day for the teachers on the pedagogical implications and insights of the prophet Nehemiah and preaching at six services on Sunday! Half of which will be in English and the other half aided by a translator. Please pray for him during this time of travel and ministry. A report promised when he returns.