

In Our Prayers This Week

God our Father, whose Word has come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem: May the light of faith illumine our hearts and shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord.

O God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, whose years never fail and whose mercies are new each returning day: let the radiance of your Spirit renew our lives, warming our hearts and giving light to our minds; that we may pass the coming year in joyful obedience and firm faith; through him who is the beginning and the end, your Son, Christ our Lord. Amen



Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers

Those in acute need

Katie Aston
Evangelia Brown
Sarah Deal
Andrew Fernandes
Tony Gordon
Joan Jackson
Soheli Madadi
Mary McKenna
Diana Nicol

Michael North

Doina Oana
Maria Reis
June Scully
Sue Spicer
Becky Tinsley
Roger
Rosie
Amir
Roxana
Alma

Those in long-term need

Sergio Avanzi
Frieda Bilger
Vincenzo Blandini
Theo Bulkai
John Cantlie
Joan Davies
Leo Koymans
Simon Portal
Annie Redmile
James Worsley

and for all who have died recently

Richard Alan Lamping Judith Mary Allen

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

Prudence Watt, 23 Dec. Jon Worsley & Sou Yen Crosthwaite, 24 Dec.
Gwen Robson and Tovah Cameron, 25 Dec. Robert Cook, 27 Dec.
Maggie Currey, 29 Dec. Christine Zochonis, 30 Dec.
Sheila Uglow, 1 Jan. Hartle Bourne & Simon Egert, 3 Jan.
Bill Kirkpatrick, 4 Jan.

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

22nd December 2019 – 5th January 2020

Sunday 22nd December - The Fourth Sunday of Advent

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)
9.30am Sung Eucharist but no Sunday Groups
Preacher: Revd Jonathan MacNeaney
11.15am Choral Matins
Benedicite in B flat - HERBERT SUMSION
Rejoice in the Lord alway - attrib. REDFORD
Preacher: Revd Jonathan MacNeaney
12.30pm Holy Eucharist
6.30pm Sung Evensong followed by Eucharist
Preacher: Revd Emma Dinwiddy Smith

Monday 23rd December

- 8.00am Morning Prayer
1.05pm Informal Eucharist – Sunday on Monday
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 24th December – Christmas Eve

- 8.00am Morning Prayer
11.30am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
4.00pm Children's Crib Service
~~5.30pm~~ There is no evening prayer
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Wednesday 25th December – Christmas Day

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist
9.30am Family Eucharist
11.15am Solemn Matins
12.30pm Holy Eucharist
4.00pm Holy Communion by the crib, with Carols & Prayers
~~5.30pm~~ There is no evening prayer

Thursday 26th December - Stephen

- 9.40am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy Eucharist
4.00pm Evening Prayer

Friday 27th December – John, Apostle & Evangelist

- 9.40am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy Eucharist
4.00pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 28th December – The Holy Innocents

- 9.40am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy Eucharist
4.00pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 29th December – The 1st Sunday of Christmas

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)
9.30am Sung Eucharist but no Sunday Groups
Preacher: Revd Jonathan MacNeaney
11.15am Choral Matins
Benedictus in F - DYSON
In the bleak midwinter - DARKE
Preacher: Revd Jonathan MacNeaney
12.30pm Holy Eucharist
4.00pm Eucharist and Covenant for the New Year



NEWSLETTER (Cont.)



Monday 30th December

9.40am Morning Prayer
1.05pm Communion by extension
 4.00pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 31st December – John Wyclif

9.40am Morning Prayer
10.00am Communion by extension
 4.00pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 1st January – Naming & Circumcision of Jesus

9.40am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy Eucharist
 4.00pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 2nd January – Bishop's Basil the Great & Bishop Gregory of Nazianzus

8.00am Morning Prayer
8.15am Holy Eucharist
 5.30pm Evening Prayer

Friday 3rd January

8.00am Morning Prayer
8.15am Holy Eucharist
 5.30pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 4th January

9.40am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy Eucharist
 5.30pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 5th January – Epiphany

8.00am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)
 9.30am Family Eucharist with pre-school Children on Sunday Groups
 Preacher: Revd Emma Dinwiddy Smith
 11.15am Choral Matins with Eucharist
 Omnes de Saba - HANDL
 Missa brevis - GABRIELI
 The Star Anthem - BULL
 Preacher: Revd Jonathan MacNeaney
~~12.30pm~~ There is no Holy Eucharist
 6.30pm Taize Prayer



LOOKING AHEAD



Children's Crib Service

Tuesday 24th December: 3pm Costumes / 4pm Service

We ask the children to come early to church and raid the dressing up box to become angels, shepherds, wise men, Mary and Joseph. While Mother Emma narrates the children will take part. The crib will be moved to the front of the church and baby Jesus will be put into the manger.

Midnight Mass

Tuesday 24th December 11.30

Please join us for the first Eucharist of Christmas and the blessing of the crib.



Christmas Day Lunch The St Marys Abbots Centre

Transport: We are asking for volunteers to transport guests to and from the St Mary Abbots centre for the Christmas lunch. If you are able to offer a lift please contact Fr Jonathan by email jm@smaw8.org



Christmas Day Services Wednesday 25th December

08.00am Holy Eucharist
 09.30am Family Eucharist
 11.15am Solemn Matins
 12.30pm Holy Eucharist
 04.00pm Christmas Service with Communion



Eucharist and Covenant for the New Year Sunday 29th December, 4pm

The last Eucharist of the year where we contemplate the past year and consider how to improve our thoughts and deeds in the year ahead.

OTHER NOTICES

Parish News

We would like to thank Susan Russell for all her many years of running the Parish Office in a highly organised and efficient way. Having been instrumental in setting up the office and worked with every vicar in the last 27 year she will be missed by the Clergy, Ministry staff, churchwardens, vestry, the Centre, bell ringers, friends of St Mary Abbots and all the wonderful volunteers alike. Susan's last day was on the 18th December and I hope you will join us in wishing her well in her retirement and thanking her for being the glue that held everything together. We will not know what to do without her.

Nativity Play Recording

If your child was in the nativity play and you would like an invitation to the private YouTube video please email Fr Jonathan jm@smaw8.org and he will share it with you.

Food Bank

If you would like to offer any items to the food bank please leave it in the vestry and we will deliver it during the week. Please continue to support the foodbank. **Food Items:** Cereal; Soup; Pasta; Rice; Tinned tomatoes/ pasta sauce; Lentils, beans and pulses; Tinned meat; Tinned vegetables; Tea/coffee; Tinned fruit; Biscuits; UHT milk; juice; **Toiletries:** deodorant, toilet paper, shower gel, shaving gel, shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, tooth paste, hand wipes **Household:** detergent, laundry powder, washing up liquid **Feminine products:** sanitary towels and tampons **Baby supplies:** nappies, baby wipes and baby food.