

In Our Prayers This Week

We pray Lord that the spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow amongst us and ask that you teach us patience and understanding for our neighbours that we may heal our discontent.

Grant us Lord the wisdom to see into our own natures, help us to not be proud or boastful and to remember it is not material possessions, or power or status that has value in your eyes.



Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers

Those in acute need

Katie Aston	Diana Nicol
Evangelia Brown	Michael North
Rebecca Cable-	Maria Reis
Nunn	Holly Raber
Sarah Deal	June Scully
Andrew Fernandes	Sue Spicer
Kevin Fitzgerald	Becky Tinsley
Tony Gordon	Alma
Joan Jackson	Victoria
Margaret Lyon	Roger
Mary McKenna	Rosie
	Roxana

Those in long-term need

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

For those being baptised today

Liberty Anais Coco Mary Flynn

and for all who have died recently

Judith Mary Allen	Prosper Devas	David Cecile Daphne Foster
Barbara Gatehouse	Debbie Lovell	Rosalynd

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

Elisa Lockhart, 15th February
Richard Gatehouse, 15th February

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

9th February 2020

Sunday 9th February – 3rd Sunday before Lent

8.00am	Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)
9.30am	Sung Eucharist with Holy Baptism and Children on Sunday Groups Preacher: Rev Emma Dinwiddy Smith
11.15am	Choral Matins and Holy Eucharist Missa Che fa oggi - ALLEGRI O where shall wisdom be found – WILLIAM BOYCE Preacher: Rev'd Jonathan MacNeaney
12.30pm	Holy Eucharist
4.00pm	Blessing of Micael da Costa and Himani Gupta
6.15pm	Organ Prelude
6.30pm	Sung Evensong followed by Holy Eucharist Preacher: Louis Howard-Krelle, Ministry Assistant

Monday 10th February – Abbess Scholastica

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

Tuesday 11th February

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

Wednesday 12th February

8.00am	Morning Prayer
8.15am	Holy Eucharist
1.00pm	Meditation Group
5.30pm	Evening Prayer

Thursday 13th February

8.00am	Morning Prayer
9.20am	School Eucharist – All Welcome
5.30pm	Evening Prayer

Friday 14th February – Cyril & Methodius, Missionaries

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

Saturday 15th February – Bishop Sigfrid

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

Sunday 16th February – 2nd Sunday before Lent

8.00am	Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)
9.30am	Sung Eucharist with Children on Sunday Groups Preacher: Revd Emma Dinwiddy Smith
11.15am	Choral Matins Anglican Chant Set 5 – BARNBY / SMART Morning Service in A – T TERTIUS NOBLE O Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem – HERBERT HOWELLS Preacher: Revd Emma Dinwiddy Smith
12.30pm	Holy Eucharist
6.30pm	Taize Prayer

LOOKING AHEAD

Important Church Dates:

3rd March Lent Study Group, 10.30am
8th March: Commissioning of candidates, 9.30am
11th March: Lent Talk 'Care for God's Creation, 7pm
5th April: The Passion
21st May: Confirmation Service, 7pm

We welcome the family and friends of
Liberty Anais Coco Mary Flynn who will be baptised today.

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday 26th February 2020

Please could you bring your palm crosses back to the church to be burned in advance of Ash Wednesday. These can be handed in to a member of the clergy or left in the vestry.

We are also asking for volunteers to hand out prayer cards to people outside the church during the Ashing at the following times.

7am – 8am 12.00 – 1.00pm 5.00pm – 6.30pm

Tea and good humour will be provided and a chance to engage with members of the public. Please speak to Simon or email Leonora pa@smaw8.org

Opening the Scriptures – Lent Studies

Thursday 5th March at 7.30pm

Throughout Lent Kensington Council of Churches will bring you 'Opening the Scriptures, setting our heart on Fire', a series of Ecumenical Studies every Thursday at 7.30pm. The first, at St John's Notting Hill, Lansdown Crescent, W11 2NN will take place on Thursday 5th March. For more details <https://ctbi.org.uk/lent>

World Day of Prayer

Friday 6th March at 11am

The Kensington and Chelsea Branch of the World Day of Prayer is holding its annual WDP International Service at St Mary the Boltons, London, SW10 9TB. The theme, chosen by Zimbabwe is "Rise! Take your mat and walk". The service, which will be attended by the Mayor, will be followed by light refreshments and St Marys welcomes any of our congregation who would like to attend.

Confirmation - Commissioning of Candidates

Sunday 8th March at 9.30am

On Ascension Day, Thursday 21st May, The Bishop of Kensington will be coming to St Mary Abbots for a service of Confirmation. If you are interested in being confirmed this year we will have preparation sessions for children, starting on Wednesday 4th March in Vicar's Parlour at 3.35 every week during term time, and for adults from Tuesday 25th February at 7pm in the vicarage every week during term time. There will be pancakes for the adults on Shrove Tuesday. Please email Father Jonathan on pa@smaw8.org if you would like to join

Lent Talk – 'Care for God's Creation'

Wednesday 11th March at 7pm

A talk in St Mary Abbots on the climate by the Rev'd Giles Goddard, a board member of Operation Noah and co-founder of Faith for the Climate, the interfaith environmental action group. He is also a member of the Church of England's General Synod. In 2014, he presented a motion to the General Synod, calling for leadership on the issue of climate change. For further information please contact Father Jonathan on jm@smaw8.org Weekly study groups at SMA on Tuesday at 10.30am.

Lord Alton of Liverpool Talk, Friends of SMA

Wednesday 22nd April at 7pm

Professor Lord Alton of Liverpool is a global human rights campaigner, expert on China and a Patron of the Friends of St Mary Abbots and subject is "Peering Over The Great Wall: China and the West - two civilisations seeking to co-exist on the same Planet". Tickets are £15 per person including wine and refreshments and are available from the Vestry or via www.lordaltontalk.eventbrite.co.uk. Cheques to be made payable to "Friends of St Mary Abbots Church Kensington". For more information please email Steve Atack, steveatack@aol.com

OTHER NOTICES

Revision of Church Electoral Roll

Notice is hereby given that the Church Electoral Roll of the above parish will be revised by the Parochial Church Council, beginning on Sunday the 23rd day of February 2020, and ending on Friday the 13th day of March 2020.

Application Forms for enrolment can be obtained from the Church Electoral Roll Officer, Ed Warrick er@smaw8.org

New Archdeacon of Middlesex

The Bishop of London announced that Revd Richard Frank, incumbent Vicar at All Souls, St Margaret's and Area Dean for Hounslow, has been appointed as the new Archdeacon of Middlesex. Richard will step down as Vicar of All Souls in March, before starting in post as Archdeacon of Middlesex in April. He is much looking forward to supporting and working with the parishes in the area. We send Richard our warm congratulations and our prayers for him and his family as he prepares for this new stage in his ministry.

Choir Vestry – Volunteers needed

A helping hand is urgently needed behind scenes in the Choir Vestry, which would benefit and appreciate a little extra care to keep things tidy, which would entail a little easy vacuuming, occasional dusting, tidying and oversight of choral robes. Please contact Alison on 0207 229 5514.

Friend of St Mary Abbots & Waitrose

SMA is receiving a portion of £1000 from a generous Waitrose on Kensington High Street. Please remember to add your tokens to our collection box after shopping.

Servers and Readers

Any adults or children who would like to serve, or any adults who would like to read the lessons there is an upcoming training session. Please contact Father Jonathan for details: jm@smaw8.org

Foodbank

If you have any items for the food bank please leave it in the vestry and we will deliver it during the week. **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.

Register of Children at SMA

If your child has not been re-registered for the On Sunday Groups please speak to either Louis or a leader and ask for a form. Weekly registers will be taken in the groups and for children who remain in church.