

In Our Prayers This Week

Prayer of calling

Loving God, Be with us as we begin to see what is possible. Help us to show your love to couples and families; Inspire us to understand their hopes and dreams. Uphold us when we feel weary, comfort us when we feel overwhelmed. Bless us as we bless others. This day and always. Amen.

The Collect for 5th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Christ and Saint Mina. 6th-century icon from Bawit, Egypt, now in the Louvre

Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers

<i>Those in acute need</i>		<i>Those in long-term need</i>
Katie Aston	Diana Nicol	Vincenzo Blandini
Francesca de Bono	Michael North	Theo Bulkai
Rebecca Cable-Nunn	Holly Raber	John Cantlie
Sarah Deal	Mary Reeve	Rev. Geoffrey Connor
Margy Fitter	Maria Reis	Joan Davies
Tony Gordon	June Scully	Leo Koymans
Sarah Hack	Sue Spicer	Simon Portal
Joan Jackson	Roger	Annie Redmile
Margaret Lyon	Rosie	James Worsley
Mary McKenna	Victoria	

and for all who have died recently

Andrew Gillespie	Amy Johnston	Edward Trott
	Nicholas Wilson-Holt	

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

Robin Greenhill, 17 th July	Stella Egert, 18 th July
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The Parish and Vicarage offices are open from 10am – 5pm



ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

12th July 2020

Welcome back to St Mary Abbots! Due to Government and church guidelines, there will initially be a limited pattern of services and numbers will be restricted at any one act of worship, (see below), but we hope with ongoing online services as well, there will be plenty of opportunities for everyone to pray and give thanks to God in the way they find most helpful at this time.

SUNDAY 12th July

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

9.30 am Parish Eucharist

11.15am Matins

6 pm Church open for private prayer until 6pm

Please go to our website www.smaw8.org and sign up on Eventbrite to allow us to monitor numbers at the service and for track and trace purposes. An online service will be made available on our website for those who are unable to come to the church.

MONDAY 13th July

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer from pulpit

5.30 pm Evening Prayer at Home

TUESDAY 14th July – John Keble, priest

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer followed by Holy Eucharist (BCP)

5.30 pm Evening Prayer at Home

WEDNESDAY 15th July – Bishop Swithun

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer from Pulpit

5.30 pm Evening Prayer at Home

THURSDAY 16th July – Bishop Osmund

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer followed by Holy Eucharist

5.30 pm Evening Prayer at Home

FRIDAY 17th July

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer from pulpit

5.30 pm Evening Prayer at Home

SATURDAY 18th July 20 – Elizabeth Ferard, deaconess

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer from pulpit

5.30 pm Evening Prayer at Home

SUNDAY 19th July

8.00am Holy Eucharist (BCP)

9.30am Parish Eucharist

11.15am Matins

6pm Church open for private prayer until 6pm

For more information please visit www.smaw8.org

CHURCH ACCESS

Access will only be possible through the cloisters and the south door. Opening the church is dependent upon our maintenance of good practices including:

- maintaining 2 metre distancing from others
- following the one way system
- sanitising our hands at the entrance

The back of the church will be roped off, but the front of the church and the two chapels are available for you to sit and pray. Please be very aware of others praying and avoid sitting near to them. If possible do not use the ends of the pews as this tends to be where everyone sits and it will leave you closer to those passing in the aisle.

Message from Mother Emma

Everyone in the parish office and vestry has been working away to prepare for our return to church worship, and to try to ensure that those who join us on Sunday can do so safely and joyfully. We are also very conscious of all those who are still remaining at home for the time being for whatever reason and you are very much in our thoughts and prayers.

As you will know, we are offering three services initially, and are asking you to sign up in advance on Eventbrite to speed up the process of recording names and contact details for "track and trace". Please do sign up if you can using the link [HERE](#). Entrance and exit will ONLY be through the South Door through the cloister by the flower stall, and there will be a one-way system operating in the church. We are also sorry that we are not yet in a position to offer lavatory provision. We are so grateful for your efforts in observing the national church's guidelines as we come back, and we look forward to further gradual relaxation in what we are and aren't allowed to do!

As you know, I have been shielding because of my kidney transplant. I will be in church on Sunday, but presiding (and waving!) from a distance in the sanctuary, without servers or fellow clergy nearby. I am grateful to Fr Jonathan and to our new curate, Alice (who is also preaching at the Eucharist and singing at Matins) for their help and support in making this possible, and for sharing in our joint return.

We hope very much to be able to provide a recording of one of the services online later on Sunday, and then a voice recording of the two sermons on our YouTube channel on Monday. Please do keep checking, and let us know, if you are watching from home, if you have any feedback.

Our particular prayers this week are for the children of St Mary Abbots as they approach the end of an extraordinary term, and especially for those in Year 6, who are moving on to other schools.

With my love and prayers, as ever, Mother Emma

OTHER NEWS

Virtual Tour of Historical Kensington & Chelsea Monday 13th July 2020, 2 – 3pm

Local Historian and Librarian Dave Walker takes you on a virtual tour of Kensington & Chelsea with a series of images from the archives, some of recognisable landmarks but others of images of what the Borough looked like before it became part of the city. As his research covers ancestors, houses, maps, photographs, drainage plans, rate books, diaries, mortuary ledgers, manuscripts and scrapbooks the images are likely to be diverse. To book a spot please click [HERE](#).

Wheels for Climate Change Emergencies Sunday 19th July 2020

Our Lenten theme this year was climate change and the Angola London Mozambique Association (ALMA) was one of the charities being supported by the Diocese of London. ALMA are holding a Gift day on the 19th to raise money for vehicles which enable them to respond practically and quickly to the results of the many natural disasters that are visited upon the area. Due to Covid their fundraising achieved less than expected and they urgently need our help. If you are interested in donating to this cause more information can be found [HERE](#).

The Kensington and Chelsea over 50's Forum

The forum was set up in 1996 to help those in need, providing a network of support for residents and lobbying local government on issues such as health, social care and council planning. The aim of the group is to help local residents maintain their health and independence by providing activities and events and arranging public meetings to discuss relevant and local issues with an aim of shaping local government policy. The group is made up of volunteers. Should you wish to become a member or to volunteer their website is [HERE](#).

Food Bank

Though the church will open from Monday we are **not** yet able to accept donations of food. We will let you know as soon as we are able to receive donations once more. Please continue to support the foodbank by the other methods we have been highlighting: a number of supermarkets are collecting at their exits or if you wish to donate financially you can send a cheque, made payable to 'Dalgarno Neighbourhood Trust' and marked 'foodbank' on the reverse to: The Dalgarno Trust, 1 Webb Close Dalgarno Way, London, W10 5QB. If you wish to do a direct bank transfer please ask Fr Jonathan (jm@smaw8.org) for the bank details.

COVID SUPPORT

Pastoral & Practical Care

We will continue to provide both emotional and spiritual care, both for our own congregation members and locals in the parish who would like a chat. If you know of anyone in need of support please email Father Jonathan: jm@smaw8.org

Mutual Aid Volunteer

Although lockdown is easing 'Kensington and Chelsea Mutual Aid' will continue helping the residents in Kensington & Chelsea, developing links between members and the community, using their experiences to be ready for future crises, tutoring and mentorship, wider support for vulnerable groups (elderly, homeless, single parent households), and wider befriending services. If you would be interested in knowing more or volunteering their website is: <https://www.mutualaidkc.com> Congratulations to our Sunday school convenor Marina Lussich who has been the admin for Zone 3 covering the Holland, Campden and Pembridge wards and has done sterling work during this difficult time.

Archbishops Phoneline "Daily Hope"

The phoneline, Daily Hope, which was set up by Archbishop Justin Welby and backed by the Archbishop's Council, for those who wish to worship but cannot use the internet. Callers receive a welcome from Archbishop Justin and then a series of options including a choice of well-known hymns and morning and evening prayer. The number to call is: 0800 804 8044