

In Our Prayers This Week

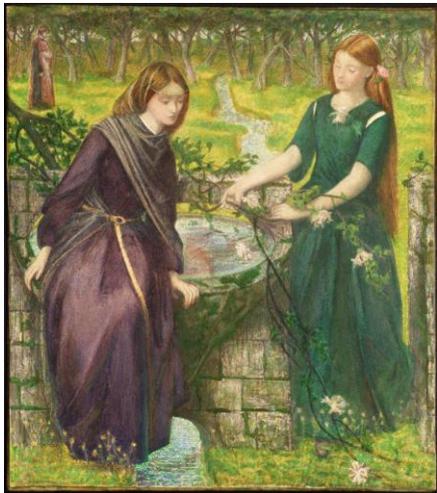
Prayer to be in the will of God.

Help me I pray, to live each day of my life in holiness and righteousness, in humility of heart and with self-control. Help me to walk in spirit and in truth and to do only those things that I have heard from You, through the Word of God and the gentle promptings of Your Holy Spirit in my inner soul.

Source: Prayer.knowing Jesus

The Collect for 7th Sunday after Trinity

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow; though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Dante's Vision of Rachel and Leah by Dante Gabriel Rossetti, Tate Britain

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	Mary McKenna	Vincenzo Blandini
Francesca de Bono	Diana Nicol	Theo Bulkai
Rebecca Cable-Nunn	Michael North	John Cantlie
Sarah Deal	Holly Raber	Rev. Geoffrey Connor
Margy Fitter	Mary Reeve	Joan Davies
Tony Gordon	Maria Reis	Leo Koymans
Sarah Hack	June Scully	Simon Portal
Gina Hrela	Sebastian Shaw	Annie Redmile
Joan Jackson	Sue Spicer	James Worsley
Margaret Lyon	Roger	
	Rosie	
	Victoria	

and for all who have died recently

Andrew Gillespie Amy Johnston Bill Scott, Priest
Edward Trott Nicholas Wilson-Holt

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

Richard Pethybridge, 28th July Bill McBryde, 28th July
Hillary Pethybridge, 29th July

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

26th 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.

SUNDAY 26th July – 7th Sunday after Trinity

8 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 27th July – Brooke Westcott, Bishop

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 28st July

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 29nd July – Mary, Martha & Lazarus

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 30rd July – William Wilberforce, Olaudah Equiano & Thomas Clarkson, anti-slavery Campaigners

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 31st July - Ignatius of Loyola

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 1st August

10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer
12 noon Midday Prayer from pulpit

SUNDAY 2nd August – 8th Sunday after Trinity

8 am **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.

Message from Mother Emma

It has been wonderful to welcome people back to our services again this week, both on Sunday and for the Midday services during the week - at which everyone is warmly welcome. We are very grateful to everyone for observing the guidelines for social distancing within the church. Please could I just send a heartfelt plea that if you have not signed in for a service on Eventbrite, you do complete one of our "track or trace" forms on arrival or at least before leaving, in order to help us keep all our worshippers safe and to demonstrate true love of neighbour in the wider community.

You may also have noticed that we have produced new temporary service booklets for this post-lockdown season. These are only intended to be used by one person. Please could you therefore either write your name on your copy and take it away to be re-used the following week or place it straight into the recycling bin at the exit of the church. Thank you so much for helping us to keep everyone safe in this way!

It has been good to welcome back some families with children, and we are grateful to Cain Ormondroyd, husband of our new curate, Alice, for leading some socially distanced children's activities outside the West Doors during the service.

If anyone who is not on the usual welcomers' or readers' rotas is planning to be around and attending church during August and would be prepared to help out, please do let us know, as our rotas are temporarily quite depleted by holidays and/or self-isolation.

With my love and prayers, Mother Emma

St Mary Abbots Centre re-decorated

During the lockdown period the hall and theatre have been redecorated and deep cleaned and are now ready for use. Both rooms are available to hire for socially distanced events, or socially distanced meetings - as can be seen in the first image, our weekly staff meeting! Please look at our website <https://www.smaw8.org/sma-centre.html> or talk to Adam, our centre manager on an@smaw8.org for information on hiring the space.



Artist's memorials in St Mary Abbots Church,

Whilst helping to take care of the church during the lockdown Tom Mendel, our new assistant vergar and fine art gallery owner (The Nonesuch Gallery) began to study a number of memorials to artists on the walls. Kensington has long been home to many artists of all varieties, from the young Queen

Victoria (an accomplished amateur watercolourist) to Lucian Freud, latterly. Some of the artists on our walls are well known in the art world and some have slipped from historical memory almost altogether. Tom has put together a complete guide to the artists' memorials at St Mary's and brief biographical notes on each and this can be found on our website www.smaw8.org/our-church-building.html or in the vestry.

OTHER NEWS

Online Q&A event for the future of Grenfell Tower 27th July, 6pm-7pm

This week, the Government has written to bereaved families and survivors, and published information about essential work taking place at Grenfell Tower, to maintain safety as decisions are taken on the future of the site. Email GrenfellTowerSite@communities.gov.uk to ask for the joining details and to send them your questions. Another event will take place in September and details on that will follow nearer the time. Telephone 'drop-ins' are taking place on Wednesdays, 10am-12noon: Phone 0303 444 9086

RBKC Survey

RBKC are asking people to take part in an anonymous survey to find out how people were affected by Covid, how they are coping now, which council services are of the most use to them and what should be the focus moving forward. The survey takes 10 minutes. For information and the link: https://www.rbkc.gov.uk/survey/resident_survey/resident_survey.htm

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 cheques, 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>

Archbishops Phonenumber "Daily Hope"

The phonenumber, 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