

In Our Prayers This Week

The Collect for 8th Sunday after Trinity

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



Relief of Jacob Wrestling with the Angel taken by Yair Haklai
Exterior of the Duomo, Milan.

The Man watching

Then the storm swirls, a rearranger, through the woods and through time, and everything is as if without age: the landscape, like a verse in the psalter, is weight and ardor and eternity. How small that is, with which we wrestle, what wrestles with us, how immense; were we to let ourselves, the way things do, be conquered *thus* by the great storm - we would become far-reaching and nameless. What we triumph over is the small, and the success itself makes us petty. The eternal and unexampled *will not* be bent by us. By Rainer Maria Rilke

Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers

<i>Those in acute need</i>	Mary McKenna	<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
Gina Hrela	Sebastian Shaw	Annie Redmile
Joan Jackson	Roger	James Worsley
Margaret Lyon	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

Dick Madge, 2nd August Peter Watt, 4th August

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

2nd August 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 2nd August – 8th 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 3rd August

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 4th August – Jean-Baptiste Vianney

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 5th August – King Oswald

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 6th August, Transfiguration of Our Lord

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 7th August – John Neale, priest

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 8th August – Dominic, Order of Preachers

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

SUNDAY 9th August – 9th 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

Dear all

We are continuing this week with our "post lockdown pattern", which we expect to extend throughout August: 8 am BCP Holy Communion, 9.30 am Holy Eucharist and 11.15 am Matins. Our worship will be enhanced by the organ and by our tenor Cantor this week. Once again, the 8 am service will be recorded and uploaded to our YouTube channel later in the day on Sunday, and the sermons from both the other services will be made available from Monday for those members of our worshipping community who are currently unable to join us in church.

Following Government guidelines the Church of England now strongly advises the wearing of face coverings in church, as well as hand sanitising and social distancing. The clergy will be wearing masks during the Distribution of Communion. We will also be covering the bread and wine during the Eucharistic Prayer.

Thank you all for your patience as we gradually get to grips with worship under regularly updated guidelines. It is wonderful that we are able to praise God and break bread together in church, and yet still to share with members of our community who pray with us or follow online. We give thanks for you all.

With my prayers for a healthy and sunny week ahead,

Mother Emma

New Hymn Sheets

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, taking it away to be re-used by you **or** place it straight into the recycling bin at the exit of the church. Please do NOT leave it on the sidepeople's table, to prevent a risk of someone touching multiple copies. At Matins, we are only producing a single A5 sheet which contains all the information about music and readings, together with the congregational responses which should be placed straight into the re-cycling bin. Thank you so much for helping us to keep everyone safe!

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 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.



OTHER NEWS

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>

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

First Wedding

Congratulations to Vernon and Stephanie who were married yesterday on 1st August. They are the first couple we have married since the lockdown regulations have eased. In a first for me and I suspect St Mary Abbots we live-streamed the wedding to family that were unable to join us in the church.

We pray for Stephanie and Vernon that their marriage may be to them life-giving and life-long.