

In Our Prayers This Week

The Collect for 13th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayer for children returning to school

Lord, we pray that you will help pupils and parents as they begin this new school year and allow every pupil to feel your presence and blessings each and every day. Father, we pray that pupils will not fear because Your Word encourages us to be strong and courageous. We pray that you will open the eyes of every pupil to receive new challenges, revelation and insight in Jesus Name. Allow every pupil and parent to support teachers as they educate children of all ages. Give every pupil a spirit of enthusiasm, motivation and self-discipline. Give every parent a spirit of understanding so that they will effectively listen to the needs of their child. Father, inspire every pupil to do the best they can this year. Amen.

Prayer from Prayray.com



Mural attributed to Charles Stanley

Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers

<i>Those in acute need</i>	Michael North	<i>Those in long-term need</i>
Margy Fitter	Mary Reeve	Vincenzo Blandini
Tony Gordon	Maria Reis	Theo Bulkai
Sarah Hack	June Scully	John Cantlie
Gina Hrela	Sebastian Shaw	Rev. Geoffrey Connor
Joan Jackson	Andrew	Joan Davies
Margaret Lyon		Leo Koymans
Mary McKenna		Simon Portal
		Annie Redmile
		James Worsley

and for all who have died recently

Andrew Gillespie	Amy Johnston
Diana Nicol	Sue Spicer

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

Ella Duffy, 9 th September	Marcus Ames-Lewis, 9 th September
	Susan Maxwell, 11 th September

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER

6th September 2020

Welcome to St Mary Abbots! Due to Government and Church guidelines we are offering a limited pattern of services.

SUNDAY 6th September – 13th 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 and sermons will be made available on our website for those who are unable to come to the church.

MONDAY 7th September

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer
12 noon Midday Prayer in the nave
5.30 pm Evening Prayer at Home

TUESDAY 8th September – Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer
12 noon Midday Prayer followed by Holy Eucharist (BCP)
Rev'd Dana English, St George's Campden Hill
5.30 pm Evening Prayer at Home

WEDNESDAY 9th September – Charles Fuge Lowder, priest

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer
12 noon Midday Prayer in the nave
5.30 pm Evening Prayer at Home

THURSDAY 10th September

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 11th September

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer
12 noon Midday Prayer in the nave
5.30 pm Evening Prayer at Home

SATURDAY 12th September

10 am - 2pm Church open for Private Prayer
12 noon Midday Prayer in the nave.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL

Sunday 13th September, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Please join us as we celebrate the feast day of our Patron Saint and give thanks for the life of our parish



8 am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
9.30am Family Eucharist
11.15am Festal Eucharist with choir
Followed by the blessing of Penny Foulkes and Robert Prior

Places can be booked on Eventbrite via our website www.smaw8.org or [HERE](#)

CHURCH ACCESS

Access to the church via the cloisters and the South door. Opening the church is dependent upon our maintenance of good practices including:

- Sanitising our hands at the entrance
- Wearing masks inside the church
- Maintaining 2 metre distancing from others
- Following the one way system

Message from Mother Emma

Welcome back to all those who have been travelling or spending time out of London over the last few weeks or months! We look forward to seeing you at the services and events taking place at St Mary Abbots during the coming month.

This week I am especially happy to announce that on [Sunday 13th September](#), we shall be welcoming back our professional choir who will be singing (socially distanced!) to enhance our celebration of our [Patronal Festival at 11.15 am](#). Please do come, give thanks for the life of our parish and remember the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to whom the parish is dedicated. (There will also be a Family Eucharist to celebrate the Feast Day at 9.15 am that day.)

I know that many of you have already bought tickets for the first concert being held in the church since lockdown on Saturday 19th September, and I am sure that we shall also gather in force to bid farewell to Fr Jonathan and his family on Sunday 20th September. The choir will also be joining us for both services that day.

Finally, please join us for the Annual Church Parochial Meeting at 6.30 pm on Wednesday 16th September in the theatre at St Mary Abbots Centre either in person or via Zoom (joining details available in the newsletter and on the website).

As our school also returns, we pray for the life and good health of all in our community as we continue to take care to protect one another in love and compassion.

With my love and prayers, Mother Emma

St Mary Abbots APCM Meeting 16th September 2020, 6.30pm

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held at 6.30 pm in the Theatre at St Mary Abbots Centre. Places should be booked on eventbrite [HERE](#) or on our website www.smaw8.org. It is likely that the Bishop will also give permission for people to join the meeting via Zoom. Please email Leonora at pa@smaw8.org for details. The meeting is preceded by the Annual Meeting of Parishioners at which churchwardens are elected. Nominations for members of the Parochial Church Council should be sent to Petter in the Parish Office ahead of the meeting: admin@smaw8.org. If you would like a form please email Leonora.

Fantasia Orchestra & Sheku Kanneh-Mason 19th September 2020, 3.30pm & 7pm



Tickets are selling well for our first concert and performance by Fantasia orchestra, conducted by our current assistant Director of Music Tom Fetherstonhaugh and young superstar soloist Sheku Kanneh-Mason. Sheku Kanneh-Mason, one of the brightest young stars on the classical music scene, became a household name worldwide in May 2018 after

performing at the Wedding of the Duke and Duchess of Sussex. Sheku will perform Dvorak's mighty *Cello Concerto*, preceded by Wagner's stunning *Siegfried Idyll*. Tickets are still available and range from £8 - £40 and can be found [HERE](#)

<https://www.fantasiaorchestra.com/fantasia-sheku-kanneh-mason>

Father Jonathan's Leaving Gift 20th September 2020

Father Jonathan's last Sunday will be the 20th September and he will be leading and preaching at both Eucharist and Matins. We would like to thank everyone for their contributions towards his leaving present. Should you wish to donate towards this there are brown envelopes in the church which can be labelled 'for Father Jonathan', or send a cheque to Petter in the Parish Office, or donate electronically [HERE](#) or <https://paypal.me/smaw8donate>. Should you prefer to pass on a message of good wishes please send them to Leonora at pa@smaw8.org

Glass Door sleepout for the Homeless 2nd October 2020

Once again this year, Mother Emma's husband, Jeremy, will be joining the sponsored Sleep Out to raise funds for Glass Door, the West London Churches' Homeless Concern. Some of you have already expressed an interest in joining in this project as part of a St Mary Abbots' team. Jeremy has given instructions on how to go about it below, and please do let us know if you have registered to join him! pa@smaw8.org

Electoral Roll

The electoral roll is now complete and a list can be found in the church. The Roll is now closed until after the APCM. Any issues please contact our electoral roll officer Ed Warrick on er@smsw8.org.

Goodboxes and SwiftAid

If you give via the Good boxes and would like to make sure we receive Swiftaid, their equivalent to Gift Aid, and would boost your kind donations by 25% please sign up [HERE](#) or <https://donor.swiftaid.co.uk/register/>. It is completely free and only needs to be done once.

OTHER NEWS

Job Search Advice from Experts 22nd September 2020, 6pm

Kensington and Chelsea Library is running a course with career experts and recruiters to help you get the inside track on how to get a job at this difficult time. Advice on how to write your CV, search job boards, manage your job search process, Zoom interviews and how to write an outstanding linked in Profile. There will be a second session on Tuesday 6th October. Tickets are free and can be found on Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/not-your-normal-job-search-successful-jobseeking-during-covid-tickets-114678725154>

Chelsea History Festival 17th – 21st September 2020.

Tickets are now on sale for Chelsea History Festival. The festival will explore in person and on line the hidden history of Chelsea, with exclusive behind the scenes tours and talks by historians, authors and gifted speakers. To find out more about the festival click [HERE](#) <https://www.chelseahistoryfestival.com/schedule/>

COVID SUPPORT

Mutual Aid Volunteer

'Kensington and Chelsea Mutual Aid' volunteers continue to help the vulnerable groups such as the elderly, homeless, single parent households. Their website can be found [HERE](#).

Archbishops Phoneline "Daily Hope"

A phoneline has been set up for those who wish to worship but cannot use the internet. The number to call is: 0800 804 8044