

In Our Prayers This Week

The Alternative Collect for Good Friday

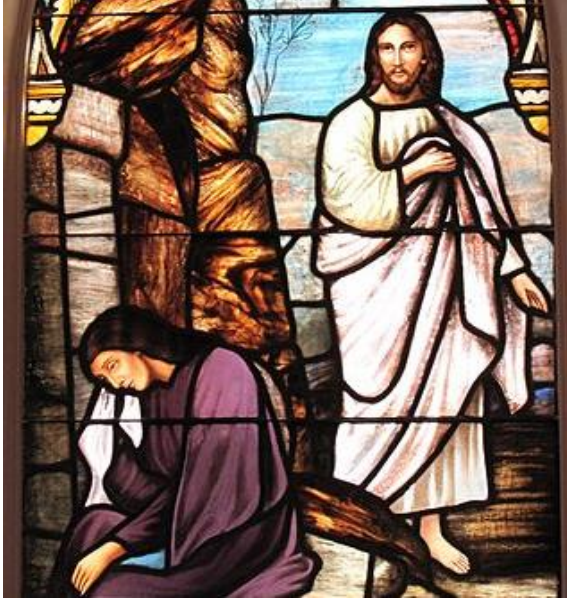
Almighty Father, look with mercy on this your family for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of sinners and to suffer death upon the cross; who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

The Alternative Collect for Easter Day

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

Amen



Mary of Magdala at the Empty Tomb window at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Charleston, South Carolina. Attributed to the Quaker City Glass Company of Philadelphia, 1912 [Creative Commons Attribution-Share Alike 3.0 Unported](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/) license..

Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers

Those in acute need

George El Khoury
Gina Hrela
Hally Marnock
Joan Jackson
Anna Messim
Fr David Michaels
Suze Murray
Mary Reeve

June Scully
Sebastian Shaw
Alison Steel
David Strong
Edward
Michael
Harrison
Yves

Those in long-term need

Vincenzo Blandini
Theo Bulkai
John Cantlie
Rev. Geoffrey Connor
Joan Davies
Leo Koymans
Paul Proudman
Annie Redmile
James Worsley

and for all who have died recently

Pamela Davies

May El-Kadi Samir El-Kadi Sally England Margy Fitter
Jackie O'Brien Andrew Gillespie Mary Khoury
Armando Mardirosian Wayne Matthews Simon Portal
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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER

4th April 2021

Keeping the church open is dependent upon our maintenance of good practice so please follow the following guidance when in church:

- Wearing masks inside the church
- Maintaining 2 metre distancing from others
- Sanitising our hands at the entrance
- Filling in a Covid Track and trace form at the main door or use the NHS app which can be found on the notice board in the cloister by the door.
- Following the one-way system

SUNDAY 4th April – EASTER DAY

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
9.30 am Festal Eucharist
11.15 am Choral Matins
5.30 pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Numbers are limited so please reserve a seat on our website: www.smaw8.org/services. If you do not have access to a computer please contact Petter or Leonora who will register you.

The church is open for private prayer, 10am-2pm during the week. Daily worship will resume from 19th April.

MONDAY 5th April

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

TUESDAY 6th April

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

WEDNESDAY 7th April

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

THURSDAY 8th April

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

FRIDAY 9th April

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

SATURDAY 10th April

10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

SUNDAY 11st April – 2nd Sunday of Easter

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (BCP)
9.30 am Holy Eucharist
11.15 am Matins
5.30 pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

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The Time to Pray app can be downloaded to your phone for use when visiting the church:

<https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps/time-to-pray>

Message from Mother Emma

Our journey through Holy Week is reaching its culmination in the Great Three Days of Easter, which stretch from the evening Liturgy of Maundy Thursday to our celebrations of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday. It has been so good to worship with many of you this week both at our church services and online this week, and I look forward very much to sharing with you in the great liturgies of Christ's Death, Passion and Resurrection which lie ahead.



This week I was invited to give a talk on the Liturgies of Holy Week to a group of pastoral assistants from the Kensington Area, (see Sermons page on our website) if you are interested in reflecting further on the days ahead.

You are most warmly invited to share with us in the liturgy of Maundy Thursday which begins at 7 pm (1st April), as we recall the Last Supper and Jesus' arrest in Gethsemane. The Watch before the Altar of Repose will this year conclude at 10 pm.

On Good Friday, during the three hours Jesus hung upon the Cross, we shall begin with an hour of reflections led by the Revd Canon Prof Peter Galloway, Deputy Priest in Ordinary to HM The Queen, interspersed with music and silence. From 1 – 1.30 pm, there will be a time of silence when people may wish to continue to watch before the Cross, before the Liturgy begins at 1.30 pm.

This year, we are holding our Easter Vigil at 7 pm on Holy Saturday, and we shall be baptizing six adults during the service, after we have lit the Easter Fire and the Paschal Candle, and as we begin to celebrate the first signs of the Resurrection with the return of light and beautiful music from our professional choir. Finally, once we have experienced the full story of Christ's Passion, we meet with great joy to celebrate the glory of the Resurrection on Easter Day, with our usual pattern of 8 am Eucharist, 9.30 am Eucharist and 11.15 Matins!

As the regulations now allow, we shall be offering organised children's provision outside during the 9.30 am on Easter Day, and Martina will be in touch with our families about this. For those who would also like them to share in an age-appropriate way in the story of Good Friday, there will be an online version of the Stations of the Cross for children available through our website.

Please remember to sign up for all services via Eventbrite, and kindly observe all our Covid rules to keep our community safe.

The story of the Passion and Resurrection reminds us that Jesus walks with us through the dark times, but faith in him also brings us the promise of eternal hope. This year has had times of great darkness and sorrow, but the events of Easter allow us to fix our eyes on light and hope ahead.

With my love and prayers, as ever, Mother Emma

Message for COS families

Following the Government's decision to allow outdoor activities for children, we shall be offering two organized outdoor children groups on Easter Day, and are looking forward very much to seeing you at the 9.30 service as we celebrate the Resurrection on this very special day in our church. We shall then be meeting regularly on Sundays from 25th April.

PARISH & OTHER NEWS

Holy Week Virtual Pilgrimage with Bishop Graham

A daily devotional video series by the International Community of the Holy Sepulchre, in association with Premier Christian Media.

Walk through each day of the eventful last week of Christ's life. The YouTube links will be posted each day on their website.

[Feasts of the Holy Land | ICoHS](#)

The audio versions will also be broadcast at 10.30pm each night on Premier Christian Radio.

Food Bank

The food bank has been in touch and wants to thank everyone for their very kind contributions. Sam the assistant virger is now assembling items which will be picked up by volunteers on Thursday morning. Please do not bring any ready meals as we have no way of storing them in the church, but longlife milk, tea, coffee, sugar, cereals, Noodles, dried pasta or rice, jars of sauce, tinned vegetables, soup, meat, fish, fruit, Jam, biscuits, snacks are very welcome. Loo paper, kitchen rolls and **UNUSED** cleaning fluids are also very useful. A full list can be found on our food bank page www.smaw8.org/food-bank-support.html Should 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 or you can donate directly on their website: www.dalgarnotrust.org.uk

Covid Support

If you are in need of pastoral help or support during this lockdown then please contact Mother Emma or Mother Alice. Other forms of help can be found below:

- **Book a Covid vaccination:** Book your Covid-19 vaccine today if you are over 50. Make your appointment and head to the Science Museum in the borough. Or if you work somewhere else in North West London, there are a number of other sites you can go to. [Large vaccination centres in NW London :: North West London Clinical Commissioning Groups \(nwlondonccqs.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nwlondonccqs.nhs.uk)
- **Testing:** There is a walk-in clinic in Kensington Town Hall, Hornton Street from 8.30 am to 6 pm Monday to Friday and 10am – 4pm at the weekend or in the Kensington Leisure Centre, Silchester Road, W10 6EX from 10am – 4pm Monday to Sunday.
- **Kensington and Mutual Aid:** Picking up shopping, medication, posting mail, urgent supplies, arranging deliveries. For those in need to volunteer: Tel: 0208 144 2774 or Kcmutualaidzone3@gmail.com
- **RBKC Covid-19 Hub:** Hot food, food banks, finance, housing and much more: Monday to Friday 9am - 6pm & Saturday and Sunday 10am – 4pm Tel: 0207 361 4326 or C19Hub@rbkc.gov.uk
- **Everymind Matters:** Set up by Public Health England and approved by NHS to help look after mental health during lockdown www.nhs.uk/oneyou/everymind.matters
- **Daily Hope Phone line:** Set up by the Archbishop of Canterbury this line allows you to listen to services and reflections on the phone. 0800 804 8044