

## In Our Prayers This Week

### The Alternative Collect

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

**Amen.**

### Prayer for 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Easter

Eternal One, as we travel through life's valleys, in the places of darkness, and despair, we know that you are with us. Even when life's doubts assail us, we know that you still abide with us, watching over us. Strengthen our faith. Help us remember that you never give us more than we can handle. Embolden us to share our doubts, to question our absolute truths, our certainties, and to grow ever closer to you. **Amen.**



Luca Signorelli - Christ and the Doubting Thomas, Public domain, via Wikimedia Commons

*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 Bruce Dinwiddy  
May El-Kadi Samir El-Kadi Sally England Margy Fitter  
Jackie O'Brien Andrew Gillespie Mary Khoury  
Armando Mardirosian Wayne Matthews Simon Portal  
Hew Service Ennio

*and for all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time*  
Edward Adnams, 15<sup>th</sup> April

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## ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER

11<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>st</sup> April – 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

Numbers are limited so please reserve a seat on our website: [www.smaw8.org/services](http://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 19<sup>th</sup> April.

### MONDAY 12<sup>th</sup> April

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

### TUESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> April

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

### WEDNESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> April

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

### THURSDAY 15<sup>th</sup> April

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

### FRIDAY 16<sup>th</sup> April Isabella Gilmore, deaconess, 1923

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

### SATURDAY 17<sup>th</sup> April

10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

### SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> April – 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

It was absolutely wonderful to be able to journey through Holy Week and Easter with so many of you last week, across all those different church services and online, and the joyous moment when we were able to sing "Thine be the Glory" in the Long Playground at the end of the Eucharist (thanks to the last-minute new regulation that we could sing socially distanced outside) will stay with me as particularly special for a very long time! We also offer our warm congratulations to the six adults baptized during the Easter Vigil on Saturday evening, and are delighted to welcome them into our church fellowship.

My huge thanks go to all those who helped to make the week so very moving and inspiring; to those in the parish office who put everything together, those who cleaned the church and did the flowers, our lovely musicians, readers, children's leaders and sidespeople, and to Mother Alice, who, as well as sharing in the liturgies, heralded the Resurrection at the Easter Vigil with her beautiful singing of the Exsultet.

I do hope and pray that all of you are able to take some time to rest and recuperate following Easter and I look forward to seeing you back in church soon. As announced on Sunday, there will be no weekday worship in the church for two more weeks, but from 19<sup>th</sup> April onwards we shall be offering (as before the lockdown) daily Midday Prayer and two midweek Eucharists, as well as Morning Prayer on Zoom. However, **this Sunday we will have 8 am BCP, 9.30 Eucharist and 11.15 Matins in church** as usual – please sign up via Eventbrite – and Evening Prayer on Zoom at 5.30 pm.

**Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (the equivalent of an AGM) will be taking place on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April at 6.30 pm** and due to ongoing restrictions, the Church of England has again made provision for this to happen over Zoom. Everyone who is on our Electoral Roll is warmly invited to attend online, to hear about what has been happening in the church over the past year (much of it necessarily behind the scenes!), to elect churchwardens and PCC members and to contribute thoughts as we look ahead to the future. We shall be sending out the Zoom link to those on the Electoral Roll on the morning of 21<sup>st</sup> April, but if you are resident in the parish and not on the Roll and would like to attend for the election of the churchwardens, which you are entitled to do, please do ask Petter on [parishmanager@stmaryabbots.org.uk](mailto:parishmanager@stmaryabbots.org.uk) and he will send it to you. The full list of the Electoral Roll is up in the cloisters; please check your name is correctly recorded and I hope very much to welcome you at the APCM.

I wish you peace and hope this Eastertide and will see you soon.

*Heavenly Father, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant that, as his death has recalled us to life, so his continual presence in us may raise us to eternal joy, through Christ our Lord, Amen.* (Common Worship, Easter intercessions, 2006)

With my love and Easter blessings, Mother Emma



## PARISH & OTHER NEWS

### Wednesday 14th April 7.30.

Free Zoom discussion on "The Puzzle of Easter Solved!", led by Rev Andy Roland, author of 'Jesus the Troublemaker - the Drama of Holy Week Reimagined'. All details are on the Eventbrite link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-puzzle-of-easter-solved-tickets-149413031399>

### 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](http://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](http://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 \(nwlondonccgs.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nwlondonccgs.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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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