

## In Our Prayers This Week

### The Alternative Collect

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

### Prayer for St George from the Archbishop of York

Heavenly Father, give us the bravery of St George to stand up for the truth and the glory of God that we have seen in the face of Jesus Christ. Give us the strength to overcome in our lives and in the world, all that is contrary to your rule of justice and love. Help us to be good news to the poor, proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind; let the oppressed go free, and proclaim the good news of God's favour and Jubilee. **Amen**



George and the Dragon, Pintrest

*Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers*

<i>Those in acute need</i>		<i>Those in long-term need</i>
Frieda Bilger	Suze Murray	Vincenzo Blandini
George El Khoury	Mary Reeve	Theo Bulkai
Gina Hrela	June Scully	John Cantlie
Joan Jackson	Alison Steel	Rev. Geoffrey Connor
Hally Marnock	David Strong	Joan Davies
Anna Messim	Edward	Leo Koymans
Fr David Michaels	Michael	Paul Proudman
	Stephanie	Annie Redmile
	Yves	James Worsley

*and for all who have died recently*

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

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

Elva MacPherson, Winifred Howe, 24<sup>th</sup> April  
Richard Horsley, 27<sup>th</sup> April Oliver Philpott, 28<sup>th</sup> April

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## ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER

18<sup>th</sup> April 2021

We are very happy to resume this week our daily  
Midday Prayer and Holy Eucharists on Tuesday  
(BCP) and Thursday

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

- Wear a mask in the church and cloister
- Maintain a 2 metre distance from others
- Sanitise your hands at the entrance
- Fill 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.
- Follow the one-way system

### 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:

The Rev'd Canon Professor Peter Galloway,  
Deputy Priest in Ordinary to HM The Queen

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.

### MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> April – Alphege, Archbishop

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

9.30 am Bible Study via Zoom (straight after prayers)

10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer in the nave

### TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> April

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer followed by **Holy Eucharist** (BCP)

### WEDNESDAY 21<sup>st</sup> April – Anselm, Abbot

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer in the nave

6.30 pm APCM meeting on Zoom.

### THURSDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> April

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer followed by **Holy Eucharist**

### FRIDAY 23<sup>th</sup> April – George, Patron Saint of England

9 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer in the nave

### SATURDAY 24<sup>th</sup> April – Mellitus, Bishop

10 am- 2pm Church open for Private Prayer

12 noon Midday Prayer in the nave

### SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup> April – 4<sup>th</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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## Message from Mother Emma

This week we have all been saddened to hear of the death of HRH The Duke of Edinburgh last Friday, and our hearts go out to the Her Majesty The Queen and all the Royal Family. A short service of prayer was held in the church at 5.30 pm on Friday, attended by the Mayor of RBKC, the Leader of the Council and the Council CEO, and on Saturday our bellringers tolled a bell ninety-nine times at midday, followed by prayer in church, as a mark of respect for The Duke of Edinburgh and to remember a long life lived to the full. May he rest in peace and rise in glory. The Royal Family will be very much in our thoughts and prayers as we approach the funeral this Saturday and the church is open from 10 am to 2 pm every day, including Saturday, for prayer and the lighting of candles. A link to the Church of England's Book of Condolence can be found on our website [www.smaw8.org](http://www.smaw8.org)



This Sunday there will, as usual, be an 8 am BCP Eucharist, a 9.30 am Parish Eucharist and a service of Choral Matins at 11.15 am. I am delighted to welcome back the Revd Canon Professor Peter Galloway as our preacher at Matins. There will also be a Zoom service of Evening Prayer online at 5.30 pm. Please do contact me if you do not already have the link and would like to join us. We are very pleased to announce that as of next Monday (19<sup>th</sup> April), we shall be returning to regular daily worship in the church, with Midday Prayer every day including Saturday at 12 noon, followed by a Eucharist on Tuesdays (BCP) and Thursdays. We look forward to welcoming you back to these weekday church services or to our online services of Morning Prayer which continue on Zoom at 9 am every morning.

May I remind you once again about our online Annual Parochial Church Meeting, which will take place next week on Zoom at 6.30 pm on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April. The Zoom link will be sent out to everyone who is currently on the Electoral Roll on Wednesday morning, and you are very warmly invited to join us to reflect on the past year and to look forward with anticipation and hope at the year which lies ahead.

Next Thursday evening (22<sup>nd</sup> April) will be our Service of Confirmation, led by the Bishop of Kensington, the Rt Revd Dr Graham Tomlin. We very much regret that this year due to Covid-restricted numbers, we are unable to offer places to anyone who is not a candidate or one of their small allotted number of guests. However, we do ask you to keep all the candidates who are joining us from a variety of local churches very much in your prayers during the week ahead and especially to remember the St Mary Abbots candidates: Ava, Bella, Bipin, David, Emily, Georgina, Isabelle, Julian, Liyana, Maggie, Patrick and Reza Beik.

*God of majesty, Give rest to your servant Philip who, having served his Queen and Country has passed from this life, full of years yet strong in spirit. As we give thanks for his life, as Prince and husband, as Consort and family man, we pray that all that he has done may continue to bear fruit in the lives of individuals and the life of this nation, to your honour and glory. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen* [Prayer from Salisbury Cathedral, 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021]

With my love and prayers, Mother Emma

## Bible Study Group

You are invited to join the Bible study group which takes place straight after the Morning Prayer meeting every Monday morning on Zoom. Currently the group are discussing "Saying yes to Life" the Archbishop's Lent book from 2020. If you would like to join please email Mother Alice for details.



This image taken by Laura Sylvester shows us very happily singing a hymn outside the church on Easter Day, a moving experience for those who took part.

## Annual Parochial Church Meeting

21<sup>st</sup> April 2021, 6.30 on Zoom

The Election of PCC Members the Churchwardens takes place this week and to hear the report of from the PCC about the year 2020. There are vacancies for the Deanery Synod, for more information please contact Mother Emma or Petter. The meeting will take place as a zoom call for the second year running. Details will be sent out on Wednesday morning to everyone on the electoral roll, however if you live in the parish and are not on the roll please contact Petter directly.

## MINI ABBOTS

23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021, 9.30-11am

We are delighted to announce the re-opening of our SMA baby and toddler group! This will initially take place in the Long room at the Centre on Fridays and will be run by Martina Sadovska. Due to Covid regulations booking will be essential due to limited numbers. For the Eventbrite details please contact Martina.

## Father Jonathan's New Arrival

We are delighted to let you know of the safe arrival of Lois Anastasia Rose MacNeaney and we send our congratulations to Father Jonathan, Helen and Caspar and wish them every blessing as a family. Anyone who wishes to write to them can do so at All Saints, Fulham, Bishops Park, SW6 3LA

## PARISH & OTHER NEWS

### Food Bank

Thank you for your contributions so far. If you have any items please leave them with Sam the virger in the church. A small reminder not to donate any ready meals as we have no way of storing them in the church. A full list of items for donation 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:** If you are **45 or over** you can book your covid vaccination by logging onto the nhs website: [www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/)
- **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.
- **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)