

In Our Prayers This Week

Alternative Collect for 21st Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, in whose service lies perfect freedom: teach us to obey you with loving hearts and steadfast wills; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer for Bible Sunday

We give thanks for all preachers and teachers, and pray that, through the word proclaimed and shared, your church may grow in holiness and discipleship. Amen.



The Glorification of Christ by Fra Angelico. National Gallery

Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers

<i>Those in acute need</i>		<i>Those in long-term need</i>
Hillary Bardsley	Maggie Rees-Oliviere	Vincenzo Blandini
Lily Cameron	Mary Reeve	Theo Bulkai
James Clark	June Scully	John Cantlie
George El Khoury	David Strong	Joan Davies
Geraldine Henry	Jill Traynor	Joan Davies
Gina Hrela	Raymond von Drehle	Fr David Michaels
Joan Jackson	Edward	Annie Redmile
Anna Messim	Michael	Fr. Patrick Tuft
Fiona McWatters	Sebastian	James Worsley
	Stephanie	Conor
	Yves	

and for all who have died recently

Evghenia Burlac	Leo Koymans	Roy Lennon	
Adrian May (Priest)	Saeed Rezvani	Diana Schofield	Laurent

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

George Bessada, 26 th October	Lenie Dijkhuis, 28 th October
Andrew Crosthwaite, 30 th October	Angela Sellars, 31 st October

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Sunday 24th October 2021

*The church is open daily from 8.30am to 6pm
and from 10am -6pm on Saturday*

We would encourage you to continue with social distancing practices, such as wearing a mask, maintaining 2m distance, filling in the track and trace forms at the church door, and using hand sanitiser when entering the church, in order to protect and reassure those at greater risk.

SUNDAY 24th October – Bible Sunday

8.00 am	Holy Eucharist (BCP)
9.30 am	Choral Eucharist
11.15 am	Choral Matins
5.30 pm	Sung Evensong

MONDAY 25th October – Crispin & Crispinian, martyrs

8 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
8.30 am	Bible Study (online)
12 noon	Informal Eucharist - Sunday on Monday
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer in Church

TUESDAY 26th October – Alfred, King, scholar

8 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
12 noon	Holy Eucharist (BCP)
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer in Church

WEDNESDAY 27th October

8 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
12 noon	Holy Eucharist
1.05 pm	Meditation Group
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer in Church
7pm	MAP meeting in the SMA Centre

THURSDAY 28th October – Simon and Jude, Apostles

8 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
9.30 am	No school Eucharist during half term
12 noon	Holy Eucharist
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer in Church

FRIDAY 29th October - James Hannington, Bishop

8 am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
9.30am	There is no Mini Abbots during half term
12 noon	Holy Eucharist
1.05 pm	Royal College of Music lunchtime concert
2.30pm	Memorial Service for Elva MacPherson
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer in Church

SATURDAY 30th October

9.30am	MAP meeting in the SMA Centre
12 noon	Middy Prayer followed by Holy Eucharist
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer in Church

SUNDAY 31st October – All Saints' Day

8.00 am	Holy Eucharist (BCP)
9.30 am	Holy Eucharist
11.15 am	Choral Matins
5.30 pm	The Commemoration of All Souls' with movements from Faure's Requiem

If you would like a particular person to be remembered in the list read out, please either write their name in clear capital letters on the form at the church doors, or write to Leonora, pa@stmaryabbots.org.uk.

Message from Mother Emma

A couple of weeks ago, Fr Christopher announced our two **Mission Action Plan discussion groups** – on **Wednesday 27th October, at 7 p.m. and the other at 9.30 a.m. on Saturday 30th October**, both in the Long Room at the Centre. We have been reminded by some of you that this is during half-term and may be tricky for families to attend, but we hope that a good number of you will still be able to join us on these dates. If you are planning to attend, it would be very helpful if you could let me or Leonora (pa@stmaryabbots.org.uk) know in advance for catering purposes! If you are keen to take part in this process, but are not able to come on one of these dates, please do let either Fr Christopher or me know, and we will arrange a third session as soon as possible after the break. We look forward very much to discerning with you, under God, St Mary Abbots' priorities for the years ahead.



Last week I wrote about our **Requiem Eucharist for All Souls**. I know that this has been a very special moment for many in the St Mary Abbots calendar, and I very much hope that you will be able to join us on 31st October at 5.30 pm, as we remember the departed who continue to worship with us, "but upon another shore and in a greater light". Once again, if you would like any names to be read out in the Roll of the Departed, or if you feel able to make a contribution to the cost of music for this service in memory of a loved one, it would be wonderful if you could contact Leonora or me sooner rather than later to be sure that everyone is included.

May I also remind you that in addition to our Sunday services, we offer a **Daily Eucharist in church at midday** (except on Thursdays, when we have the School Eucharist at 9.30 am). This includes the informal Eucharist, "Sunday on Monday", each Monday, with discussion and a sandwich lunch, and services of Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer on Tuesdays and Saturdays, both at noon. We also say Evening Prayer together at 5.30 pm every evening in the Resurrection Chapel. We would be delighted to welcome you to any of these. As ever, thank you all for your support and for the joy of being able to worship with you day in and day out.

For those of you about to go away for half-term, I wish you a safe journey and a happy and restorative break.

As we sing of your love, O Lord, anoint us with the Spirit's seal, that we may praise your faithfulness and proclaim your truth from age to age, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen. [Common Worship, Daily Prayer, response to Psalm 89]

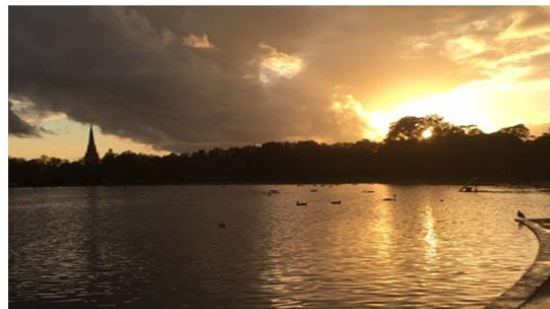
With my love and prayers, Mother Emma

Website Updated



Last week we were delighted to take part in a photoshoot with the very talented Emmanuel Saint, who took photographs of both the clergy & parish staff to add to our recently updated website. We are delighted and flattered with the results! www.smaw8.org/the-clergy--contacts.html should you wish to take a look. You will see that some of the photographs have not yet been updated but they will follow shortly!

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL SOULS



With movements from

FAURE'S REQUIEM

Sunday 31st October 2021

5.30 pm

Bible Sunday

Bible Sunday is a good opportunity to review your personal bible reading habits. Whether you read your bible daily, or weekly or are not a regular reader the 'Bible Reading Fellowship' has a variety of booklets for all readers with examples of bible suggestions, prayers and talking points. To discover a set of notes that might suit you please visit their website at brfonline.org.uk or call Tel 01865 319700. Pat Wilson, who uses them regularly would be happy to talk to anyone who would like to find out more, so please speak to her in church or contact her via Leonora.

Bonfire Night

Friday 5th November 2021

The events team is busy buying supplies and sourcing sparklers, mulled wine and sausages etc. and the event is almost completely sold out. If you are able to help cook sausages in the afternoon, help with setting up the garden, tend the fires, be willing to hand out food or wine or wish to donate something towards the evening's entertainments please contact Leonora on pa@stmaryabbots.org.uk. We look forward to seeing you all there.

St Mary Abbots Christmas Fair - Save the date!

Saturday 20th November in the church

The events committee are also planning the Christmas Fair which will take place in the church on the 20th November. If you are able to help make cakes, or set up or look after one of the stalls please get in touch with Leonora pa@stmaryabbots.org.uk Tickets will be available on the website – please watch this space for more details.

Silent Auction – Friends of St Mary Abbots Church

Prizes for the Friend's silent auction, which starts at the beginning of November, include vouchers for a luxury hotel break on the Suffolk Coast, Cream Tea at the Milestone Hotel, Hornets, the Men's Style Outfitters, a Case of Champagne, Works of Art and many other splendid prizes. If you would also like to donate a prize toward the auction, which is raising money to provide much needed toilet facilities and improved access for disabled people coming into the church, please email Steve Attack, Founding Patron of the Friends at steveattack@aol.com