

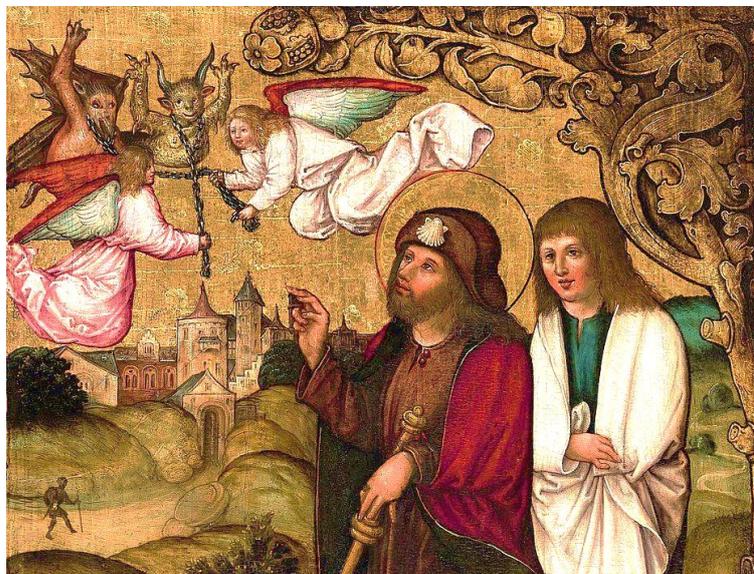
In Our Prayers This Week

Collect for 6th Sunday after Trinity

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect for St James

Merciful God, whose holy apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, was obedient to the calling of your Son Jesus Christ and followed him even to death: help us, forsaking the false attractions of the world, to be ready at all times to answer your call without delay; **Amen**



St James the Elder & Demons of Hermogenes. Swabian School c 1520. Pinterest

<i>Those in acute need</i>	Buyile Phiri	Stephanie
Laila Attia	June Scully	Talia
Hillary Bardsley	David Strong	Toby
Brian Cripps	Jill Traynor	Yves
Julie Costley-White	Adam	<i>Those in long-term need</i>
Evelyn Ellison	Matt	Christopher Browne
Fr David Michaels	Nathan	Annie Redmile
Nyako Nakar	Rose	James Worsley
Patrick North		Conor

For those affected by conflict

Antonina Dmitri Mykola Gnatovsky Ilya
Dmytro Kuleba Nadia Vadim

and for all who have died recently

Frank Doran Reef Hogg James Sylvester
Hellen Mason-Spyry David Reid Chris Stannard Michael

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

Elsie Wilson, 25th July Dorothy Coleman, 25th July
Richard Pethybridge, 28th July Bill McBryde, 28th July
Hilard Pethybridge, 29th July

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

150th Anniversary, 1872-2022

Sunday 24th July 2022

Welcome to St Mary Abbots

The church is open daily from 8.30am to 6pm
and 10am - 6pm on Saturdays & Bank Holidays

SUNDAY 24th July – 6th Sunday after Trinity

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

MONDAY 25th July – James the Apostle

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

TUESDAY 26th July Anne and Joachim, parents of The Virgin Mary

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

WEDNESDAY 27th July - Brooke Foss Westcott, Bishop

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
12 noon Holy Eucharist
1.05 pm Meditation
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

THURSDAY 28th July

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
9.30 am No School Eucharist. Resume 8 September
12 noon Holy Eucharist
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

FRIDAY 29th July – Mary, Martha & Lazarus

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
9.30 am No Mini Abbots. Resume 9th September
12 noon Holy Eucharist
1.05 pm No RCM concert. Resume 23rd September
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

SATURDAY 30th July – William Wilberforce, social reformer

10.30 am Wedding of Georgina and Hugo
12 noon Holy Communion (BCP)
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

SUNDAY 31st July – 7th Sunday after Trinity

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

Message from Mother Emma

I am writing this immediately after taking the Leavers' Service at St Mary Abbots School. While it is always sad to say goodbye to our Year 6 Leavers, and any others who may be moving on, Fr Christopher and I were so proud and touched to be involved in a school which produces children who are aware of and live out our Christian values day by day. We wish every one of our Leavers well as they move on to their next school and look forward to welcoming them back to both school and church in the future.



In his talk, Fr Christopher touched on a quotation from our second reading from St Paul's Letter to the Colossians:

"You are the people of God; he loved you and chose you for his own. So then, you must clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Be tolerant with one another and forgive one another whenever any of you has a complaint against someone else".

We pray that our children – and indeed all the members of our SMA community - may live out this vision as an example to those around us as we take the time to relax and recuperate over the summer months, and as we continue to meet in church whenever you are in London.

As our new Outreach group meets this evening, we give thanks for all who serve in different ways within our community, and I am also especially grateful for the commitment and very hard work of our two Churchwardens, Ed Warrick and Guy Heald. Churchwardens have to be re-elected every year, and then have to be formally admitted to their office. We were delighted that Guy and Ed were re-elected in May, and we shall be admitting them during the 9.30 Parish Eucharist this coming Sunday. While Churchwardens play a visible role whenever they lead the ceremonial in church, they also do a vast amount behind the scenes, as they have a special responsibility for the fabric of our buildings. In a parish like ours, with a huge church and various other properties, this keeps them very busy, and knowing that they are two volunteers with demanding jobs of their own, I would like to say how very grateful I am for their ongoing support.

As we go into our summer holidays, there will not be weekly children's groups in church, but Martina will kindly be providing activities for children to be done in the Children's Chapel or in the pews, so we do hope that you will continue to join us when you are in London, and would like to assure you once again how important it is to us that every member of our congregations (of any age!) feels welcome and comfortable at our worship. Our thanks to Martina and to all our volunteer children's leaders for another wonderful year of inspiring and encouraging our children in faith.

Any of you who are leaving on holiday now will be very much in our thoughts and prayers, and we look forward to seeing those remaining here in church on Sunday.

With my love and prayers

Mother Emma



Church Wardens sworn in

As mentioned in Mother Emma's message today, Sunday 24th July our church wardens, Guy Heald and Ed Warrick will be "sworn in" as church Wardens for this year at the end of Sunday 9.30 am Eucharist. We are delighted that they will continue their work for the parish.

St Paul's Cathedral Pray for St Mary Abbots

St Pauls Cathedral, who pray for each Parish Church in the Diocese of London in turn, have written to say that they prayed for St Mary Abbots and for Mother Emma, *the parish, congregations, School and colleagues* on Tuesday 19th July.

Food Bank

The food bank is still in need of your donations, so please bring food in tins or packets to the church on Sunday or to the vestry during the week. **Please do not bring any ready meals as we have no way of storing them in the church.** 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.dalgarnotrue.org.uk

OTHER PARISH NEWS

Bee Superhigh way in Kensington and Chelsea

Buglife, who monitor the insects across the UK and EU, estimate that 84% of crops and 80% of wild flowers rely on insect pollination. Insects numbers have declined by a quarter and in some cases are close to extinction thanks to climate change, habitat loss, pollution and disease. Urbanisation has meant a loss of habitat meaning insects find it hard to find food, water and shelter. By increasing the areas of wildflowers and nectar rich plants across the borough we will help them survive – and the council are offering free wildflower seed packets to residents and community gardens, education resources for schools and learning events for the rest of this year. For more information contact ecologycentre@rbkc.gov.uk

Summer reading Challenge – 'the Gadgeteers' Workshops 6th and 8th August

Freshwater Theatre company are running two drama workshops in conjunction with the Council's Summer Reading Challenge: The Gadgeteers! Using drama games and play you will meet scientist-inventors and discover what you need to be one. To find out about the reading challenge and details of other summer events for children: www.rbkc.gov.uk/libraries-0/children/activities-and-events-children-and-young-people