

In Our Prayers This Week

Collect for 15th Sunday after Trinity

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect for Michael and all the Angels

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order: grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven, so, at your command, they may help and defend us on earth; Amen



St Michael the Archangel, by James Powell & Sons. St Johns Church, Boreham, Wiltshire

Those in acute need

Laila Attia
Hillary Bardsley
Fr Oliver Coss
Evelyn Ellison
Monica Libby
Fr David Michaels

Michael Turner
Buyile Phiri
William Service
Jill Traynor
Adam
Rose
Stephanie
Talia

Yves

Those in long-term need
Christopher Browne
Julie Costley-White
Annie Redmile
James Worsley
Conor

and for all who have died recently
Queen Elizabeth II Michael Pam

and for all those whose anniversary of death falls at this time
Henry Roberson, 1st October Cicely Scott, 2nd October

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

150th Anniversary, 1872-2022

Sunday 25th September 2022

Welcome to St Mary Abbots

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

SUNDAY 25th September, 15th Sunday after Trinity

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

MONDAY 26th September - Wilson Carlile,

Founder of the Church Army
8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
12 noon **Informal Eucharist**, Sunday on Monday
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church
6 pm Homeless Ministry

TUESDAY 27th September - Vincent de Paul,

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

WEDNESDAY 28th September

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

THURSDAY 29th September – Michael & all the Angels

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
9.30 am **School HARVEST Eucharist**
- all are welcome
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

FRIDAY 30th September – Jerome, Translator

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
9.30 Mini Abbots at St Mary Abbots Centre
12 noon **Holy Eucharist**
1.05 pm Royal College of Music concert
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

SATURDAY 1st September – Remigius, Bishop

12 noon **Holy Communion (BCP)**
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

SUNDAY 2nd October HARVEST FESTIVAL

8.00 am **Holy Communion (BCP)**
9.30 am **Family Choral Eucharist**
Please bring any non-perishable goods to the church with you for display at the altar.
11.15 am **Choral Matins**
5.30 pm **Sung Evensong**

Message from Father Christopher

I am sure we have all found the last couple of weeks hard in different ways, but it has been a privilege to see the church being used by the wider local community: for quiet prayer, as people have continued to come in to light candles, pray and sign our book of condolence; as well as the larger civic services we have held, with the Mayor, council and others attending, along with hundreds of local people. The staff team here have worked particularly hard to ensure that we have been there to help our community mourn, which we are all hugely grateful for. As mentioned by Mother Emma last week we have decided to postpone this weekend's **Victorian Fun Day**, which will now be combined with our Christmas Fair later in the year.



In this period we have also started our **Homeless Ministry**, meeting at the church at 6 every Monday evening, and taking hot food and drink to people in the High Street. If you would like to join us or learn more please do let me know.

We are pushing again for hosts for **Ukrainian refugees** too, as some of the initial hosts are no longer able to continue hosting. Again, please do get in touch with me if this is something you are interested in – it is particularly important for the sake of children who have started in local schools that they are able to stay in the area if possible.

Sunday 2nd October is our **Harvest Festival**, where any food items bought will be given to The Upper Room, a food bank and homeless Charity in West London. Please do bring dried, tinned or other non-perishable food to church for the service - a more detailed list can be found below.

Finally, on Friday 7th October a group of us are **sleeping out** in Duke of York Square in support of Glass Door, the local homeless charity. We would be hugely grateful for your sponsorship, which you can do by going to the 'what is on page' on our website - or indeed sign up to join us!

With love in Christ, Fr Christopher

150th Anniversary Events

Royal College of Music Concert Thursday 27th October at 6.30pm

A contemporary concert written and performed by the students of the Royal Collage of Music, celebrating the works of Sir George Gilbert Scott. Tickets are now available for the concert on the 'what is on' page of the website. Tickets are £12, with glass of wine after the concert with a chance to meet the musicians.



THE VICTORIAN SOCIETY

The champion for Victorian and Edwardian architecture

Dr Chris Miele gave a very informative and interesting lecture about the history of St Mary Abbots, of how St George Gilbert Scott became the architect for the church, the designs and plans for the building and the family's involvement in subsequent generations. With many thanks to Becky for her introduction and help with the event, as well as the church team. There will be another Victorian Society event next year.



Harvest Festival

Sunday 2nd October 2022, 9.30 am

We are once again collecting for the charity, The Upper Room at our Harvest Festival Service. They provide freshly cooked, nutritional meals and food bank supplies to the homeless of West London. The donations from our Harvest Festival service mean that they can store enough non-perishable supplies to continue for an entire year. Please bring cooking oils jams and chutneys, tinned sauces, fruit, meat and fish, dried food, snacks and soft drinks which will be displayed by the alter and then picked up later that week. To find out more: <https://theupperroom.org.uk/> and to donate directly: <https://theupperroom.org.uk/donate/>

Glass Door Sleep Out: How to Join or Sponsor Friday 7th October

For one night, could you give up your bed to raise funds and awareness for Glass Door? To join our team or sponsor us please go to the 'what is on' page of the website. Last year we raised just over £4,500 – please help us raise more!



Glass Door is a homeless charity run to cover the area West and South West London. They provide people with a chance to eat meals, find clothes, take a shower and wash laundry – things we take for granted. The money raised goes to three of their main services:

- Accommodation: single rooms with hostel like accommodation
- Food: Hot meals, 7 days a week
- Advice: Caseworkers providing advice and practical help

Every year St Mary Abbots help fundraise for Glass Door



This autumn the annual Sleep Out takes place on
Friday 7th October

"Spending one night sleeping out in the street gives a small insight into a homeless person's life, however you will be sleeping in a group, in a busy area, with help at hand should you need it – and in the morning you can go home".

To join our team or sponsor us to raise money for this excellent cause, please sign up below:

Having raised just over £4,500 last year let's smash that this year and help beat homelessness in our community!