

## In Our Prayers This Week

### Collect for 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### Collect for Edward the Confessor

Sovereign God, who set your servant Edwards upon the throne of an earthly kingdom and inspired him with zeal for the kingdom of heaven, grant that we may so confess the faith of Christ by word and deed, that we may, with all your saints inherit your eternal glory.

**Amen**



Edward the Confessor, pintrest

#### Those in acute need

Laila Attia  
Hillary Bardsley  
Evelyn Ellison  
Monica Libby  
Jill Meyer  
Michael Turner

Buyile Phiri  
William Service  
Jill Traynor  
Adam  
Rose  
Stephanie  
Talia

#### Those in long-term need

Christopher Browne  
Julie Costley-White  
Fr David Michaels  
Annie Redmile  
James Worsley  
Conor

#### *and for all who have died recently*

Michael Pam Yves

**The Parish and Vicarage offices are open from 10am – 5pm**

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## ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 1872-2022

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Welcome to St Mary Abbots

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

### SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> October – 17<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> October – Paulinus, Bishop

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 11<sup>th</sup> October

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

### WEDNESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> October – Wilfrid, Bishop

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

### THURSDAY 13<sup>th</sup> October - Edward the Confessor

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

### FRIDAY 14<sup>th</sup> October

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 15<sup>th</sup> October, Tessa of Avila

12 noon **Holy Communion (BCP)**  
3 pm **Peal of Bells for the Foundation of the Church**  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer in Church

### SUNDAY 16<sup>th</sup> October – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am **Holy Communion (BCP)**  
9.30 am **Parish Eucharist**  
11.15 am **Choral Matins**  
12.30 pm **Servers Training and Lunch**  
5.30 pm **Taizé**

## Message from Mother Emma

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to our Harvest Thanksgiving last week, both through the school and the church. Our church offering resulted in a wonderful array of food and goods, and you can see photos in the newsletter and on our website. All donations go to the Upper Room, who offer support, food and clothing to the vulnerable. The Family Eucharist included some wonderful readings, prayers, welcoming and serving by the younger members of our church family, ending with a rousing rendition of "He's Got The Whole World in His Hands", complete with actions!



A very last reminder that this Friday the St Mary Abbots team slept out for Glass Door homeless charity and would be hugely grateful for any sponsorship – it is possible to do this after the event so it is not too late! Details can be on the website.

Looking ahead, a reminder about the RCM concert on the evening of 27<sup>th</sup> October and the exciting news that booking for our Bonfire Party which went live on Thursday. Details can be found below.

As you will remember, we have spent this year giving thanks for all those who contribute in so many ways to our church's ministry, and we have been delighted to welcome both old and new members of the reading, welcoming and outreach teams to lunch and training in the church, following the hiatus of the Covid lockdowns. On Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October, we shall be holding a final session for anyone who would be interested in serving at the altar, with both lunch and a training session. One of the sadnesses of the pandemic period was the fact that we had to keep our altar party to an absolute minimum, but those of you who have been attending longer and cast your minds back will remember that before then, the procession would include a crucifer (cross-bearer), acolytes (carrying candles), those who serve at the preparation of the altar, and others who administer the chalice (though these need a special licence). If you previously served at St Mary Abbots or in another church and would like to do so again, or if this is something you have never done but would welcome the opportunity to be involved with, please contact Fr Christopher ahead of 16<sup>th</sup> and join us for this session. To serve at God's altar is a great privilege and many who offer themselves to do so have talked about the wonderful way in which it has affected and developed their own spiritual journey. We would love to see, or to speak to, anyone who might be considering this kind of service. You do not need to have any special qualities or experience, simply to be open to God's call and willing to serve him.

We look forward to welcoming you all to our services this coming Sunday, and throughout the week, as ever.

*Awaken us to your presence, O God, that we may bow before you with reverence, praise you with joy and serve you with love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen* (JWG Masterton, 1970)

With my love and prayers, Mother Emma

## Harvest Festival Pictures



More pictures can be found on the 'what is on / previous events – Gallery' page of the website.



## Glass Door Sleep Out: Please Sponsor our team

By the time you read this on Sunday the St Mary Abbots team will have slept out on the streets for one night to help raise money for the Glass Door. Glass Door provide homeless people with hot meals, hostel accommodation and advice & practical support to help them get off the street and into permanent accommodation. It is not too late to sponsor the team and you can do this by going to the 'what is on' page of the website [www.stmaryabbots.org.uk](http://www.stmaryabbots.org.uk).

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert**  
**27<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 6.30pm**



On 27<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm the Royal College of Music students will perform a very special concert to celebrate the church and the works of Sir George Gilbert Scott. Groups of musicians will play from different parts of the church, creating a contemplative work which will surround the listeners, bathing them in sound.

Tickets are £12 and include a glass of wine and after the concert there will be a chance to meet the composers and musicians. Students may purchase tickets for £8 with a student card. Tickets are available on the 'what is on' page of the website.

We hope you will join us for this 1<sup>st</sup> Night Premier performance.



Tickets are now available for bonfire night at the vicarage, via the 'what is on' page of our website. These tend to sell out very quickly so please book now to avoid disappointment.

## Accommodation Needed

Earlier in the year we helped newly arrived Ukrainians find accommodation in Kensington thanks to the generous support of local families. However some of these arrangements are coming to an end, and those families are now trying to find new hosts to put them up. Children, who have settled into their schools, will be uprooted again if new accommodation cannot be found. If you can help at all please contact Father Christopher