

## In our Prayers this week

### Collect for 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### Collect for Thomas the Apostle

Almighty and eternal God, who, for the firmer foundation of our faith, allowed your holy apostle Thomas to doubt the resurrection of your Son till word and sight convinced him: grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**



Christ and Doubting Thomas painted by Paolo Cavazzola.

#### Those in acute need

Rhoda Bowker  
Brian Cripps  
Thomas Dawney  
Emmanuel Kupa  
Ronan O'Hanlon  
Eve Mitleton-Kelly  
Buyile Phiri  
James Philpot  
George Rabbett-Smith  
Duncan Stafford Shaw

Andrew Stahl  
Sara Strong  
Jill Traynor  
Luke Thomas

Adam  
Carlo  
Cristina  
Emma  
Jean  
Luke

Maria  
Natalia  
Stephanie  
Talia

**Long-term need**  
Hillary Bardsley  
Christopher Browne  
Martin Carroll  
Paul Proudman  
Michael Turner

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

Carys Wynne, 2<sup>nd</sup> July      Ethne Rudd, 6<sup>th</sup> July  
Sarah Lamping, 7<sup>th</sup> July

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

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

KENSINGTON

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024

## Welcome to St Mary Abbots

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

### SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> June – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

8 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
9.30 am **Parish Eucharist with Licencing of Church Wardens**  
11.15 am **Choral Matins**  
5.30 pm **Sung Evensong**

### MONDAY 1<sup>st</sup> July

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
8.30 Bible study via Zoom  
9 am Parents' Prayer Group  
12 noon **Informal Eucharist** (Sunday on Monday)  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### TUESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> July

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
12 noon **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer  
7 pm **Combined Churches of Kensington AGM**  
*in vicarage garden.*

### WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> July - **Thomas the Apostle**

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
8.35 am Bitesize Bible Group in church  
12 noon **Holy Eucharist**  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup> July

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
9.30 am School Eucharist – all welcome  
2.30 pm **Rainbow Poetry Group**  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### FRIDAY 5<sup>th</sup> July

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

### SATURDAY 6<sup>th</sup> July

12 noon **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
2.30 pm **Blessing of Hannah and Schalk**  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> July – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

8 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
9.30 am **Family Eucharist with celebration of our children's ministry**  
11.15 am **Choral Matins**  
5.30 pm **Sung Evensong**

## Message from Mother Emma

I do hope you have been enjoying the sunshine. Today, at our 9.30 service, we shall be admitting our churchwardens to another year of service during the Notices at the 9.30 am Eucharist, following their election at the APCM. I am so very grateful to them both for their support, wisdom and encouragement.



Looking ahead to next Sunday (7<sup>th</sup> July), this will be our Family Eucharist as usual on the first Sunday of the month, but as this is the final Family Eucharist before the summer holidays, we shall be particularly celebrating our Children's Ministry – thanking all the children who read, pray, sing or welcome at our services, expressing our gratitude to all who have served as Sunday School leaders or helpers over the past year, and commissioning those who have offered themselves to serve with our children's groups during the academic year ahead. If you fall into one of these categories, we specially hope that you will be able to be with us on 7<sup>th</sup> July at the 9.30 am service, as we give thanks for our children and for all those who give their time and talent to help them grow and develop in faith. The 9.30 service itself will take the form of a "Teaching Eucharist", in which we look in more detail (with the children's help), at what is actually taking place during our Communion services, offering both children and adults further insight into what has been described as a "foretaste of the heavenly banquet".

As I have mentioned before, we are keen as a staff team and as a PCC to deepen and enhance our welcome, and this also extends to the welcome area at the South Door. At this point, we are asking if anyone knows the origins of any of the tables or other pieces of furniture in that area and if you do please get in touch with me.

A brief reminder that the clergy are always very happy to bring Communion to anyone who is ill or unable to leave their home. Please speak to one of us at church or email or call Leonora in the Vicarage office to arrange a time.

*Generous God, you are full of compassion; may we who long for your kingdom to come rejoice to do your will and acknowledge your power alone to save, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen* [Common Worship, response to Psalm 111]

With my love and prayers,

Mother Emma

## Father Peter's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 14<sup>th</sup> July 2024

We are looking forward to celebrating Canon Peter Galloway's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priesting on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 11.15 am Matins service.



CHURCHES TOGETHER IN KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA  
[Formerly Kensington Council of Churches]

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY, 2024**  
**at 7.00pm in**

**ST MARY ABBOTS**  
**VICARAGE GARDEN**

St Mary Abbots Centre  
Vicarage Gate, W8 4HN  
Map - <http://www.smacentre.co.uk/find-us.html>

**'Bring & Share' Refreshments**  
**after the meeting**

**Not obligatory – Come anyway!**

**All Welcome – Bring your Friends**

RSVP to: [Chris.Luxton@specr.org](mailto:Chris.Luxton@specr.org)

## FOSMAS Summer Fair Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2024

The Friends of St Mary Abbots School (FOSMAS) are holding their Summer Fair in the Vicarage Garden from noon to 4pm. There will be a bouncy castle, Mega slide, Face painting, cookie decorating, Icecream stand, Pimms tent, BBQ, Cakes games and crafts. All profits to go towards supporting the school so please come and enjoy the garden! Tickets can be bought in advance using the link below: [www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofstmaryabbotsschool/1263377](http://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofstmaryabbotsschool/1263377)

## Food Bank Donations

Please remember that we are still collecting for the food bank and would welcome any donations you could bring on your next visit to the church. As you know the donation boxes can be found at each entrance to in the church but remember not to bring any fresh food or ready meals as we have no way of storing them! To make a donation or find out more about them please visit their website: [www.dalgarnotrust.org.uk](http://www.dalgarnotrust.org.uk). If you would be free on Thursday mornings to drive the donations to the Dalgarno Trust then we are looking for more drivers as two recently retired. Please talk to one of the clergy if you could do this.

## Glass door - sleep out

The annual, flagship fundraising event for Glass Door is taking place on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024. The Sleep Out plays a huge role in keeping the charity going - last year they raised a total of £100k. Father Tim is putting together a St Mary Abbots team to take part - where we join the group at the Duke of York Square to sleep outside, experiencing just a fraction of the challenges faced by those who do not have a safe and warm place to call home. Please talk to Father Tim for more information.