

## In our Prayers this week

### Collect for Harvest Thanksgiving

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen**

### Prayer for peace and safety amid unrest

O God, who would fold both heaven and earth in a single peace: let the design of thy great love lighten upon the waste of our wraths and sorrows: and give peace to thy Church, peace among nations, peace in our dwellings, and peace in our hearts: through thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**



#### *Those in acute need*

Rhoda Bowker  
Thomas Dawnay  
Herb Hanson  
Emmanuel Kupa  
Roger Merchant  
James Philpot  
George Rabbett-Smith

Andrew Stahl  
Sara Strong  
Luke Thomas  
Adam  
Jean  
Luke  
Maria  
Stephanie

#### **Long-term need**

Hillary Bardsley  
Christopher Browne  
Paul Proudman  
Michael Turner

#### *for those who have died recently*

Irene Hudson Melvyn Hopcroft  
Stephan Hucklenbroich Michelle Phillips

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

Alexandra Horsley, 6<sup>th</sup> October Olive Fuller, 7<sup>th</sup> October

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

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## ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH KENSINGTON

# Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October 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 6<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Thanksgiving**

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

### **MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup> October**

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
8.30 am Bible study via Zoom  
9 am Parents' Prayer Group  
12 noon **Informal Eucharist** (Sunday on Monday)  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer  
7 pm **Victorian Society Talk** - Tickets on the door.

### **TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> October**

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

### **WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> October**

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

### **THURSDAY 10<sup>th</sup> October – Paulinus, Bishop**

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
9.30 am **School Eucharist – Harvest Festival**  
12.30 – 4 **SMART World Mental Health Day**  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### **FRIDAY 11<sup>th</sup> October – Wilfrid, Bishop**

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

### **SATURDAY 12<sup>th</sup> October**

12 noon **Holy Communion (BCP)**  
2 pm **David and Polina Wedding**  
3-7 pm **Peal of Bells for the Foundation of Parish**  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### **SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> October – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

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

## Message from Mother Emma

Today is **Harvest Sunday**, and at our Family Eucharist the children will read, lead the prayers, sing, welcome and take part in the arranging of our Harvest gifts. All the gifts of food and other items will be donated to the Upper Room, a wonderful charity with a soup kitchen, food bank and much more.



Various bits of good news this week – firstly, I was delighted to be able to announce at the Eucharist last week that Hakan Sandal-Wilson, a member of our congregation who serves on the Deanery Synod and the PCC, reads, and serves at the altar and on the coffee rota, has been accepted for **training as a Licensed Lay Minister** (formerly known as a Reader or Lay Reader) for the parish. Hakan has already completed two years of theological study, and now has one final year of training before he can be licensed. However, in the meantime, he will be playing a part in our liturgy, and in particular, will be beginning to take a turn at preaching at our various services. I believe that Hakan will be a great blessing to the parish, and encourage you both to speak to him about his journey and to pray for him as he takes this next step.

I was also disproportionately thrilled that this week saw the very final step in the building of our **access ramp** – the two unsightly raised bits which used to hold the doors when they opened outwards and have been covered in green safety tape have now been replaced with carefully sourced matching Victorian tiles:



We can now turn our attention to our next projects, so watch this space for news!

Please do read all the other announcements in our newsletter, so you can see how many events are coming up this autumn, and do join us both in worship and in community.

*Source of all life and giver of all that is good, hear our prayers and grant us all that is in accordance with your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen* (Common Worship, Harvest Thanksgiving)

With my love and prayers, Mother Emma

## SMA outreach on the High Street

Father Tim is looking for chefs and volunteers willing to make soup and give it out to the cold and homeless over the winter months at 12.30 on Thursday afternoons. If you would be interested in finding out more please contact him.

## 'The Lost Gardens of London' Victorian Society Talk Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024, 7pm



**This Monday** Todd Longstaffe-Gowan will discuss the Lost Gardens of London in our 5<sup>th</sup> joint event with The Victorian Society. Tickets are £10 and can be bought on the door. Money raised will be shared between us and the Victorian Society so please come and support.

## World Mental Health Community Day Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October, 12.30 – 4pm

**This Thursday** Saint Mary Abbots Rehabilitation and Training (SMART) will be holding their Mental Health Community day at the church and all are welcome. There will be music, stalls, food, panel discussions and entertainment.

## Opera Holland Park, Inspire Community Concerts 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 2pm

We are delighted to welcome the first of Opera Holland Park's 'Inspire Community Concerts', at the church – an hour of joy through music. Entrance is FREE but if you could sign up via the 'what is on' page of the website in advance they would be grateful. Doors open at 1.45 and the concert starts at 2pm. The second concert will take place on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

## Demystifying Death – Planning a Christian Funeral Monday 23 October 2024, 6.30pm

Reflections on death and practical advice on how to plan a funeral – including what a funeral is for, how to plan the service, how we wish to be remembered with a Q&A session with JH Kenyon funeral directors and the Clergy.



## Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 7pm

Tickets are still available for the revival of the **Quiz Night** at St Mary Abbots Centre. Please invite friends and family to form a table of 8 or buy a ticket and be assigned a table. Tickets are £10 and you are invited to contribute to a bring and share supper.

## November Dates

- 3<sup>rd</sup> November – All Souls Requiem, 5.30pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> November – Piano concert and recital, 7pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> November – Bonfire Night, 6pm
- 10<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Sunday
- 30<sup>th</sup> November – Victorian Christmas Fair, 11.30 – 3pm.