

In our Prayers this week

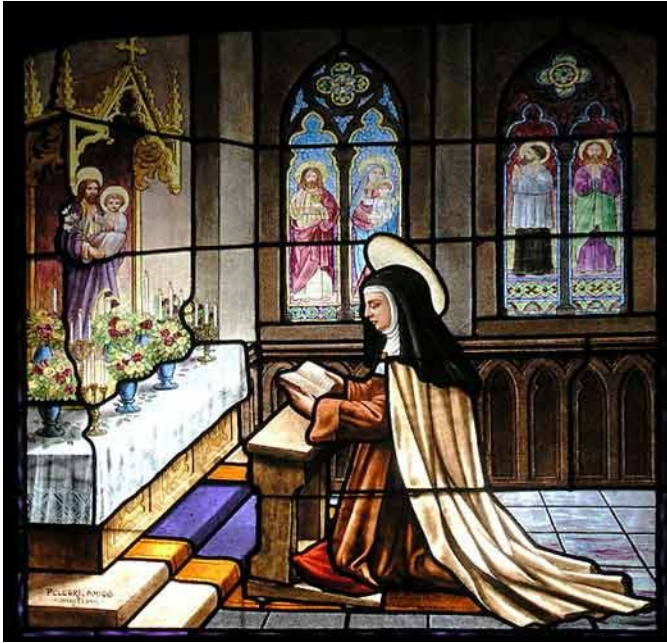
Collect for 20th Sunday after Trinity

God, our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives, that we may see your goodness in the land of the living, and looking on your beauty may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Prayer of Teresa of Avila

Let nothing disturb you, Let nothing frighten you, All things are passing away: God never changes. Patience obtains all things Whoever has God lacks nothing; God alone suffices. **Amen**



Teresa of Avila, Convent of St Teresa

Those in acute need

Rhoda Bowker
Thomas Dawnay
Emmanuel Kupa
Roger Merchant
James Philpot
George Rabbett-Smith
Andrew Stahl
Sara Strong

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Luke Thomas
Adam
Carlo
Cristina
Emma
Jean
Joan

Luke
Maria
Stephanie
Long-term need
Hillary Bardsley
Christopher Browne
Paul Proudman
Michael Turner

for those who have died recently

Stephan Hucklenbroich Michelle Phillips

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

JO Pitt, 18th October Malcolm Ballisat, 20th October

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

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH

KENSINGTON

Sunday 13th 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 13th October – 20th Sunday after Trinity

8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30 am Parish Eucharist

11.15 am Choral Matins

5.30 pm Sung Evensong

MONDAY 14th 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

TUESDAY 15th October – Teresa of Avila, teacher

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

12 noon Holy Communion (BCP)

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

WEDNESDAY 16th October

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

8.35 am Bitesize Bible Group

12 noon **HEALING Eucharist**

2 pm **Opera Holland Park, free concert**

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

THURSDAY 17th October – Ignatius, Bishop

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

9.30 am School Eucharist

11.30 am **Funeral of Stephen Hucklenbroich**

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

FRIDAY 18th October – Luke the Evangelist

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 19th October – Henry Martyn, translator

12 noon Holy Communion (BCP)

5.30 pm Evening Prayer

SUNDAY 20th October – 21st Sunday after Trinity

8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30 am Parish Eucharist

11.15 am Choral Matins

5.30 pm Taize Eucharist

Message from Mother Emma

Congratulations and thanks to our [sleepout team](#) and to everyone who has sponsored them so far – they have currently raised more than £5,800 towards the homeless winter shelters and homeless drop-ins and caseworkers funded by Glass Door!! You can see the pictures on our website and if anyone has not yet sponsored the team, or feels inspired by seeing what it looked like on the night, the link for donations is still open!



Thank you to everyone who played a part in our beautiful [Harvest Thanksgiving](#) celebrations – by donating goods to be given to the Upper Room charity, or by singing, leading, praying or worshipping with us on Sunday as we gave thanks for God's good gifts. We were especially proud of St Mary Abbots' own harvest of potatoes, planted by the children earlier in the year in the garden behind the Centre, and harvested by Martina in time for the service!

This Thursday (10th), we are very pleased to be hosting a [World Mental Health Day](#) organised by the charity St Mary Abbots Rehabilitations and Training (SMART). There will be stalls, music, food, and panel discussions, so if you or someone you know has been affected by mental illness and would like advice, support or inspiration, do pop into the church between 12.30 and 4 pm.

We continue to [pray for peace](#) across the world, holding before God all those whose lives have been torn apart by war or conflict.

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all, the true love of peace, and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Amen [Church of England website]

With my love and prayers, Mother Emma

DE-MYSTIFYING DEATH

HOW TO PLAN A CHRISTIAN FUNERAL

Reflections on death and practical advice on funeral planning for everyone of all ages to consider how to plan your own funeral or that of a loved one.

We will be looking at:

- What a funeral is for
- Types of funerals and how to choose your readings, prayers and music
- Remembering and being remembered
- ending with a Q&A sessions with Philip Smyth from JH Kenyon Funeral Directors and the clergy

Wednesday 23 October 2024, 6.30pm

An uncomfortable subject perhaps, but something that all of us have to think about - and how much better for your friends and family to have a record and plan of your preferred readings, prayers, hymns and music. Planning a funeral can feel like an overwhelming and daunting task, especially when grieving and dealing with family tensions. By planning in advance you take away that pressure.

SMA Quiz Night

Thursday 24th 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 – please contact Jamie or Ed Warrick for more details. They are also looking for Raffle prizes!

A call for volunteers – Soup

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.

Call for volunteers – Bonfire and Christmas Fair

Leonora is looking for help for [Bonfire Night](#) on Friday 8th November at 6pm to help with the BBQ, Bar, glow sticks, fire pits and Bonfire, and also at our [Victorian Christmas Fair](#) on 30th November to help run the cake, plant, book, bric-a-brac, mulled wine / hot chocolate and BBQ. Please let her know if you can help.

We are also looking for [good quality jumble](#) to sell at the bric-a-brac having mostly sold out – **but NO tea sets** – we still have lots of these.

Lastly if you know of anyone who would like to take a stall and sell handmade items at the Christmas fair then some spaces are still available for £50 in advance.

Opera Holland Park Inspire Community Concerts

Relaxed, dementia-friendly concerts
Join us for an hour of joy through music

Opera Holland Park, Inspire Community Concerts
16th 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 15th January 2025.