

## In our Prayers this week

### Collect for 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Prayers for families

The child Jesus grew in wisdom and stature in the home of Mary and Joseph. Strengthen our homes and families, and keep under your protection all those whom we love. **Amen.**



Virgin of Bethlehem, Cuzco School, Peru. Los Angeles County Museum of Art

#### Those in acute need

Steven Armstrong  
David & Judith Boyd  
Nigel Grieve  
Sue Last  
Roger Merchant  
George Rabbett-Smith  
Viv Robinson  
Jono Robinson

Annie Redmile  
Sara Strong  
Luke Valavanis  
Adam  
Daphne  
Christopher  
Jean  
Luke  
Maria

#### Long-term need

Christopher Browne  
Stefan Rogge  
David Strong  
Michael Turner

#### for those who have died recently

Irina Bochkova Luc Thomas

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

Antony Kemp, 12<sup>th</sup> August Elizabeth Costley-White, 16<sup>th</sup> August

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

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## ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH KENSINGTON

# Welcome to St Mary Abbots Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025

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

### SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> August – 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
9.30 am Holy Eucharist with Baptism  
11.15 am Cantor Matins  
5.30 pm Sung Evensong with Voluntary Choir

### MONDAY 11<sup>th</sup> August – Claire of Assisi

8 am Morning Prayer or Bible Study on Zoom  
9 am No Parents' Prayer Group -resumes 11 Sept  
12 noon Informal Eucharist (Sunday on Monday)  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### TUESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> August

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

### WEDNESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> August – Jeremy Taylor, Bishop

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
12 noon Holy Eucharist  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> August

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
9.30 am No School Service – resumes 4 September  
12 noon Holy Eucharist  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### FRIDAY 15<sup>th</sup> August – The Blessed Virgin Mary

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
9.30 am No Mini Abbots – resumes 5 September  
12 noon Holy Eucharist  
1.05 pm No Royal College of Music. resumes 26 Sept  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### SATURDAY 16<sup>th</sup> August

12 noon Holy Communion (BCP)  
3 pm Wedding of Clare and Constantine  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

### SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> August – 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
9.30 am Parish Eucharist  
11.15 am Cantor Matins  
5.30 pm Taizé Eucharist

## Message from Father Evan

I hope you're continuing to enjoy a summer 'safe in a world of trains and buttered toast', as the late Sir John Betjeman put it, and are recharging in preparation for the autumn. There are **several events scheduled for September** which you may be interested in attending – please see the list on the next page.



The most important of these is the **Patronal Festival on Sunday, 7 September at 11.15am**. We will celebrate our life as a parish with a choral eucharist, giving thanks for the patronage of the Blessed Virgin Mary who always prays for us to her beloved Son. A party in the Vicarage Garden will follow. Please consider bringing a dish or two representative of your culture or home country to share with everyone. Please contact Leonora to let her know what you'll be bringing.

On Saturday, 13 September at 4pm (not the 14<sup>th</sup> as previously advertised in last week's message) the third and **final talk on the Nicene Creed** will be taking place, followed by tea and cake. The Rev'd Dr Thomas Sharp will expand our understanding of the creed with an emphasis on the Church's teaching on the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives. It would be helpful if you could register your interest by booking a free ticket, so we can cater appropriately.

**The Victorian Society**, slightly surprisingly, welcome me on Tuesday, 7 October to speak on the late-Victorian and Edwardian church furnishings of churches in Kensington & Chelsea. The talk will begin at 7pm and tickets are £10. Proceeds are split between the VicSoc and the church, so to attend is to support both.

**St Mary Abbots Rehabilitation and Training (SMART)** will be hosting a mental health day in the church on 9 October. Details are still being confirmed but last year there were workshops, stands, stalls and Q&As - attendance is free.

**Tickets to all the events can be found on the 'what is on' page of the website.**

Amidst all these wonderful opportunities, we give thanks for the one whose desire is that we flourish as his children.

*O Christ, the everlasting Son of the Father, the catholic King: Come thou thyself to rule in our hearts, that the hatred of sin, the love of thy presence, the light of thy truth, and the joy of the Holy Ghost may there be enthroned; and then in thy mercy bring us to the kingdom where thou reignest in the glory of the eternal Trinity, for ever and ever. Amen.*

With love and prayers, Father Evan



### Harvest Festival

The Upper Room, a West London charity that helps feed and rehabilitate the homeless, have been in touch with their wish list for Harvest Festival in October. This includes items such as sugar, Herbs, spices, stock cubes, rice, chopped tomato, cooking oil, instant coffee and biscuits and more. A full list can be found on our website: About us / affiliated Groups and Charities / The Upper Room



### Glass Door Sleep Out

Over the last five years we have put together a team to take part in the annual London Sleep Out on behalf of homeless charity Glass Door. Last year, ten members of our congregation slept outside to raise over £9,000 which we would like to match or even to better! . If you've never taken part in the Sleep Out, perhaps this is the year to try – it is taking part on 3<sup>rd</sup> October and starts at 9pm - or consider sponsoring someone who does. For more details please talk to Father Tim.

### Save the date: Autumn

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| 7 September  | Patronal Festival Choral Eucharist at 11.15<br>With celebration afterwards |
| 13 September | Nicene Creed talk in church at 4 pm<br>Free entry                          |
| 3 October    | Glass Door Sleep out at 9 pm<br>Sign up to take part                       |
| 7 October    | Victorian Society in church at 7 pm<br>Tickets £10                         |
| 9 October    | SMART mental health day in church, 11.30<br>Free entry                     |
| 15 October   | Piano Recital by Zoya Shuhatovich<br>tickets £15.                          |