

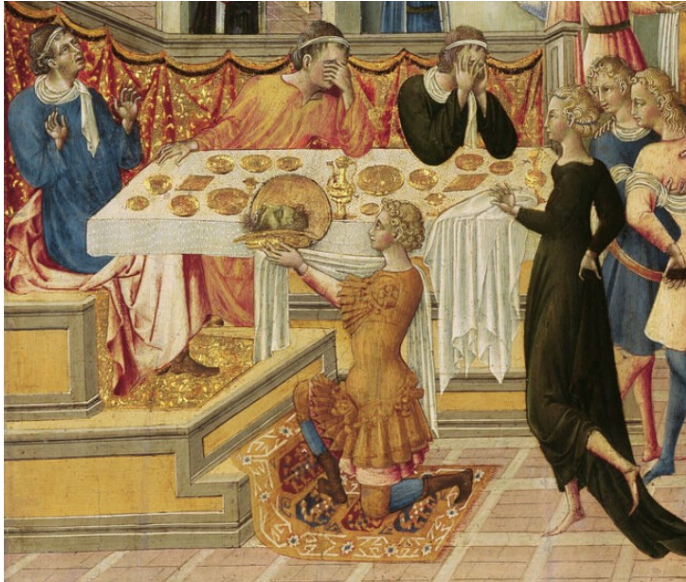
## In our Prayers this week

### Collect for Bartholomew the Apostle

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach your word: grant that your Church may love that word which he believed and may faithfully preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen**

### Collect for 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**



Beheading of John the Baptist by Giovanni di Paolo, part of Earth, Chronicles of Life series

#### Those in acute need

Steven Armstrong  
David & Judith Boyd  
Nigel Grieve  
Sue Last  
Roger Merchant  
George Rabbett-Smith  
Annie Redmile

Sara Strong  
Luke Valavanis  
Adam  
Daphne  
Christopher  
Jean  
Luke  
Maria

#### Long-term need

Christopher Browne  
Viv Robinson  
Jono Robinson  
Stefan Rogge  
David Strong  
Michael Turner

#### for those who have died recently

Terence Jones-Stanley      Luc Thomas

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

Wilfred Urich, 25<sup>th</sup> August

Ade Adefuye, 27<sup>th</sup> August      Walter Urich, 31<sup>st</sup> August

Stuart Gibson, 1<sup>st</sup> September      Hilda Greene, 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Graham Winstandley-Hamilton, 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Mary McKenna, 5<sup>th</sup> September      Evghenia Burlac, 5<sup>th</sup> September

#### 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 24<sup>th</sup> August – 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025

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

#### SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> August – Bartholomew the Apostle

8 am      **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
9.30 am      **Parish Eucharist**  
11.15 am      **Cantor Matins**  
1 pm      **Church Closes**  
5.30 pm      **No Evensong**

#### MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> August

8 am      Morning Prayer via Zoom  
**NO Services in church** - Church closed

#### TUESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> August

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

#### WEDNESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> August – Monica, Mother of Augustine of Hippo

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

#### THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup> August – Augustine, Bishop

8 am      Morning Prayer via Zoom  
9.30 am      **No School Service** – resumes 11 September  
12 noon      **Holy Eucharist**  
5.30 pm      Evening Prayer

#### FRIDAY 29<sup>th</sup> August – Beheading of John the Baptist

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 30<sup>th</sup> August – John Bunyan, Writer

12 noon      **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
5.30 pm      Evening Prayer

#### SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> August – 11<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**  
Preacher: Rev'd Dr Thomas Sharp,  
*Tutor in Pastoral Theology at St Augustine's College*

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

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

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

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

## WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Gregory the Great

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

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

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom  
9.9.30 am **No** School Service – resumes 11 September  
12 noon **Holy Eucharist**  
2.30 pm **Rainbow Poetry Group - subject 'Glory'**  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

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

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

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

12 noon **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

## SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> September – Patronal Festival

8 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
9.30 am **No** Holy Eucharist  
11.15 am **Festal Choral Eucharist to celebrate of our Patronal Festival**  
5.30 pm **Sung Evensong**

### Message from Mother Emma

There are a few changes to the normal pattern at St Mary Abbots over the next couple of weeks:

First, as you will see above, **the works to the West Gates now mean that the gates have been CLOSED for the next two weeks**, so if you normally arrive via Kensington Church Walk, please could we remind you to come in through the Cloister.

Second, this weekend (August 23/24) is the Notting Hill Carnival, and as has been the practice in recent years, we shall be closing the church after the 11.15 Matins service on Sunday, and re-opening on Tuesday morning at 8.30 am. **This means there will be NO service of Evensong at 5.30 this Sunday (24<sup>th</sup>), and no services in church on Monday**, although we shall be holding the online service of Morning Prayer at 8 am as usual.



We do, however, look forward to welcoming you to one of our regular morning services on Sunday, at which we shall be celebrating the **Feast of St Bartholomew**. We shall also be witnessing the “swearing-in” for another year of our Churchwardens, Guy and Ed, to whom I am extremely grateful for their hard work, support and encouragement.

We are now only a couple of weeks away from the **Patronal Festival on September 7<sup>th</sup>**, and we are conscious that many of you will only be coming back from your holidays during that week. Just to remind you – the Patronal Festival a Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to whom our church is dedicated, and this gives us an opportunity to worship together as a parish and give thanks for everything that St Mary Abbots is today and for everyone who has contributed to the church over the centuries. Four important facts:

- ❖ There will be **NO Parish Eucharist at 9.30 am** on September 7<sup>th</sup>, so please don't come at that time
- ❖ There will be a **Festal Choral Eucharist for everyone at 11.15 am, with Sunday School provision for children** at that time, and a Guest Preacher, Canon Adrian Daffern from the Major Churches Network
- ❖ There will be a celebration in the Vicarage Garden after the service to which everyone is warmly invited
- ❖ We are asking people, if they feel able, **to contribute something to the feast**, whether a dish you particularly enjoy eating or cooking, or something which reflects your family, culture or heritage. We will be providing drinks.

One further quick message – from time to time, a scam email seems to be sent out asking for money / vouchers help. Please check that the email address is the correct one - see the newsletter for our addresses.

*O God, from living stones you prepare an everlasting dwelling-place for your majesty; Grant that in the power of the Holy Spirit, those who serve you at St Mary Abbots may always be kept within your presence. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen* (Times and Seasons: Dedication)

With love and prayers, Mother Emma

### Wellbeing sessions to improve our health

We will be hosting a series of workshops at the church: *Understanding Anxiety* on Monday 29 September, *Developing Resilience* on 6 September and *Caring for our Minds and Bodies* on 13 October at 1.15 after Sunday on Monday. Entrance is free but please contact please contact [cnwl.recoverycollege@nhs.net](mailto:cnwl.recoverycollege@nhs.net), or call 020 3214 5686 or Father Tim if you would like to attend.

### Monthly vigils for peace

A reminder that the monthly peace vigil will take place on the first Sunday of the month in the Alec Clifton-Taylor Garden beside the church. The vigils are a time for silence, solidarity, reflections and prayer in a time of conflict. For more information call Sally 07738766677.