

In our Prayers this week

Collect for 18th Sunday after Trinity

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Prayer for Peace

O God of all hope and peace, we bring to you the needs of our broken and hurting world. Our hearts are breaking with images of lives lost and torn apart by grief in Israel and Palestine. We pray for an end to violence and warfare so that the challenging work of rebuilding may begin. Help us, O Lord, to affirm our common humanity so that in our differences we may build together for justice and peace. In Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**



Those in acute need

Steven Armstrong
Judith Boyd
Nigel Grieve
Lord Alton of Liverpool
Roger Merchant
Carol Ann Philips
Robin Price
George Rabbett-Smith

Annie Redmile
Sara Strong
Luke Valavanis
Adam
Daphne
George
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

Phyllis Beard David Boyd Hugh Dunford-Wood

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

Malcolm Ballisat, 20th October Vida Nevell, 22 October
Albert Attack, 23rd October Andrew Stahl, 24th October
George Bessada, 26th October

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ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH KENSINGTON

Welcome to St Mary Abbots

Sunday 19th October 2025

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

SUNDAY 19th October – 18th Sunday after Trinity

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

MONDAY 20th October

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

TUESDAY 21st October

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

WEDNESDAY 22nd October

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

THURSDAY 23rd October

8 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
9.30 **School Eucharist** – all are welcome
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

FRIDAY 24th October

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

SATURDAY 25th October

10.30 **Flower Arranging Lesson**
12 noon **Holy Communion** (BCP)
5.30 pm Evening Prayer

SUNDAY 26th October – Bible Sunday

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

Message from Mother Emma

It was very good to welcome Revd Marisa from New York to preach to us last week, and she very much appreciated all the good conversations and meetings she had while with us in the parish. If anyone is visiting New York on business or pleasure, we would be very welcome to visit St James, Madison Avenue! This Sunday we celebrate the 18th Sunday after Trinity – the season of Ordinary Time is drawing towards its close – and in the evening, Fr Tim will be presiding at our Taizé Eucharist. If you haven't been to this before, it is a quiet, reflective service at which we sing chants from Taizé Abbey and light candles as we pray for individuals and situations which are on our hearts at present. At this service we shall be continuing to give thanks for the harvest and for all God's gifts to us.



A reminder about our **All Souls' Requiem**, with music by Duruflé, on Sunday 2nd November at 5.30 pm. If you would like the name of a friend or relative who is no longer with us to be remembered, please contact Leonora, or fill in their name in BLOCK CAPITALS on the sign-up sheets by the door of the church.

Our popular and always over-subscribed **Bonfire Night** at the Vicarage on Friday 7th November is fast approaching, and information about how and when to apply for tickets will be shared at the services on Sunday.

Looking further ahead, Leonora is, as every year, starting to appeal for **volunteers for all our autumn and Christmas events** and services. You may well have received an email from her if you have volunteered before, but if you would like to volunteer for the first time, the full list of events can be found here in this newsletter and she would love to hear from you.

Eternal God, we thank you for your light and your truth. We praise you for your fatherly care in creating a universe which proclaims your glory. Inspire us to worship you, the creator of all, and let your light shine upon our world. In Jesus' name, Amen. [Times and Seasons, Creationtide]

With my love and prayers, Mother Emma



7th November - Bonfire Night, 6 pm

Tickets are available from **12.30 on Sunday 19th October** – we are announcing this at church in the hope that you have a chance to buy a ticket before they are snapped up by others!



YOUR HELP NEEDED

Please let Leonora know to volunteer for:

Bonfire Night, 7th November

This event lasts from 6pm to 8pm, and we are looking for volunteers to help with the checking names on the door, handing out free vouchers, the bar, hotdog stand, the fire pit, monitoring the bonfire and giving out glow sticks and sparklers. We have held back a number of tickets for the families of volunteers - but only until the supply runs out.

Victorian Christmas Fair, 29th November

This event lasts from 11.30 to 2.30 pm at the church, and I am looking for volunteers to help with selling vouchers on the door, the bar (mulled wine, tea, coffee, hot chocolate), the cakes, the BBQ, the church merch, the bric-a-brac, the book stall, the flower stall and the children's area - and the set up / clear up. Let me know if you have a preference.

The Messiah, Part 1, 14th December

This event lasts from 5.30 pm to 7.30pm, and I am looking for volunteers to help sell tickets on the doors, check tickets, hand out programmes, sell some church merch, serve mulled wine and put out mince pies - and the set up and clear up. There will be free tickets for helpers

YMIC - Youth Events

Next week 27-30th October Martina will be taking a group of our youth to the YMIC Youth Camp and we look forward to hearing about all the activities and events that they took part in. If your child (year 7 +) would like to join the next YMIC event this will be on Sunday 23rd November at St Andrew's Fulham, W14 and will include Roller Skating rink, Christmas Burritos, Gaming Van, Arts & Crafts and more. Please contact Martina for more details & to sign up.