

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

*We continue to pray for all the victims of the
GRENFELL TOWER DISASTER
and for those seeking to support survivors and rebuild lives.*

*We pray for the safety of all those who are travelling:
For those on summer vacations that they may be refreshed;
For those refugees who have been forced to flee their homes;
For those who are separated from their families and loved ones.*

*We pray for all entering into Holy Matrimony
or renewing marriage Vows at this time, especially*
ANNA COOPER & HUGO DOUGLASS
ALEX LEROUX & TARA DAVIES
COURTNEY JOHN & ARRON JOHN

Please pray for the sick and those in distress, especially
VINCENZO ACCURSO : SERGIO AVANZI
FRIEDA BILGER : VINCENZO BLANDINI
SHEILA BRADSHAW : TOVAH CAMERON
BERNARD CLOW : JOHN CANTLIE
DAPHNE CRAIG : JOAN DAVIES
JOHN DIXON-SIMPSON : MARGARET DRAGE
NICK ERIKSEN : TONY GORDON
MICHELLE HARDMAN : HILAL KIBBARA
LEO KOYMANS : JOAN MARTIN
EDWARD McNALLY : GAY RABER
AUDREY RASKIN : CECILY SCOTT
JUNE SCULLY : JOHN TAPPER
GODERT VON CAMPE : IRIS WOON
JAMES WORSLEY : CARL-FREDRIK
CAROLYN : GOHAR : MICHAEL

Please pray for all who have died recently
PRUNELLA BRIANCE
DUNCAN TRINDER
ALASTAIR GAVIN

*Pray for the repose of the souls of those
whose anniversary of death falls at this time*
DICK MADGE (2 August)
PETER WATT (4 August)

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Central Kensington Group Ministry
St MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH



NEWSLETTER

for the week beginning
30th July 2017



Sunday 30th July

7th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Common Worship Year A Proper 12

8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST
First Lesson: Romans 6. 19-end
Gospel: Mark 8. 1-10a

9.30am SUNG EUCHARIST with preschool *Children on Sunday Group*

Reading: Romans 8. 28-end
Gospel: Matthew 13. 31-33, 44-46
Preacher: The Vicar, The Revd Gillean Craig

11.15am CHORAL MATINS
Old Testament: 1 Kings 6. 11-14, 23-end
New Testament: Acts 12. 1-17
Preacher: The Vicar, The Revd Gillean Craig

12.30pm HOLY EUCHARIST *same readings as at 8.00am*

6.30pm SUNG EVENSONG
Old Testament: Song of Solomon 2
New Testament: John 6. 1-21
Preacher: The Revd Jonathan MacNeaney

followed by HOLY EUCHARIST

Monday 31st July

Commemoration of Ignatius Loyola

8.00am Morning Prayer
1.05pm INFORMAL EUCHARIST 'Sunday on Monday'
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 1st August

8.00am Morning Prayer
11.30am HOLY EUCHARIST (BCP)
1.30pm Funeral: Douglas Trinder RIP
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 2nd August

8.00am Morning Prayer
8.15am HOLY EUCHARIST
1.05pm *Meditation Group*
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 3rd August

8.00am Morning Prayer
nb summer holiday time:
8.15am HOLY EUCHARIST
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Friday 4th August

Commemoration of St John Vianney

8.00am Morning Prayer
8.15am HOLY EUCHARIST
1.00pm Thanksgiving after Civil Marriage: Courtney & Arron John
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 5th August

St Oswald

9.40am Morning Prayer
10.00am HOLY EUCHARIST
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 6th July

**THE TRANSFIGURATION
OF OUR LORD**

8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST
First Lesson: 1 John 3. 1-3
Gospel: Mark 9. 2-7

9.30am SUNG EUCHARIST with preschool *Children on Sunday Group*

Reading: 2 Peter 1. 16-19
Gospel: Luke 9. 28-36
Preacher: The Revd Jonathan MacNeaney

11.15am CHORAL MATINS
Old Testament: Exodus 34. 29-end
New Testament: 2 Corinthians 3
Preacher: The Revd Geoffrey Connor

12.30pm HOLY EUCHARIST
same readings as at 8.00am
6.30pm TAIZÉ PRAYER AND COMMUNION

WELCOME TO ST MARY ABBOTS!

An especial welcome to visitors and newcomers to our church – and also to old friends returning in this holiday season

We are now in our holiday mode – *but nb we don't close for the summer!*

Here we continue to offer our daily round of praise and prayer, word and Sacrament, with Morning Prayer, Holy Eucharist and Evening Prayer offered every day of the year. Although many of our regular worshippers are away over the next month or so we are delighted to welcome newcomers and visitors to our church, which as always is open from early morning to early evening, offering a haven of peace for prayer. The cycle of services continues, with a few minor modifications. Our weekday services feed into our general life in a special way: people drop in on their way home from work, or simply to mark the turn from afternoon to evening. Some initially drawn by this service have become regular worshippers at our main Sunday services and committed members of our church.

CHILDREN ON SUNDAYS - We offer a combined preschool Group throughout the holidays; older children stay in church. But even this one group is in jeopardy – because of a lack of volunteers to act as **Doorkeepers**. This is a vital ministry – could YOU offer one Sunday? **Friday Playgroup**. Now in abeyance over the summer, and not meeting again until the start of the new school term, on Friday 8th September.

But we are sorry to see that most mornings the numbers coming to the daily Eucharist are normally as low as we're experiencing. I expect that you think it's a good idea to have at least one meal a day – so don't forget that your heavenly Father has prepared a daily banquet of bread and wine to sustain and strengthen you. His Table is ready for you; will you accept the invitation?

Monday	8.30am	Morning Prayer
	1.05pm	Sunday on Monday INFORMAL EUCHARIST
		<i>with informal address & shared lunch with the chance for discussion.</i>
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Tuesday	8.00am	Morning Prayer
	11.30am	HOLY EUCHARIST (Book of Common Prayer)
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Wednesday	8.00am	Morning Prayer
	8.15am	HOLY EUCHARIST
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Thursday	8.00am	Morning Prayer
	8.15am	HOLY EUCHARIST <i>note summer holiday time</i>
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Friday	8.00am	Morning Prayer
	8.15am	HOLY EUCHARIST
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Saturday	9.40am	Morning Prayer
	10.00am	HOLY EUCHARIST
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer

Why not mark the summer by taking on a weekday act of praise and prayer?

A NUPTIAL SEASON!

Our season of weddings continues: yesterday Hugo Douglas married Anna Cooper and in Oxfordshire Alex Le Roux and Tara Davies, to be followed by a service in Provence at which your vicar will officiate. This coming Friday Courtney and Arron John – relatively new members of our fellowship, both Confirmed earlier this year, will have a Celebration Following Civil Marriage. And later in August Max Quinn and Ana Anonuevo will be married here. It is our great privilege to share in the joy, hope and celebration of people's weddings.

We hold them all in our prayers



Dalgarno Trust Foodbank
Thanks for your continued support for this vital work – even more important throughout the holidays when many children miss the school breakfast clubs and dinners on which they rely.

Many of the Grenfell Tower survivors will be housed in this neighbourhood, so this will be a good way of demonstrating our continuing support. We bring food and materials from the range requested in the posters and information around the church, and place them in the large plastic containers in church every Sunday. If you're away on those days, donations can be brought to church on any other day, too. We take them up to the Dalgarno Centre every Thursday morning. Details from the co-ordinator. Alice Bulkai (07973 156 599).

SINGER CYCLES FOR CHARITY!

Today Sunday 30 July, Paul Charrier, who sings regularly with our choir, will be taking part in the Ride London-Surrey 100-mile cycle event. He is raising funds for the Children's Trust, the UK's leading charity for children with brain injury. He'd be delighted if you were able to support him: see <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/PaulMartin51>

July's 'WELL-BEING BREAKFAST' was the best attended so far. Many came to hear MICHAEL GOVE introduce 'POLITICS AND WELL-BEING' The next will be on Tuesday 5th September at 7.30 when consultant psychiatrist Gary Bell introduces **MEDICINE AND WELL-BEING**.



NEXT SUNDAY
6th AUGUST
IS THE FEAST OF THE
TRANSFIGURATION
OF OUR LORD

It seems many years since this great festival, commemorating Jesus' revelation of his heavenly glory to his three closest disciples, fell on a Sunday. All our services will reflect this transcendent theme, incl.

6.30pm TAIZÉ PRAYER

Sunday 10 September at 4.00pm

BOOK THE DATE NOW!

Our first treat of the Autumn:

ST MARY ABBOTS

PATRONAL

FESTIVAL



We are delighted to have secured as our Guest Preacher
LORD HENNESSY OF NYMPFIELD

Peter Hennessy is one of our most distinguished, informed and engaging Constitutional Historians, constantly invited onto our TVs and Radios to analyse and comment on current political issues and events. Now in the Upper House, he plays his part in shaping our national life, relishing what it is to be a gamekeeper after a lifetime of academic poaching! He is also a committed Christian, on the Board of the excellent RC weekly *The Tablet*. His subject will be

POLITICS AND FAITH

We can promise an address to be remembered and reflected on. The music of the service from our combined professional and voluntary choir will enhance our worship with glorious music from an unusually wide range: Tudor (Parsons), Classical (Haydn), Romantic (Bairstow), and, in further marking of his 450th Anniversary, the great MONTEVERDI's *Sancta Maria*.

Your friends and neighbours will greatly appreciate these delights: be sure to invite them.

This is our annual offering of Praise and Thanksgiving for every aspect of our life here, the ministry and witness that in the power of the Holy Spirit we are enabled to make. It's also 'At Home' to all our neighbours in Christ of every denomination.

There will be a group for preschool children – they're welcome too!

September will open with new clergy coming to two neighbouring parishes, part of a remarkable influx of clergy in the Deanery of Kensington – the process kickstarted, of course, by our own Fr Jonathan.

On Tuesday 5 at 7.00pm Fr PHILIP BARNES will be welcomed as Priest-in-Charge of **St Stephen Gloucester Road** – that splendid Anglo-Catholic shrine close to the Underground station, famous for the fact that its churchwarden was for many years T S Eliot.

Closer to home for us, we will share in the rejoicing of our dear friends and neighbours at St Philip, Earls Court Road – since January no longer part of our parish but now once more an independent parish in its own right – as they welcome as their Vicar on Wednesday 6 Sept **The Revd PIPPA TURNER**. Lesley Perry and the churchwardens have done a wonderful job in the more-than-a-year since Fr David Walsh left to become Rector of Kettering. Together with them and all at St Philip we greatly look forward to this new chapter of ministry.

With Pippa's arrival our new **Central Kensington Group Ministry** (StMA, Christ Church & St Philip) will at last be complete - throughout the Autumn watch out for expressions of this partnership.

EXCITING NEW MUSICAL PROVISION!

We're delighted to announce an experimental innovation throughout the Autumn: it has been frequently remarked on that by far the largest of our Sunday congregations is the one that never hears our professional choir (except on Easter Day, when it is largely composed of visitors, anyway). So one Sunday a month the professional quartet, at least, will join forces with the voluntary choir and offer two or three anthems/motets in the course of the 9.30 Sung Eucharist. As well as greatly enhancing our liturgy, we hope that this will encourage new singers to join the volunteers. On these Sundays 11.15 Matins will have a single professional cantor to lead the music and explore the under-valued repertoire of solo religious music.