

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

God is gone up with a joyful noise! Alleluia!

*We pray for our new Bishop of London
the Rt Revd SARAH MULLALLY DBE*

*We pray for
Fr JONATHAN MACNEANEY
as he continues his work with the church in Uganda*

*We pray for all those preparing for Holy Matrimony, especially our parishioners
PRINCE HARRY OF WALES & MEGHAN MARKLE*

We pray for those preparing for their confirmation:
JAMES ALEXANDER BIANCA ANTE-FERKO
ALEX BESSADA ELIZABETH COKAJ
KIMBERLEY COLLISON ELI DARKO DANIEL D'SOUZA
AVELINE EICKELBERG JASPER EICKELBERG
JACOB EMMANUEL ROXANA FOLESCU
GUNNAR HANSON VICTORIA HANSON
NOELLE IRVINE MORGAN JONES
GILBERT KANDAMATH KIKI KRISTENSEN SHARP
FLORA LYSTER KAREN MAK JEM MAVROLEON
ELIO MESSIMERIS TASSIA MESSIMERIS YIMA MIRZAI
HONOR PURVIS JAMES REDMOND
STANLEY REYNOLDS ANTONIS VAKIS
WILLOW WHITFIELD CHARLOTTE WILLIAMS RAN XU

Please remember before God those who have asked for our prayers

TAREK ALWER : SERGIO AVANZI
FRIEDA BILGER : SHEILA BRADSHAW
THEO BULKAI : SARAH DEAL
JAKE FITZGERALD : FRANK GAME
TONY GORDON : BRIAN HARVEY
HILAL KIBBARA : LEO KOYMANS
ISABEL MILNER : ROGER MORRELL
ANNIE REDMILE : MARK REDMAN
OYIN & DAMALOLA CAROLYN
TARA : GOHAR : LARISSA

Please pray for all who have died recently

and for those whose anniversary of death falls at this time

NOEL COLEMAN (May 13)
RUBY JEFFREYS (May 13)
VIOLET SALE (May 17)
IAN TAMBLYN (May 19)

Central Kensington Group Ministry

ST MARY ABBOTS PARISH CHURCH



NEWSLETTER

13th - 19th May 2018



Sunday 13th May

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST
First Lesson: 1 Peter 4. 7-11
Gospel: John 15. 26 – 16. 4a

9.30am **SUNG EUCHARIST**
With Children on Sundays Groups
and voluntary and professional choir
Reading: Acts 1. 15-17, 21-26
Gospel: John 17. 6-19
Preacher: The Revd Canon Stephen Fielding

11.15am **SUNG MATINS** with solo cantor
Old Testament: Isaiah 61
New Testament: Revelation 14. 1-13
Preacher: The Revd Preb Gillean Craig

12.30pm HOLY EUCHARIST *readings as at 9.30am*

6.30pm **CHORAL EVENSONG**
Old Testament: Isaiah 14. 3-15
New Testament: Luke 4. 14-21

Followed by Holy Communion

Monday 14th May

St Mattias

8.00am Morning Prayer
1.05pm **INFORMAL EUCHARIST 'Sunday on Monday'**
Exploring the Psalms: the Royal Psalms
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 15th May

8.00am Morning Prayer
11.30am HOLY EUCHARIST (BCP)
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 16th May

Commemoration of Caroline Chisholm

8.00am Morning Prayer
8.15am HOLY EUCHARIST
1.05pm *Meditation Group*
2.00pm **HEALING EUCHARIST** with Laying-on of hands & anointing
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 17th May

8.00am Morning Prayer
9.30am **SUNG EUCHARIST**
St Mary Abbots School Service – *all welcome*
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Friday 18th May

8.00am Morning Prayer
8.15am HOLY EUCHARIST
1.05pm *RCM Students' Recital*
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 19th May

St Dunstan

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

Sunday 20th May

PENTECOST

8.00am HOLY EUCHARIST
First Lesson: 1 Peter 2. 19-end
Gospel: John 10. 11-16

9.30am **FAMILY EUCHARIST**
With preschool Children on Sundays Groups
Reading: Acts 2. 1-11
Gospel: John 15. 26-27; 16. 4b-15
All-age Address: The Revd Preb Gillean Craig

11.15am **CHORAL MATINS AND EUCHARIST**

Old Testament: Ezekiel 36. 22-28
New Testament: John 20. 19-23
Preacher: The Revd Canon Stephen Fielding

No 12.30 Eucharist today

6.30pm **SUNG EVENSONG**
Old Testament: Isaiah 11. 1-9
New Testament: John 15. 26-27; 16. 4b-15

Followed by Holy Communion

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THROUGHOUT TODAY 13th MAY SPECIAL MUSICAL PROVISION

The professional quartet, whose splendid singing graces 11.15 matins weddings & funerals joins forces with the voluntary choir to offer special music at the **9.30 SUNG EUCHARIST**. They will enhance our worship with anthems by BATTEN, HARRIS and MARENZIO

*If you enjoy singing, this would be an excellent time to explore joining our voluntary choir, which offers a wide range of involvements:
For details, contact our Director of Music uglowmark@yahoo.co.uk*

At **11.15 SUNG MATINS**, instead of the usual 4-part choir, **Juliet Ames-Lewis**, the soprano from our professional choir, will lead the music and explore the under-valued repertoire of solo religious music. A highlight this morning will be her performance of Bach's *Mein Jesus hat nun mehr das Heiland's were vollendet* – from the cantata proper to Ascension Day

6.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG

Our Professional and Voluntary choirs combine to offer this particular glory of the Church of England. Tonight's music is by BACH, TOMKINS & PHILIPS



OUR SUNDAY ON MONDAY COURSE: 'INTRODUCING THE PSALMS'

This five course course continues this week. Within our 1.05 *Sunday on Monday* informal Eucharist, Fr Stephen & Fr Jonathan will introduce and illustrate the 5 kinds of psalm. Tomorrow we considers the **Royal Psalms**.

Join us to learn more about this wonderful treasury of prayers in which 'the whole of the Bible is found' (Luther). Afterwards there's a light lunch with time for fellowship.



2.00pm this Wednesday – 16 May EUCHARIST OF HEALING WITH LAYING-ON OF HANDS & ANOINTING

Followed by Afternoon Tea
Do join us and/or provide sandwiches or cake etc for the tea

Yesterday 12th May at St Paul's Cathedral RT REVD SARAH MULLALLY DBE WAS INSTALLED AS THE FIRST WOMAN BISHOP OF LONDON

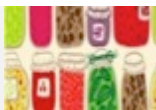
Pray for her as she takes on this taxing and important role – and for her family. This is a highly significant event in the 1,400 year old history of our Diocese: our bishop plays a vital role in the proclamation of the Christian Gospel to our City, its great institutions, & to our nation



Fr JONATHAN IN AFRICA

We hold Fr Jonathan in our prayers as he spends a few weeks working in Uganda, based at St Paul's Church of Kiwuliriza and ministering alongside Rev'd Paulson Tumutegyereze. Like us as St Mary Abbots they have a church school which he will be visiting

during his time there. His schedule includes preaching at the school service; leading a study day for the teachers on the pedagogical implications and insights of the prophet Nehemiah. Today he is preaching at **SIX** services - half in English and the other half aided by a translator. He promises a full report on his return.



Dalgarno Trust Foodbank

Our thanks for your terrific response to our continuing appeal for this vital project.

It is greatly appreciated - let's keep up the good work!

1.05pm Friday Lunchtime Recitals Return! ROYAL COLLEGE OF MUSIC STUDENT RECITAL

We are indeed fortunate to be the venue for these splendid free concerts, whose Summer Season starts this Friday. These talented young musicians cannot be praised too highly – this week: music for piano solo, string quartet and ensembles by **ADES, MARESZ, HAYDN, BEETHOVEN & WEBERN**. Tea and coffee are served and you are welcome to bring your lunchtime sandwich if you wish. There's a flier with full details of Recitals between now & the Summer break – take lots for you and your musical friends

IT'S CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Building Hope in Haiti

This year Christian aid week is collecting money to safeguard impoverished communities from the effects of hurricanes. They have already built 700 hurricane resistant homes on Haiti and with our help will build many more. Each year we collect money in Kensington Arcade from Monday - Friday during CA Week. Historically, we have taken responsibility for the early morning 7.30am - 9.30am slot. *Please sign the sheet by the south door.*



Next Sunday 20 May Christian Aid Sunday

Collections at all our services will be devoted to Christian Aid, so please bring vast sums of money for this excellent cause.

Fr Gillean's FINAL Christian Aid Sponsored Walk Next Sunday 20 May

Your aging and decrepit Vicar will indeed for one final time bestir himself to attempt the Christian Aid 'Circle The City' sponsored stagger around the Square Mile.

You should have received a begging email – pick up one of the groveling fliers before you leave church, and take a couple for your wealthiest friends. You can sponsor him ONLINE:

<https://www.justgiving.com/GilleanCraig2018>

Let's raise the largest sum ever.....

NEXT SUNDAY 20th May is the great Feast of PENTECOST and we offer our special once-a-month provision:

9.30 Family Eucharist

An All-age modern language service designed to enable the whole family to worship together. Younger members of our fellowship will play many roles: sidesmen, taking the collection, acting as servers and readers. Next Sunday's theme: **'The Gifts of the Spirit'**



Then at the 11.15 WE HAVE ANGELS A-PLENTY!

St Mary Abbots will for the first time be part of the LONDON FESTIVAL OF CONTEMPORARY CHURCH MUSIC

Don't miss the World Premiere of MISSA LOQUEBANTUR VARIIS LINGUIS



This festival is growing in prestige from year to year - a remarkable showcase of the talent of composers, singers and organists creating new music, largely for the Church of England. We have commissioned our Associate Director of Music Nick O'Neill, who of course is an award-winning composer as well as organist and conductor (he runs a rock band also, but we know rather less about that)

to write a new setting of the Eucharist for the 11.15 Choral Matins and Eucharist. Its title refers to the many tongues spoken by the Apostles on the Day of Pentecost.. As the promised official sponsorship has failed to materialize, I asked if members of the congregation would contribute towards the Commission Fee. I'm delighted to report that every last penny has been pledged! Bravo!

Some Key Summer Dates for your diary:

Less than a fortnight away now: 7.00pm Thursday May 24th

ANNUAL CONFIRMATION

Our 30 Junior and Adult candidates (see list overleaf) are now drawing very close to their great day, with a full preparation day next Saturday. It's not at all long now: book the date, support them on the day, and keep them all in your prayers – and offer some food for the buffet after the service!

Saturday 23 June

Annual Summer Fete in the Vicarage Garden

volunteers please to help with preparations and on the day and for raffle/silent auction prizes. All help contact dedicated smeventsteam@gmail.com

Wednesday 27 June 7.30pm

Vocal & Poetry Recital

Our own *Lola Ganzarolli* presents an evening of the work of Pushkin

Thursday 12 July Opera in the Vicarage Garden

The Marriage of Figaro – a semi-staged gala performance

Monday 13 August Vicarage Garden

Youth Theatre Shakespeare