Congregational Forum Sunday 14 April, Claggett Auditorium during post Eucharist coffee

Please submit any questions or comments to the Dean's EA Andrea Tadiwala by email or letter (andrea.tadiwala@canterbury-cathedral.org) by Easter Sunday so that responses can be considered in advance of our gathering.

The Dean is especially interested in identifying people and issues which can go to help grow and develop our Christian community here. If people have worries, then it is lovely to not only know about them but also to hear how they could be addressed as we build a community in which we all take our responsibility as best we can for shaping the identity and life of this place. How can we make this place sing with love and joy and mercy as much for others as for ourselves?

Free Precincts Trial - Evaluation.

The Cathedral's Free Precincts Trial has now finished, and we've returned to normal sightseeing entry.

As part of the evaluation of the Trial, we want to gather your thoughts, including what you felt worked well and what could be improved. This feedback will help to inform the Cathedral's future plans.

If you would like to feedback on the Free Precincts Trial, please send your comments to Feedback@canterbury-cathedral.org by 31st March 2024.

Clocks forward on Easter Day

Please note that the clocks will spring forward by one hour at 2am on Easter Day (31 March) – please factor that into your plans for Easter.

CANTERBURY AND OTHER TALES - Friends' Event

On Friday 12 April, author Kim Letson will be on pilgrimage to our Cathedral and we would like to invite you to an informal book reading and afternoon tea with Kim in the Community Studio at 16.00. As a pilgrim, Kim has explored the Portuguese Camino from Porto to Santiago, the Pilgrim's Way from Winchester to Canterbury, and the Via Francigina from Canterbury to Rome. Kim will read a short extract from her book, Canterbury and Other Tales and be signing copies of her book (pre-order required; cash sales only). There is no charge for this Friendly event but please email friends@canterbury-cathedral.org to let us know you will be joining us. We want to make sure we have enough tea and cake! We will look forward to hearing from you by 10 April latest.

If you would like to make a donation to the Cathedral, please use the following link:

https://www.canterbury-cathedral.org/get-involved/donate/online-form/

Please send submissions for the Pew Sheet to:

tobin.wallace-sims@canterbury-cathedral.org by Wednesday please



THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITICAL CHURCH OF CHRIST, CANTERBURY Welcome to our services for the week beginning Sunday 24th March 2024 Sixth Sunday of Lent - Palm Sunday

Canon in Residence: The Reverend Dr Emma Pennington

You are more than welcome to join us at any of the following services

Next Sunday - Easter Day

- 8.10 Sung Eucharist Broadcast on Radio 4 un-ticketed.
- 10.00 Sung Eucharist Broadcast on BBC 1 ticketed, FULLY BOOKED see below
- 12.00 Said Holy Communion Crypt- un-ticketed
- 15.00 Huguenot Service (in French)
- 15.00 Solemn Evensong Broadcast on Radio 3 un-ticketed

Today 5.30pm In our series of Evensong homilies on the theme of A Pilgrimage of Prayer, tonight we hear from Brian McHenry on the theme of Praying the Passion. Brian is one of the Cathedral's day chaplains. He lives in Canterbury. He has been a government lawyer, a General Synod member and a Vicar, and holds Permission to Officiate.

Refreshments after today's Service

Do join us for coffee, tea or juice after the service in the Clagett Auditorium.

Holy Week Reflections, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 7.30pm

We have three significant guest speakers for the first three nights of Holy Week, continuing our focus on A Pilgrimage of Prayer. The talks are in the Quire and open to all.

Monday 24th: Prayer and Gender Justice

The Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally,

Bishop of London and Dean of His Majesty's Chapels Royal .

Tuesday 25th: Prayer and Racial Justice

The Rt Revd Lusa Nsenga-Ngoy, Bishop of Willesden

Wednesday 26th: Prayer and Social Justice

The Rt Revd Rob Wickham, CEO of the Church Urban Fund;

formerly Bishop of Edmonton

Holy Week and Easter

Taizé Prayer Monday 25th 12.30pm

The last of Taizé this Lenten season takes place on Monday 25th March. The service takes place in the Eastern Crypt and last approximately half an hour. There has been a lot of interest in having more of these services and if you would be interested in helping to plan or lead them, please get in touch with Reverend Wendy as she explores the possibilities of this.

Maundy Thursday

At 11am on Maundy Thursday the clergy and readers of the Diocese will gather with their Archbishop and Bishop to renew their Ordination Vows, and bless and distribute oils for the year ahead. Please pray for all who lead our worship at this sacred time. At 7.30pm, we will have the Liturgy of Maundy Thursday, commemorating the Last Supper, with a watch over the Sacrament until 11pm. This service will be in the Nave, moving down to the Crypt for the Watch.

Good Friday

On Good Friday, there will be a short Family Service in the Nave at 10am, led by Canon Andrew, and then the Dean will lead Good Friday devotions from 12noon-1.30pm and the Good Friday Liturgy from 1.45-3pm. All are welcome on this most solemn of days. This service will be in the Nave

Easter Day Broadcast services - PLEASE READ

We are now fully booked for the **10am Eucharist** which is being broadcast on the BBC. People are welcome to come to queue for any unused spaces, but there is no guarantee of entry, due to broadcast requirements.

If you have booked a ticket but not yet collected it, please come to Cathedral House by Thursday as you will not be able to be issued with your ticket on the day.

The **8.10am Eucharist**, which includes the same music and sermon by the Archbishop of Canterbury, is un-ticketed. Doors open by 7.45am.

At 12 noon there will a said service of Holy Communion in the Chapel of Our Lady Undercroft in the Crypt. This service will be un-ticketed and all are welcome to attend.

Entry for this service will be through the North Door of the Crypt only - no other entrances will be open. Please ask a member of staff if you need guidance to get to this entrance.

At 3.00pm (please note the earlier time) our celebrations for Easter Day will end with **Solemn Choral Evensong**, this service is broadcast on Radio 3, it will not be ticketed however there is still the requirement for the congregation to be seated at least twenty minutes before the service begins, and late comers cannot be admitted.

The Easter Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter - Saturday 30th March at 7.30pm in the Nave

The Easter Vigil takes place in the Nave this year. We will gather in darkness and hear the story of the 'saving deeds of history' from the Old Testament, then light the New Fire and spread that light throughout the Cathedral. After the Exsultet - the Easter Song of Praise, we will renew our Baptismal Vows and celebrate the First Eucharist of Easter. All are welcome to this celebration.

Holy Week and Easter - thank you

Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who have been working really hard to prepare for this holy season, and helping to share our worship with a wider audience through the BBC broadcasts. Do please join us for the many services during Holy Week, as we follow the way of the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection morning.

Holy Week Retreat 27 - 31 March 2024 (Residential or non-residential)

Join our clergy for Holy Week at Canterbury Cathedral, and experience a deeper appreciation of the death, resurrection and ascension of Jesus of Nazareth.

Enjoy Bible Studies led by Canon Tim Naish, Reflective talks by Canon Emma Pennington, and join our many liturgical events, with chances to go behind the scenes to meet our skilled staff and experience the inner workings of the Cathedral.

There may also be opportunities to interact with the Dean of Canterbury, The Very Reverend Dr David Monteith, and the Archbishop of Canterbury, The Most Revd. Justin Welby. Both residential and non-residential packages are available, to suit your needs.

News from Churches Together in Canterbury (CTC)

Easter Floral Workshop, 2-4pm Saturday 30th March at The Salvation Army, Whitehorse Lane. Come and make your Own Easter Table Centre or Wreath. All materials supplied and an afternoon tea will be served. Cost: £20 per person, with proceeds going towards community work at The Salvation Army. Booking essential as there are only 20 places available. Email gavin.Friday@salvationarmy.org.uk for more info or to register your interest.

Wednesday 24 April: The Messiah in Judaism and Christianity. NOTE CHANGE OF DATE. Dan and Lavinia Cohn-Sherbok, Professor Emeritus of Judaism, University of Wales, and former Principal, West Heath Girls' School, joint authors of works on Judaism and Christianity.

Baptism and Confirmation

Last Sunday the Archbishop confirmed 18 of our young people along with 10 members of the Benefice of Romney Marsh, and baptised three of the candidates first. This was a joyful occasion and those confirmed will be making their first Communion today, and next Sunday. Please keep them in your prayers as they being this next stage of their Christian journey.