

Safeguarding : Do you need to talk?

**Are you concerned about the safety of a child, young person or vulnerable adult?
Or is there something that you would like to discuss that affects you?**

A safeguarding concern is anything that may impact the safety and wellbeing of a child, young person or vulnerable adult; if they are being neglected, harmed or at risk of being harmed by others or themselves, and are in need of protection. To report a non-emergency safeguarding concern please scan the QR code and complete our online form or email safeguarding@canterbury-cathedral.org

TO REPORT AN EMERGENCY SAFEGUARDING CONCERN PLEASE CONTACT
THE CATHEDRAL CONSTABLES OFFICE: Located by the main entrance to the
Precincts, Christ Church Gate. Alternatively, please call 01227 866237



Two events at the Lodge

Archbishops of Canterbury Through the Ages: Talk and Afternoon Tea Monday 27th April, £28 per person (10% discount for Friends), 14:15-16:30. In this talk, Cressida Williams will provide an overview of the office-holders of the Archbishopric of Canterbury, focussing on some key individuals across the ages. Afternoon tea will be served afterwards, in the Refectory Restaurant

A Day to Explore the Gardens at Canterbury Cathedral Tuesday 19th May, £67 per person (10% discount for Friends), 10:15-17:00. Meet the team at Canterbury Cathedral for a fascinating day exploring the gardens and the history of gardening at the Cathedral, including tours and talks from our knowledgeable team. Tickets include refreshments, a 2-course hot lunch, and tea and cake to round off the day.

To book, please call 01227 865350, email events@canterburycathedrallodge.org, or visit the Lodge reception.

The Friends of Canterbury Cathedral

THE FRIENDS OF CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL are the Cathedral's fan club. We are admirers of the building, its history, and its community, and we help to support the Cathedral and its work. Our new Programme of Events has just been launched and includes talks, coffee mornings, day trips, recitals, and even an annual holiday!

A FRIENDLY TALK

Divine Light - The Stained Glass of England's Cathedrals. Wednesday 22 April 2026, 14:30-15:30 in the Clagett Auditorium. Stained glass windows combine light and colour with imagery and sophisticated design to illuminate interior spaces, communicate religious and other messages, and perhaps offer us a glimpse of heaven. Visitors are often captivated by the stained glass of England's cathedrals, but few realise that it represents a significant national art collection. From one of the earliest stained glass schemes in Canterbury to mark the murder of Thomas Becket, the stained glass of England's cathedrals represents a significant national art collection and spans 900 years. Inspired by the book she has compiled entitled Divine Light, Dr Janet Gough OBE will speak to Friends about this stunning and enlightening subject. £10 Friends of Canterbury Cathedral; £15 non-members. Includes tea and coffee on arrival.

FRIENDly Singing for Wellbeing St Paul's Church Hall, Canterbury, CT1 1NH

ALL welcome – rusty singers included!

Turn up for a cuppa and a biscuit, followed by sociable singing to put a smile on your face.

Led by Jamie Rogers, Assistant Director of Music at Canterbury Cathedral.

Please join us between 14:00-15:00 on the following Mondays: 11th May, 8th June.

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 22nd March 2026

The Fifth Sunday of Lent - Passiontide begins

Canon in Residence: The Reverend Dr Emma Pennington

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

Weekend Services (Sat & Sun)		Weekday Services (Mon—Fri)	
8.00	Holy Communion	7.30	Morning Prayer (9.15 Bank Holidays)
9.15	Morning Prayer	8.00	Holy Communion
11.00	Choral Eucharist (Sunday)	11.00	Bell Ceremony
15.00	Huguenot Service (in French, Sunday only)	12.30	Holy Communion - Wednesdays Taizé Prayer - Mondays in Term Time
17.30	Choral Evensong	17.30	Choral Evensong Thursdays said Evening Prayer with Silence

Meningitis - Cathedral Update

As part of the community in Canterbury, we have been very saddened to hear of the deaths of young people from the University of Kent and a neighbouring school in Faversham as a result of meningitis. Our thoughts and prayers are with the families who have been plunged into grief alongside all those who are working hard to sustain the wellbeing and health of others. We continue to follow the guidance being offered and stand ready to offer our support.

We are following guidance from UK Health Security Agency who have advised that meningococcal bacteria are commonly carried harmlessly in the back of the nose and throat. Transmission is most likely to occur after close and prolonged contact, such as in a household setting.

At the Eucharist, you may wish only to receive the host (bread) when you come for Holy Communion. Please be assured that the Church teaches that one has fully received the Body and Blood of Christ by reception of only one of the sacred elements.

Archbishop Sarah's Pilgrimage to Canterbury

The Archbishop's pilgrimage finishes this afternoon. With Eamonn, her husband; Richard, the Chaplain; and Torin, our Pilgrimage Officer, Archbishop Sarah will attend Evensong this afternoon and at the end of the service, Dean David will bless them and give thanks for their journey, and pray for Archbishop Sarah as she enters the last few days of preparation before her installation on Wednesday.

Please do keep her very much in your prayers as she takes on the awesome responsibilities of this central role in our cathedral, diocesan and national life.

Holy Week and Easter

We would be delighted to welcome you, your family and friends, at any of our services during Holy Week and Easter, please join us as we celebrate the most sacred season of the year.

Don't forget that the clocks go forward an hour on the night of 28th/29th March!

Palm Sunday - Sunday 29th March

8.00am: Holy Communion; 9.15am: Morning Prayer.

10.45am: Blessing and Distribution of Palms with Palm Gospel, and donkeys, in St George's Street, outside Marks and Spencer. We will then walk to the Cathedral for the rest of the service. (for those unable to walk this distance, the said part of this Liturgy will also take place in the Cathedral Nave)

11.00am: The Liturgy of Palm Sunday, with singing of the Passion.

5.30pm: Choral Evensong.

Monday of Holy Week - Monday 30th March

7.30am: Morning Prayer; 8.00am: Holy Communion.

2.00pm: Mini Talk on Winifred Knights -Scenes from the Life of St Martin of Tours, with The Reverend Dr Ayla Lapine, in St Martin's Chapel.

5.30pm: Holy Week Reflection, with The Reverend Dr Ayla Lapine, and the Cathedral Choir, on Faith, using Winifred Knights -Scenes from the Life of St Martin of Tours. In the Quire.

Tuesday of Holy Week - Tuesday 31st March

7.30am: Morning Prayer; 8.00am: Holy Communion.

2.00pm: Mini Talk on Evelyn Underhill's Crucifix, with The Reverend Dr Ayla Lapine, in All Saints' Chapel. (please see the Cathedral's webpage about this talk, as it is up a flight of steep stairs)

5.30pm: Holy Week Reflection, with The Reverend Dr Ayla Lapine, and the Cathedral Choir, on Faith, using Evelyn Underhill's Crucifix. In the Quire.

Wednesday of Holy Week - Wednesday 1st April

7.30am: Morning Prayer; 8.00am: Holy Communion; 12.30pm: Holy Communion.

2.00pm: Mini Talk on Claudette Johnson – Blues Dance, with The Reverend Dr Ayla Lapine, in St Gabriel's Chapel.

5.30pm: Holy Week Reflection, with The Reverend Dr Ayla Lapine, and the Cathedral Choir, on Faith, using Claudette Johnson – Blues Dance. In the Quire.

Maundy Thursday - Thursday 2nd April

7.30am: Morning Prayer; 8.00am: Holy Communion; 11.00am: Chrism Eucharist, with Renewal of Vows and Blessing of Oils. 5.30pm: Said Evening Prayer.

7.30pm: The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday with Foot Washing (for all who would like it), Preacher: The Right Reverend Martin Seeley. Watch at the Altar of Repose until 10.00pm.

Good Friday - Friday 3rd April

9.15am: Morning Prayer; 10.00am: Good Friday Family Service, with story-telling, in the Nave; 12noon: Good Friday Reflections, led by the Right Reverend Martin Seeley; 1.45pm: The Liturgy of the Cross, with singing of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Walk of Witness to the Easter Garden. 5.30pm: Said Evening Prayer; 7.30pm: A Concert of Music for Holy Week, by Candlelight (this is a paid, ticketed event, for details of booking, see top of the opposite page.)

Holy Saturday - Saturday 4th April

9.15am: Morning Prayer; 5.30pm: Said Evening Prayer.

7.30pm: The Easter Liturgy and First Eucharist of Easter: Vigil in the Chapter House; Lighting the New Fire outside the West Doors; Singing of the Exultet and Sung Eucharist in the Quire.

Easter Day - Sunday 5th April

8.10am: Sung Eucharist, Broadcast Live on Radio 4 (door open at 7.30, all must be seated by 7.45). Preacher: The Archbishop. 9.15am: Morning Prayer,

11.00am: Sung Eucharist, Celebrant and Preacher: The Archbishop.

5.30pm: Solemn Evensong.

Easter Lilies

If you would like to dedicate an Easter lily in memory of someone who has died, please pick up a leaflet in the Cathedral from the virgers or stewards and return the completed form before Palm Sunday on 29th March.

Good Friday Concert by Candlelight: Arvo Pärt, 'Passio'

On Good Friday, 3rd of April at 7.30pm, the Lay Clerks and Organists of Canterbury Cathedral present the unique opportunity to hear Arvo Pärt's spellbinding and immersive Passio, alongside distinguished guest musicians. Performed by candlelight in the beautiful surroundings of the Cathedral Quire, it is a chance to experience this lesser-performed masterpiece. Tickets are available from the Canterbury Festival website <https://canterburyfestival.co.uk> or by scanning the QR code.



Post Eucharist Teas and Coffees

Please do join for the refreshments after Sunday Eucharist, usually in the Claggett Auditorium. We do ask for a donation to cover costs of paid staff and requisites. We've totted up donations over the past 8 weeks. In total they have ranged from £1.70 to £34.15 with the average for the period being £14.41. We know people give in different ways but may I encourage greater generosity to cover the costs? Thanks
The Dean

Spring Pilgrimage to Canterbury

April 18th 2026, from St Mary's Church, Chilham via St Mary's Church, Chartham to Canterbury and finishing with evensong in the Cathedral. Contact: Eddie Gilmore at gileag@gmail.com
www.eddiegilmore.com

Musical Pilgrimage on the Augustine Camino, June 8th-14th 2026

This exciting event is organised and led by Andrew Kelly, founder of the Augustine Camino, and Eddie Gilmore. Setting off from Rochester Cathedral, we will walk about 10 miles a day through the beautiful Kent countryside to Canterbury, then onto the shrine of St Augustine in Ramsgate. Each evening, Eddie will perform a little concert in a pub en route. Contact Eddie for more details: gileag@gmail.com www.augustinecamino.co.uk www.eddiegilmore.org

St Peter's Lent Lectures - 'Journey' Tuesday 24th March, 12 noon

This Tuesday, Councillor Connie Nolan, will speak on 'Cradle Catholic and Still a Catholic'. Lecture begins at noon in St Peter's Anglican Church, followed by a light lunch, with a £5 suggested donation for this.

Public Lecture by Christine Allen, Director of CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development)

'Overseas Development and Debt Justice' Thursday 16 April, 7 – 9pm, with refreshments University of Kent, Grimond Lecture Theatre 3, CT2 7NG, with panel discussion and Q&A with Jess Hall, Campaigns Adviser, Christian Aid. Entrance Free. All welcome. For more information email the Michael Ramsey Professor of Theology and Director of the Social Justice Network jarnold@diocant.org