

Canterbury Cathedral Community Picnic, 12.30-14.30, Sunday 26th May 2024, Green Court, The Precincts

Please join us on Sunday 26th May 2024 for our community celebration, dedicated to nurturing a spirit of togetherness and inclusion.

Relax and dine al fresco with your own picnic spread, enjoy family-friendly games, and explore areas not usually open to the public.

Bring your own picnic and relax in the beautiful surroundings of Green Court*.

Treat yourself: complement your picnic with a variety of scrumptious food and drink options – including soft and alcoholic beverages - available to buy from the Cathedral Lodge.

Enjoy a variety of family-friendly games, with Cathedral prizes to be won!

Explore areas of the Precincts not usually open to the public, including the Bastion Chapel in the old city wall.

Meet other members of our amazing Cathedral community.

Free entry: the Community Picnic is open to all Cathedral Passholders, Friends of Canterbury Cathedral, congregation members, volunteers, Becket Patrons, and staff.

Simply show your Cathedral Pass, Friends card, Patron card, Cathedral volunteer or staff card, or that day's Order of Service when you arrive. There's no need to book.

This event is a wonderful chance for members of our community to engage with one another, and to celebrate our collective identity and the shared journey that connects us all.

We look forward to welcoming you.

The Very Reverend Dr David Monteith
Dean of Canterbury

*For our congregation members attending that day's 11am Eucharist, you are welcome to drop off your picnic before the service - between 10:30am to 10:45am at the Community Studio - and then collect it later in Green Court. Please note, items will not be refrigerated, and will be stored at your own risk.

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 METROPOLITAN CHURCH OF CHRIST, CANTERBURY

Welcome to our services for the week beginning Sunday 19th May 2024

Pentecost (Whitsunday)

Canon in Residence: The Dean

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

Weekend Services (Sat & Sun)

8.00	Holy Communion
9.15	Matins
11.00	Choral Eucharist (Sunday)
15.00	Huguenot Service (in French, Sunday only)
17.30	Choral Evensong

Weekday Services (Mon—Fri)

7.30	Matins (9.15 Bank Holidays)
8.00	Holy Communion
11.00	Bell Ceremony
12.30	Holy Communion (Wednesdays and Feast Days)
17.30	Choral Evensong

Christian Aid Week

Our preacher today, Patrick Watt, is Chief Executive of Christian Aid. Today Christian Aid Week comes to an end: please visit the small Christian Aid display in the South Quire Aisle. You will find there, amongst other information, envelopes into which you can place donations to Christian Aid. Please give if you can. Envelopes can be given to stewards, virgers or clergy, or placed in the donation boxes by the south transept and the north east transept (Deans' Steps) doors.

Canons in the Diocese and beyond

This Sunday, Pentecost, Canon Emma is preaching at Elham for The Reverend Ted Clarke's 60th anniversary of ordination and retirement; while next week, she will be leading a retreat on Julian of Norwich for the nuns at St Mary's Wantage Convent and preaching for them on Trinity Sunday.

Civic Guests this morning

Today we welcome the Lord Lieutenant, Lady Colgrain, with her husband Lord Colgrain; and also the newly elected Lord Mayor, Cllr Jean Butcher; the Lady Mayoress, Mrs Di Baldock; the Leader of the Council, Cllr Alan Baldock; the newly elected Sheriff of Canterbury, Cllr Keji Moses; and the Sheriff's Escort, Mrs Carol Reed. Congratulations to our new civic officers and best wishes to all councillors for the coming year in our city and district.

Dates for your diary and news from the Cathedral and around the local area.

Helping to host visits from Deaneries in the Diocese

We have invited deaneries from across the diocese to visit and meet us all for a cuppa and cake at 4pm prior to a service of Choral Evensong on Sunday afternoons. We have offered a series of dates in 2024/25. So far deaneries are booked in for 9 June, 28 July, and 29 September. Initially we will use the Community Studio as the venue for tea and cake. I would like to try and pull together a little group of volunteers who might be willing to offer this hospitality to our guests by making drinks, offering snacks and then clearing up afterwards. It will be a small but important way for us to show care for the members of the diocese at large. Please email my Executive Assistant (andrea.tadiwala@canterbury-cathedral.org) if this is something that you could do and then we can explore it further.

Dean David

News from Churches Together in Canterbury

Pentecost Prayer Celebration – 6:30-8:30pm Sunday 19th May at Canterbury Baptist Church. Join us to welcome the gift of God's Holy Spirit and to pray for our city and region, our friends and family, ourselves, the Church and the world. This will be a high energy, joyful time of prayer and worship, and we are honoured to welcome Pastor Jonathan Oloyede and the National Day of Prayer team to join us for the evening. Doors open 6pm for a 6:30 start.

Celebration of St Augustine 23rd May 5pm - meet at St Martin's Church

At 17.00 on Thursday 23rd May, we are joining with Canterbury Christ Church University as they celebrate St Augustine of Canterbury with a special processional service encompassing all 3 parts of the UNESCO World Heritage Site – starting at 17.00 at St Martin's Church, moving to St Augustine's Abbey for a Eucharist and finishing at the Cathedral. **This processional service replaces the Cathedral's own Evensong that day** and all are welcome to join with Christ Church and the Cathedral community as we mark this special day. The event concludes with a short liturgy in the Chapter House, followed by light refreshments.

Biblical Hebrew and the Bible for Beginners

Monday 10th June-Monday 29th July, 19:30-21:00, Community Studio

Have you always wanted to learn to read the Bible in the original language?

Learning Hebrew can be easy and fun. Starting from scratch with the Hebrew alphabet, we will learn to read a few verses of the Book of Genesis. Over the 8 weeks of the course, you will begin to understand how God created the universe.

All are welcome, and this course is suitable for all - even if you are not good at languages.

Canterbury Cathedral Organ Festival 2024

Canterbury Cathedral will be holding an Organ Festival this summer, with an Organ Festival Open Evening, and three recitals by renowned international concert organists. The Open Evening, on Friday 24 May from 6.30pm, will be run by our Assistant Director of Music, Jamie Rogers, and will include an introduction to the Cathedral's organ (refurbished by Harrison & Harrison in 2020), a demonstration, and a chance for keen organists to play a short piece of their choice, time allowing. The Open Evening is free of charge and un-ticketed and anyone wishing to play should write to music@canterbury-cathedral.org in advance.

Organ Recitals

Friday 14 June – **Tom Bell** – Messiaen, Livre du Saint Sacrement

Friday 21 June – **Roger Sayer** - programme to include music from Hans Zimmer's Oscar-nominated score for the motion picture Interstellar.

Friday 5 July – **Martin Baker** - programme to include music by Stanford, to mark the 100th anniversary of his death.

Each Organ Recital will start at 7.30pm in the Cathedral Quire. Tickets for the Organ Recitals are available via the Canterbury Festival Box Office and cost £15 per recital or £30 for all three recitals, plus booking fees of £2 per recital. Tickets for under 18s are free of charge and can be obtained by emailing the Box Office at boxoffice@canterburyfestival.co.uk <https://canterburyfestival.co.uk/whats-on/>

'Faith, Hope, God, and ill Health' Saturday 20th July 2024 10am-3.30pm (9.45am coffee) St Paul's Parish Centre, Church Street, Canterbury

When we are poorly, or caring for someone who is sick, thoughts about God can be a help or a hindrance: how do we focus our thoughts upon God well?

Led by The Living Well Chaplaincy'

Worship, teaching and opportunity to receive prayer ministry.

Tea & coffee provided, please bring your own lunch. For more information & to book, email contact@the-living-well.org or phone 01304 842847. Suggested donation £20.

CALL OUT FOR HELP THIS REFUGEE WEEK

For Refugee Week this year there will be an exhibition in the Chapter House during week of 17th to 23rd June.

The theme this year is Our Home and we are creating an exhibition in the Chapter to tell the story of how those who flee or are driven from their homes come to create a new home with us.

We would be grateful for any assistance you may be able to give with setting up this co-curated community exhibition, donating items for the exhibition and being part of a team who will be a present in the Chapter House during the week to explain the exhibit.

Any offers of help and assistance would be warmly welcomed however little or large.

Please contact Canon Emma on emma.pennington@canterbury-cathedral.org.