

Notices for Sunday 7 May 2017

Notices should now be sent to **Nigel Sharp** by 10am on Wednesday for inclusion in the following Sunday's service sheet. Please make your contribution brief. :T. 01452 508214.

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Notices and Sermons on the website

The Notices are also available for download from the Cathedral website – please visit www.gloucestercathedral.org.uk/community/notices

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For Your Prayers

As a community we pray every day for all those who work in the diocese; for Rachel our bishop; for Robert Bishop of Tewkesbury; for the life of the City of Gloucester and for those who are ill. Please be assured of our prayers for the following, even though their names may not be read out in our worship:

Lorraine Barrett, Anthony Blake, Sue Blakely, Sheila Brassell, Brenda Davies, Mark Kay, Ian King, Wendy Lane, Holly Lewis, Pat Llewellyn, Ruth Overthrow, Elizabeth Reeves, Chris Sterry, Tony Stocks, Jenny Stone, Lorraine Wyman, Bishop John, Glynnis, Tom;

SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

Today 3.00 Evensong

Monday to Saturday

8.00 Holy Communion
8.30 Morning Prayer
12.30 Holy Communion
4.30 Evensong (**Saturday**)
5.30 Evensong (**Monday-Friday**)

Sunday 14 May 2017 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

7.40 Morning Prayer
8.00 Holy Communion
10.15 Eucharist with the Cathedral Choristers
and Cathedral Junior Choir
Bible Readings: Acts 7.55-end John 14.1-14
3.00 Evensong

We would like to reiterate that you should take all valuables with you when you leave your seat for Communion or a blessing. Also, please always keep an eye on your bags and valuables when in and around the Cathedral at other times.

Refreshments after the Service

Decaffeinated tea/coffee & herbal/fruit teas will be available from now on after the 10.15 a.m. service in the Chapter House, in addition to the usual refreshments.

Fill the shoes of faithful ones!

We have particularly noticed since the move of faithful Sheila Brassall, and the increasing age of others, that attendance at the 8am daily Eucharist is faltering, whilst the 12.30 Eucharist is growing. Please consider whether you have a calling to perhaps attend one of these early morning services once a week? The daily offering of worship is part of the 'core business' of the cathedral and its good for you too! The cathedral clergy and bishops always preside. You would be very welcome. Please consider this call prayerfully.

Canon Andrew Braddock on Sabbatical

From the beginning of May to the end of July Canon Andrew will be on sabbatical. During this time he will be working on a number of writing projects focusing on the identity of Anglicanism and the future shape of the Church of England. These will be published in due course.

The sabbatical will also include time on retreat and space for pilgrimage. For most of this time Andrew will still be resident in Gloucester, but with short spells away.

Launch of Gloucester Cathedral Community Rule of Life

Much thought and work has been going into the reworking of the Benedictine Rule or Rhythm for the Cathedral worshipping community of today. Over the past few months, congregation members, clergy and Cathedral staff have been preparing resources which we aim to launch on **Sunday 21 May at 10.15am**. A special booklet and material on the website will be available and introduced during the service by some of those involved in this work. But this is just the beginning! We hope that you'll wish to engage with what has been thought-through and produced prayerfully, and enrich our life together in the future. Canon Richard

Ascension Day Breakfast – Thursday 25 May

7.00 a.m. Eucharist with Choir Procession up the Tower. Breakfast will be served afterwards in the King's School, donations of £3 per head will be collected at the time. If you wish to book a place at breakfast please let Helen Sims have your name by 9am on Monday 22 May - Helen.Sims@gloucestercathedral.org.uk
01452 508212

Adult Confirmation – 4 June 2017

If there are any adults who are thinking about being confirmed, the next Confirmation service will be on 4 June. If you would like further details please speak with Dean Stephen or Canon Richard Mitchell.

Congregational Meeting: Sunday 18 June after the 10.15am service (11.45am-12.45pm)

Due to work on some of the congregational projects, the next meeting for all in the congregational has been a little delayed, but, please note the date of the next opportunity to gather after the morning Eucharist over coffee and cake. Included in the meeting will be a chance to give comments and feedback on the Rule of Life materials and an update on the work of the Stewardship Group. Canon Richard.

Cathedral Community Study Group

The next meeting of the group will be on Tuesday 16 May at 7.30pm in the Education Centre. At this and the following 4 meetings the group has decided to consider each of the areas of the Benedictine Rule of Life, encouraging us to think more personally about how we include and live with each of them in our everyday lives. The meeting on 16 May will focus on Study, and we encourage each other to come with some item, object or image that speaks of what it is that deepens our own faith from day to day.

All are welcome and especially those who've not been before. Richard Mitchell

Sip & Study

The 'Home Group with a Difference', Sip & Study, continues weekly at Robert Raikes House in Southgate Street on Tuesdays from 2.30pm until 4pm. Why not give it a try? We look at the coming Sunday's Gospel reading and how it relates to our lives, using the ancient practice of Lectio Divina used by Benedictine monks to study Scripture. This is very much a listening process, listening to God and to one another. We learn the skills as we go along, and are a very welcoming group.

Christian Aid Service - Friday 19 May 2017 at 1pm

Come and celebrate Christian Aid Week at St Mary de Crypt Church, Southgate St., Gloucester on Friday 19 May at 1pm (40 minute service).

Christian Aid Week was set up 60 years ago to support work with refugees in Europe following the Second World War. Adele Owen, Director of GARAS, will speak about the challenges faced by refugees today, alongside recent refugees who will share their own stories.

Christian Aid Big Brekkie - Saturday 20 May

Help fight injustice by supporting the Christian Aid Big Brekkie on Saturday 20 May 10am-11.30am in St Mary de Lode Church. This year, Christian Aid Week is 60 years old. Come and be part of the incredible story of the church in action as we raise money for Christian Aid's work with refugees.

Cathedral Book Club – 15 May

The Book Club next meets on Monday 15 May. The book is "Fear in the Cotswolds" by Rebecca Tope.

Gloucester Cathedral Ramblers - Saturday 20 May

The next Gloucester Cathedral Ramblers walk, on Saturday 20 May, will be an easy 5 mile walk along part of the Severn Way. We will lunch en route and will use public transport out and back. New ramblers are especially welcome. It is not necessary to worship regularly at Gloucester Cathedral in order to walk with the Ramblers.

Please email Peter Barrett at gloucestercathedralramblers@gmail.com for details of future walks. Subsequent walks will be on Saturday 10 June (challenging) and Saturday 1 July (easy).

CEILIDH IN THE CATHEDRAL - Friday 26 May 7.30-10.30pm

Come along and join us for a Highland Fling as we turn the Cathedral Nave into the setting for an energetic ceilidh. Guests can Strip the Willow along the aisles and enjoy a complimentary hog roast to the sounds of the fantastic Cotswold Ceilidh Band. A bar will be available during the evening. Don't miss this great community event. *Tickets £15.00 available from 01452 768928, Cathedral Gift Shop (Mon-Fri 10am-4pm) or on line at www.gloucestercathedral.org.uk*

PROJECT PILGRIM

The Gift of Giving

With things changing inside the Cathedral on a weekly basis, there will always be something new to see and wonder about.

This week, work in the north west corner of the Nave has started with Ellis & Co preparing to construct our new Gift Shop in front of the Brandon Trye memorial. Behind the solid silver hoarding they have taken delivery of bespoke oak cabinets to be assembled over the coming weeks. Alongside this, some re-lighting and new cabling are needed before the arrival of a new set of glazed doors. Once these have been fitted, the Gift Shop Team will be able to stock the shelves ready for opening just in time of the Summer Holidays!

Although the new shop will have a slightly smaller “footprint” than the existing one, it’s been designed with more storage and display space for stock. Our Gift Shop Manager helped draw up the “design brief” and we’ve made sure to include a number of recommendations from an external consultant: this Gift Shop will sell a range of items which generate a healthy profit at the same time as adding to the value of a visit to the cathedral.



With the Gift Shop Team settled into their new home, the old shop can be dismantled and taken off site so that we can turn our attention to the next phase of Pilgrim: the installation of the new glass lobby and welcome area.

Follow our twitter account @projectpilgrim1 for behind-the-scenes photographs and information. You can also sign up to the regular Pilgrim’s Progress blog on the Cathedral website. Please do share this good news with your family and friends.

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If you wish to keep our choral tradition alive, please support our choirs.

The Youth Choir, Junior Choir and boy and girl choristers all depend on your support

Help Cathedral music to thrive by:

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Email: Theo.Platt@gloucestercathedral.org.uk Telephone: 01452 874963

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