

## Notices for Sunday 14 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](http://www.gloucestercathedral.org.uk/community/notices)

When available, sermons preached in the Cathedral may be downloaded from the Cathedral website. Go to [www.gloucestercathedral.org.uk](http://www.gloucestercathedral.org.uk) and click on Worship.

### 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 sung by the Cranmer Company of Singers (**Saturday**)

5.30 Evensong (**Monday-Friday**)

### Sunday 21 May 2017 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

7.40 Morning Prayer

8.00 Holy Communion

10.15 Eucharist

Bible Readings: Acts 17.22-31 John 14.15-21

3.00 Evensong

Canon Celia is officiating in the Benefice of Gloucester City with Hempstead.

*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](mailto: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 congregation 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.

### **Cathedral Book Club – 15 May**

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

### **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.

### **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](mailto: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](http://www.gloucestercathedral.org.uk)*

### **Cancer Research – Race for Life, Sunday 11 June**

The Gloucester Cancer Race for Life will take place on Sunday morning, 11 June, with part of the run passing through the grounds of the Cathedral. Various street closures will be taking place, some for the whole morning and some on a rolling programme. Notices will be put up in affected roads two weeks in advance. The streets concerned include Westgate Street, College Street, Pitt Street and Hare Lane. For more information visit the website:

<https://raceforlife.cancerresearchuk.org/find-an-event/gloucester-park-gloucester-5k-2017-06-11-1000>

### **An evening with Dr Janina Ramirez – Saturday 24 June**

The congregational development team's social events group has arranged for BBC 4's resident art historian Dr Janina Ramirez to come to the cathedral on Saturday 24 June at 7.30pm, to discuss 10th century Benedictine art. There will also be an opportunity to purchase books written by Dr Ramirez, including best sellers Julian of Norwich, and the Private Lives of the Saints.

Tickets - £10/adults, £6/Concessions.

Group tickets - £35/4 adults, £30/4 Concessions.

To express your interest please see Jon Glass.

# PROJECT PILGRIM

## Changing Places

One of the great challenges presented by Pilgrim is maintaining daily cathedral life during a major construction programme.

Within the cathedral itself we took an early decision to close the Lady Chapel and Tribune Gallery but remained committed to undertaking all other construction work (lifts, ramps, the new shop and welcome area) with the doors firmly open. Our main contractor has good experience of working within churches and cathedrals and was able to shape the construction programme to accommodate this policy. Work has now begun the north of the building (nave and transept) before proceeding to the south.

Although this helps significantly with daily logistics, we must still deal with the question of noise since building is typically not a silent trade. Both sets of builders are now as familiar as we are with the daily pattern of worship but as work progresses inside, it will be “us” – rather than “them” – who must start to adjust to increased noise at other times.

This is only reasonable if our builders are to make the progress needed. However it does mean that we are now considering opportunities for later working once daily worship is finished for particularly noisy tasks such as the removal of the current safety panels in the Tribune Gallery.



Outside of the Cathedral, things have changed once more as ID Verde begin construction of the landscaping within Upper College Green. This remains the most logistically complex element with the space currently shared by residents, builders, pedestrians and vehicles. Our archaeology team are now concentrating on overseeing the main construction itself (a Watching Brief) and we have reclaimed all site materials which are to be re-used within the scheme.

With the removal of these last two complicating factors and work now concentrated in Upper College Green and outside the west end, we are looking forward to more visible progress. We are even starting to plan events to ensure that we are ready for our new spaces as soon as they are.

***Follow our twitter account @projectpilgrim 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.***

## GLOUCESTER CATHEDRAL

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### **Supporting the Cathedral**

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