

Notices for Sunday 3 September 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

When available, sermons preached in the Cathedral may be downloaded from the Cathedral website. Go to 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, Sue Blakely, Sheila Brassell, Sandra Cook, Brenda Davies, Mark Kay, Ian King, Wendy Lane, Holly Lewis, Pat Llewellyn, Ruth Overthrow, Elizabeth Reeves, Chris Sterry, Tony Stocks, Lorraine Wyman, Glynnis, Tom;

SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

Today 3.00 Evensong and Installation of Revd Guy Treweek as a Minor Canon and Licensing as a Public Preacher

Monday to Saturday

8.00 Holy Communion 8.30 Morning Prayer

12.30 Holy Communion

4.30 Evensong

5.30 Evening Prayer (Monday to Thursday)

5.30 Evensong (Friday)

Sunday 10 September – Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

7.40 Morning Prayer

8.00 Holy Communion

10.15 The Eucharist with the Chorister Choirs and the Cathedral Junior Choir
Bible Readings: Romans 13.8-end, Matthew 18.15-20

3.00 Evensong with Admission of Lay Clerks, Organ Scholar, Choral Scholars and Choristers

Visiting Choirs

We thank Khoros who are singing services this weekend.

Annabel Hayter R.I.P.

We are sad to inform you that Annabel Hayter died last Wednesday, and our thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends. We give thanks for her life and her contribution to the life of the Cathedral. The details of the funeral service and thanksgiving service will be advised in due course.

Gloucester Cathedral News – Final Edition

The Final edition of Gloucester Cathedral News will be available in the Chapter House after the 10.15am service today. It will also be available from the Information Rack at the rear of the Nave and the Cathedral Office.

Sip & Study returns!

Sip & Study returns to Robert Raikes House in Southgate Street on Tuesday 5 September after a summer break. We use the ancient practice of Lectio Divina to explore the coming Sunday's Gospel reading and, although the practice may be ancient, we find much to reflect upon through it about our lives today. All are very welcome to come along; you don't need prior experience of Lectio as we learn the process through experiencing it. Sip & Study starts at 2.30pm and finishes at 4pm.

Cathedral Book Club – 18 September

The Book Club next meets on Monday 18 September. The book is "The Card" by Arnold Bennett.

Coffee and a Chat – 6 September

The next Coffee Morning will take place on Wednesday, 6 September. Why not join us for coffee and a chat in the Coffee Shop from 10.30-11.30am every first Wednesday of the month?

St Mary de Lode – Forthcoming events

The next Taizé service at St Mary de Lode will be on **Wednesday 6 September** at 7.30pm on the theme of Prayers for Healing. All are welcome.

Saturday 9 September is the History Festival's Family Day: lots of free fun family activities across the city from 10am until 4pm, including at St Mary de Crypt where there is clay tile making, Find Bones the Skeleton Treasure Hunt and Make a WishBone art activity. More details in the History Festival brochure.

**Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust:
Ride and Stride 9th September**



If you are a supporter of the Cathedral and a walker or cyclist, or horse rider, and would like to join in

this sponsored event please see the next edition of Cathedral News.

If you are not so energetic, please offer to man the welcome 'table'. We have slots from 2-6 to cover, earlier ones already filled. Please contact Lesley B Barrett for further information on 01452 521062 or lbarrett@stcatharine.org.uk

Calling all jigsaw lovers! Friday 15 September

There will be a **Jigsaw Sale** in aid of St Mary de Lode sound system and St Swithun's Church roof on Friday 15 September 10.30am-4.00pm in the Cathedral Chapter House. Entry £1.50 to include a cup of tea. All jigsaws will be made up so do come and buy.

Gloucester Cathedral Ramblers - Saturday 23 September

The next Gloucester Cathedral Ramblers walk, on Saturday 23 September, 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. Next walks are 7 Oct. (challenging) and 4 Nov. (easy).

Fun Quiz Night, Sat. 23 September Parliament Room, 7:30pm

All are welcome to join the Friends of Gloucester Three Choirs Festival for a light-hearted evening of quizzing in support of the Festival. Teams of four will compete – come with a pre-formed team or join an ad hoc team on the night. A Ploughman's Supper will be included and a bar selling wine and soft drinks will be available.

Tickets: £14 per person or £50 per pre-booked team of four from the Three Choirs Ticket Office on 01452 768928, online at www.3choirs.org or from Judith Armiger.

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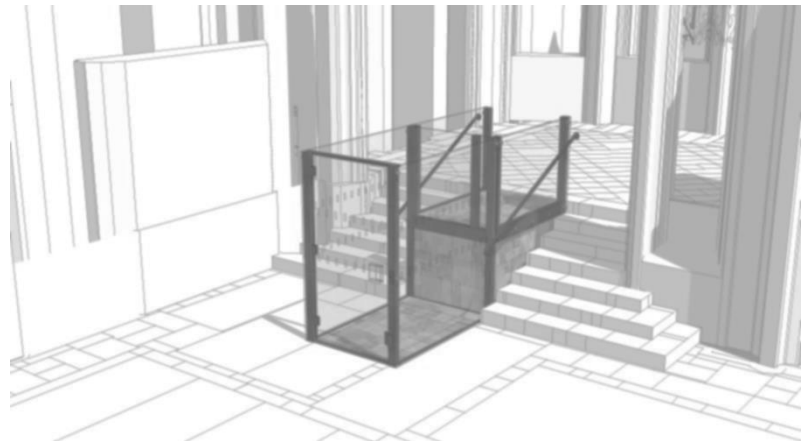
A Place for Everyone

As work inside the cathedral has progressed, we have lifted pavements, ledgers and tiles to create space for foundations and heating pipes as well as seemingly endless mechanical and electrical connections. In doing so, we have revealed previous “versions” of Gloucester cathedral – tiles and steps which have long since been built on by the former custodians of this great building.

It’s been a welcome reminder that Pilgrim is simply the latest project in a tradition stretching back centuries: we maintain the fabric of the building and ensure that it is fit for use today.

Although the presence each year of the labyrinth allows us to appreciate the nave as it would originally have been (without chairs or pews), it is hard to imagine today’s services without seating. Similarly we take for granted the comfort of our 21st century heating and lighting systems and the effectiveness of enhanced speech thanks to our microphones and PA system.

All of these more modern elements have found their way into the fabric and life of the cathedral but provision for those in wheelchairs has seemingly been slower to catch up. The removal of the ugly and undignified lift which was formerly in the north transept was a relief: those who used it reported feeling exposed,



embarrassed and occasionally angry and resentful at having to ask for assistance to enter the quire. However, its replacement with a modern lift which can be used by all has taken much longer than anticipated. This week, our new lift arrives on site and will be fitted by a specialist firm, allowing our main contractor to replace the stones lifted to install it and to extend the steps to the south. The lift itself will not be operational until October but the significance of this cannot be over-stated: this will be the first time that the most sacred part of our cathedral has been open to all independently of any help or support.

Whilst there is further work needed to install a second lift and permanent ramped entrance into the quire from the north ambulatory, this moment nevertheless remains one of the high points in our Pilgrim journey.

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.

News for the Cathedral Congregation from the Congregational Development Group.

The CDG has been working on plans for the autumn and further ahead.

It's hoped that the **Welcome** Booklet with web information will be available in September. Although we are all called to be welcoming to those who come to the cathedral worship, it would be really good to have congregation members who would be willing to act as specific welcomers after the 10.15am service each week. They could simply have a few copies of the Welcome Booklet in hand in the Nave or in the Chapter House, and be available to welcome and engage with newcomers. If you could offer this on Sundays when you're in the cathedral, please speak to Richard Mitchell in the next few weeks.

Rule of Life Group

The group will meet during the autumn to offer support in discussion, as we reflect further on the Rule of Life for each of us and for the congregation. The dates planned are: Thursday 21st September, Thursday 19th October and Thursday 23rd November, all at 7.30pm in the Education Centre. Please make a note of them and come along to offer your perspectives on the Rule or rhythm.

In order to support further this spiritual reflection in friendship with each other, we have planned:

A **Quiet Day**, to be led by Revd Judy Howard. The venue will be Rudford Church Room, set in beautiful grounds by the Church, just a few miles north of Gloucester. The date is Saturday 30th September from 10am until 3pm. Lunch will be provided at £10, but there will be no other cost for the day. Please speak to Richard Mitchell or Barbara Merrick if you would like to come along.

There will also be a **Benedictine Day at Prinknash Abbey** on Saturday 3rd March 2018, when Father Mark will be leading us in thinking about the Benedictine tradition, which has very much influenced the congregation's new Rule of Life. Further details to follow, but, please note the date.

Please also note that the next **meeting for the congregation** after the 10.15am Eucharist will be on Sunday 5th November, when it's hoped to have a Bonfire Night lunch!

Canon Richard Mitchell



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