

Notices for Sunday 1 October 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, 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 County Harvest Festival

Monday to Saturday

8.00 Holy Communion 8.30 Morning Prayer

12.30 Holy Communion

4.00 Eucharist with the Admission and Licensing of Readers (Saturday)

5.30 Evensong (Monday – Friday)

Sunday 8 October – Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

7.40 Morning Prayer

8.00 Holy Communion

10.15 Harvest Eucharist with the Cathedral Junior Choir

Bible Readings: 2 Corinthians 9.6-15, Luke 12.16-30

3.00 Evensong

Cathedral Choristers, Youth Choir and Cathedral Junior Choir

Last Sunday, the Boy and Girl Choristers, members of the Youth Choir and members of the Cathedral Junior Choir took part in a performance of Mahler's Third Symphony with the BBC Philharmonic Orchestra at the Bridgewater Hall, Manchester.

This was recorded by the BBC and it will be broadcast on BBC Radio 3 at 1930 on Tuesday 3 October. It will also be available for a month after that on BBC iPlayer webpage.

TODAY

12noon – 3pm Harvest Festival Community Event

Heart of Gloucester Community Choir will perform in the cloister garth at noon to launch this celebration of nature and sustainability. Thinking green will be centre stage at this free event showing ways we can all be a little bit greener!

Step back in time with hands-on activities ranging from grinding home grown corn, making a herb remedy to willow weaving showing how Gloucester's Benedictine Monks lived sustainably here in the past. Other activities including upcycled art sessions, face painting and information about our own solar panels. All are welcome.

Coffee and a Chat – 4 October

The next Coffee Morning will take place on Wednesday, 4 October. 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 – Taizé Service, 4 October

The next Taizé service at St Mary de Lode will be on **Wednesday 4 October** at 7.30pm on the theme of Creationtide. All are welcome.

Gloucester Cathedral Ramblers – Saturday 7 October

On Saturday 7 October, Gloucester Cathedral Ramblers will cover 10 miles of the Monarch's Way. The walk will be challenging. We will have a pub lunch en route. New Ramblers are especially welcome; it is not necessary to worship regularly at Gloucester Cathedral in order to join us. The subsequent walks will take place on Saturday 4 November (easy) and Saturday 2 December (challenging). Please email Peter Barrett at gloucestercathedralramblers@gmail.com for details of this or any future walk.

Harvest Eucharist – Sunday 8 October

The morning worship on Sunday 8 October will have a Harvest Thanksgiving flavour. We will have a special collection, for which envelopes will be available, for the Christian Aid Harvest Appeal. This year, it is supporting farmers in Malawi to achieve good crops and a just reward for their labour.

As part of our Harvest Thanksgiving, Children's Church are collecting items for the Gloucester Food Bank. The food bank currently urgently needs the following items: Tinned cold meats, fish, fruit and rice pudding. Long life milk and fruit juice. Toiletries. Please bring along any donations you are able to donate to the service. Thank you. Richard Mitchell

Monday 9 October 7pm – Launch of Peaceful Shelter and Talk by The Nelson Trust

A partnership event to mark Prisons Week 2017. Artist Johnny O'Hanlon will introduce his installation artwork. Originally exhibited in Lichfield Cathedral, the sculpture Peaceful Shelter was created in collaboration with inmates from HMYOI Swinfen Hall. A group for survivors of domestic abuse based in Lichfield contributed to the positive images and messages on the inside of the sculpture.

The Nelson Trust will speak about their work with offenders and rehabilitation across the region. Hot drinks will be available. This event is free, a retiring collection will be gifted to the Nelson Trust. Spaces can be booked via our Community Engagement Manager Helen.Jeffrey@gloucestercathedral.org.uk 01452 229838



Organ Recital – Wednesday 11 October, 7.30pm

Daniel Cook, the recently appointed Master of the Choristers and Organist at Durham Cathedral will be performing an Organ recital. The recital will include music by Buxtehude, J S Bach, Harris, Langlais and Vierne.

This is the last of the 2017 evening Organ Recitals, and will commence with a reception in the nave at 6.45pm.

Gordon John RIP

Gordon's funeral will on Friday 13 October at 12 noon at St Laurence Barnwood.

Gloucester Choral Society performing Elijah – 14 October

Mendelssohn's dramatic and much-loved oratorio will be performed in the Cathedral by Gloucester Choral Society, four soloists, and the British Sinfonietta, conducted by Adrian Partington, on Saturday 14 October at 7 p.m. Tickets are available via gloucesterchoral.com, or by calling 01452 768928 (lines open Monday to Friday 10 am to 4 pm).

Cathedral Book Club – 16 October

The Book Club next meets on Monday 16 October. The book is “Conclave” by Robert Harris.

Annual Cathedral Guides and BGAS Lecture – 18 October

On Wed 18 Oct at 2pm in the Parliament Room Prof Nicholas Ormes will give a talk entitled 'A Short History of England's Cathedrals'. His book on this subject was published earlier in the year and the Cathedral Shop hopes to have copies now it has moved. No-one had ever written a complete history before and Prof Orme means to give us a quick guided tour through the 1700 years they have are known to have existed.

Cathedral Breakfast Club – Annual Clothes Giveaway

The Cathedral Breakfast Club will be holding their annual clothes giveaway on the morning of **Thursday 26th October**. We need donations of warm clean clothing to enable us to provide suitable clothes for our clients to help them through the coming months. If you can offer clothing, you can either bring it to the Cathedral Cloisters from 1.30pm on the afternoon of Wednesday 25th October- when we will be setting up; or contact any of the people below to arrange collection and storage prior to those dates. Phone Martin Henshaw: 01452 303070; or Chris Stretton: 01452 730232; or Judith Holroyd: 01452 312623

Pilgrimage Holiday 24 September – 1 October 2018

Pilgrimage Holiday to Milan and Lake Maggiore, led by Canon Celia Thomson. 2 nights in Milan and 5 nights at Stresa on Lake Maggiore, visiting cathedrals, churches, pilgrimage sites, islands and gardens. £1079 per person (plus single room supplement). Price held until 30 November. For full details contact Canon Celia by email celia.thomson@gloucestercathedral.org.uk or phone 01452 415824

Welcome and Hospitality at the Sunday Eucharist

Providing drinks after the 10.15 Sunday Eucharist is an important part of our Welcome and hospitality. It would be good to hear from anyone willing to be on the Coffee Rota to be a part of this offering and service. If you feel able to volunteer, please call Jean Bouchard, 01452610054.

Sip & Study

The ‘Home Group with a Difference’ meets 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.

PROJECT PILGRIM

A Place of Welcome

As we enter the last few weeks of construction in Cathedral Green, details of our new landscaping scheme are coming in to focus. More and more of the paving is being laid, revealing “ripples” which join the cathedral with the city as well as a spiral which provides smaller and more intimate spaces for visitors to use.

Perhaps most excitingly we are now laying the stone wall which forms part of this spiral design. Each block in this low level wall has been cut to a series of exact measurements and allocated a unique code to ensure that it is installed in the correct location within the overall arrangement. Given the complex gradients of the space and the need to align each block to the next, this is a particularly precise operation.



The limestone has been chosen by the cathedral’s Master Mason to respond to the building itself and each block has a smooth finish with bevelled edges so that the wall provides low level seating across the whole of the top of the Close. Having previously been a space for cars, this area will become a space for people.

When the scheme is finished we are expecting visitors to use the new seating in a number of different ways including:

- pausing for moments of reflection and contemplation
- sitting and enjoying the magnificent views of the Cathedral and surrounding buildings
- meeting to catch up with friends and family
- watching or taking part in one of the many events and activities which will be happening in Cathedral Green

As with many Pilgrim activities, this space is about building on our Benedictine traditions. We look forward to welcoming visitors to Cathedral Green for generations to come.

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 is now available. 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. Thank you to those who have already offered for this. If you could be a welcomer on Sundays when you're in the cathedral, please speak to Richard Mitchell.

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 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:

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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