

Notices for Sunday 4 March 2018

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:

Philip Barlow, Sue Blakely, Sheila Brassell, Sandra Cook, Brenda Davies, Bob Hanson, Mark Kay, Ian King, Wendy Lane, Holly Lewis, Elizabeth Reeves, Tony Stocks, Lorraine Wyman, Glynnis, Tom, Bernice;

SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

Today

3.00	Evensong	5.00	Compline
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Monday to Saturday

8.00	Holy Communion	8.30	Morning Prayer
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12.30	Holy Communion (N.B. Not Thursday)		
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4.30	Evensong (Saturday)		
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5.30	Evensong (Monday to Friday)		
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Sunday 11 March – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MOTHERING SUNDAY

7.40	Morning Prayer	8.00	Holy Communion
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10.15	Eucharist		
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Bible Readings: Exodus 2.1-10 John 19.25b-27

3.00	Evensong	5.00	Compline
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Mothering Sunday Coffee and Cake Sale

After the Eucharist next Sunday, the Chorister Parents will be holding a coffee and cake sale in aid of choir funds.

Easter Lilies

If you would like to purchase lilies in memory of loved ones, details and envelopes are now available at the back of the Cathedral.

The last date for requests to be returned is Friday 16 March.

Your loved ones will be remembered in prayer at Easter and again at All Souls.

Lunchtime Recital, St. John's Northgate, Mon 5 March 12.30pm

The next lunchtime recital at St John's Northgate is tomorrow. Deryck Webb (tenor) & Jonathan Hope (piano) in songs by Widor - Chansons de Mer. Although these days we tend to think of Widor solely as a composer for the organ, he in fact wrote music of all genres (including symphonies & (five!) operas). These songs date from 1902 & are settings of poems by Paul Bourget from the 1880s. Admission as always is free with a retiring collection.

Coffee and a Chat – 7 March

The next Coffee Morning will take place on Wednesday, 7 March. Why not join us for coffee and a chat in the Coffee Shop from 10.30-11.30am every first Wednesday of the month?

Lent 2018 - Fruitfulness on the Front Line

The vast majority of Christians spend the vast majority of their waking time in non-church related activities. So imagine what the impact might be on our neighbours, our schools, clubs and workplaces if we were really able to help each other to make a difference for Jesus Christ right where we are, on our daily frontline.

Tuesdays at 7.30pm-9.00pm

6, 13 and 20 March

in the Education Centre, St Mary's Square

Wednesdays at 11.00am:

Wednesday 7 March at St Mary de Lode Church

Wednesday 14 March at the Lysons Hall

Wednesday 21 March at St Mary de Lode Church

All are welcome to these meetings and you can move across daytime and evening groups depending on when you're free.

Further details about Lent meetings, worship and activities are available in a special Lent leaflet. Canon Richard

Sip & Study 2018

Sip & Study continues at Robert Raikes House in Southgate Street most Tuesday afternoons. We use the ancient practice of Lectio Divina to explore the coming Sunday's Gospel reading. This is very much a listening process, listening to God and to one another. 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 begins at 2.30pm and finishes at 4pm. If you'd like to know more, talk to Barbara Merrick (01452 504376).

Mothering Sunday Concert by the Gloucester Cathedral Girl Choristers and Dame Sarah Connolly

Sunday 11 March 4pm

Bring all the family along to hear the first concert by our Girl Choristers, a beautiful musical offering in the stunning Cathedral Quire. For this very special concert of music for upper voices from Lassus to Britten, the Girl Choristers are joined by their Patron Dame Sarah Connolly.

All are invited to evensong at 3pm, just before the concert, at which the girls will be singing.

Guests will be treated to a complimentary glass of pink fizz after the concert. Tickets are £16, with under 16s free.

Way Of The Cross 2018

Volunteers needed to help us take the story of Easter out onto the streets of Gloucester. Theatrical and logistical help needed. Any participation big or small appreciated. See Simon Culley or email simon.culley@outlook.com.

Silent Film screening – Sunday 25 March at 6.30pm

***King of Kings* – silent film improvisation by Jonathan Hope**

As part of the Cathedral's programme of services and events for Holy Week, Jonathan Hope improvises live to Cecil B. DeMille's 1927 silent masterpiece *King of Kings*. Particularly poignant on Palm Sunday, the film retells in epic style the Easter story, starring H. B. Warner as Christ and Dorothy Cumming as Mary, Mother of Jesus. Tickets £10, under 16s free.

Tickets from www.gloucestercathedral.org.uk and from the Cathedral shop.

Please note starting time of 6.30pm rather than 7.30pm

St Mary de Lode – Taizé Service 15 March

The next Taizé service at St Mary de Lode will be on **Thursday 15 March** at 7.30pm on the theme of Lent. All are welcome.

Photos and experiences from the Holy Land – Sunday 18 March

12.30 to 2.30 p.m. in The Lysons Hall, St Swithun's Road, Hempsted GL2 5LH – presented by the Hempsted group who travelled with members of the Gloucester Cathedral community for a Pilgrimage, led by Dean Stephen. Drinks and nibbles will be served so please call 01452 723989 to confirm attendance.

Cathedral Book Club

The Book Club meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at 2 pm, almost always at 3 Miller's Green. Please let Canon Celia know if you or a friend would like to join us.

The books for the next few months are:

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| 12 March | The Essex Serpent, Sarah Perry |
| 9 April | Nag-Seed, Margaret Atwood |
| 14 May | The History of Britain in 21 Women, Jenni Murray |
| | The May meeting will be at Robert Raikes House |
| 11 June | Golden Hill, Francis Spufford |
| 9 July | The Music Shop, Rachel Joyce |
| 10 September | Gulliver's Travels, Jonathan Swift |

All these titles have been suggested by members of the Book Club.

Gloucester Cathedral Ramblers - Saturday 24 March

The next walk will be an easy 5 miles alongside the River Severn. We will have a pub lunch on completing the walk 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 14 April (challenging) and Saturday 12 May (easy).

Bishop Rachel is leading a service of Baptism and Confirmation at Gloucester Cathedral on Pentecost Sunday 20 May 2018 at 10.15am.

We are encouraging everyone who worships at the Cathedral, young and old, to explore the idea of being confirmed. Confirmation is the service at which those who have been baptised seek the blessing of the Holy Spirit for their growth as Christians. The confirmation candidates first confirm the promises of their baptism. Then the bishop lays hands on them, praying that God's Spirit will confirm, strengthen and guide them to live out their faith in their everyday lives.

Those adults who wish to be baptised and confirmed can be prepared for this at the same service.

If you or a younger family member would like to be confirmed, or have any questions about this step, please speak to, or contact Canon Richard soon. richard.mitchell@gloucestercathedral.org.uk 01452 332785.

Save the date! Saturday 9 June

Saturday 9 June is a date for your diary! Revd Liz Mitchell will be leading us in a day of making and musing on bread, discovering all that can come from making and breaking bread together. More information to follow, with a chance to book your place.

PROJECT PILGRIM

A New Normal

As we move into March we are starting to get ready for our main contractors to return the Cathedral to us. The large compound to the north of the Lady Chapel will be reduced in size and different parts of the construction will be finished and handed over to us for daily use. The building itself will have some slightly different elements than before, all of which have been designed to improve our ability to welcome people – whether they come to worship, as tourist visitors or for one of the numerous events and activities which take place under the Cathedral roof – or out in the Cathedral Close.



Last week we finished installing five new Information Hubs carefully spaced around the building to help us share different stories with and bring to life the Cathedral's purpose for our visitors. The three Hubs located in the Cloister, Lady Chapel and adjacent to King Edward II's tomb are the most interactive. Whilst the hub in the Lady Chapel is not currently accessible, visitors can expect to hear the sounds of Marion antiphons through headphones, giving an immersive experience which is true to the history and use of this space.

More immediately visible is the new Nave hub, located at the west end of the building and the first Information Hub to be encountered by visitors as they start their journey around the Cathedral. The image of the scallop shell and water will be illuminated to draw people's attention.

We have also now installed a new 'Farewell' point just as visitors head down the South Aisle to leave the Cathedral. Later this year we will have a team of volunteers who will ensure that all our visitors have had the very best experience with us and who will also be encouraging visitors to return – and to leave a financial donation to secure the Cathedral remains for future generations.

All of the Hubs are moveable but will be in place on most days as an essential part of the experience of visiting Gloucester Cathedral. Once the temporary draught lobby and hoarding at the west end has been removed and the new Welcome Area revealed, the Nave hub and the whole of the West End will really come to life – allowing us to provide an even warmer welcome to all our visitors, ensuring that they have a fantastic experience from arrival to departure.

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 Community Roll

Do you worship at the cathedral? Volunteer or work in the cathedral? Are you over 16? Then you are qualified to be on the Cathedral Community Roll. Joining the roll is a way of showing our commitment to the cathedral and helps us have a sense of belonging to the cathedral community. Why not enrol today? (one form per person)

First name(s): Title (Mr, Mrs, Ms, Other):

Family name: Please tick all that apply:

Address: I am over 16 years of age

... .. I am a regular worshipper

... .. I am a volunteer helper

Town/City: I am a Cathedral employee

Postcode: I live in property owned by the cathedral

Home telephone:

Mobile telephone:

Email: (we will e mail you with cathedral news)

Additional family members (over the age of 16) who should be included on the Roll:

Signature: Date:

By signing this form, you give consent for Gloucester Cathedral to hold your information in accordance with current data protection legislation. You have the right to ask for a copy of information held about you in our records, for which you may be charged a nominal fee, by writing to the Chapter Steward at the address below. You also have the right to require us to correct any inaccuracies.

Please hand this form to one of the stewards after the service or send to Mrs Fiona Price, The Cathedral Office, 12 College Green Gloucester GL1 2LX

If your details change, please let us know.

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Support the Glory of Music

Choral music has been an integral part of Cathedral life for almost 500 years and breathes life into our wonderful building and brings joy to us all.

In Gloucester we are rightly proud of our musicians and the quality of our choirs.

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

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

Help Cathedral music to thrive by making a donation or leaving a gift in your will or by becoming a Music Patron for as little as £10 a month.

If you would like more information about supporting music at Gloucester Cathedral, please contact our Development Manager, Theo Platt:

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

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Supporting the Cathedral

The Friends of Gloucester Cathedral comprises many different people, all of whom have an abiding concern for the future wellbeing of Gloucester Cathedral, its community and its spiritual influence. Being members of the Friends enables people to support the Cathedral in many ways and at the same time to be part of a social group which enjoys many interesting events.

Would you like to be a part of this interesting and important work?

Please pick up a leaflet in the Cathedral, or if you would like more information please contact the Friends' Secretary or visit the website.

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