

SOUTHWARK

◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

The Second Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 30 June 2019

Welcome to Southwark Cathedral.

We are a community that seeks to enfold all people in the love of God. If you wish to speak to a priest after the service, if you wish to find a corner to pray, if you wish simply to find some peace, please feel free and welcome to do so.

Communicant members of all denominations are welcome to receive Communion at this service; please come forward as directed by the Stewards. If you do not wish to receive Communion but would like a blessing, please bring the service booklet with you.

Participation. If you have been a regular at the Cathedral for six months or more, please ensure that your name is added to the Cathedral Electoral Roll – ask Stewards for details or email cathedral@southwark.anglican.org

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You can also donate to the Cathedral by texting SWKC19£amount you wish to give to 70070

Children and young people during the 11.00am Eucharist.

Accompanied under-4s: Crèche with play mats, toys, songs and stories in the Education Centre.

Reception class to Year 2: JuniorXpress 1 in the Education Centre.

Years 3–6: JuniorXpress 2 in the Queen Elizabeth Room.

11–18s: YouthXpress 10.30am on second and fourth Sunday of the month in the John Trevor Williams Room.

Following the Choral Eucharist tea and coffee are served.

E Newsletter. Sign up on our website to receive the latest news from the Cathedral. Your details will only be used by Southwark Cathedral and you can unsubscribe at any time.

Listen up!

Sermons delivered in the Cathedral are available as text from southwarkcathedral.org.uk/worship-and-music/worship/sermons/, together with a pdf of this weekly sheet. They can also be downloaded from iTunes by searching for Southwark Cathedral Sermons.

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Concerns can be brought to any member of the clergy.

Cathedral Listeners

Two people are available every week in the Retrochoir after the 11am Choral Eucharist, to offer a confidential listening ear in a friendly and informal environment. This is an opportunity for pastoral care rather than counselling.

They can be identified by a blue ribbon and Cathedral badge and will be available for 45 minutes after the service. Everyone is welcome to use this service and to make it known to others.

Today's Services

8.30am Morning Prayer – Southwark Cathedral

Officiant The Reverend Rachel Young, Succentor

Readings Psalm 64; Deuteronomy 15. 1–11; Acts 27. 33–end

9.00am Eucharist – Southwark Cathedral

Preacher The Reverend Rachel Young, Succentor

Readings 1 Kings 19. 15–16, 19–21; Galatians 5. 1, 13–25; Luke 9. 51–62

9.30am Eucharist – St Hugh's

Preacher The Reverend Duncan Myers

11.00am Choral Eucharist – Southwark Cathedral

President Canon Leanne Roberts, Treasurer

Preacher The Reverend Rachel Young, Succentor

Setting Missa O quam gloriosum · Tomás Luis de Victoria

Stand **Entrance Hymn**

NEH 296

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
First-begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong defender,
Liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluya, alleluya,
Jesu, true and living Bread!

Here our humblest homage pay we;
Here in loving reverence bow;
Here for Faith's discernment pray we,
Lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluya, alleluya,
Thou art here, we ask not how.

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there thine angels hail thee,
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluya, alleluya,
We in worship join with them.

Paschal Lamb, thine Offering, finished
Once for all when thou wast slain,
In its fullness undiminished
Shall for evermore remain,
Alleluya, alleluya,
Cleansing souls from every stain.

Life-imparting heavenly Manna,
Stricken Rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna
Worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluya, alleluya,
Risen, ascended, glorified!

George H Bourne

Sit

First Reading

1 Kings 19. 15–16, 19–21

Read by Sally MacCormick.

A reading from the first book of Kings.

The Lord said to Elijah ‘Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was ploughing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, ‘Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.’ Then Elijah said to him, ‘Go back again; for what have I done to you?’ He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

This is the word of the Lord

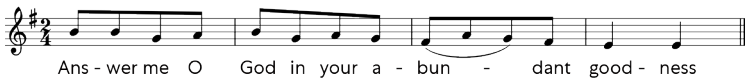
All

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 16

At the beginning the response is played by the organist, sung by the choir and then sung by the congregation. It is sung once by all at R below.



Preserve me, O God, for in you have I taken refuge;

I have said to the Lord, ‘You are my lord all my good depends on you.’

All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,

upon those who are noble in heart. **R**

Though the idols are legion that many run after,
their drink offerings of blood I will not offer, neither make mention
of their names upon my lips.
The Lord himself is my portion and my cup;
in your hands alone is my fortune. **R**

My share has fallen in a fair land;
indeed I have a goodly heritage.
I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel,
and in the night watches he instructs my heart. **R**

I have set the Lord always before me;
he is at my right hand; I shall not fall.
Wherefore my heart is glad and my spirit rejoices;
my flesh also shall rest secure. **R**

For you will not abandon my soul to Death, nor suffer your faithful one
to see the Pit.
You will show me the path of life;
in your presence is the fullness of joy
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore. **R**

Second Reading

Galatians 5. 1, 13–25

Read by Jill Tilley.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians.

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God.

Stand **Gospel Acclamation**

Gospel Sentence

Jesus went through one town and village after another, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem.

Gospel

Luke 9. 51–62

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another Jesus said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

Sit **Sermon**
The Reverend Rachel Young, Succentor

Chorale Prelude
Durch Adams Fall ist ganz verderbt · Dieterich Buxtehude

Sit **Intercessions**

Led by Caroline Clifford, Reader.

Communion Anthem
Almighty God, who by thy Son · Orlando Gibbons

Stand **Offertory Hymn**
NEH 385

Jesu, the very thought of thee
 With sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far thy face to see,
 And in thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,
Nor can the memory find,
A sweeter sound than thy blest name,
O Saviour of mankind!

O hope of every contrite heart,
O joy of all the meek,
To those who fall, how kind thou art!
How good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah, this
Nor tongue nor pen can show;
The love of Jesus, what it is
None but his loved ones know.

Jesu, our only joy be thou,
As thou our prize wilt be;
Jesu, be thou our glory now,
And through eternity.

Latin c 12th century
Translated by Edward Caswall

Stand **Eucharistic Prayer**
Prayer B

Communion Anthem

Justorum animae · Charles Villiers Stanford

Justorum animae in manu Dei sunt, et non tanget illos tormentum malitiae. Visi sunt oculis insipientium mori: illi autem sunt in pace.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die: but they are in peace.

Stand **Final Hymn**

SP 156 (tune NEH 335 *Engelberg*)

Go to the world! Go into all the earth.
Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,
baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.
Alleluia!

Go to the world! Go into every place.
Go live the Word of Christ's redeeming grace.
Go seek God's presence in each time and space.
Alleluia!

Go to the world! Go struggle, bless and pray;
the nights of tears give way to joyous day.
As servant Church, you follow Christ's own way.
Alleluia!

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
for I am with you till the age shall end,
when all the hosts of glory cry 'Amen!'
Alleluia!

Sylvia G Dunstan

3.00pm Choral Evensong

Preacher The Very Reverend Andrew Nunn, Dean

Readings Genesis 27. 1–40; Mark 6. 1–6

Setting Collegium Regale · Herbert Howells

Responses Richard Ayleward

Psalms 60

Hymns NEH 336; NEH 498

Anthem For lo, I raise up · Charles Villiers Stanford

Hymn

NEH 336

Angel-voices ever singing
 Round thy throne of light,
Angel-harps for ever ringing,
 Rest not day nor night;
Thousands only live to bless thee
 And confess thee
 Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest
 Mortal eye can scan,
Can it be that thou regardest
 Songs of sinful man?
Can we know that thou art near us,
 And wilt hear us?
 Yea, we can.

For we know that thou rejoicest
 O'er each work of thine;
Thou didst ears and hands and voices
 For thy praise design;
Craftsman's art and music's measure
 For thy pleasure
 All combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer
Of thine own to thee;
And for thine acceptance proffer
All unworthily
Hearts and minds and hands and voices
In our choicest
Psalmody.

Honour, glory, might and merit
Thine shall ever be,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
Blessed Trinity.
Of the best which thou hast given
Earth and heaven
Render thee.

Francis Pott

Hymn

NEH 498

Son of God, eternal Saviour,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Son of Man, whose birth among us
Hallows all our human race,
Thou, our Head, who, throned in glory,
For thine own dost ever plead,
Fill us with thy love and pity,
Heal our wrongs, and help our need.

As thou, Lord, hast lived for others,
So may we for others live;
Freely have thy gifts been granted,
Freely may thy servants give.
Thine the gold and thine the silver,
Thine the wealth of land and sea,
We but stewards of thy bounty,
Held in solemn trust for thee.

Com, O Christ, and reign among us,
King of love, and Prince of peace,
Hush the storm of strife and passion,
Bid its cruel discords cease;
By thy patient years of toiling,
By thy silent hours of pain,
Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure,
Shame our selfish greed of gain.

Son of God, eternal Saviour,
 Source of life and truth and grace,
Son of Man, whose birth among us
 Hallows all our human race.
Thou who prayedst, thou who willest
 That thy people should be one,
Grant, O grant our hope's fruition:
 Here on earth thy will be done.

Somerset Lowry

6.00pm Compline

See separate booklet.

Prayers

All those for whom prayers have been asked this week

Brenda Bartlet, Michael Place, Kay Grimshaw, Alison, Lascelles Alexander, Edwyn, Christine Jenkins, Elizabeth Waters, Jennifer Waldron, Alex Whindle, Hugh Dawes, David Southwell, Sarah Rawlins, Joan Lawrence, Elisabeth Dunman, Si Foster, John Noble, Elizabeth Hall, Jennifer Barter, Patricia Nebbia, Elizabeth Thompson, Robert McConnell, Dinah Kormi, Sally Hollowell, Jean Terrieux, Angie Brown, Brian Kendall, Margaret Millard, Andrew McCall, Kate Wills, Linda Scott Garnett, Naomi Shaw, Frances Goodchild, Elisabeth Salter, Nathan Clegg, Jan, Norah Shapton.

The Departed

John Tilley, Sue Adams, Martin Gooder, Robert Pyne.

London Bridge Attack Inquest

Please pray for all involved in the ongoing London Bridge Attack Inquest. A candle will be lit in the Harvard Chapel for the duration of the Inquest and will be a focus for prayer and stillness during this difficult time for so many people.

Mission allocation partners for July

USPG -

United Society – Partners in the Gospel is an Anglican mission society supporting churches around the world in their mission to bring fullness of life to the communities they share.

Nepal Leprosy Trust / Lalgadh Leprosy Hospital, Nepal

Charity rescuing children with leprosy and providing earthquake relief support.

More information and the latest news from our mission allocation partners: southwarkcathedral.org.uk/community/Mission-allocation

If you are ill or in hospital

Please do let us know so the Cathedral community can pray for you and we can be in touch. Please contact the Sub Dean, michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org

Today

Welcome

This afternoon we welcome the Friends of Southwark Cathedral and the Friends of Cathedral Music, who are jointly celebrating Peter Wright's 31 years as Director of Music.

10.00am

Becket 2020 Preparation Meeting

A group has now carried out a 'recce' of the walk from Southwark to Canterbury. We will start to put together the plan for 2020 when we hope to make the pilgrimage as a group staying overnight along the way. There is quite a lot to put in place so we will be meeting in the Tutu Room to share out the tasks and plan the preparation for the coming year. We will be putting a programme of walks in place as training. We will be looking for people to lead these monthly walks as well as volunteers for other administrative tasks. Contact Kate Dean (kate.dean@southwark.anglican.org) or join us at the meeting if you are interested in helping in any way.

This Week's Services

Monday to Friday

8.00am Morning Prayer
8.15am Eucharist
12.30pm Midday Prayer
12.45pm Eucharist
5.30pm Choral Evensong
(Evening Prayer on Wednesday)

Saturday 6 July

9.00am Morning Prayer
9.15am Eucharist
4.00pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 7 July

The Third Sunday after Trinity

8.30am Morning Prayer

9.00am Eucharist

Preacher: Canon Jay Colwill, Missioner

9.30am Eucharist at St Hugh's

11.00am Choral Eucharist

Preacher: Canon Jay Colwill, Missioner

3.00pm Choral Evensong

Preacher: Reverend Rachel Young,
Succentor

6.00pm Traditional Rite Eucharist

Things to do this week

London Festival of Architecture: Angela Wright's 'Garden Cocoon Space'

Installation in the Herb Garden,
until 31 August

The 'Garden Cocoon Space' is an art-installation which encloses objects that will facilitate discussion of the experience of memory. For Angela it will be a return to childhood when the garden shed housed a wind-up record player and in the distinctive smell of wood and sunshine Angela shared special children's conversations.

Admission: free

Further information:

angelawright.co.uk;
[londonfestivalofarchitecture.org/event/
garden-cocoon-space/](http://londonfestivalofarchitecture.org/event/garden-cocoon-space/)

Au Revoir

Exhibition in the refectory
until 27 July

To celebrate the seventeen years of exhibitions in the Refectory Gallery a group show of work by artists who have given much pleasure to the Cathedral community and visitors.

We thank them and will miss them.

Monday 1 July

1.10pm

Organ Recital

by Nicholas Morris.

Wednesday 3 July

1.15pm

Choir Recital

by the Bellevue Youth Choirs from
Bellevue, Washington (USA).

4.30pm

The University Christian Church Ringers

The University Christian Church Ringers ring two five-octave sets of English hand bells cast by the Whitechapel Bell Foundry. The bell choir from Fort Worth (Texas, USA) has a long tradition of musical excellence, and is an integral part of the life of the church.

Wednesday 4 July

6.30–8.00pm

Dean's Tour

Join The Very Revd Andrew Nunn, Dean of Southwark for this unique after-hours spiritual journey around Southwark Cathedral.

Tickets: £10, from [deanjulytour.
eventbrite.co.uk](http://deanjulytour.eventbrite.co.uk)

Saturday 6 July

11.00am

Southwark Cathedral at Pride

Whilst we haven't been able to secure wristbands for the Pride in London parade this year, as a Cathedral, we will be going along to have a visible and supportive presence on the day of the parade. A group from the congregation is planning to attend the parade as spectators, along with our banner. If you wish to join us, we intend to meet in the Cathedral Courtyard at about 11.00am (in the Link if it's wet) and set off at 11.15am. The Parade runs from 12.00 to 5.30pm and then we will be moving as a group to a nearby pub. Some people may also wish to attend the Christians at Pride service at 6.00pm at St Giles in the Field (St Giles High Street).

If you would like to attend, it would be helpful to know numbers so please email Amanda Hill on amanda.c.hill@googlemail.com. However, please feel free to come along spontaneously and we know that some people will be joining us later in the afternoon. If you need to contact the group on the day, please text/call 07762 016331 to locate us – if you want to let us have your number in advance we will also set up a WhatsApp group).

In 2018 we produced Southwark Cathedral t-shirts to wear at the event. If you have one of these please wear this on the day so we can be as visible as a group as possible. If you would like to purchase a T-shirt please let us know so we can provide details of how to order.

12.30pm

Choir Recital

by Pembina Trails Voices, an auditioned choir from Winnipeg (Canada).

7.30pm

The Merbecke Choir – Spem in Alium

Southwark Cathedral's Merbecke Choir invites you to join us for a performance of Thomas Tallis's *Spem in Alium*, a stunning 40-part piece. Our summer concert will also feature polyphonic pieces from four parts to twenty-four, including works by Byrd, Guerrero, Phillips, and Josquin.

Tickets: £15 / £10 / Free for under-18s from merbecke.org.uk

Things to do this week

Sunday 7 July

Walking Together on the Way of Christ – A day of worship and fellowship with our fellow Christians

Please come and join us for part or all of our unity pilgrimage as we learn more about the traditions of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

8am Low Mass at St George's Cathedral Southwark

followed by breakfast
(travel by C10 bus)

11am Eucharist at St Olav's Norwegian Church Rotherhithe

followed by lunch (travel by 381 bus)

3pm Choral Evensong at Southwark Cathedral

followed by tea

Further information: Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean, michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org

Future Events and Services

Monday 22 July

2.30pm

A Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Sue Adams

Sue Adams, who was a former Cathedral Warden and who had, in her working life, been a leader in developing the equestrian events in the Paralympics amongst other things, died a few days ago. Many have asked when her funeral will take place. With characteristic forward planning Sue had outlined how we should remember her. After a private cremation there will be a Thanksgiving Eucharist in Southwark Cathedral followed by the burial of her ashes. Sue wanted all her friends to be invited. So you will very welcome to join us as we give thanks for Sue's life and pray for her and her family. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

Wednesday 21 August

7.00pm

Shameless – Book Presentation by Nadia Bolz-Weber

We are excited to announce that Lutheran pastor Nadia Bolz-Weber will be joining us to speak about her latest publication *Shameless – A Sexual Reformation* which is a New York Times Bestseller. Raw, intimate, and timely, Nadia Bolz-Weber's latest book offers a full-blown overhaul of our harmful and antiquated ideas about sex,

gender, and our bodies. This is by far Bolz-Weber's most personal book yet, revealing intimate and emotional details about her life while offering a reading experience that is as entertaining and affirming as it is intellectually robust and liberating. For anyone who has been harmed by the shaming sexual messages so prevalent in religion, this book is for you.

This event is expected to be very popular and we recommend purchasing tickets early if you wish to attend. Tickets are available from Eventbrite or the Cathedral Shop.

Thursday 12 September

The 25th Anniversary Celebrations of The Society of Catholic Priests

You are warmly invited to join in the celebrations at the Cathedral. SCP was established in the Diocese of Southwark in 1994 to support women and men in priestly orders.

12.00pm

Concelebrated Eucharist

Preacher: The Right Reverend
Stephen Cottrell

3.00pm

Service of Recommitment and Renewal

Preacher: The Reverend
Dr Jennifer Cooper

General Notices

As message from Notre-Dame

Through Olivier Latry, titular organist of the Cathedral, we have received your donation of £839.49. I would like to thank you for your generosity and for your support in this difficult and painful moment for the Cathedral. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Mgr Patrick Chauvet
Recteur-Archiprêtre*

Peter Wright

Peter will retire this summer as Cathedral Organist and Director of Music after 30 years of faithful service to the music in this Cathedral and worship to the glory of God. Peter's final Sunday will be 14 July with special services that day at 11.00am and 3.00pm. Peter will finally leave his post on 31 August and his successor, Ian Keatley, will begin on 1 September. If you would like to contribute towards a leaving gift for Peter please give your donation to one of the Cathedral Wardens, Linda Hutchinson or Daniel Chumbley or leave it with the vergers. Please pray for Peter in these final weeks of his ministry here.

Massive thanks

Thank you so much to all those members of the congregation who responded with such enthusiasm to our appeal for foreign currency during Christian Aid week. Staff at CA central office worked hard to give us an

estimate of the value of what you gave – 32 different kinds of currency showing that we are quite outward facing in our families, work and leisure – but most importantly worth around £700. An amazing result, so thank you so much. Please don't give away unwanted currency in any airport but hang on to it until next Christian Aid week if not earlier!

Masvingo Support Group

Please continue to pray for our friends in Masvingo Diocese. We understand that the supply of food and fuel has further diminished and obtaining cash has become yet more difficult.

Please join us using this prayer, written by the Dean:

'The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms.'
– Deuteronomy 33. 27

*Loving God,
just and gentle ruler,
hold in your care our brothers and sisters in Zimbabwe
at this time of political uncertainty,
at this time of national crisis.
Bring light out of the darkness,
hope out of the fear
and your peace which leads to life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

Choral Evensong Survey

The University of Oxford's Faculty of Music is undertaking a three-year, AHRC-funded project to investigate the ways in which people experience Choral Evensong in twenty-first-century Britain.

Inspired by the growing numbers of people reportedly attending Choral Evensong in many – though not all – of the churches where it is regularly held, we are asking: Who is going? Why? What do they experience when they are there? And what light might social, cultural and psychological perspectives shed on what this might tell us about sacred music and twenty-first-century society?

Please help by filling in the survey at oxford.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/experiences-of-choral-evensong-survey-2019

South Bank Churches

The cathedral belongs to this mission focussed ecumenical group of local churches.

Food Bank: The Waterloo Foodbank is in need of donations this week! Please bring any of the following and leave with vergers or in the shop: cans of fish or tinned meats; boxes of cereal or porridge oats, UHT milk or juices, cans of soup or baked beans, instant rice or noodles, and instant coffee.

We are also seeking 1–2 volunteers for some Monday sessions of the Waterloo Foodbank, which Southwark Cathedral manages (9.30–11.30am at St George the Martyr in Borough). Interested? Please contact Alice Deschampsneufs or Kristin Ruby at aliced@btinternet.com and KLRuby2006@yahoo.com.

Eco Church: Southwark Cathedral is joining many other local churches in the Eco Church project to care for God's creation. We are working towards a silver award at present.

More Details: See southbankchurches.org

Welcome to Southwark Cathedral. Set on the south bank of the River Thames in one of the most vibrant and diverse communities in London, this building has been a constant witness in a place of change.

The first church was built on this site around the year 606. First a convent, then a monastery, it became in 1106 the Augustinian Priory of St Mary Overie. With Westminster Abbey and St Bartholomew the Great in Smithfield it is one of the three remaining great monastic churches of London. At the Reformation the Priory became a parish church and it remains so for the people of Bankside. In 1905, as south London was rapidly expanding, the church was consecrated as the cathedral for the new Diocese of Southwark.

As well as a place of constant witness to our faith in Jesus Christ, this church has a momentous and proud history and has had links with many famous and influential characters including St Thomas Becket, Geoffrey Chaucer, William Shakespeare and Charles Dickens.

In the 20th century this cathedral was at the heart of the new movement in theology termed 'South Bank Religion'. This movement asked challenging questions of people about faith in the modern age which continue to be explored at Southwark Cathedral which describes itself as 'inclusive: faithful: radical'.

Whatever has brought you here today, you are most welcome. Become part of the life here if you can; it will change your life as you encounter with us our living God.