SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL +

EUCHARIST

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT PASSION SUNDAY

SUNDAY 17 MARCH 2024 9.00AM



WELCOME TO SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL





ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Please ensure that all electronic devices are switched to silent.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography and video recording of the Choir is not permitted.

You are welcome to take photographs of the Cathedral but please do not take any photographs or videos during the service.

HEARING LOOP

Please switch your device to 'T'.

POSTURE

The instructions in this booklet are not prescriptive. Please sit if that is more appropriate for you.

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

During the service, a collection will be taken for the maintenance, mission and worship of the Cathedral.

Cash donations may be placed in the baskets brought around by the stewards.

If you are a UK taxpayer we would be grateful if, before the service begins, you would complete the yellow envelope provided, since this enables us to claim a further 25% from the Inland Revenue.

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EUCHARIST

Please stand as the President, Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor, enters.

THE GATHERING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you,

All and also with you.

The President welcomes the congregation and introduces the celebration.

THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Christ himself carried up our sins in his body to the tree, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed.

Let us confess our sins.

O God, you know my foolishness and my sins are not hidden from you: Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Let not the flood overwhelm me nor the depths swallow me up; let not the pit shut its mouth upon me: Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Hear me, O Lord, as your loving kindness is good; turn to me as your compassion is great: Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with heartfelt repentance and true faith turn to him: have mercy on you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31.31-34

Read by the Duty Verger

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 51.1-13

The response is:

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit.

Have mercy on me, O God, in your great goodness; according to the abundance of your compassion blot out my offences.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin. **R**

For I acknowledge my faults and my sin is ever before me.
Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight,
So that you are justified in your sentence and righteous in your judgement. R

I have been wicked even from my birth, a sinner when my mother conceived me. Behold, you desire truth deep within me and shall make me understand wisdom in the depths of my heart. **R**

Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean; wash me and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me hear of joy and gladness, that the bones you have broken may rejoice. Turn your face from my sins and blot out all my misdeeds. **R**

Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy spirit from me.
Give me again the joy of your salvation and sustain me with your gracious spirit.

THE SECOND READING

Hebrews 5.5-10

Read by Sue Reardon Smith

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

'You are my Son,

today I have begotten you';

as he says also in another place,

'You are a priest for ever,

according to the order of Melchizedek.'

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death.

even death on a cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him

and given him the name that is above every name.

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

THE GOSPEL

John 12.20-33

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev'd Dr Fadi Diab, Rector of St Andrew, Ramallah & St Peter, Birzeit

THE CREED

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray to the Father through his Son who suffered on the cross for the world's redemption.

Please be seated or kneel.

The prayers are led by Nigel Paine

One of these responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy,

All hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord, hear us,

All Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end:

Merciful Father.

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand.

THE PEACE

Once we were far off, but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood, for he is our peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Bread and wine are presented at the Altar. A collection is taken (cash or contactless as detailed on page 2). Please use this QR code or the link to donate online.

https://bit.ly/3T6o2tL



THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Jesus, true vine and bread of life, ever giving yourself that the world might live, let us share your death and passion: make us perfect in your love.

All Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty. The power of the life-giving cross reveals the judgement that has come upon the world and the triumph of Christ crucified.

He is the victim who dies no more, the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever, our advocate in heaven to plead our cause, exalting us there to join with angels and archangels, for ever praising you and saying:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

All Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life:
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessèd Virgin Mary and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

AGNUS DEI

All Lamb of God

you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessèd are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Please be seated. If you wish to receive Holy Communion or a blessing, please follow the directions of the Stewards. If you wish to receive from the chalice, please go to the point of administration after receiving the host. Please do not dip the host into the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing, please bow your head.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

All Amen.

All Almighty God,

we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.

Please be seated.

THE NOTICES

THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Please stand.

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please leave the Cathedral by the North West doors and the Millennium Courtyard. Please consider supporting us by giving using the contactless donation points if you have not set up a regular payment. Thank you for joining us. We look forward to welcoming you back.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL NOTICES

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT PASSION SUNDAY

SUNDAY 17 MARCH 2024

WORSHIP

Services marked with an * are livestreamed on the Cathedral's YouTube page: https://www.youtube.com/@southwarkcathedral2224/streams

Preachers are indicated in italics.

SUNDAY 17 MARCH THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT PASSION SUNDAY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*			
9.00am	Eucharist			
	The Rev'd Dr Fadi Diab.			

Rector of St Andrew, Ramallah & St Peter, Birzeit

9.30am Eucharist at St Hugh's

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley,

Dean of Southwark

11.00am Choral Eucharist*

The Rev'd Dr Fadi Diab, Rector of St Andrew, Ramallah & St Peter, Birzeit

3.00pm Choral Evensong

Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian

6.00pm Stations of the Cross

MONDAY 18 — FRIDAY 22 MARCH

9.00am Morning Prayer*9.30am Eucharist (Tuesday only)

12.30pm Midday Prayer

with Litany of Reconciliation (Friday only)

12.45pm Eucharist

5.30pm Evening Prayer or Choral Evensong

SATURDAY 23 MARCH

9.00am Morning Prayer*9.30am Eucharist4.00pm Evening Prayer

SUNDAY 24 MARCH THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF LENT PALM SUNDAY

8.30am Morning Prayer*

9.00am Eucharist

11.00am Choral Eucharist with the Liturgy of Palm Sunday*

3.00pm Choral Evensong

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark

6.00pm The Way of the Cross:

Music and Readings

with the Dean's Holy Week Address*

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark

MONDAY 25 MARCH TUESDAY 26 MARCH & WEDNESDAY 27 MARCH

9.00am Morning Prayer*

9.30am Eucharist (Tuesday only)

12.30pm Midday Prayer 12.45pm Eucharist

1.20pm A Meditation for Holy Week (Monday only)

4.30pm The Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Harvard Chapel

5.30pm Choral Evensong

6.30pm Compline & Holy Week Address

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark

THURSDAY 28 MARCH MAUNDY THURSDAY

9.00am Morning Prayer*
11.00am Chrism Eucharist*

The Bishop of Southwark,

The Rt Rev'd Christopher Chessun

5.30pm Evening Prayer

6.30pm Celebration of the Lord's Supper with Washing of Feet*

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark

This service is followed by:

The Watch of the Passion until 10.00pm

FRIDAY 29 MARCH GOOD FRIDAY

9.00am Morning Prayer & Litany*
12.00pm The Preaching of the Passion*

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark

1.30pm The Liturgy of Good Friday*

4.00pm Evening Prayer
6.30pm Good Friday Concert

Southwark Cathedral Choir & Orchestra

Duruflé Requiem

Poulenc Four Motets for the season of Lent

SATURDAY 30 MARCH HOLY SATURDAY

9.00am Morning Prayer & Litany*

4.00pm Evening Prayer 8.00pm Easter Vigil

The Bishop of Southwark,

The Rt Rev'd Christopher Chessun

SUNDAY 31 MARCH EASTER DAY

8.30am Morning Prayer*

9.00am Eucharist

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark

11.00am Choral Eucharist*

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark

3.00pm Choral Evensong

Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor

HOLY WEEK AT ST HUGH'S

St Hugh's is the partner church of Southwark Cathedral. We meet in our modern church in the shadow of Guy's Hospital at SE1 3PT. We are a joyful congregation from many backgrounds and communities. You would be most welcome to join us for any of our services during Holy Week.

SUNDAY 24 MARCH THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF LENT PALM SUNDAY

9.30am Eucharist with Procession to the Cathedral

The Rev'd Dr Thomas Sharp, Succentor

THURSDAY 28 MARCH MAUNDY THURSDAY

7.30pm Liturgy of Maundy Thursday and Watch

until 9.00pm

FRIDAY 29 MARCH GOOD FRIDAY

10.00am The Liturgy of Good Friday

SUNDAY 31 MARCH EASTER DAY

9.30am Eucharist with Lighting of the Easter Fire

The Rev'd Dr Thomas Sharp, Succentor

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SUNDAY 17 MARCH 2024, 6.00PM

Gather in the Millennium Courtyard for a special Southwark exploration of the Stations of the Cross. This devotion has formed part of Christian liturgy for many centuries, offering us a chance to walk with Jesus on his way to the cross, but this Southwark version links some of the key events of the Passion with particular places in the Cathedral. Sometimes the link between subject and place will be obvious, at others you may have to think a little harder.

Each station offers a vivid insight into Jesus' last day, starting with his condemnation to death and ending with the laying of his body in the tomb and as we carry the cross together, we will seek to enter more deeply into the wonder of God's love for us through prayer, poetry and silence.

PALM SUNDAY

SUNDAY 24 MARCH 2024

EUCHARIST & CHORAL EUCHARIST, 9.00AM & 11.00AM

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. There will be dramatic readings of the Passion at both the 9.00am and 11.00am Eucharists. The Choral Eucharist will begin with the Palm Procession which this year will begin in Cathedral Square (by the river and next to Minerva House, opposite the Cathedral Café entrance). Please make your way to the square where orders of service and palm crosses will be available. For those unable to join in the procession please come to the Cathedral where you can await the arrival of the procession.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS, 6.00PM

Readings, music and silence to resource us as we begin our journey through the events of Holy Week, together with the first of Dean Mark's Holy Week addresses.

GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS

Join Christians from all denominations in Southbank Churches Walk of Witness on Good Friday, converging on Waterloo Station. Our Cathedral group will set off from the Cathedral Courtyard at 10am and walk to Waterloo Station for a short service at 10.55am under the concourse clock. Everyone is welcome to join us.

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY AT ST HUGH'S

THURSDAYS, 7.30PM

All are welcome to weekly Bible Study at St Hugh's, round the corner from the cathedral at SE1 3PT, on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm. No previous knowledge required. Working through the greatest hits of the Old and New Testaments. Come to as many sessions as you would like.

https://sthughsbermondsey.org.uk/bible-study/

PRAYERS FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND

From April on the 1st Friday of the month, initially until July, we invite you to gather from 12.00pm for a time of silent prayer for peace in the Chapel of St Francis and St Elizabeth, where the Cross of Nails calls us to focus on reconciliation. The prayer vigil will end with the regular Midday prayers, which, on Fridays, include the Coventry Litany of Reconciliation and for the next few months specific prayers for peace.



THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR:

THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Elisa L, Norma AW, Harriette KD, Loraine G, Tim D, Ben A, Pam H, Michelle L, Anita H, Josie G, Penelope, Rob W, Peter, Sarah R, Helen, Rebecca, Courtenay, Lorrie P, Michael, Cormac S, HM The King, Gwen P, Nigel S, Frances, Carol F, Louis & Norman, Helen S, Elizabeth H, Dinah K, Dan F, Dick T, Peter B, Anna S, Jean P

THE DEPARTED

Helen Oldham, Hugh Dawes, John Gower, Alan Wilson, John Branch, Gabriel Smith, Linda Nichols

YEAR'S MIND

Allwyn Tomkins, Lynnette Teasell, Maida Crowe, Charles Buster, Mary Gertrude Hoblyn, John James Mordaunt

CLERGY PREACHING AWAY

The Dean (St Hugh, Bermondsey)

CATHEDRAL LISTENING TEAM

Our Cathedral Listening team is on duty following the Choral Eucharist every Sunday. You can find them, ready and waiting in the Retrochoir, behind the High Altar. If you would like to speak to someone, please go to see them after the service.

A SAFE CHURCH

Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor, is Chapter Lead for Safeguarding. Any issues relating to the safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults should be directed to the Cathedral Safeguarding Officers in the first instance:

Cherry James cherry.james@southwark.anglican.org

Helen Quintrell hmgmc3@gmail.com

Jill Tilley jill.tilley@southwark.anglican.org

Concerns can be brought to any member of the clergy.

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Children and young people are an important part of our Cathedral family and play a vital role in our life together. We would love to encourage your children to join one of our Sunday groups for young people.

CRÈCHE

During the 11.00am Sunday Eucharist, crèche facilities are available in the Chapter Room for accompanied children under 4.

JUNIOR XPRESS

Junior Xpress is for children in Reception to Year 6 gathers each week in the Cathedral and after a prayer and blessing will go for worship and activities before rejoining the rest of the congregation for the Lord's Prayer and Holy Communion. Children are warmly invited to join Junior Xpress, especially if this is their first time. More details can be obtained from the Sub Dean michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org

YOUTH XPRESS

Young people in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 are invited to join Youth Xpress for discussion and debate around Christian themes. Breakfast will also be provided! We meet one Sunday every month at 10.45am in the Cathedral Library. Youth Xpress next meets on 10 March.

VOLUNTEERING WITH OUR MINISTRY TO YOUNG PEOPLE

We are looking for Youth Xpress Leaders to support the worship and learning of young people from the age of 11, within the Cathedral Community. Volunteers will help to support and lead the session on a Sunday morning.

Find out what's involved and what we are looking for in our detailed role description on our website:

https://cathedral.southwark.anglican.org/support-us/volunteer/

If you have any questions, please contact the Sub Dean on:

Michael.Rawson@southwark.anglican.org.

If you wish to apply please download the application form on the volunteer webpage and send the completed form to:

 $\underline{Cathedral. Volunteers@southwark.anglican.org.}$

MOTHERING SUNDAY CAKE SALE

The Mothers' Union would like to thank everyone who helped to make the cake sale on Mothering Sunday such a great success. Thank you to those who donated cakes and to our very generous congregation. We raised just over £900 for the Bishop's Lent Fund, which is raising money for projects that focus on peace with justice in the diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East, and resilience and well - being across our link dioceses in Zimbabwe.

LENT STUDY GROUP: 'PASSIONS OF THE SOUL'

This year are reading, and exploring together, Rowan Williams' recent book 'Passions of the Soul'. It is a short book, but it is rich with insight as to how the great classics of Eastern Christianity can help us understand and cope with the ups and downs of modern life. The former Archbishop of Canterbury shows the cost of living in a culture that has a diminished and trivialised picture of the human self. He points to how the Eastern tradition teaches ways to develop our self-knowledge and awareness, so that we can relate to the world without selfish illusions. Only then can we be ready for our eyes to be opened to God, avoiding destructive patterns of behaviour, and become alert to the kind of people we need to become.

Please buy your own copy of the book (available from our shop), and join us from 9.45am to 10.45am until Sunday 17 March.

ROBES WINTER NIGHT SHELTER TOILETRIES APPEAL

The Robes Winter Night Shelter, run by members of the Cathedral congregation and Christ Church, Blackfriars, is open to guests on Fridays. We need your assistance by donating disposable razors, small shower gels and spray deodorants. Please leave them with the clergy or vergers. Your help will make a real difference to our guests.

LENT PILGRIMAGE FOR THE CLIMATE

The Rt Rev'd Dr Martin Gainsborough, Bishop of Kingston, invites you to join him on a journey of prayer, repentance and vision for justice in our response to the climate and ecological crisis.

Everyone is welcome, and walks are accessible to all ages. There are two further separate walks taking place across the Diocese of Southwark during Lent.

- 20 March Schools and young people
- 28 March Battersea to Southwark Cathedral

Details and booking links for each walk are available here:

https://southwark.anglican.org/news-events/events/whats-on/lent-climate-pilgrimage/

ELECTORAL ROLL

If you are over 16, baptised, and resident in the parish, or have worshipped here regularly for 6 months or more, you are entitled to join the Electoral Roll. Joining the Electoral Roll is an important way of confirming your commitment to the Cathedral. It opens the way for you to participate in its governance and to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting where elections take place for the Cathedral's representatives on Chapter and the Deanery Synod.

Electoral Roll application forms are available from the Electoral Roll Officer <u>sarah.mann@southwark.anglican.org</u> or from the post trolley which is put out at the Sunday services. To join please complete a form and return it to the Electoral Roll Officer or one of the clergy.

A SUSTAINABLE LENT

Our faith teaches us that creation reflects the Glory of God, so this year, why not focus your Lenten observance on better understanding the threats facing our fragile world and what you —and we together — can do about it?

You might like to join cathedral staff and members of the congregation for "carbon literacy training", with Jack Edwards, the Diocesan Environmental Officer which will run as follows:

Tuesday 12 March, 3.00 - 5.00pm, JTW Room

If you'd like to know more, email Linda Hutchinson at Ihutchinson36@hotmail.com

Some suggested reading on sustainability from members of the congregation:

- "Laudato Si" by Pope Francis, which provides a theological grounding on care for our common home.
- "The Uninhabitable Earth" by David Wallace-Wells, which shows what might happen if we don't change our relationship with creation.
- "There is No Planet B" by Mike Berners-Lee, which focuses on what steps we need to take to live sustainably.
- "The Future We Choose: The Stubborn Optimist's Guide to the Climate Crisis" a thoughtful and practical guide by the authors of the Paris Agreement, Christiana Figueres and Tom Rivett-Carnac.
- "Saying Yes to Life" by Ruth Valerio, the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2020. You can watch a video of Ruth speaking about her book on https://youtu.be/2ZoL8oklvE0?si=aCZVX7tD5ApOiGi5

We pray your Lenten practice can inspire both reflection on our impact on what we consume, the planet and each other as well as considering new behaviours and actions in response.

HOLY WEEK MEDITATION & LUNCHTIME ORGAN RECITALS

MONDAYS, 1.20PM, FREE ENTRY

18 March Zsombor Tóth-Vajna (Royal College of Music)25 March A Meditation for Holy Week with music and poetry

Simon Hogan & Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor

(Southwark Cathedral)

8 April Carolyn Craig (Westminster Abbey/Wells Cathedral)

15 April Joshua Ryan (Hampstead Parish Church)

22 April Colin Walsh (Organist Laureate, Lincoln Cathedral)

29 April Simon Johnson (Westminster Cathedral)

ARE YOU NEW TO THE CATHEDRAL?

If you are new to the Cathedral and wish to know more about our community and how you can get involved, please fill in a Newcomers' Card and we will be in touch. Alternatively, please email michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org with your details.

THE BISHOP OF SOUTHWARK'S LENT CALL 2024

Each year, the Bishop's Lent Call raises funds for projects here in the Diocese of Southwark and in our Link Dioceses in Zimbabwe and Jerusalem and elsewhere. Bishop Christpher also uses his Lent Call to call parishes, schools and individuals to a time of prayer and contemplation during Lent as we prepare for the joy of Easter.

The situations in Zimbabwe and Jerusalem are such that this year's Bishop's Lent Call is raising money for projects that focus on peace with justice in the Diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East, and resilience and well-being across our Link Dioceses in Zimbabwe

We are asked to give and to pray for the people of these Diocese and to give to help the clergy and their wives to get the help that they need with their mental health and to be trained to help members of their congregations. We will pray for the parishes, priests and people of the Diocese of Jerusalem for St Martha's House which looks after older women who are isolated and alone and for the hospitals and health care in Gaza.

You can find more information on this year's projects and how to donate on the Diocesan website and you can read blog posts and watch videos from previous Lent Call projects. As we spend time in prayer and contemplation this Lent, we hope that you will feel able to generously support the projects which Bishop Christopher has chosen this year.

There is a collecting box for your offering by the font or you can donate online at https://givealittle.co/c/WThovmf6961tlRsm9fTOM

VOLUNTEER MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to help with money counting. Money Counters help with the financial administration of Southwark Cathedral by counting, detailing, and logging monies from each service/collection. The team meet every fortnight and are looking to train up new recruits to use the excel spreadsheet. Find out what's involved by reading our role description here.

If you have any questions, or if you wish to join the team, please contact the Finance Officer - Meena.Parsad@southwark.anglican.org

HERITAGE WORKING GROUP: CONGREGATION MEMBER SOUGHT

The Chapter is forming a Heritage Working Group, which will include members of the Cathedral's staff, to work on all aspects of the Cathedral's heritage and how we present them. The group will support the development of a comprehensive heritage plan, working both on the interpretation of the building and on the use of the space to educate and inform people about the Cathedral's pasts. The group will play a part in raising the money required to translate the plan into action.

In addition to the co-Chairs, who are members of Chapter, the Group is seeking another member of the Cathedral congregation to join it. This person will bring a love of the Cathedral, along with an active interest in its history and heritage and the interpretation of these to many audiences. The person's skills will include curiosity, patience, and the ability to oversee a programme of research and its use. The person will require strong presentation and communication skills, both verbal and written, as well as being technically savvy and personable. There will be a requirement to commit a up to five voluntary hours a month to mixed format meetings and resulting tasks and actions.

If you are interested, please send a short note to Amuda Poongavanam and Simon Kingston setting out your qualifications and motivation for joining the group. Please email this to smkingston@hotmail.com

PRIDE 2024

We are hoping to have a Cathedral group at Pride in London 2024 on Saturday 29 June. If you would like to be involved in organising the group please contact the Sub Dean michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.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.

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