

SOUTHWARK  
◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

**EUCCHARIST**

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY 23 MARCH 2025

9.00AM

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## WELCOME TO SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

A MEMBER OF THE



### ELECTRONIC DEVICES

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### PHOTOGRAPHY

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### COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

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*Please stand as the President, Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor, enters.*

## THE GATHERING

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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

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The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit:  
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.

Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,  
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

**All Father eternal, giver of light and grace,  
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,  
in what we have thought,  
in what we have said and done,  
through ignorance, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We have wounded your love,  
and marred your image in us.  
We are sorry and ashamed,  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past;  
and lead us out from darkness  
to walk as children of light.  
Amen.**

*The congregation are sprinkled with holy water as a sign of penitence, recalling Psalm 51:*

*“Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.”*

## THE ABSOLUTION

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May the Father of all mercies  
cleans us from our sins,  
and restore us in his image  
to the praise and glory of his name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All**     **Amen.**

## THE COLLECT

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Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

Almighty God,  
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain,  
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:  
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,  
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;  
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

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*Please be seated.*

## THE FIRST READING

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### **Isaiah 55.1-9**

*Read by the Duty Verger*

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Ho, everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters;  
and you that have no money,  
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
and your labour for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,  
and delight yourselves in rich food.

Incline your ear, and come to me;  
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
my steadfast, sure love for David.

See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander for the peoples.

See, you shall call nations that you do not know,  
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,  
because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found,  
call upon him while he is near;  
let the wicked forsake their way,  
and the unrighteous their thoughts;  
let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.

For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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### Psalm 63.1-9

*The response is:*

**I will bless the Lord as long as I live.**

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you;  
my soul is athirst for you.  
My flesh also faints for you,  
as in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water.  
So would I gaze upon you in your holy place,  
that I might behold your power and your glory. **R**

Your loving-kindness is better than life itself  
and so my lips shall praise you.  
I will bless you as long as I live  
and lift up my hands in your name. **R**

My soul shall be satisfied, as with marrow and fatness,  
and my mouth shall praise you with joyful lips,  
When I remember you upon my bed  
and meditate on you in the watches of the night.  
For you have been my helper  
and under the shadow of your wings will I rejoice.  
My soul clings to you;  
your right hand shall hold me fast. **R**

## THE SECOND READING

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### 1 Corinthians 10.1-13

Read by **Matthew Peck**

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptised into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness.

Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, 'The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.' We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

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

The Lord is a great God;  
O that today you would listen to his voice.  
Harden not your hearts.

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

## THE GOSPEL

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### Luke 13.1-9

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

**All**

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

**All**

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

At that very time there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."' '

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All**

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated after the opening prayer.*

## THE SERMON

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**Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor**



# THE CREED

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*Please stand.*

**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.**

## THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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In the power of the Spirit  
and in union with Christ  
let us pray to the Father.

*Please be seated or kneel.*

*The prayers are led by **Rosy Baker***

*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

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*Please stand.*

## THE PEACE

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Christ is our peace.  
He has reconciled us to God  
in one body by the cross.  
We meet in his name and share his 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

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God of mercy and compassion,  
your Word calls us home to faith and love.  
Accept all we offer you this day;  
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

**All Amen.**

## THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

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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 good  
to give you thanks and praise,  
almighty God and everlasting Father,  
through Jesus Christ your Son.

For in these forty days  
you lead us into the desert of repentance  
that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline  
we may grow in grace  
and learn to be your people once again.  
Through fasting, prayer and acts of service  
you bring us back to your generous heart.  
Through study of your holy word  
you open our eyes to your presence in the world  
and free our hands to welcome others  
into the radiant splendour of your love.

As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast  
with joyful hearts and minds  
we bless you for your mercy  
and join with saints and angels  
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 Blessed 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

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Trusting in the compassion of God,  
as our Saviour taught us so we pray.

*Please pray in whichever language you feel most comfortable.*

<b>All</b>	<b>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.</b>	Baba wa... Notre Père... 天におられる私たちの父よ... Nna anyị... Fader vår... Pai nosso... हे हमारे स्वर्गबासी पिता... Padre nuestro... 我們在天上的父... Отче наш... 하늘에 계신 우리 아버지... Πάτερ ἡμῶν... اے ہمارے باپ
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## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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Every time we eat this bread  
and drink this cup,

**All**     **we proclaim the Lord's death  
until he comes.**

## AGNUS DEI

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**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

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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. Please do not dip the host into the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing, please bow your head.*

*Members of all Christian churches are welcome to receive Communion. Whatever your faith tradition or background, you are most welcome to draw near for a blessing.*

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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*Please stand.*

Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

Almighty God,  
you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:  
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,  
and inwardly in our souls;  
that we may be defended from all adversities  
which may happen to the body,  
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All     Amen.**

## THE NOTICES

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*Please be seated.*

## THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

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*Please stand.*

The Lord be with you

**All      and also with you.**

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,  
to deny yourselves, take up your cross,  
and follow him;  
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.*



# NOTICES

## WORSHIP

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

Services marked with a † are only available online.

Preachers are indicated in italics.

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### SUNDAY 23 MARCH ♦ THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

<b>8.30am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer*</b>
<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Eucharist</b> <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean &amp; Pastor</i>
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Eucharist at St Hugh's</b> <i>The Rev'd Alison Tyler, Honorary Minor Canon</i>
<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Choral Eucharist*</b> <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean &amp; Pastor</i>
<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>Choral Evensong</b> <i>Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian</i>
<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Compline &amp; Benediction*</b>

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### MONDAY 24 – FRIDAY 28 MARCH

<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer*</b>
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Eucharist</b> (Tuesday only)
<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Midday Prayer</b> <i>with The Litany of Reconciliation</i> (Friday only)
<b>12.45pm</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer or Choral Evensong</b>

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### SATURDAY 29 MARCH

<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer*</b>
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
<b>4.00pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>

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### SUNDAY 30 MARCH ♦ THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

<b>8.30am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer*</b>
<b>9.00am</b>	<b>Eucharist</b> <i>Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor</i>
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Eucharist at St Hugh's</b> <i>The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark</i>
<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Choral Eucharist*</b> <i>Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor</i>
<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>Choral Evensong</b> <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean &amp; Pastor</i>
<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Compline</b> †

## CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

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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 5 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](mailto:michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org)

### YOUTH XPRESS

Young people in Years 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are invited to join Youth Xpress for discussion and debate around Christian themes. Breakfast is provided. We meet one Sunday every month at 10.45am in the Cathedral Library.

## CATHEDRAL LISTENING TEAM

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Would you like to talk to someone confidentially? Is something/one on your heart? The Cathedral Listening team are volunteers, who sit in the Retrochoir behind the High Altar after the Choral Eucharist on a Sunday, ready to listen to anyone who would like to talk in confidence. They are available from after the service until 1.00pm. If you would like to talk to a Cathedral Listener, please approach them directly or sit nearby if they are already occupied.

## GIVING TO THE CATHEDRAL

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The Sub Dean will lead a Q&A session on the Parish Giving Scheme after the 11.00am Choral Eucharist on Palm Sunday, 13 March. Everyone is welcome!

Everyone should have received an email about joining the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) as a new way of giving to the Cathedral on a regular basis. We are encouraging everyone to move to this improved system. If you need any help signing up online or if you would prefer to have a paper copy of the application form please speak with our wardens, Linda and Daniel or contact Canon Michael Rawson.

You can sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/bdzdpuhp>

You will need your personal bank account details; the name of our parish: **Southwark Cathedral**; the PGS code for our parish: **370637001**; and whether you are eligible for Gift Aid.

## A SAFE CHURCH

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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](mailto:cherry.james@southwark.anglican.org)

**Helen Quintrell** [hmqmc3@gmail.com](mailto:hmqmc3@gmail.com)

**Jill Tilley** [jill.tilley@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:jill.tilley@southwark.anglican.org)

Concerns can be brought to any member of the clergy.

## ELECTORAL ROLL REVISION 2025

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The complete revision of the Electoral Roll has begun. In order to apply to join the Roll you must fill in an application form either [electronically](#) or by picking up and completing a paper form from the back of the Nave. Electoral Roll Champions will be on duty after the main Sunday services for the next few weeks to help you. There are boxes for the collection of completed forms at the back of the Nave. If you have any questions, please contact the Electoral Roll Officer [sarah.mann@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:sarah.mann@southwark.anglican.org)

Applications will be accepted up until 13 April 2025 when the Roll closes. It will reopen after the annual meeting.

## WHAT IS MODERN SLAVERY? WHAT CAN I DO ABOUT IT?

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**SUNDAY 4 MAY, 9.45AM**

An introductory training session (1 hour) in the Library, for members of the congregation and Cathedral volunteers. All are welcome to come and learn about this year's social justice focus. This will be led by Babette Clarke from Hestia, our partner charity. This is an accessible introduction offered to increase our awareness – please join us.

## VISIT FROM BERGEN CATHEDRAL

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We are looking forward to welcoming a group from our linked Cathedral in Bergen over the weekend of 9 – 11 May. We hope to be able to arrange for some of our visitors to stay with members of the congregation during their visit. This can be an enriching experience, and has led to some close friendships in the past. Norwegians tend to speak very good English so language is not a problem. If you would like to offer some warm Southwark hospitality, please could you let Frances Hiller or Canon Michael Rawson know.

## ORGAN RECITALS

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### MONDAYS, 1.20PM

- 24 March**      **Paul Greally (Westminster Abbey)**  
*performing a programme of Bach, Brahms and Dupré.*
- 31 March**      **Hilary Punnett (London)**
- 7 April**        **Victoria Ulriksen (Norway)**
- 13 April (Sunday)** **Holy Week Meditation, given by James Gough and Kathryn Fleming**  
*Music by Bach, Dupré, Duruflé, Hakim, Messiaen & Tournemire.*
- 14 April**      **Charles Spanner (Dover)**
- 21 April**      **Easter Spectacular, performed by Simon Hogan**  
*A festive recital of organ favourites.*

## LENT STUDY SESSIONS

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### SUNDAYS, 9.45AM

We are going to be exploring parts of Tarry Awhile by Selina Stone during Lent. Sessions take place throughout Lent at 9.45am on Sundays.

We hope that people will want to read all of this rich book but realise that this may not be possible. So, each week we will choose a section that we will explore together.

Don't worry if you can't read all the material we suggest as we will offer a summary of the sections at the beginning of our discussion of each of them so that we can explore the themes raised together.

### TARRY AWHILE, SUNDAY 30 MARCH

For the last session on this book we will look at **Chapter 6 – Healing** (pp. 127-152). Please read the whole chapter if at all possible but we will focus particularly on the sections Shared Pain and Healing Together (pp. 142-152).

Please do join us. The book can be purchased from the Cathedral shop.

## CONFIRMATION GROUP

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### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN EXPLORING THE CHRISTIAN FAITH?

Our **Youth Confirmation Group** for young people in years 7 and above will begin on 4 May at 4.15pm for six weeks with the Confirmation on the Eve of Pentecost, Saturday 7 June.

For more details and to register your interest please contact the Sub Dean, [michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org)

## THANK YOU FOR USING THE QR CODES FOR SERVICE SHEETS

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We are really grateful to all those who are accessing the Sunday service sheets on their phone or device via the QR codes. This is an important part of our mission to reduce paper consumption and printing in our aspiration to care for the environment and achieve the Eco Church Gold Award. We will always ensure that there are paper copies of service sheets for those who want them. If you haven't yet tried the QR codes we would encourage you to ask a Steward and use the download.

## SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL PODCAST

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### THE WORLD NEEDS MORE POETRY!

The first programme in a short podcast series called The World Needs More Poetry! is now available. The series asks invited guests to choose a favourite poem and then chat to the Dean about why it is important to them. The series begins with Stella Kanu, Chief Executive of Shakespeare's Globe, who has chosen Roger Robinson's 'A Portable Paradise'.

### THE NAZI MIND: 12 WARNINGS FROM HISTORY

In the Cathedral's latest podcast, the Dean, Mark Oakley, discusses Laurence Rees's latest book, 'The Nazi Mind: 12 Warnings from History', with the author. It is a book which combines history and the latest research in psychology to help answer some of the most perplexing questions surrounding the Second World War and the Holocaust. Ultimately, he delves into the darkness to explain how and why people were capable of committing such abhorrent crimes. Rees traces the rise and eventual fall of the Nazis through the lens of 'twelve warnings' – from talk about 'them' and 'us' to the escalation of racism – whilst also highlighting signs to look out for in present day leaders.

Each podcast will be 30 minutes long and the first may be found here: [The Southwark Cathedral Podcast: Southwark Cathedral](#). Subscribe via our YouTube channel and Apple podcasts, or listen on our website.

## THE BISHOP OF SOUTHWARK'S LENT CALL

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This year the Bishop of Southwark's Lent Call focuses on calling people to pray for and raise money for projects that help children and young people recover from trauma and which encourage their mental health in our Link Dioceses of Jerusalem and the Middle East, in Zimbabwe and here in our own diocese. <https://tinyurl.com/sfrant83>

Please do pray for them and consider giving at <https://tinyurl.com/ycm7ay44>

## ARE YOU NEW TO THE CATHEDRAL?

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We would love to get to know you, so please complete a Newcomer form, available from the stewards or contact the Sub Dean [michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org](mailto:michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org)

## SILENT PRAYER GROUP

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On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month there is an opportunity to join others in silent, contemplative prayer. It is an opportunity to be attentive to the peace and reconciling presence of God's love. The group meets in the Library at 9.45am for a 9.55am start. All are welcome to attend.

## LONDON MARATHON

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Amine, a member of the Comptoir Gourmand team in the Cathedral Café, is running the London Marathon in support of Children with Cancer UK. You may like to sponsor him at <https://2025tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/amine-firouchane>

## LENT ARTWORK: BEHOLD THE MAN

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Our Lent artwork, Behold the Man by Norman Adams, is now on display in the Sanctuary.

Behold the Man can be contrasted with Adams' [Christ's Entry into Jerusalem](#). Following that jubilant occasion, we see a man in the hands of his enemies.

The face of Christ was a constant theme for Adams. He had two distinct ways of portraying him: as the cosmic Christ or, as here, the man of sorrows. We see Jesus preparing for immense suffering. Beneath the flame-coloured crown of thorns, his face is imprisoned behind bars, or perhaps the cross itself. Although the colours are bright, his eyes are dark, blinded by crosses. The painting's diamond shape resembles an opened-out envelope: something to convey a message perhaps?

The Passion was a common theme for Adams for fifty years. Early versions showed the whole Christ and were more formal. This painting is different. Here we look directly into the face of suffering – we behold the man.

The Dean says of the painting, 'The beauty of art is that sometimes, although we don't feel we understand it, we nevertheless sense that it understands us. To spend time with Adams' "Behold the Man" is to immerse ourselves in the suffering of Jesus, but it is also to see within ourselves something of the trials we undergo, and the prisons we are capable of putting others in, beholding, as it were, the shadows of humanity. I hope you'll find yourself drawn in to this work over the coming weeks of Lent'.

Norman Edward Albert Adams (9 February 1927 – 9 March 2005) was a British artist, and professor of painting at the Royal Academy Schools. He was married to the English poet and artist Anna Adams (1926–2011).

Visitors are invited to write a short, written response in the visitors' book.

Copies of Seeing the Spiritual, books of postcards and posters of the painting are on sale in the Cathedral Shop.

## **MOTHERING SUNDAY CAKE SALE**

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For all bakers and lovers of cake the Mothers' Union would like to invite you to a cake sale after the 11am service on the 30<sup>th</sup> March in the South Transept. Donations of cakes would be very welcome and the money raised will be donated to a toilet twinning scheme in Zimbabwe, as well as supporting the Bishop's Lent Appeal.

<https://www.toilettwining.org>

## **ROBES WINTER NIGHT SHELTER**

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### **CHRISTCHURCH, BLACKFRIARS**

A huge thank you from the guests and volunteers staffing the Robes Shelter at Christchurch, Blackfriars for your very generous donations of clothing and toiletries. We have been hosting guests at the shelter on Friday nights from the beginning of January and it will close for this season on Friday 28 March.

Dan, Ross and Neil the Team Leaders would like to say a big thank you to the volunteers for their time, commitment and desire to make a difference in a practical way, demonstrating kindness and hospitality.

Robes is a key part of delivering the Cathedral's strategic vision. We make space for our guests to pause and take stock and give a hand with the very practical support of food, showers and a warm place to sleep. With these basic human needs met our guests can begin to focus on moving forward and moving away from a life on the streets. Thank you!

## **SAVE THE DATE**

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### **FRIDAY 29 AUGUST 2025, 4.00PM**

Michael and Neil would be delighted if you are free to join them for Evensong at 4.00pm on Friday 29 August 2025, following their Civil Partnership and for a glass of fizz after the service.

## **WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY AT ST HUGH'S**

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### **THURSDAYS, 7.30PM**

The Thursday Bible Study at St Hugh's, Bermondsey SE1 3PT is inclusive, friendly and perfect for beginners or growing your confidence. Contact Bukky Omisakim for more information: <https://sthughsbermondsey.org.uk/bible-study/>

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## PRAYER LIST

### THE SICK

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Diane P, Christopher KD, Theodora M, Caroline W, Richard R, Mo, Pamela H, Helen L, Alan P, Zak, Tom, Bri, Alan BF, Sister Sue, Pippa R, Larisa, Donna, Charles Andrew L, Caroline C, Debbie L, Roger A, Anne S, Cathy P, Emily P, Pope Francis, Helen S, Roxanne W, Pam M, Jean P, John R, Elizabeth H, Sally P, Maurice D, Amanda E, Dinah K, Sarah R, David H, Lizzie G, Benjamin, Hannah C

### THE DEPARTED

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Lucy Beurklian, Alan Young, Michael Oyo, Simon Lindley, Ben A, Marie Novello Bruntnell, Michael Timms, Tim D

### YEAR'S MIND

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John James Mordaunt, Mark Paul Grundy, Leslie Menhinick, Bert Stokes, John Trevor Williams

### CLERGY AWAY

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Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian (St Augustine, Grove Park)

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark (St Philip, Norbury)

Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer (St Stephen & St Thomas, Telford Park)







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# SOUTHWARK

## ◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

**making space for love**  
with heart, mind, and soul

It is good to welcome you 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 ('over-the-river'). 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.

The Cathedral has a momentous and significant history and has had links with many famous and influential characters including St Thomas Becket, Geoffrey Chaucer, William Shakespeare and Charles Dickens. It has also been a Cathedral for those who feel on the edges of faith or society, our welcome reaching out to all people in their beautiful God-given diversity.

Here, our Christian faith is captured in our vision to 'make space for love: with heart, mind, and soul'. Faith requires our hearts to stand up for social justice, upholding integrity and kindness, and supporting the vulnerable and oppressed. It challenges our thinking, inviting our minds to be enquiring, honest, and generous. Faith also seeks to deepen our inner lives, with the arts and creativity, by sharing in the life of our community, and by learning the arts of prayer and attention. In Jesus Christ we see the human face of God, and our faith in him is our joy and our life.

We really hope you enjoy being here with us today and that we will see you again very soon.

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