

# 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Lent

## Racial Justice Sunday

Information and Notices for the week beginning 10 February 2019



## Welcome to Birmingham Cathedral

In the name of Jesus Christ, we offer you a very warm welcome to this act of worship. God's greatest gift to the world is fullness of life in Christ, and it is our hope and prayer that you will experience something of God's love through this service. If you are a visitor or newcomer, please do introduce yourself to one of the clergy or wardens.

**Communicant** members of all denominations are welcome to receive Communion; please come forward as directed by the Stewards. If you do not wish to receive Communion but would like a blessing, you are warmly invited to come to the altar rail; please bring this service booklet with you. Gluten-free wafers are available on request.

**Please look after your belongings at all times.** Regrettably, like any public building, we experience occasional thefts.

**Gift Aid** envelopes are available in the back of seats for use by UK tax payers. This enables us to increase your donation by a further 25% at no cost to you. You can also donate through [www.justgiving.com/birminghamcathedral](http://www.justgiving.com/birminghamcathedral) or by sending a text to 70070. In the body of the text you need to put CATH01 (CATH zero one) followed by the amount you wish to donate e.g. CATH01 £5. Thank you.

### Planned Giving

If you give by bank standing order, please pick up a yellow offertory card at the back of the cathedral when you arrive for the service. Putting these in the offertory bag helps to prevent embarrassment on the part of the planned giver and is customary practice for those who choose to give in this way. Anyone wanting information about how to join the Planned Giving Scheme should speak to Canon Dr Terry Slater (he has a badge).

**Children's Church** meets during the I I am Eucharist in the undercroft from the Gloria until the Peace. All children are welcome and they are asked to join the leaders at the back of church during the Gloria. Parents of children under four years of age are required to bring them down to the undercroft and if they are preschool to stay with their child for at least their first few visits. Once a preschool child is willing to stay on their own we ask parents to come and collect them at the Peace.

### Following the I I am Eucharist

tea and coffee are served at the back of the cathedral. Do join us if you are able, particularly if you are new to the congregation or visiting us for the first time. We would encourage you to bring a re-usable cup to support our continued efforts to strive for sustainability and decrease our environmental impact.

# Today's services

## 9.00am Holy Communion

*The Reverend Dr Sharon Prentis*

## 11am Choral Eucharist *Boys and Lower Voices*

Readings: *Isaiah 6.1-8; 1 Corinthians 15.1-11; Luke 5.1-11*

President: *The Reverend Canon Nigel Hand*

Preacher: *The Reverend Dr Sharon Prentis*

## 3.30pm Choral Evensong *Girls and Lower Voices*

*The Reverend Canon Nigel Hand*

# Notices

**'Be still and know that I am God: helping people into silence'** is an open meeting organised by the Birmingham Forum for Spiritual Directors and Companions, for all who might like to pray with silence but would welcome some guidance, help or encouragement. It is open to anyone, 7.15–9.15pm on Wednesday 27 February at St Luke's Church, Great Colmore Street, Birmingham B15 2AT. If you would like to come or have any queries, please contact [sdforum@birminghamchurches.org.uk](mailto:sdforum@birminghamchurches.org.uk).

The **Cathedral Electoral Roll** is due for renewal. This process begins today and needs to be completed before the Annual Church Meetings. This year, a general revision of the roll must be undertaken. Therefore, everyone who is currently on the roll and other regular worshippers who would like to join the roll will need to complete a new form. Forms will be available from Mary Trumper (Electoral Roll Officer) or the Church Wardens from today and need to be returned by 10 March. Thank you for your assistance.

There is a **residential silent retreat weekend** in the Ignatian tradition, conducted in silence with experienced guides to work alongside you as you pray with scripture and other aides. Entitled "Jesus gives freedom" the retreat is at Shallowford House, Stone, Staffordshire 31 May to 2 June. There are also individually-guided retreats available in the Gower Peninsula. For further information, contact the Reverend Rob Hingley on 0121 777 2171 or [rob.hingley@btinternet.com](mailto:rob.hingley@btinternet.com).

**Fr. Henry Burgess**, who used to assist with healing services at the Cathedral, sadly died on 26 January. He will be received into Emmanuel Church, Wylde Green on Friday 22 February at 4pm, followed by Evening Prayer. A Requiem and Funeral Service will take place at 10.30am on Saturday 23 February at 10.30am, followed by refreshments in Emmanuel Church Hall. There will then be a committal and cremation at Sutton Coldfield Crematorium at 10.30am on Monday 25 February.

## For your prayers

**Those for whom prayer has been requested:** Geoffrey Wilsher, Mary Partridge, Irene Lakin, Tony Stephenson, Shirley Knott, Margaret Phillips, Mary Spooner, Charlie Beattie, Noreen Murray, Stephen Wilcox, Jean Stevens, Beverley Hallahan, Vicky McGrath, Mary Lee, Ollie Partridge, Robert Howes, Eugene McGlynn, Omar Ferraro, Pam Jones, Carol Currier, David Morgan, Cheryl Harvey, Jess Hand, Fiona Paris, Jenny Hone, Heidi Ellis, Andrew Lancaster.

**Those who have recently died:** Henry Burgess.

**Anniversaries in the coming weeks:** Colette Bouckley (2018), Eunice Bevan (2004), Janet Marshall (2015), Mary Graham (2005), Ben Hands (2002), Margaret Symonds (2015), David Sandilands (2010), Richard Whiteley (2018).

## Keeping in touch

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# CATHEDRAL DIARY

Sunday <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Before Lent</i> <i>Racial Justice Sunday</i>	10	9.00am 11.00am 3.30pm	Holy Communion Choral Eucharist <i>Boys and Lower Voices</i> Preacher: <i>The Reverend Dr Sharon Prentis</i> Choral Evensong <i>Girls and Lower Voices</i>
Monday	11	8.00am 12.30pm 5.45pm	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion Free Guided Tour (meet at main entrance) Evening Prayer
Tuesday	12	8.00am 1.10pm 5.45pm	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion Tuesday Talks Shorter Choral Evensong <i>Girls and Lower Voices</i>
Wednesday	13	8.00am 11.30am 1.10pm 5.45pm	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion Free Guided Tour (meet at main entrance) Choral Communion <i>St Philip's Singers</i> Shorter Choral Evensong <i>Boys' Voices</i>
Thursday Cyril and Methodius, Missionaries, d.869 and 885	14	8.00am 1.10pm 2.00pm 5.45pm	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion Wholeness and Healing Service Bible Study Group <i>Candlemas (One Colmore Row)</i> Evening Prayer
Friday <i>Sigfrid,</i> <i>Bishop d.1045</i>	15	8.00am 5.45pm	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion Choral Evensong <i>Boys and Lower Voices</i>
Saturday	16	9.00am 11.00am 3.30pm	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion Mothers' Union Festival Eucharist Evening Prayer
Sunday <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Before Lent</i>	17	9.00am 11.00am 3.30pm	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist Preacher: <i>The Reverend Canon Nigel Hand</i> Evening Prayer

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