

Palm Sunday

Information and Notices for the week beginning 14 April 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 a 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.

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).

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. Thank you.

Children's Church meets during the I I am Eucharist in the undercroft until the Peace. All children are welcome and they are asked to join the leaders at the back of church as the Palm Procession arrives in the cathedral. 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.

Recordings of recent sermons and Tuesday Talks are available on our website.

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 Very Reverend Matt Thompson

11am Choral Eucharist with Procession

Readings: *Isaiah 50.4-9a; Philippians 2.5-11; Luke 23.1-49 (sung).*

President: *The Reverend Elaine King*

3.30pm Choral Evensong

The Reverend Canon Nigel Hand

Notices

Palm Sunday Today the 11am service begins outside by the Burnaby Monument. Please collect a service booklet and make your way there for 10.55am, as you are able.

Easter Lilies Today is the last opportunity to contribute towards the cathedral Easter Lilies in memory of a loved one. Please place your donation in an envelope and write the name/ names of those you wish to remember on the outside of the envelope. Please hand the envelope to Judith Piggott or Judith Whalley. The names of those remembered will be printed out and included with the Easter service sheets.

The next Monday lunchtime concert is on 15 April when David Hardie gives a Holy Week organ meditation. On Monday 29 April we welcome King Edward VI Camp Hill School for Girls Chamber Choir. The programme is "Love on my heart" and features works by Holst and Elgar. All lunchtime concerts begin at 1.10pm and are free of charge to attend.

Christian Aid Week this year is 12-18 May. In addition to individual giving, the cathedral activity involves a bucket collection around the cathedral square throughout the day on Monday to Saturday of that week. This needs plenty of collectors, and a couple of dozen people have kindly been involved on a rota basis in past years. We don't only need collectors, but people to give out and receive buckets and count cash (we have a particular need in this area this year). Any help would be hugely appreciated. Donation envelopes will be given out in the weeks leading up to 12 May. Please contact David Langton (in the choir) or Lucy Akehurst if you would like to offer any help.

Confirmation The cathedral is holding a confirmation service on Pentecost Sunday (9 June). If anyone would like more information about being confirmed, please speak to one of the clergy.

On Friday 19 July the Cathedral Community Committee is organising a **summer fayre** to raise money for the Divine Beauty project. We will be looking for crafts, bric-a-brac, books and other items to help us to stock a variety of stalls. Further details will be available shortly.

It is with great sadness that **David Morgan**, who recently underwent heart surgery developed complications and in the end, despite initially rallying, became very ill and died on 6 April. Please remember Joy and the family in your prayers.

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, Cheryl Harvey, Jess Hand, Fiona Paris, Jenny Hone, Heidi Ellis, Andrew Lancaster, Joy Morgan, Claire Woods.

Those who have died recently: Matthew Davis, David Morgan.

Anniversaries in the coming weeks: Albert Day (1966), Betty Purvis (2016), Philip Clamp (2012), Alan Priestly (2013), Neil Dodds (2011), Douglas Maclean (1995).

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CATHEDRAL DIARY

Sunday <i>Palm Sunday</i>	14	9.00am 11.00am 3.30pm	Holy Communion Choral Eucharist with Procession <i>Girls and Lower Voices</i> Choral Evensong <i>Boys and Lower Voices</i>
Monday Monday of Holy Week	15	8.00am 12.30pm 1.10pm 5.45pm 7.45pm	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion Free Guided Tour (meet at main entrance) Concert <i>David Hardie (Organ)</i> Evening Prayer Said Eucharist with Reflection
Tuesday Tuesday of Holy Week	16	8.00am 1.00pm 5.45pm 7.45pm	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion The Birmingham Passion Play Shorter Choral Evensong <i>Lower Voices</i> Said Eucharist with Reflection
Wednesday Wednesday of Holy Week	17	8.00am 11.30am 1.00pm 5.45pm 7.45pm	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion Free Guided Tour (meet at main entrance) The Birmingham Passion Play Shorter Choral Evensong <i>Boys' Voices</i> Said Eucharist with Reflection
Thursday <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	18	8.00am 11.00am 1.00pm 5.45pm 7.45pm	Morning Prayer and Holy Communion Chrism Eucharist with Renewal of Promises The Birmingham Passion Play Evening Prayer The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday
Friday <i>Good Friday</i>	19	9.00am 10.00am 12.00 noon	Morning Prayer with Reflection Ecumenical Walk of Witness starting at Carrs Lane The Three Hours: Reflections of Christ's Passion
Saturday <i>Holy Saturday / Easter Eve</i>	20	9.00am 8.00pm	Morning Prayer The Vigil and First Eucharist of Easter with Baptism and Confirmation <i>Schola Philippi</i>
Sunday <i>Easter Sunday</i>	21	7.00am 11.00am 3.30pm	Dawn Eucharist in Cathedral Square Choral Eucharist <i>Boys and Lower Voices</i> Choral Evensong <i>Girls and Lower Voices</i>

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The deadline for the next issue of the notice sheet is noon on Thursday.

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