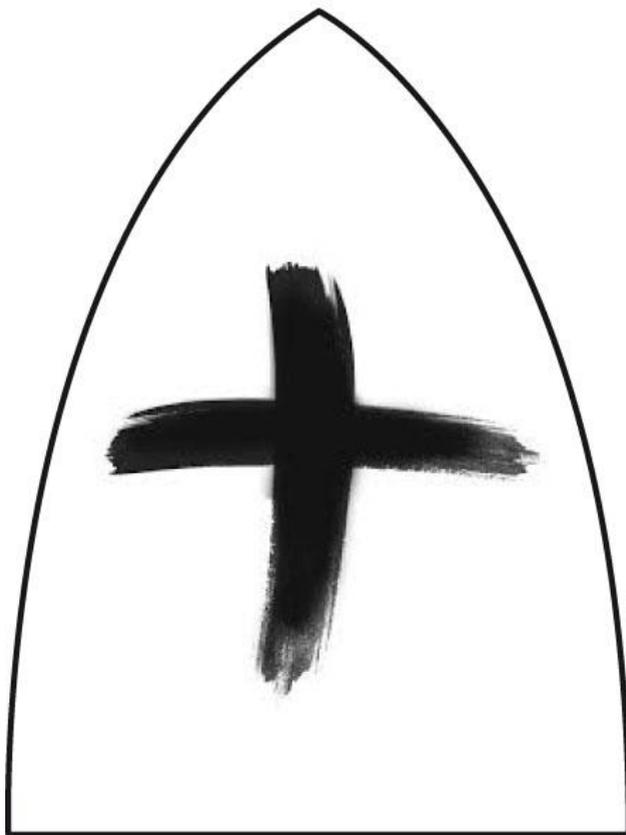




GUILDFORD
CATHEDRAL

9.45am
8 March 2026

THIRD SUNDAY
OF LENT
CATHEDRAL
EUCHARIST



WELCOME

THE SEASON OF LENT

The season of Lent enables us to prepare for Easter, the most important festival of the church year. Easter is the principal occasion for baptism and for the reconciliation of those who had been excluded from the Church's fellowship for apostasy or serious faults. This connection explains the characteristic notes of Lent – self-examination, penitence, self-denial and study, to which almsgiving has traditionally been added.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All who are baptized or confirmed are welcome to receive the bread and wine. There is no obligation to drink from the common cup. However, please do not dip your wafer in the wine. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please keep your hands at your sides. Gluten-free bread is available at the station on the left (north) side at the front.

COLLECTION

Your support makes a real difference to the ministry and mission of Guildford Cathedral. If you would like to support this work on a regular basis it's very simple to set up a direct debit via the Parish Giving Scheme. The phone number is 0333 002 1271, and the Cathedral reference code is 170617001. One-off donations can be made using the Gift Aid envelopes or a contactless donation by using the contactless collection plates on your way out, or the contactless box (by the west doors of the Cathedral) or our QR code. If you use the contactless plates or box and you are a taxpayer, please complete a green gift aid envelope and write 'contactless donation' on the front; please put the envelope in the plate or the cash box at the west end. We also welcome the donation of foreign coins and notes; please see the notice at the back of this booklet. On behalf of all at Guildford Cathedral, thank you.



PARTICIPATION IN THE SERVICE

We sing the hymns and the response to the Psalm and say together the words in **bold** type. Although posture is suggested please do whatever is most comfortable for you. A large print copy of this order of service is available from the stewards.

DO-IT-YOURSELF CRÈCHE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

There are toys available for under school-aged children in the baptistry during the morning Choral Eucharist. This can be found at the back of the Cathedral in the south-west corner. Parents/carers are asked to remain with their children at all times and to keep the toys in the baptistry. If you need any help please ask one of the stewards on duty. A Sunday School for children aged 3-11 years is normally held on the first Sunday of the month. We also have activity bags available for children to use on weeks where there isn't Sunday School – please ask a steward to show you where they are.

MUSIC SETTING

St. Paul's Eucharist *Katherine Dienes-Williams (b. 1970)*

Today is International Women's Day and the music chosen for today's services reflects this theme.

PRESIDENT AND PREACHER

The president this morning is The Reverend Jo Winn-Smith, Priest Vicar and Minor Canon, and the preacher is The Reverend Canon Rachel Young.

Stand

THE GATHERING

THE LENT PROSE

The verses are sung by the choir.

The congregation is invited to join in singing the refrain.

Hear us, O Lord, have mer-cy up-on us :

for we have sin - ned a - gainst thee.

To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory :
lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings :
listen, O Jesu, to our supplications. *Refrain*

O thou chief Cornerstone, Right Hand of the Father :
Way of Salvation, Gate of Life Celestial :
cleans thou our sinful souls from all defilement. *Refrain*

God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated :
bow down and hearken to thy weeping children :
pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses. *Refrain*

Sins oft committed now we lay before thee :
with true contrition, now no more we veil them :
grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution. *Refrain*

Innocent captive, taken unresisting :
falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced :
save us, we pray thee, Jesu our Redeemer. *Refrain*

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

THE GREETING

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

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.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry 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 grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON

<i>Choir</i>	Kyrie, eleison.	<i>Lord, have mercy.</i>
	Christe, eleison.	<i>Christ, have mercy.</i>
	Kyrie, eleison.	<i>Lord, have mercy.</i>

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray for grace that we may keep a holy Lent.

A moment of silent prayer.

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.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Exodus 17.1-7 read by Henry (boy chorister)

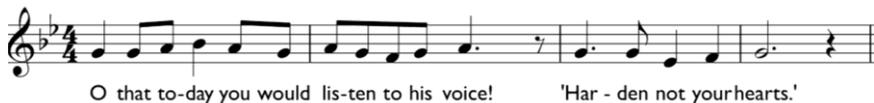
A reading from the book of Exodus.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

PSALM 95

The choir sings the response through once, which the congregation then repeats. All join in the response during the psalm, as indicated.



O come, let us sing to the Lord :
let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation.
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving :
and be glad in him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God :
and a great king above all gods. *Response*

In his hand are the depths of the earth :
and the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it :
and his hands have moulded the dry land.
Come, let us worship and bow down :
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God :
we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand. *Response*

O that today you would listen to his voice :
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
on that day at Massah in the wilderness,
'When your forebears tested me, and put me to the proof :
though they had seen my works.
'Forty years long I detested that generation and said :
"This people are wayward in their hearts;
they do not know my ways."
'So I swore in my wrath :
"They shall not enter into my rest." *Response*

Chant: Charles Hylton Stewart (1884-1932)

SECOND READING Romans 5.1-11 read by Ann Bourne

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person - though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Gospel Acclamation is played by the organist, sung by the choir, and then sung by everybody. As the procession passes, please turn to face the proclamation of the Gospel.



Choir Lord, you are really the Saviour of the world:
give me the living water so that I may never get thirsty.



GOSPEL READING John 4.5-42

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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



Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.'

Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.'

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.'

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Saviour of the world.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise- to you, O Christ.



Praise to you, O Christ, King of e-ter-nal glo-ry.

Sit **SERMON** The Reverend Canon Rachel Young

THE CREED

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**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 led by the deacon

The president invites everyone to pray, saying

With confidence and trust let us pray to the Father.

Sit or

kneel

The bidding and response are

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

In conclusion

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

Stand

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Deacon Let us offer once another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

HYMN



Jesus, where'er thy people meet,
there they behold thy mercy-seat;
where'er they seek thee thou art found,
and every place is hallowed ground.

For thou, within no walls confined,
inhabitest the humble mind;
such ever bring thee when they come,
and, going, take thee to their home.

Dear Shepherd of thy chosen few,
thy former mercies here renew;
here to our waiting hearts proclaim
the sweetness of thy saving name.

Here may we prove the power of prayer
to strengthen faith and sweeten care,
to teach our faint desires to rise,
and bring all heaven before our eyes.

Lord, we are few, but thou art near;
nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear:
O rend the heavens, come quickly down,
and make a thousand hearts thine own!

Words: William Cowper (1731-1800)

Music: CP 492 Wareham, William Knapp (1698-1768)

THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

God of wisdom,
may the light of your eternal Word,
our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
lead us in holiness and guide us to glory;
we ask this in his name.

Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

President:



The__ Lord__ be with you.

All:



And__ al - so with you.

President:



Lift up your__ hearts__

All:



We lift them to__ the Lord__

President:



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 singing:

<i>Choir</i>	Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.</i>
	Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.</i>

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.



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 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.



*Sit or
kneel*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ

which he gave for you,

and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink

in remembrance that he died for you,

and feed on him in your hearts

by faith with thanksgiving.

All who are baptized or confirmed are welcome to receive the bread and wine. There is no obligation to drink from the common cup. However, please do not dip your wafer in the wine. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please keep your hands at your sides. Gluten-free bread is available at the station on the left (north) side at the front.

AGNUS DEI

Choir Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.*

COMMUNION MOTET

*O vos omnes qui transitis per viam,
attendite et videte si est dolor
sicut dolor meus.*

*O all ye that pass by the way,
wait and see if there be any sorrow
like to my sorrow.*

Words: Lamentations 1.12

Music: Katherine Dienes-Williams (b.1970)

Stand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

A moment of silent prayer.

Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to withstand the temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Lord,
we have broken your bread
and received your life.
By the power of your Spirit
keep us always in your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE SENDING OUT

THE BLESSING

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.

Amen.

HYMN

During the hymn the procession moves to the west end of the Cathedral. As the procession passes you, please turn and face west. This movement signals the turn of our attention to Christ in the world as the offering of our lives continues there.



Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim though this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fiery cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs and praises,
I will ever give to thee.

*Words: Welsh, William Williams (1717-1791), tr Peter Williams (1727-1796)
and William Williams*

Music: CP 455 Cwm Rhondda, John Hughes (1873-1932)

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

We remain standing whilst the crucifer leads the choir along the south aisle into the south ambulatory, after which there are refreshments at the west end. You are welcome to listen to the voluntary or quietly make your way to the back of the Cathedral.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue on 'O Traurigkeit, O Herzeleid'

Ethel Mary Smyth (1858-1944)

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WHAT'S HAPPENING?

SERVICES TODAY

7.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) *in the Lady Chapel*

9.45am Cathedral Eucharist

6pm Choral Evensong

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Tuesday

8.30am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

9am Saturday

Holy Communion *in the Lady Chapel*

8.30am Tuesday

9am Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9.30am Saturday

12.30pm Thursday

Choral Evensong

5.30pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday *sung by King's College School, Wimbledon*, Thursday, Friday

Stations of the Cross

1pm Thursday *in the nave*

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 15 MARCH

7.45am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) *in the Lady Chapel*

9.45am Cathedral Eucharist *for Mothering Sunday, followed by an informal Instrumental Concert by the Girl Choristers at the west end*

6pm Choral Evensong *for The Fourth Sunday in Lent*

BISHOP ANDREW WATSON

On Tuesday 3 March, The Bishop of Dorking, The Right Reverend Paul Davies, wrote a letter to all in Guildford Diocese, saying:

‘It is with very deep sadness that I write to inform you of the death of our beloved Bishop Andrew. Following his diagnosis of inoperable pancreatic cancer last month, he entered into his eternal rest this morning, Tuesday 3 March, at his home, Willow Grange, in the presence of his much-loved family. Words are inadequate to articulate the sense of loss marked by Bishop Andrew’s death. I have expressed our deepest sympathy, together with the assurance of our love and prayers, to Beverly, Hannah, Sam, Joe, Lydia and the whole family. And whilst they mourn the loss of a much-loved husband, father, grandfather, son and brother, we mourn the loss of a much-loved diocesan bishop – as well as an inspiring fellow disciple, dear brother in Christ, precious friend and special colleague.’

Dean Bob wrote, ‘We give thanks to God for Bishop Andrew’s life and ministry, for the laughter he brought, for the faith he kindled, and for the countless ways in which he served others before himself. We grieve his passing as those who mourn - but not as those without hope. In the words of the apostle he so loved to preach, we believe that neither death, nor life, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.’

Please pray for Bishop Andrew’s family and colleagues. Details about Bishop Andrew’s funeral will be circulated when known.

LENT TALKS

We continue the post-service talks on Sunday mornings, and you are welcome to join us after the Eucharist in the Chapter House, for reflection and discussion for 45 minutes. All welcome.

The next two sessions are:

Sun 8 March – Lent and Humility (Revd Jo Winn-Smith, Minor Canon) 11.30am

Sun 15 March – Lent and Self-Discipline (Canon Chris Hollingshurst) *This session will begin later than 11.30am, after the Girl Choristers’ Instrumental Concert finishes.*

OBSERVING THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

During Lent we continue to hold a weekly observance of the Stations of the Cross in the Cathedral nave. During this service we reflect on images of Christ's Passion, sing a hymn, hear a Bible reading and pray. You are welcome to join us on the following dates, starting at 1pm:

Thursday 12 March

Friday 20 March

Friday 27 March

BBC RADIO 3 CHORAL EVENSONG – TOMORROW - 9 MARCH

On Monday 9 March at 5.30pm we are delighted to host the recording of Evensong by the BBC ready for broadcasting on the radio on Wednesday 15 April. If you would like to be a member of the congregation, you are most welcome. Please be seated by 5pm. We will ask for a prompt exit afterwards so that any re-recording of various parts can take place if necessary.

FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR CHRIS AND KATHY HOLLINGSBURST

Canon Chris and Kathy's last service at Guildford Cathedral will be the Cathedral Eucharist at 9.45am on Sunday 22 March. To show our appreciation for the contribution Chris has made during his time with us, we will be holding a reception after the service. A card to express our thanks is available to sign. The Stewards will have it each Sunday until Sunday 15 March, so please do take a moment to add your message. If you would also like to contribute towards a leaving gift, donations can be made by bank transfer using the following details:

- Account Name: Guildford Cathedral
- Account Number: 58063021
- Sort Code: 60-09-50
- Reference: *Chris leaving*

(cut-off date for donations is 12pm on Monday 9 March)

We hope as many of you as possible will join us on 22 March to wish Chris and Kathy every happiness on their new adventure. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Hatherall at deanspa@guildford-cathedral.org

CANON CHRIS INSTALLATION – MINIBUS TRAVEL

Canon Chris will be installed as Team Rector in the Diocese of Ely on Saturday 18 April at 2.30pm. If you would be interested in reserving a seat on a minibus

travelling to the service, please contact the Dean's PA, Lisa, by Monday 16 March. Email: deanspa@guildford-cathedral.org, Telephone: 01483 547862. Lisa will be in touch to confirm the cost and further details.

SERVE AT THE HEART OF OUR WORSHIP

Have you ever considered playing a more active part in our cathedral services? We are looking for people willing to serve as servers, Eucharistic Ministers, intercessors, readers or Sunday School leaders. You certainly don't need to take on all of these - even offering for just one would be a tremendous blessing to our worshipping community. No experience is necessary; full training will be given, and you will find yourself supported every step of the way. Please don't be shy about coming forward - speak to Canon Rachel Young or email her (Rachel.young@guildford-cathedral.org).

ASKING FOR PRAYER AND INTERCESSION

In preparation for Canon Chris' move to another post, from today (Sunday 8 March) and going forwards, please now contact the Dean's Virger and his team on 01483 547877 or via virger@guildford-cathedral.org if you would like to add a name to the list of people prayed for in services. Please ensure that you have appropriate permission to do so. Canon Mavis continues to operate a confidential prayer group, and you can contact her to request confidential prayer on 01483 808097 or via mavis.wilson@guildford-cathedral.org.

LIVESTREAMING

Our livestreamed services are a vital part of our Cathedral's mission, enabling people across the world to share in worship and stay connected with our community. Whether through illness, distance, or other circumstances, many rely on these broadcasts to participate in the life of the Cathedral. We are in real need of new volunteers to join our livestreaming team. No previous experience is necessary - full training will be provided. If you might be able to help with this important ministry, please do consider joining us. To find out more, please contact Canon Rachel Young (Rachel.young@guildford-cathedral.org). Dean Bob

DIOCESAN CONFIRMATION SERVICE

The Cathedral will be holding the annual Diocesan Confirmation Service here on Saturday 23 May at 7pm. Confirmation is an opportunity for you to confirm the baptism vows made for you by your parents, if you were baptized as a young child. If you are an adult who has not been baptized, you can be baptized and confirmed together in this service. If you are interested in confirming your Christian faith in this way and committing yourself to follow Jesus Christ, please speak to a member of the clergy team who will be able to give you more details.

FROM DARKNESS INTO LIGHT – ART EXHIBITION

In March and April St. Mary's Church in Quarry Street is hosting an exhibition of twenty-five pieces of art from the Methodist Modern Art Collection - one of the most significant collections of 20th and 21st century religious art in Europe. This is an extraordinary opportunity to view and gain spiritually from these amazing paintings.

ENGLISH SACRED CHORAL MUSIC – LIVING HERITAGE

Cathedral Music Trust is leading a national initiative to recognise English sacred choral music as part of the UK's submission to UNESCO's **Intangible Cultural Heritage** list.

Members of the congregation who wish to support this recognition are warmly invited to find out more and sign the petition by scanning this QR code:



FOREIGN COINS AND NOTES:

The year has started well with over £200 coming into the Scheme. Please donate any unwanted notes or coins from any country around the globe, including the UK. The age and condition is not important, so obsolete items are equally welcome; unwanted UK current coin, silver or copper, is also useful. Our current total stands at £32,126 and we keep going! £40,000 is our next hurdle. Donations can be left with the office or sacristy, labelled "Coins Scheme". Many thanks, John Mitchell.

VACANCY FOR TRUSTEE MEMBER FOR THE FRIENDS OF GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL (FOGC)

Mary Morris recently stepped down as a Trustee on the FOGC Board. We thank Mary for all the work she has contributed over the years. The Friends of Guildford Cathedral need new Trustees. Could this be for you? The Trustees administer the funds on behalf of the Charity and distribute them to the Cathedral in accordance with purposes of the Charity set out in its governing document which are to 'advance the Christian religion for the benefit of the public, to provide furnishings, embellishments and equipment for the Cathedral and to advance the education of the public in religious fabric and assisting in the maintenance of the Cathedral'. We meet 3 times a year to consider proposals from Chapter as well as our annual general meeting. No specialised knowledge is required, and all applications will be considered. Anyone who is a member of the Friends and interested in supporting the Cathedral is welcome to apply. Please feel free to contact me by email or telephone, or see me at the Cathedral, for a discussion. Joy Allen, Chair of the Friends of Guildford Cathedral (email joy.allen@btinternet.com or phone 07768 476323).

GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM AUGUST 2026

We will once again be going on pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in 2026. The pilgrimage will run from Friday 28 – Sunday 30 August, with the option of staying until after breakfast on Monday 31 August. We are very pleased that Dean Bob will be accompanying us. The pilgrimage provides opportunities to take part in the rich liturgies of the Shrine, Sunday Eucharist at St Mary's Parish Church, a visit to the Slipper Chapel and Roman Catholic shrine, or quiet reflection in the grounds of the Shrine and walking in the lovely Norfolk countryside near the Shrine. Fellowship and deepening of faith is at the heart of the pilgrimage. The cost, full board including breakfast, lunch and dinner in the Shrine refectory will be approximately £290 or £200 per person, depending on whether you depart on the Monday or Sunday. We currently still have 4 places available. If you are interested in joining us, or would like more information, then please contact Donald Thompson, in person at the Cathedral, or via email, don230224@gmail.com

ACCOMMODATION FOR TENOR

Eden Devaney is a tenor who will be down in the Guildford area in the months of June-July on a contract with Grange Park Opera in West Horsley. He is asking if there might be any accommodation available possibly from a member of our congregation. Please contact the music dept if you would like to help him, email liturgymusic@guildford-cathedral.org phone 01483 547868 in the first instance.

SAFEGUARDING AT GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL

The Cathedral is committed to Safeguarding as an integral part of its ministry and mission, promoting a safer culture and the welfare of every child, young person and adult. As such, the Cathedral has robust policies, procedures and guidelines in place, to ensure good practice throughout the community. Chapter has overall responsibility for Safeguarding, and the Safeguarding Leadership Group reports to Chapter every month on the progress of our Safeguarding journey and any issues arising. The members of the Safeguarding Leadership Group are listed below and can be contacted at any time on any Safeguarding concern you may have about yourself or another member of the Cathedral Community.

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