**Welcome to Coventry Cathedral**

Welcome to everyone, especially if you are visiting or new to us! We’re delighted that you’re worshipping with us today. In this leaflet and on the Community Table (at the back of the Nave near the Baptistery) you’ll find more about what is happening in and around here.

- **This week**
  
The Canon for Reconciliation Ministry is in residence this week. The Reader assisting at the Cathedral Eucharist today is Marie Paterson (St Nicolas, Nuneaton).

  On Tuesday, the Bishop of Coventry and Emma Griffiths, Associate Director of Reconciliation, will present Crosses of Nails to St Paul’s Primary School, Nuneaton and The Canons C of E Primary School, Warwickshire. And next Tuesday, the Dean will present a Cross of Nails to Stretton C of E Academy, Coventry. Let us remember these new Partners in our prayers.

- **Prayer Points for this month**
  
  As we continue through Lent, we pray for a deepening of our Cathedral’s life in Christ, that we may grow in our sharing in the life and ministry of reconciliation. We pray also for a growth in our congregations that we may witness more effectively.

- **Coventry Conversation: Advocacy and Reconciliation, Tuesday 13th March**
  
  Please join us at 6.30pm to 8.30pm for our third conversation in our Coventry Conversation series. The topic of the conversation will be on Advocacy and Reconciliation with Mark Simmons, formerly CEO of Cord. All points of view are welcome. Cerys Smith

- **Lent Studies, Wednesday 14th March, St Michael’s House**
  
  These take place in the Brandt Suite every Wednesday evening during Lent from 7:00 to 8:30pm. This week’s study is entitled “Forgiveness”.

- **Peace and Poetry Festival, Friday 16th – Sunday 18th March**
  
  **Friday at 7pm:** A celebration of poetry, and a thanksgiving for our world and our lives. A service of Holy Communion, led by Paul Edmondson, open to people of all faiths and none.
Saturday from 12 noon: The work and thoughts of poets Malcolm Guite, Pádraig Ó Tuama, Michael Symmons, Patience Agbabi and Anthony Owens promise to be a launch pad into fresh ways of thinking about something that matters so much to us here.

- **Road closures for Coventry Half Marathon, Sunday 18th March**
  Several city centre roads will be closed from 6am until runners have passed and it is safe to reopen them (too late for 10:30). For full details see [www.enjoycoventry.com/coventryhalf/](http://www.enjoycoventry.com/coventryhalf/).

- **Plumbline Festival: War Memorials Event, Monday 19th March**
  Explore how we, as a nation, have remembered the fallen and consider how communities can continue to remember in the future.

- **Personal Skills and Conflict Workshop, Wednesday 21st March**
  9am – 5pm at St Michael’s House: Sandra Cobbin, trainer and coach, will help you to understand yourself and others so that you can make different choices in response to tensions in our relationships using the lens of personal style preference. Cost: £50 standard, £35 Student and Concessions (Lunch, Tea and Coffee provided). To book or for more info: Cerys Smith ([cerys.smith@coventrycathedral.org.uk](mailto:cerys.smith@coventrycathedral.org.uk)) or on 02476 521289.

- **Cathedral Walkers, Wednesday 21st March**
  In my absence, I hope that details will be available on the Community Table. If you want to come, please email [dcb@thezulu.co.uk](mailto:dcb@thezulu.co.uk) by close next Sunday (18th). Dave Goodall

- **Calling all stewards**
  Will stewards please look at the Special Services and Events list to see if they are able to help during Holy Week and Easter. Many thanks. Barbara Mobbs

- **Friends of Coventry Cathedral, Friendly Monday on 9th April**
  We will meet at the entrance to the Coventry Watch Museum on Spon Street (beside Samoan Joe’s Bar) at 10:45am for a Presentation and Guided Tour. To reserve a place, sign up on the Community Table or email [secretary@friendsofcoventrycathedral.org.uk](mailto:secretary@friendsofcoventrycathedral.org.uk) on or before Sunday, 25th March (NB: places are limited and we need a minimum number).

- **Accommodation needed**
  A family who have been working for St Mark’s Church in Versailles are planning to relocate to Coventry in early July and are looking to rent a 3 bedroom house in Binley, Whitley or Stoke Aldermoor. If anyone knows of anything suitable, please contact Isabel Merrifield in the office who can pass the information on ([isabel.merrifield@covlec.org.uk](mailto:isabel.merrifield@covlec.org.uk)).
  Also: room, studio, or building to take care of – needed from April to at least August for single 30 year old. References provided. Please contact Adam at [adamtrettel@gmail.com](mailto:adamtrettel@gmail.com)

- **Britten’s War Requiem 14th November**
  We hope you have the date in your diary, and tickets will be available soon. If you would be interested in sponsoring the performance, please speak to Dean John or to Matt Feeley, in the Cathedral Office.

Please send brief items of Cathedral news and events for the next edition of *Cathedral Matters* by the end of **Tuesday 13th March** for publication next Sunday to cathedral.matters@coventrycathedral.org.uk or phone 024 7652 1227.