hidden houses of prayer
the 2015 gathering for those drawn to discover and deepen the practice of contemplative, creative and intercessory prayer in their own homes will be held here in the lecture hall on saturday 23rd may, 9.45am – 3.45pm.
we’re meeting at pentecost-tide in the extraordinary context of coventry cathedral to enjoy three presentations plus time for stillness, prayer, reflective chant and sharing of stories. there is a suggested donation £15. coffee and tea provided. please bring your own lunch.

to book, please send cheque payable to ‘hidden houses of prayer’ along with your name, email and address to: hidden houses of prayer, 2 embankment road, sheffield s10 1ez. if you are interested in this ministry and/or would like a booking receipt, please enclose an sae or send an email to: hiddenhousesofprayer@hotmail.co.uk

Christine Doyle

pick up your e bulletin
members of the friends, without internet access, are invited to take a hard copy of the friends ebulletin from the community table, this morning.
you can read the latest diocesan news and book your place on the day excursion to the national memorial arboretum and lichfield cathedral on 5 september 2015.

Sunday 12th April
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am The Cathedral Eucharist
4.00pm Choral Evensong
6.30pm Later:

Sunday 19th April
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am The Cathedral Eucharist
4.00pm Choral Evensong
6.30pm Later:

Welcome to Coventry Cathedral!
this week, we settle in to living in the light of the Easter Season, after the excitement of last weekend’s celebrations. we were delighted to welcome so many old and new friends into our services last Sunday – this Sunday can seem a rather mundane return to ‘life as normal’. But this Sunday is when we are challenged to settle in to living out the truth of the resurrection, looking for the light of God shining in unexpected places, and unlocking doors that we thought were locked and bolted. Resurrection is not just about what we believe, but also how we live: as part of God’s new beginning in the world, into which all are invited, without exception.

This Sunday we would also like to encourage cathedral community members to sign up to come to the Annual Meeting, taking place after the morning service and over lunchtime next week. This is a vital part of reflecting on and shaping our life together, and i look forward to seeing you there.

Every blessing

John

The Very Reverend John Witcombe MA MPhil
Dean of Coventry
Cathedral Nominations

There is an opportunity to get involved with the life of the Cathedral and to be a representative of the Cathedral community through the below roles, which will be elected at the AGM. If you are interested please complete a nomination form and ensure you are on the electoral roll. We require nomination forms to be submitted well in advance of the AGM and by this morning, 12th April 2015 at the very latest. Please give some thought to this and forms can be found on the congregation table for the following posts:

- St. Michael’s Committee membership:
  - 3 vacancies for 3 years
  - 2 vacancies for 2 years
  - 1 vacancy for 1 year

- Chairman of St. Michael’s Committee (including membership of Chapter)

- Congregation nominees to the Cathedral Council (4 vacancies)

- Churchwardens (5 vacancies)

Many thanks, Emma Norman (Vestry Clerk)

Cathedral Walkers, Wednesday 15th April

We're back to our normal schedule and details of the next walk are on the Community Table. Please let me know by Sunday 12th if you are coming, whether to walk, for lunch or both. You can do so in person, by phone (024 7646 1946) or by email (dogoodall@hotmail.co.uk).

Cathedral Spring Clean

There will be a Cathedral Clean on Saturday 18th April ready for our summer season. Come from 9am to 1pm, or as convenient. Various jobs, all skills welcome. Equipment provided. Sign up on the Community Table.

All welcome. Thank you

Looking For Sponsors

Barbara Mobbs is taking part in the 'Glow in the City' event for the Myton Hospices on Saturday 25th April. If you feel able to sponsor her, please see her on Sunday 19th April. (She is away on the 12th) Thankyou.

Hill Top Prayer Ministry Training Morning

Sat April 18th 10am to 1pm + lunch
St Michael’s House

All Cathedral prayer ministers and chaplains are strongly encouraged to attend this training opportunity, particularly if you did not attend the New Wine training day in 2010. Any other members of the congregation interested in attending please speak to Canon Kathryn.

Program

10am arrival and refreshments
10.15am Opening prayer and introduction
Teaching and practical demonstration
Opportunity to pray for one another
Feedback/questions
1pm (approx.) lunch together - bring your own to eat and chat in St Michaels House. Drinks available.

Our last training shared with Holy Trinity was a great blessing. It would be helpful for the organisers to know asap if you plan to be there on the 18th or not. Please contact Margaret Lloyd (margaretclloyd7@gmail.com or 02476 413004).

Canon Kathryn

Christian Aid Week 10th - 16th May

Can I urge you to make a note of this upcoming important event in your diaries. The command of Jesus to love our neighbours includes our global neighbours too.

Last year our Cathedral Community raised the magnificent sum of £2100 during Christian Aid Week through bucket collections in the Precinct and at Sainsbury’s supermarket. We hope to try and exceed this in May!

Could you spare a couple of hours to join with a group of collectors in this single biggest act of Christian witness in Britain?

Those of us who did it last year found it very rewarding and surprisingly enjoyable! If "shaking" a bucket is not quite your thing, how about delivering envelopes in your own street or amongst a group of your friends?

75% of the vital money raised during Christian Aid Week in 2014 is actually from House to House collecting. Last year this raised a staggering £8m. Some people feel much happier collecting from friendly neighbours. (I can check if your own road is covered or not)

You will find a sign-up sheet on the Community table in which you can express an interest in either street collection or House to House (or small group at work).

If you can help or if you would like more information, please come and talk to me or contact me on 02476711210 or mobile 07962149236 Moya Horton

Coventry Community Cohesion Awards 2015

We are pleased to announce the launch of the Coventry Community Cohesion Awards 2015

Coventry is a city proud of its heritage as a city of peace and reconciliation and we want to continue to build upon the good community relations in our city. Coventry Community Cohesion Awards are designed to recognise what local people have done for Coventry to remain a cohesive City.

The Coventry Community Cohesion Awards celebrate people and activities that have contributed to building cohesive communities and recognise the significant contributions they make towards cohesion in the city and this year we are also adding a “Peace and Reconciliation” award where an individual is promoting or embracing Peace and Reconciliation.

The Coventry Community Cohesion Awards will be judged as below:

Voluntary/Community (Large) - activities run by large voluntary or community organisations (income above £50,000 per annum)

Voluntary/Community (Small) - activities run by small voluntary or community groups (income below £50,000 per annum)

Public Sector - activities run by the public sector

Young People - activities for young people aged 18 and under

Private Sector – activities where the private sector is working with communities

Peace and Reconciliation – activities where an individual is promoting or embracing Peace and Reconciliation in two age groups, young people and adult.

Key dates

• Deadline for completed applications: 8 May 2015

• Announcement of shortlisted projects: 3 June 2015

• Award Ceremony at the St. Mary’s Guildhall 24 June 2015

For further information and details about how you can apply for a Coventry Community Cohesion award please use the following link: http://www.coventrypartnership.com