The Friends of Coventry Cathedral
The first of this year’s Friendly Monday events will be on Monday 6th February: tea and coffee from 10.30am followed by guest speaker Sarah Moss who will talk about her novel The Tidal Zone which tells the story of Adam and his family and how they live with a sudden medical emergency and its longer-term consequences. Adam is also an art historian researching Coventry Cathedral. Sarah Moss is a novelist, travel writer and Professor in Creative Writing at the University of Warwick.

Fr John McGuire
I’m sorry to bring you the sad news of Fr John’s death over Christmas. He was warden of Kennedy House, and a stalwart friend of the CCN - I was with him in Washington in December and he will be sorely missed. Dean John

Cathedral Prayer Circle
In an emergency, a group of us are ready to pray for you and those for whom you are concerned. Contact Meg Bowen on 01926 856928 – brief details would guide our prayers for God’s grace and healing.

Wednesday 18th January at 10am
Cathedral Walkers
Hot on the heels of the New Year’s walk comes our first regular monthly offering, hopefully with similar weather. Details are on the Community Table; please let me know by close Sunday 15th if you are coming to walk, for lunch or for both. Dave Goodall dogoodall@hotmail.co.uk 024 7646 1946

Thursday 19th January at 7pm
in St Michael’s House
You are warmly invited to meet our newest CCN partners, Virginia Theological Seminary, while they are here on pilgrimage. Come and find out a little about them, and share our concerns, hopes and prayers on the eve of the new US presidency and at the start of a year of political doubt in Europe. Tea, coffee and light refreshments: contact 024 7652 1288 haley.jones@coventrycathedral.org.uk

Saturday 28th January at 5pm
St Michael’s Singers
Saint Michael’s Singers are presenting their third Discover the Classics concert on Saturday 28th January at 5 p.m. Offering music from Bach to the Beatles and full of ClassicFM favourites, the concert is planned specifically to help GCSE and A-level music students who will have the opportunity to sing and play alongside experienced orchestral players and singers. We are delighted to be joined again by wonderful soloist Nadine Benjamin and the Warwickshire Symphony Orchestra. Tickets, priced at £15, £13 for over 60s, £5 for students and under 18s, can be obtained online – www.ticketweb.co.uk or from the cathedral shop. Discounted tickets for Friends of Coventry Cathedral must be purchased through Jill Pacey on 01676 532436. We hope you will join us. Please note the early start time of 5 p.m. Pam Norman

A MESSAGE FROM THE RECONCILIATION TEAM

This week we are joining with a national campaign (www.bridgesnotwalls.uk) which aims to meet discrimination and intolerance with messages of acceptance, toleration and celebration of diversity. Groups across the country will be making banners with messages of tolerance and hanging them from bridges across the UK. Please join us after this morning’s Eucharist or drop in during the week to add your own message to the banner which will be by the West Screen.

The Dean, Canons and assisting Readers this week
Canon Sarah is Canon in Residence this week. The Readers assisting at the Eucharist are Martin Davies (St Michael Budbrooke) and Margaret East (Christchurch Cheylesmore).

The Dean’s Prayer Points for January
As we start a New Year, we pray for our part in enabling our Cathedral Community to embody our vocation to reconciliation, learning to live with difference and celebrate diversity. We give thanks for the vital story of Coventry in a divided world and pray that we may be a beacon of hope. Dean John

PILGRIM – a course for the Christian Journey
Has the New Year inspired you to delve more deeply into your faith and take up more consciously the call to discipleship? If so, why not join us on Tuesday evenings as we use “Lectio Divina” (a deep reading of Scripture) to help us reflect on the ethics of our faith, through the Ten Commandments. We start on Tuesday 17th January for 6 weeks, at 7pm in the Provost’s Vestry. Speak to Canon Kathryn if you’d like to come along.

Please Note that OPEN now begins at 6pm rather than 6.30pm.