CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Diocesan Reader assisting at the Eucharist today is Margaret East from Christchurch, Cheylesmore.

Flowers today
The flowers at the Lectern are in memory of John Beasley with love from all the family.

Change of date from Cathedral Matters last week - A date for your diary – Sunday 2nd August
On 2nd August please stay for coffee if you possibly can, the Dean would like to update the whole Cathedral family on our current situation, and will talk to us after the 10.30am Eucharist. We hope to see you. Canon Kathryn

Reconciling a Wounded Planet
Do join us at this exciting and challenging conference at the Cathedral on 18th-19th September. With a number of top speakers and contributors from the world of environmental science and theology, we will come together to consider ‘stories of hope’ in the midst of the growing environmental crisis that the world is experiencing. This is not a conference aimed at activists but at all who seek to understand the message of reconciliation, that God was in Christ reconciling all things to himself by the blood of his cross and how this provides the motivation for us all to care for God’s creation.

As members of the Cathedral community, you already know about Coventry’s calling to be a world centre for reconciliation.

CCN pilgrimages give you the opportunity to explore the extraordinary power of Coventry as a place, as well as to deepen your involvement with reconciliation, build links with other partners and, most importantly, take some time away with God. The pilgrimage is hosted by the Reconciliation Ministry Team with support from members of the Cathedral community. Teaching and discussion is facilitated by the Rev Dr Sarah Hills, Canon of Reconciliation.

For further information, and to book your place, please contact ccn@coventrycathedral.org.uk. We hope to hear from you. Canon Sarah

Running crafty workshops based upon stained glass and weaving. Throughout the six weeks, we’ll have a variety of family trails on offer and the children’s window will be installed at the back of the Nave. Canon Kathryn

A MESSAGE FROM THE CANON PASTOR

Dear Friends

Thanks to last week’s sermon (and this week’s Service Book cover) I’ve been thinking about welcome even more than usual. Of course it is a huge challenge that, while we yearn to throw the doors open to all comers, we currently have to invite visitors to pay for the privilege of stepping beyond the prayer circle…I long for the day when we can say to those casual by-passers who sometimes stand gazing through the West Screens “Come in – even if you’ve only got 10 minutes. This place is for YOU to enjoy, whatever your needs. It doesn’t belong to us…but to God, who welcomes us all no matter what.”

Meanwhile, we have to do the best we can, always erring on the side of generosity rather than protection, believing the best of everyone, remembering that we are never there to exclude, and that, as St Benedict insisted, we must welcome even more than usual. Of course it is a huge challenge that, while we yearn to throw the doors open to all comers, we currently have to invite visitors to pay for the privilege of stepping beyond the prayer circle…I long for the day when we can say to those casual by-passers who sometimes stand gazing through the West Screens “Come in – even if you’ve only got 10 minutes. This place is for YOU to enjoy, whatever your needs. It doesn’t belong to us…but to God, who welcomes us all no matter what.”

Another challenge there, but one we are committed to meeting as a matter of faith. It’s part of who we are. Love and blessings, Kathryn

WHAT’S ON IN JULY AND AUGUST 2015

Monday 20th July - 1pm Lunchtime organ concert with Ian Sadler.
Monday 27th July - 1pm Lunchtime organ concert with Kerry Beaumont.
Sunday 2nd August - Foodbank Sunday Monday
Monday 3rd August - 1pm Lunchtime organ concert with Paul Carr.
Monday 10th August - 1pm Lunchtime organ concert with Hartwig Barte-Hanssen.
Monday 17th August - 1pm Lunchtime organ concert with Charles Maxtome Smith.
Monday 24th August - 1pm Lunchtime organ concert with Justin Vickery.