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The AGM of the Friends of Coventry Cathedral will be held on Saturday 24th September at 12 noon in the Chapter House. It will be followed by a light lunch in the Lecture Room and a Public Lecture in the Chapter House, concluding with tea and cake.

The Friends are proud to sponsor this important lecture by Frances Spalding, the leading authority on John Piper, biographer and critic, specialist on twentieth-century British art, and the author of John Piper, Myfanwy Piper: Lives in Art. Formerly Professor of Art History at Newcastle University, she is the editor of the leading art journal Burlington Magazine.

Please sign up on the Community table for either or both events.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE CANON PASTOR

Dear Friends,

When we approach the end of August, it always seems that we’re hurrying to leave summer behind and move into a new academic year. The relatively relaxed and spacious summer days suddenly feel crowded as we plan and prepare for what comes next. This week we said our official “Goodbye and thank you” to this year’s splendid reconciliation interns. Anita is returning to Poland and Ricarda is off to study in Edinburgh, while Matt takes on a new interfaith role for the diocese and Haley is staying at the cathedral for a second year. We are blessed that she’ll still be with us, helping to develop our ministry of hospitality to students and building on the success of Open Table. Goodbyes are miserable, and we’ll miss our interns so much, but we look forward to welcoming their successors in just a few short weeks. Can I encourage you to think about what you, personally, might do to help them to settle into life here? Sunday lunch? A welcome cake dropped in at Dewis Lodge? An invitation for a drink after work? There are lots of opportunities – and if we want them to grow and flourish in this community, we will need to show them that we really are happy to see them.

As the term gets under way, there will also be opportunities to offer a friendly welcome to students and we’re launching a programme of once a month welcome lunches for cathedral newcomers of any age. Many of you who’ve been here for some time talk about the warm welcome you received at the beginning. Let’s do all we can to ensure that the coming year is a vintage one for cathedral welcomes, as we travel hopefully on together.

With love and blessings
Kathryn

CATHEDRAL MATTERS

Sunday 21st August
Trinity 13

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8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am The Cathedral Eucharist
4.00pm Choral Evensong

Sunday 28th August
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10.30am The Cathedral Eucharist
2.00pm German Lutheran Service
4.00pm Choral Evensong

THIS WEEK

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A MESSAGE FROM THE CANON PASTOR

The Dean and Canons
Canon Sarah is Canon in Residence this week. Canon Kathryn is celebrating Eucharist at St Lawrence Napton this morning. Canon Sarah Snyder will be licensed during Evensong on Sunday 4th September.

Readers
The Readers assisting at the Eucharist this morning are John Hitchcock (St Nicolas Nuneaton) and Donald Parr (St Laurence Ansley).
Mogwai play Atomic:
Wednesday 14th September at 7.30pm
Almost sold out: Book Now!
The Scottish (mainly) instrumental band Mogwai play 'Atomic' - a film screening and live performance.
Seventy years ago the bombing of Hiroshima showed the appalling destructive power of the atomic bomb. Mark Cousins' acclaimed documentary 'Atomic: Living in Dread and Promise', shown on BBC4 in 2015, looks at life and death in the atomic age.. Using only archive film Cousins shows us an impressionistic kaleidoscope of our nuclear times - protest marches, Cold War sabre-rattling, Chernobyl and Fukushima – as well as the sublime beauty of the atomic world, and how x-rays and MRI scans have improved human lives. The nuclear age has been a nightmare, but dreamlike too.
“"The Atomic soundtrack is one of the most intense and fulfilling projects we've taken on as a band. Ever since we went to Hiroshima to play and visited the peace park this has been a subject very close to us. The end results, both the film score and the record are pieces I am extremely proud of.”
(Stuart Braithwaite, guitarist)
https://www.tickettailor.com/checkout/view-event/id/51781/chk/f0e8/

Mogwai Warm-up from 4pm
To warm up for the Mogwai show we will be screening Mark Cousins’ 'I am Belfast' in the Cathedral Ruins - a poetic visual depiction and exploration of Belfast and its citizens, told by a former resident who still loves the city. Followed by live music from Steve Gullicks’ Tenebrous Liar; and the part melodic and uplifting, part pure noise, Those Amongst Us Are Wolves.

With street food from Digbeth Dining Club.
Free with a Mogwai ticket, £12 general admission.

Pilgrimage to Coventry
Tuesday - Friday 20th - 23rd September
St Michael’s House
Everyone is very warmly welcomed to this biannual international event in which we can JOIN with others from around the world; SHARE stories of reconciliation and healing; and LEARN amid the unique environment of Coventry Cathedral. Visitors for this September pilgrimage are from Coventry; Rostock, Germany; Ontario, Canada; and New Hampshire, US.
www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/ccn2/pilgrimage
smh@coventrycathedral.org.uk

Faith and Peaceful Relations Forum
Wednesday 21st September at 2pm
Coventry University
The aim of the Forum is to provide an opportunity for all those involved with faith and community groups in and around Coventry to come together to explore key issues and their experience of working in the community in an inclusive environment. For more information please contact Chris Shannahan chris.shannahan@coventry.ac.uk
To register for your free place please contact charlotte.martin@coventry.ac.uk

Is Peace Possible?
Wednesday 21st September at 7pm in the Nave
Terry Waite was the Archbishop of Canterbury’s Assistant for Anglican Communion Affairs in the 1980s. As an envoy for the Church of England, he travelled to Lebanon to try to secure the release of four hostages, including the journalist John McCarthy. He was himself kidnapped and held captive from 1987 to 1991. He will share part of his narrative and his thoughts on peace and reconciliation.
Join us for this talk offered by Coventry Cathedral and the Reconciliation Ministry on International Day of Peace. There is a £5 suggested donation for the continued work of peace and reconciliation.
**CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Summer Organ Recital:**
**Monday 22nd August at 1pm**
This week's programme, given by James Kealey (Wells Cathedral), will include music by JS Bach, Graham Fitkin and Louis Vierne. [http://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/website/blog/2016/04/11/monday-lunchtime-organ-recitals/](http://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/website/blog/2016/04/11/monday-lunchtime-organ-recitals/)

**Celebrate Dame Goodyver’s Daye**
**Friday 9th September, 10.30-13.00**
Godiva Trust celebrates the rich diversity of our city with music, dance and food from a variety of Coventry's communities.
Come and commemorate the 1,000th anniversary of the birth of Coventry through a programme of dance, music and storytelling. We will walk through the key events of the last 1000 years of Coventry’s history and a tapestry capturing the history of Coventry will be unveiled. Inspired and created by hundreds of local people, this hand crafted work of art incorporates multi-faith intergenerational work by schools and communities.
At 10.30am Lady Godiva, Godiva Sisters, schools and communities will join in a procession of music and colour from Broadgate to the Cathedral. Artistic performances of music, dance and drama will begin at 11am in the Cathedral, telling the story of 1000 years of Coventry’s history, and the tapestry will be presented. From noon there will be refreshments and music.
This year and day marks the special feast of Saint Osburga, the ‘first woman’ of Coventry.
In the year 1016 Coventry was burnt to the ground, her convent destroyed and all the nuns massacred by the Vikings. It is believed that Godiva and Leofric built their church on the very spot and thus Coventry began. Lady Godiva, Countess of Mercia shares this feast day too, Dame Goodyver’s Daye.
No booking required, a free event open to all.

**A Quiet Day at the Monastery**
**Saturday 17th September**
Do you feel the need for “time out” to think, relax, meditate, pray? Time to find yourself again? Are you just curious to try out an ancient spirituality?
I am organising a quiet day at Turvey Abbey on Saturday 17th September (departing at 8am from Bablake School carpark and returning at 6pm, or flexible if you use your own transport).
Turvey Abbey is located in the village of Turvey near Bedford. Historically, Turvey Abbey was a country house and family home. It now belongs to the ‘Priory of Our Lady of Peace,’ a Benedictine order of nuns and The ‘Monastery of Christ our Saviour’, a Benedictine order of monks.
We will start the day just before 10am with a short introduction from me and then the day is yours to spend in the retreat house, the extensive gardens, chapels, library, exploring the area or walking in silence. You are welcome to attend the Eucharist/Mass and other services if you wish. We will share lunch together (not included and not silent) and return to silence afterwards. The cost for the day is £15. If you are interested, please sign the sheet on the community table.
For pictures: [www.turveyabbey.org.uk](http://www.turveyabbey.org.uk)

**Sunday 18th September**
We will be putting on a lunch to celebrate 10 years of Kerry & Leslie Beaumont’s service to the musical life of the Cathedral. We will reprise the successful ‘Desserts are Us’ recipe – a modest main course followed by a glorious array of puddings – at £15 per head to raise money for the choir. All the food and drink for the meal is being donated so that all ticket money can go to choir funds.
There are 90 places: please sign the sheet on the Community Table to book yours.
The Catering Team

**CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**The Joy of the Gospel**
One of the themes that emerged from the Cathedral’s survey of our Eight Essential Qualities was our perceived weakness in sharing our faith, even with our fellow Christians here week by week. If the prospect of sharing your faith fills you not with joy but with panic, this six week course, written by Paula Gooder and drawing on Pope Francis’s much acclaimed writing on mission and evangelism (published as “Evangeli Gaudium – the joy of the Gospel”), might just be the answer. With space to reflect on how we can share our faith with integrity as individuals and as a community, and exploring themes that include BEING good news as well as sharing it, I’m hoping this might provide the kind of springboard we need to renew our confidence as good news people. If you’re interested in being part of a group, please sign up on the Community Table. The initial plan is to meet on Monday afternoons, beginning on 26th September at 2.30pm, but I’m really happy to add an evening group to the mix if there’s enough demand, so do say which time would suit you better. Because all group members will need a book, we do need you to commit in advance . . any questions, do please speak to me.
Canon Kathryn  [kathryn.fleming@coventrycathedral.org.uk](mailto:kathryn.fleming@coventrycathedral.org.uk)  024 7652 1230.

**Pilgrim**
We resume our exploration of the Christian faith through reflective Bible reading (Lectio Divina) and discussion, considering what it means to turn to Christ. Though this unit is particularly suitable for those preparing for Confirmation, previous units have revealed quite enough to keep life-long Christians engaged and learning. Pilgrim begins on Tuesday 20th September at 7pm. Sign up on the Community table or contact me.
Canon Kathryn  [kathryn.fleming@coventrycathedral.org.uk](mailto:kathryn.fleming@coventrycathedral.org.uk)  024 7652 1230.

**Heritage Open Weekend 2016**
**Saturday & Sunday 10th & 11th September**
Heritage Open Weekend is fast approaching, and we will be participating on both the Saturday & Sunday. I know a lot of you like to get involved so I would like to start to make a list of who would like to help out – if you are able to lend a hand could you please let either me, Emma Fox or Helen Owens know, along with the days/times you can assist. In terms of what we offer on the day, I am thinking of the following, but any other suggestions are more than welcome so please feel free to let me know any ideas you may have.
Children's/Family tours – we will get a lot of family groups in so it would be nice for us to offer something that will appeal to them – all credit to Martina for this idea!
The Chapels in the Ruins; Limited showings of some of the Medieval Glass.
If any of that appeals to you in particular and you would like to volunteer to do something specific then please do let me know. We will also need people dotted around the building to assist/answer questions etc, so if you have a particular feature that interests you please tell me about it!
Thanks as always for all of your help, you’re all amazing! I really look forward to making this a huge success.
Carla Crawley
OPEN Table: Soup Volunteers Needed in September
OPEN Table will begin again on September 25th and we are excited about welcoming new students into the Cathedral on that evening. We are looking for a team of two people to help prepare soup for OPEN Table. OPEN Table is a simple supper church that happens once a month in conjunction with the Cathedral evening OPEN services. It is a wonderful opportunity for people to gather around the table for food, fellowship, and celebration in community. In the expectation that we will have a few more guests around the table at the start of the new term, we are asking volunteers to prepare soup for 45. If you are interested in volunteering and sharing your gifts, please email haley.jones@coventrycathedral.org.uk.

Calling all Tourism Volunteers…!
We will be holding our next Tourism forum on Thursday the 1st of September at 2pm in the Chapter House. If you have any kind of volunteer role within the Tourism team you are more than welcome to join us.
Please let either me, Emma or Helen know if you would like to attend. We look forward to seeing you all there!
Carla Crawley

Lost Property?
If you have lost track of books during the Lent Book Swap, they might be on Canon Kathryn’s desk. She currently has copies of Mr Golightly’s Holiday, Jesus & Money and Water into Wine awaiting collection so do drop in to the Navy Room if you think one of them might be yours.

Coventry SleepOut 2016
Friday 9th September from 7pm in the Ruins
This event in support of St Basils’ work with young people in Coventry will be taking place in one of the most atmospheric venues possible for a sleepout under the stars! It is free to take part, all we ask is that participants try to raise as much as possible in sponsorship to make it all worthwhile. The sleepout is a sponsored challenge to sleep in just a cardboard box and plastic sheeting overnight. Participants are required to wear warm weatherproof clothes and bring outdoor sleeping bags and there are toilets on site as well as security throughout the event. It will also be possible to purchase hot food and drinks at the event. Groups can take part in our ‘Creative Cardboard Competition’ if they wish, bringing extra cardboard or materials to do something a bit more creative with their cardboard ration for the night.
All the money raised from this event will go towards supporting our services in Coventry. We work in partnership with Coventry City Council operating five services aimed at helping young people in crisis with advice, assessments, practical assistance and temporary accommodation, supporting them throughout.
So if you want to ensure young people aged 16-25 in Coventry get the support they need to avoid losing their homes or to find safe haven when they do, please consider taking part in this event. It’s a great opportunity to meet other local people like you!
www.stbasils.org.uk/help-us/sleepouts/coventry-sleepout/

Accommodation for Canon Sarah Snyder
Canon Sarah (the Archbishop of Canterbury’s Advisor for Reconciliation) is looking for somewhere in Coventry where she can stay when she is here, normally for two nights a week (Sunday and Monday). If you have a spare room and would be willing to welcome Sarah, please contact Victoria Mason at victoria.mason@lambethpalace.org.uk.

What does Coventry Cathedral mean to you?
We are looking for tales about how Coventry Cathedral impacts people, and we would love to hear from you! If you would like to share a few words about what the Cathedral means to you, why you choose to volunteer here, or even if you have a tale of how you have witnessed it impact our visitors we would love to hear from you.
There is no limit on the length or content; all submissions will be welcome. Please email your contributions to me or hand them in to me or one of the Welcome Team in person.
Carla Crawley
carla.crawley@coventrycathedral.org.uk

Reflections from a(nother) Reconciliation Intern
It has been a great year here in Coventry Cathedral. It gave me a lot, starting with new friends, unforgettable trips and work experience. So it is still hard to believe that this year is coming to an end. It was great to be a part of such an amazing team and community.
I definitely won’t forget the Dresden experience at Peace Academy. We had an amazing time there and we’ve learned a lot. I think one of the best talks we have organized during this year was Cyrille Regis and Sabir Zazai: An Interview. Both of them are very interesting people so it was a pleasure to have a chance to hear them sharing their life stories.
I am going to take all the memories with me. I would like to thank all those who I worked with this year, for sharing with me this amazing experience.
Anita Duda

Scale new heights and abseil Coventry Cathedral!
Saturday 24th September from 9am
Imagine standing on a rooftop looking out over the impressive Coventry skyline and the breathtaking West Midlands countryside beyond. Imagine leaning back, hearing the wind, taking the strain and feeling the rush as you lower yourself over the edge . . . this beautiful and iconic building promises to deliver an experience unlike any other and we are delighted to be able to offer it as part of our 150th anniversary abseil events.
For 150 years, Barnardo’s has been helping vulnerable children overcome abuse, neglect and exploitation. We couldn’t do it without you, so please sign up now and support us with our challenge to help those young people that need it most.
Places are limited so take advantage of this rare opportunity.
On the day expert abseil professionals will provide you with a comprehensive safety briefing, so no previous experience is needed. All the specialist equipment required to take on a challenge of this magnitude will also be provided. You’ll also receive regular e-newsletters with tips and advice to help you smash your fundraising targets, and a free Barnardo’s t-shirt. Want to take part? Sign up now to join #TeamBarnardo’s!
www.barnardos.org.uk/challenge_form?eid=CE_ED_2240