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.

- **Prayer Points for this month**
  This month we look forward to all the programmes starting in September and on into the autumn, and continue to pray for more people to make the cathedral their spiritual home.

- **Today**
  The Dean is presiding at the 10:00 Parish Mass at St Luke’s Holbrooks.

- **Flowers at the pulpit today**
  The flowers are to celebrate John and Margaret Lloyd’s wedding anniversary and in memory of Margaret’s mother Kathleen born 100 years ago on September 23rd.

- **Presentation of a Cross of Nails today**
  Mark Simmons, Dean’s Advisor for Reconciliation Ministry, is presenting a Cross of Nails to the Pauluskerk, Breukelen, in the Netherlands, today. The Cross was blessed at Choral Evensong last week. We welcome them wholeheartedly to the CCN! Alice Farnhill

- **Organ Recital, Monday 23rd at 1pm (admission free, retiring collection)**
  This week’s final half hour concert in the series features Kerry Beaumont, our Director of Music. John and Margaret Lloyd are grateful to Kerry for agreeing to add to the program a piece he played for their wedding in 2006, Mozart’s Alla Hornpipe from the Water Music.

- **Genexis – looking at the evidence for God; Monday 23rd at 7pm**
  World-leading scientists, historians and scholars speak in the cathedral on the evidence for a creator God, covering 7 “imponderables” in support of theism as the question is asked: is it really plausible that all of this came out of nothing and for no particular reason? The event is for anybody who has an open mind and has asked themselves the most important question we all face: why am I here? This week’s talks are entitled “DNA” by Francis Collins and Denis Alexander and “Consciousness” by Sharon Dirckx; the final talks on Monday 30th are by George Ellis on “Ethics” and by Lee Strobel and NT Wright on “Life after Death”.
  Tickets are available at [www.genexis.org](http://www.genexis.org) and [Eventbrite](http://www.eventbrite.com) (or via the Cathedral website).
• **Funeral of Matthew March, Thursday 26th at 12:15pm**
  Canon Kathryn will conduct the service.

• **Imagineer Bridge (in Broadgate), Friday 27th to Sunday 29th**
  Coventry Cathedral is excited to be partnering with Bridge again this year. It’s a week-long festival filled with art, workshops and engineering, created by Imagineer Productions. Find out more here: [https://www.imagine-bridge.co.uk/](https://www.imagine-bridge.co.uk/)

• **Coventry Re-visited, Saturday 28th (after the Friends’ AGM)**
  This is the title of a talk by the actress Jean Rogers, following the AGM of the Friends. Jean has had an illustrious career in television, radio and theatre. When she was part of the Belgrade Theatre Company in 1962 she worked as a volunteer guide at the Cathedral. There are more details of the speaker on the Community Table. Quite a return visit!

• **Benefactors Evensong, Sunday 29th at 4pm**
  The Cathedral is using its patronal festival as an opportunity to thank all those who support the Cathedral financially. All donors are warmly invited to attend evensong and stay afterwards for a drinks reception. Please let Will Haynes know if you are coming so that we can prepare the refreshments: [William.haynes@coventrycathedral.org.uk](mailto:William.haynes@coventrycathedral.org.uk) or 02476 521227.

• **Bring & Share Welcome Lunch, Sunday 5th October after the 10:30 service.**
  Many thanks to those who are generous in their gifts of food to share. We don’t want to run out! [St Michael's Committee](mailto:Sandra.Brownbridge2@gmail.com)

• **New Music Commission**
  Looking towards City of Culture 2021 the Friends of Coventry Cathedral have launched an appeal for funds to commission new music for the Cathedral Choir. To help, please contact the chairman, Martin Williams (telephone 024 7650 2349/ email [MRWlegal@aol.com](mailto:MRWlegal@aol.com))

• **Access to the cathedral during cycle events, etc**
  I spent an hour with Richard Smith from the Council on Wednesday afternoon. No dramatic breakthroughs to report, I’m afraid, but the tone was positive and we exchanged ideas on options to maintain access during such events. *Dave Goodall*

• **Cathedral Prayer Circle**
  In an emergency, contact [Sandra.Brownbridge2@gmail.com](mailto:Sandra.Brownbridge2@gmail.com) for prayer for your concerns.

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