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 Baptistry) you’ll find more about what is happening in and around here.

- **Prayer Points for this month**

  We pray for the Dean in the final weeks of his sabbatical and for all those working on projects to prepare the Cathedral for all the opportunities coming our way in 2021.

- **Today**

  Today is our first **Souper Sunday**! In addition to Bring & Share lunches on the first Sunday every other month, the Choir Parents will be serving soup on other first Sundays for everyone who would like it. **St Michael’s Committee**

  Today is also **Foodbank Sunday**. Recently I took 212 items to the Foodbank warehouse, including items bought with cash donations of £212 from 15 people. Thank you to all who made this possible. The next Foodbank Sunday is 7th April. **Richard Chamberlaine Brothers**

- **Friends of Coventry Cathedral, Friendly Monday presentation – tomorrow**

  Starting at 11am (with refreshments from 10:30), come to St Michael’s House to find out about the work of St Basils in support of the young and homeless. **Jim Newton**

- **Prayer for Christian Service, tomorrow from 4-5pm in Chapel of Unity**

  The Salvation Army offers support, friendship and practical help to homeless families in the city. Introduced by Kelly Salisbury (Service Manager, Hub and Outreach). **John Lloyd**

- **The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) on Tuesday from 12-1pm**

  Though we know that God forgives us whenever we turn to him in penitence and faith, it is sometimes helpful to engage with a more intensive process of self-examination and to hear God’s forgiveness spoken aloud, knowing own specific failures have been forgiven. In a place where reconciliation is integral to all that we do, it makes sense to enjoy the full riches of the sacraments that Christ has entrusted to his Church. There will be a priest ready to hear confessions in the Millennium Chapel from 12.00 noon till 1 pm on Shrove Tuesday.

- **Notice for stewards**

  Please read the new information in the Stewards’ Folder, then sign to say you have read it. Thank you. **Barbara Mobbs**
• Cathedral Lent Course, starting on Tuesday 5\textsuperscript{th} at 7pm in St Michael’s House
Paula Gooder, our preacher at Candlemas, is the author of this year’s Lent course, ‘Broken’, which lasts 6 weeks. Each week, we will watch an episode of the BBC programme ‘Broken’ on DVD before exploring the material Paula has provided. Paula says this about it: “The TV series focuses on a Roman Catholic priest who attempts to bring Christ’s light into the lives of the people amongst whom he ministers. The series portrays real life at its most gritty, and raises many questions about how to live faithfully when life is very hard.” \textit{Canon Kathryn}

• Liturgy of Ash Wednesday, 6\textsuperscript{th} at 12 noon and 7:70pm
The Bishop will be with us at 12 noon, the choir (including Allegri’s ‘Miserere’) at 7:30pm.

• Palm Crosses
The Cathedral has sufficient ash for Ash Wednesday but if you wish to bring in your palm cross from last year please do so and give to a Verger. \textit{Canon Margaret}

• Commission4Mission art exhibition, Saturday 9\textsuperscript{th} from 10am
This exhibition in the cathedral is entitled “Reconciliation” and includes a mix of abstract and representational imagery created using ceramics, collage, digital illustration, drawing, painting, photography and sculpture. Free entry, donations welcome.

• Corrymeela Weekend, Saturday 16\textsuperscript{th} & Sunday 17\textsuperscript{th}
On Saturday at 12.15 pm, we will hold a Poetry Mass, created and celebrated by The Revd Dr Paul Edmondson of the Shakespeare Birthplace Trust as part of our ‘Borders and Belonging’ day. Later, at 2pm, Pàdraig Ó Tuama of the Corrymeela Community will lead a workshop on the subject. Pàdraig will also be our 10:30 Eucharist preacher on Sunday 17\textsuperscript{th}.

• Creation of new electoral and community rolls
We are approaching “Last call” for the electoral and community rolls. Please submit forms by close Sunday 10\textsuperscript{th} March if possible. Draft new rolls will be available shortly. \textit{Dave Goodall}

• News of Ruth Scott
We are sad to report the death on 20\textsuperscript{th} February of Ruth Scott, whose wonderful addresses had such an impact on us during Holy Week 2018. She was a blessing to so many and we are glad to have known her. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. \textit{Canon Kathryn}

• Advance notice: Easter Party for homeless families, Friday 26\textsuperscript{th} April, 4-7pm
Help needed on the day to chat to parents, supervise Easter Egg hunt, serve drinks and food, help with games; beforehand to contribute to catering and make up goody bags. If you are interested in helping, please sign up on the Community Table or contact margaretcloyd7@gmail.com, 024 7641 3004; janeedw54@gmail.com, 024 7666 3344; or Lead Chaplain Missioner Zoe.pimentel@coventrycathedral.org.uk.

Also, through Lent please consider buying Easter Eggs for homeless families. Every Lent Sunday there will be a box on the Community Table for you to donate Easter Eggs (and other sweets) for the party. \textit{Margaret Lloyd and Jane Edwards}

Please send brief items of Cathedral news and events for the next edition of Cathedral Matters by the end of Tuesday 5\textsuperscript{th} March for publication next Sunday to cathedral.matters@coventrycathedral.org.uk or phone 024 7652 1227.