CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY NOTICES

Monday 6th February at 11am in the Lecture Hall (refreshments from 10.30)
The Friends of Coventry Cathedral
Inventing Coventry Cathedral
Sarah Moss, novelist, travel writer and Creative Writing professor, talks about using Basil Spence's story in her novel The Tidel Zone. The book tells the story of Adam and his family living with a sudden medical emergency and its longer-term consequences. Adam is also an art historian researching Coventry Cathedral. To reserve a place, sign up on the Community Table today.

Monday 6th February
4pm-5pm in the Chapel of Unity
Prayer for Christian Service
Come and hear about, and pray for, Fresh Start: a new initiative pioneered by Together for Change, seeking to mobilise churches in Coventry to both befriend and provide practical support to people from different cultural backgrounds. Introduced by Matt Robinson (Project Coordinator).
John Lloyd, Chapel of Unity Joint Council
jlloyd49@gmail.com 02476 413004

Thursday 9th February
during Choral Evensong at 5.15pm
Remembering Madge Williams
Thank you to all who supported us following Madge’s death. Prayers of thanksgiving for her life and for the recovery of her grandson, Stephen, who will be present, will be included in this afternoon’s Choral Evensong.
Martin & Jane Williams

Cathedral Prayer Circle
In an emergency, a group of us are ready to pray for you and those for whom you are concerned. Meg Bowen 01926 856928.

Sunday 12th February after the Cathedral Eucharist
Cake Sale
The Choir Parents’ Association will be selling Valentine-themed and other yummy cakes and samosas to raise desperately needed CPA funding for Chorister Tours 2017. Please support us!
Clarey Copey

Wednesday 15th February at 10am
Cathedral Walkers
We're walking to and around Coombe this month - mostly on hard paths to avoid the February mud! - before lunch in Brandon. Full details are on the Community Table; please let me know by close Sunday 12th if you intend to come: 024 7646 1946 or dagoodall@hotmail.co.uk.
Dave Goodall

Wednesday 15th February at 7pm
in St Michael’s House
Journeying From Victimhood to Forgiveness
Bishop Brian Castle (www.briancastle.org), the former Bishop of Tonbridge, will give our second lecture of the Reconciliation Reimagined Lecture Series. If you have any questions, please contact reconciliation@coventrycathedral.org.uk. If you are interested in attending, please add your name to the signup sheet on the community table.
Haley Jones

Saturday 18th February from 9’30am
in St Michael’s House
Community Morning
Please join us to hear about our first year of work with Natural Church Development and to think about the way ahead too.
Canon Kathryn

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 the Cathedral in the next week or so.

The Dean, Canons and assisting Readers this week
Canon Sarah is Canon in Residence this week. The Reader assisting at the Cathedral Eucharist is Sue Morton (St Mary Walsgrave).
This morning the Dean is preaching at St John the Baptist Coventry.

The Dean’s Prayer Points for February
Please pray especially this month for the preparation and planning of the 2018 Centenary Festival for the Diocese and Cathedral, and for the 2021 City of Culture Bid, which has the Cathedral at its heart. Dean John

Events at the back of the nave TODAY after the Cathedral Eucharist
Bring-and-Share Welcome Lunch
St Michael’s Committee warmly invites everyone to stay and join us for lunch at the back of the Nave. There’s plenty for all! Tim Brooke for St Michael’s Committee

Unwanted Christmas Present Sale
at the back of the Nave to raise money for the Boys/Scholars’ Choir Tour to Lübeck in April. Prices from £1-3. Real bargains!
Corinne Hepburn

Book Table
Please help yourselves to any books you would like from this selection which belonged to my husband John. Any donations to Cathedral Funds will be very welcome. Barbara Mobbs

Today is Foodbank Sunday: cash donations are very welcome
Richard Chamberlain-Brothers

CATHEDRAL MATTERS

Sunday 5th February
4th Sunday before Lent

Sunday 12th February
3rd Sunday before Lent

8.00am  Holy Communion
10.30am  The Cathedral Eucharist
4.00pm  Choral Evensong
6.00pm  OPEN

Barbara Mobbs

Please send brief items of Cathedral news and events for the next edition of Cathedral Matters by end of TUESDAY 7th February for publication on Sunday 12th February to cathedral.matters@coventrycathedral.org.uk or phone 024 7659 4916
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**Lent at the Cathedral**
This year we’re offering two ways and two books with which to journey through the season together. Our main focus will be Rowan Williams’ *Being a Disciple*, which we’ll explore week by week on Tuesday evenings at 7pm in the Provost’s Vestry. Alternatively, try *The Power of Imperfection* by our Holy Week preacher, Ruth Scott. Read it independently through Lent, and we’ll arrange an opportunity to discuss with Ruth while she’s here in Coventry. More details to follow – but you might want to order your chosen book soon.

*Canon Kathryn*

**Legacies in favour of Coventry Cathedral**
It is often true that many of us have the ability to sustain a place we love after our death in a way in which we can’t whilst we live. Many members of the congregation have, of course, already planned to do this. It would really help us to have a full list of all those who have included a legacy to the Cathedral and its work in their will. Please get in touch with Isabel Merrifield, Business Manager (isabel.merrifield@coventrycathedral.org.uk) or by post to 1 Hill Top, COVENTRY CV1 5AB to let her know if you have already done this. If you would like to know more about opportunities to include a legacy in your will, please do look at the Cathedral website (under the Support Us tab) for some helpful information. Isabel will also be happy to provide you with some information in person or on the telephone if that would be easier.

**Cathedral Property Update**
January has been another busy month, not helped by our maintenance assistant leaving before Christmas, though we are now advertising for a replacement. We have logged more than 50 maintenance requests this month (on top of the usual replacing of light bulbs) which range from dealing with blocked toilets to repairing door furniture. There is also a significant backlog of minor repairs from last year still to be addressed.

On the project front, a new fire detection system has been installed on the nave catwalk, which is linked to the main system. This area had been unprotected for a number of years following the failure of the previous system. The two crypts beneath the ruins are now slowly drying out: monitoring devices, mechanical ventilation and some background heaters have been installed. Tenders are now due back for the re-fixing of the slate cladding on the Chapel of Unity, which should enable work to commence at the end of March. This project has been made possible thanks to a grant of £870k from the WW1 Commemoration Fund and a contribution from the Joint Council of the Chapel of Unity.

February will also see our fire safety contractor on site for a week or two, servicing the fire alarm systems, emergency lighting and fire extinguishers, and a contractor servicing the door mechanisms at the West Screen and Unity Link.

Finally, please don’t hesitate to report any maintenance issues to me.

*Tony Auty, Director of Property and Fabric*

**Thank You**
I would like to say a big thank you to everybody for your prayers and kindness at this difficult time. They are a great comfort to me.

*Eileen Third*

**Is This You?**
We have one space in the Cathedral team volunteering at the Winter Night Shelter at St Oswald’s Tile Hill on **Friday March 17th**. Are you available from about **6.30pm to 10pm** to join Richard Chamberlaine-Brothers, Tim Brooke and Matthew Phillips to help put up beds, serve food, wash up, and chat to guests over a meal prepared by Richard?

If so please contact Margaret Lloyd **as soon as possible** (if you are not already registered as a volunteer this will need to be arranged).

*Margaretlloyd7@gmail.com or 024 7641 3004*

**Electoral and Community Rolls: are you on the list?**
If you are not yet on the Electoral Roll now is the time to enrol.

All baptised members of the Church of England who worship regularly at Coventry Cathedral are invited to join. Once you are on the Roll you will be entitled to free entry to the Cathedral and able to vote at the Annual Meetings held in April.

To enrol, simply fill in a short form to indicate your continued commitment to our life together.

There is also a Community Roll for those engaged in voluntary service with the Cathedral, for example on the Welcome Desk, as a chaplain, tour guide or choir member or in the offices.

Forms are available every Sunday on the Community Table at the 10.30am service or from any of the churchwardens (Dave East, Seye Falope, Gill Shorthose, Brenda Williams, Sarah Walters) who will also be happy to give you more information.

Please also let me know if you have changed your telephone number, postal and/or email address in the last year, or if you know of any member who has died.

*Jane Corrigan, Electoral Roll Officer (janecorrigan45@btinternet.com)*

**Dean’s Administrator**
**35 hours a week (£18,500 per annum)**

We are looking for someone special to provide secretarial, clerical and administrative support to the Dean’s office. This is a new role which will play an important part within the ministry, business and community life of the Cathedral.

You must be reliable, with an eye for detail, excellent organisation and communication skills.

Job pack and application form available from [www.coventrycathedral.org.uk](http://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk)

The closing date for applications is Friday 10th February. Interviews are on Monday 20th.

**Maintenance Assistant**
**35 hours a week (£13,650 per annum)**

We are looking for a keen individual to join our Maintenance Team which is responsible for the day-to-day maintenance of the Cathedral buildings, and all departments.

You’ll be working with experienced colleagues and will be given an opportunity to learn and develop a range of manual skills in a pleasant and friendly work environment.

If you think you fit the bill please email or phone Louise Nicholls for a job pack

*024 7652 1200 Louise.nicholls@coventrycathedral.org.uk*

The closing date for applications is Friday 17th February. Interviews are on Thursday 23rd.