Welcome to Coventry Cathedral

Welcome to everyone, especially if you are visiting or new to us! We’re delighted that you’re worshiping 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 April**
  We give thanks and pray for the impact of the Knife Angel, and welcome the Dean back from his sabbatical. Pray too for the AGM today, a significant opportunity for the community to gather to celebrate the past and explore the future.

- **Cathedral Lent Course, every Tuesday in Lent at 7pm in St Michael’s House**
  Each week, we watch an episode of the BBC programme ‘Broken’ on DVD before exploring the material Paula Gooder, our preacher at Candlemas, has provided. *Canon Kathryn*

- **Can art change the world? Thursday 11th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm**
  This Art Society talk concentrates on artists who have used their art to communicate ideas, opinions, criticisms or fears about their world and, in doing so, tell us a great deal about the historical period in which the art was created. The speaker is Val Woodgate, Lecturer and Guide in Tate Britain and Tate Modern. Free glass of wine or soft drink beforehand.

- **Cleaning the Cathedral in preparation for Easter on Tuesday 16th**
  See the Community Table - jobs at all levels: standing, sitting, kneeling, crawling! *Meg Bowen*

- **Stephen Verney Memorial Concert, Tuesday 16th at 7pm (in London)**
  Stephen Verney was on the staff of Coventry Cathedral from 1958-70. This performance of Bach’s St Matthew Passion in St Clement Danes, Strand, WC2R 1DH is on what would have been Stephen’s 100th birthday. For seats, email sevstjohn@gamil.com. *The Verney family*

- **Evening Sketching Classes in the Cathedral, from Tuesday 23rd**
  This is a 5 week course from 6:30 to 8:30 pm on Tuesday each week with professional artist and illustrator Beth Blake BA, run by the Cathedral’s Education Department. The course costs £45 per person. Sketching materials are provided. All abilities are welcome. Details and a sign-up sheet are on the Community Table. For anything more contact me on 024 7652 1257 or stella.timbrell@coventrycathedral.org.uk. *Stella Timbrell*
• **Maundy Thursday Liturgy, Thursday 18th at 7:30pm**
As usual 6 volunteers are needed for the foot-washing, a highly symbolic and moving part of this service when we remember Jesus washing his disciples’ feet at the Last Supper. Holy Trinity will be providing 6 people too. If you have not volunteered before and would like to know more do speak to me, John Brassington or any of the clergy. *Canon Margaret Sedgwick*

• **Bach’s St John Passion, Good Friday (19th) at 6pm**
Please join us for our Passion on Good Friday, an integral part of the cathedral’s Holy Week events and always an especially moving occasion for both performers and audience. Tickets available from [www.ticketweb.co.uk](http://www.ticketweb.co.uk) 0844 477 1000, [www.coventrycathedralchorus.com](http://www.coventrycathedralchorus.com), Jill Pacey 01676 532436 or on the door. Concessionary tickets for Friends of the Cathedral and Patrons of the choir must be obtained from Jill Pacey. *Pam Norman*

• **Services for Holy Week: Monday 15th to Easter Sunday, 21st**
Details are on the back of the 10:30 service booklet and on the cathedral website at [www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/wpsite/calendar/](http://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/wpsite/calendar/).

• **Stewards for Holy Week and Easter services and events**
Will stewards please sign up on the Special Services sheet. Thank you! *Barbara Mobbs*

• **Flowers for Easter Day, Sunday 21st**
If you would like to see flowers in the Cathedral on Easter Day there will be a small flowery jug for contributions on the Community Table on 7th and 14th April. All contributions will be gratefully received. *The Cathedral Churchwardens*

• **The Dean – back from the top of the world!**
The Dean climbed Mt Kilimanjaro with the aim of raising £5,000 towards the Investors in Hope fundraising campaign, which supports the Cathedral and its Reconciliation Ministry. You can still sponsor him via [mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/johnwitcombe1](http://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/johnwitcombe1) or the “Dean’s Challenge” envelope on the Community Table (cheques to “Coventry Cathedral” please).

• **Easter Party for homeless families, Friday 26th April, 3:30 to 6:30pm**
Through Lent, please consider buying Easter Eggs for homeless families and putting them in the box on the Community Table (with other sweets). To help on the day, please sign up on the Community Table or contact margaretcloyd7@gmail.com, 024 7641 3004; janeedw54@gmail.com, 024 7666 3344; or Zoe.Pimentel@coventrycathedral.org.uk.

• **National Girls’ Youth Choir sing “Songs and Charms”, Saturday 20th at 4pm**
A programme of music from ‘other’ dimensions with guest choir Warwickshire Children’s Chorus, including some ‘Choral Hymns from the Rig Veda’, ancient Sanskrit texts which Gustav Holst set fusing Western and Indian influences. Tickets from [www.nycgb.org.uk](http://www.nycgb.org.uk).

• **Cathedral Prayer Circle**
In an emergency, contact Sandra.Brownbridge2@gmail.com for prayer for your concerns.

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Please send brief items of Cathedral news and events for the next edition of *Cathedral Matters* by the end of **Tuesday 9th April** for publication next Sunday to cathedral.matters@coventrycathedral.org.uk or phone 024 7652 1227.