



GUILDFORD
CATHEDRAL

9.45am
30 March 2025

MOTHERING
SUNDAY
CATHEDRAL
EUCHARIST



WELCOME

THE SEASON OF LENT

The season of Lent enables us to prepare for Easter, the most important festival of the church year. Easter is the principal occasion for baptism and for the reconciliation of those who had been excluded from the Church's fellowship for apostasy or serious faults. This connection explains the characteristic notes of Lent – self-examination, penitence, self-denial and study, to which almsgiving has traditionally been added.

MOTHERING SUNDAY DAFFODILS

This morning we celebrate and thank God for all who have mothered us. As you leave the cathedral today there are daffodils for you to collect to give to someone who has mothered you, or to take if you are a parent.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All who are communicants are welcome to receive the bread and wine. There is no obligation to drink from the common cup. However, please do not dip your wafer in the wine. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please keep your hands at your sides. Gluten-free bread is available from the station on the left at the front (north side).

COLLECTION

Your support makes a real difference to the ministry and mission of Guildford Cathedral. If you would like to support this work on a regular basis it's very simple to set up a direct debit via the Parish Giving Scheme. The phone number is 0333 002 1271, and the Cathedral reference code is 170617001. One-off donations can be made using the Gift Aid envelopes or a contactless donation by using the contactless collection plates on your way out, or the contactless box (by the west doors of the Cathedral) or our QR code. If you use the contactless plates or box and you are a taxpayer, please complete a green gift aid envelope and write 'contactless donation' on the front; please put the envelope in the plate or the cash box at the west end. We also welcome the donation of foreign coins and notes; please



see the notice at the back of this booklet. On behalf of all at Guildford Cathedral, thank you.

PARTICIPATION IN THE SERVICE

We sing the hymns and the response to the Psalm and say together the words in **bold** type. Although posture is suggested please do whatever is most comfortable for you.

DO-IT-YOURSELF CRÈCHE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

There are toys available for under school-aged children in the baptistry during the morning Choral Eucharist. This can be found at the back of the Cathedral in the right hand side corner. Parents/carers are asked to remain with their children at all times and to keep the toys in the baptistry. If you need any help please ask one of the stewards on duty.

A Sunday School for children aged 3-11 years will be held on the first Sunday of the month (May, June and July). We also have activity bags available for children to use on weeks where there isn't Sunday School – please ask a steward to show you where they are.

MUSIC TODAY

We welcome Guildford Cathedral Singers directed by John Bawden, and thank them very much for providing the music for this service.

MUSIC SETTING

Messa à quattro voci *Alessandro Grandi (1590-1630)*

PRESIDENT AND PREACHER

The president this morning is The Reverend Canon Rachel Young and the preacher is The Reverend Canon Chris Hollingshurst.

Stand

THE GATHERING

HYMN



When morning gilds the skies,
my heart awaking cries,
 may Jesus Christ be praised:
alike at work and prayer,
to Jesus I repair;
 may Jesus Christ be praised.

My tongue shall never tire
of chanting with the choir,
 may Jesus Christ be praised:
this song of sacred joy,
it never seems to cloy,
 may Jesus Christ be praised.

Does sadness fill my mind?
A solace here I find,
 may Jesus Christ be praised:
or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this,
 may Jesus Christ be praised.

The night becomes as day,
when from the heart we say,
 may Jesus Christ be praised:
the powers of darkness fear,
when this sweet chant they hear,
 may Jesus Christ be praised.

Be this, while life is mine,
my canticle divine,
may Jesus Christ be praised:
be this the eternal song
through ages all along,
may Jesus Christ be praised!

Words: German, 19th century, tr. Edward Caswall (1814-1878)

Music: CP 619 (omit v.2) Laudes Domini, Joseph Barnby (1838-1896)

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

THE GREETING

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Deacon Compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God,
though we have rebelled against him.
Let us then renounce our wilfulness and ask for his mercy
by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**Lord God, we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON

Choir Kyrie, eleison. *Lord, have mercy.*
Christe, eleison. *Christ, have mercy.*
Kyrie, eleison. *Lord, have mercy.*

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray

A moment of silent prayer

God of compassion,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,
and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:
strengthen us in our daily living
that in joy and in sorrow
we may know the power of your presence
to bind together and to heal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING | Samuel I.20-28 read by Tim Cane

A reading from the first book of Samuel.

Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the Lord.' The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the Lord the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the Lord, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only - may the Lord establish his word.' So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the Lord at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the Lord. For this child I prayed; and the Lord has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he lives, he is given to the Lord.' She left him there for the Lord.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

PSALM 34.11-20

The choir sings the response through once, which the congregation then repeats. All join in the response during the psalm, as indicated.



I will bless the Lord at all times.

Come, my children, and listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
Who is there who delights in life
and longs for days to enjoy good things?
Keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from lying words.
Turn from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it. *Response*

The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous
and his ears are open to their cry.
The face of the Lord is against those who do evil,
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.
The righteous cry and the Lord hears them
and delivers them out of all their troubles.
The Lord is near to the brokenhearted
and will save those who are crushed in spirit. *Response*

Many are the troubles of the righteous;
from them all will the Lord deliver them.
He keeps all their bones,
so that not one of them is broken. *Response*

Chant: Scott Watson (b.1962)

SECOND READING Colossians 3.12-17 read by
Shirley-Margaret Lloyd

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

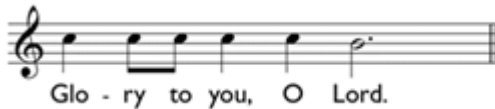
The Gospel Acclamation is played by the organist, sung by the choir, and then sung by everybody. As the procession passes, please turn to face the proclamation of the Gospel.



Choir Blessed is the Virgin Mary
Who treasured the Word of God, and pondered it in her heart.
All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

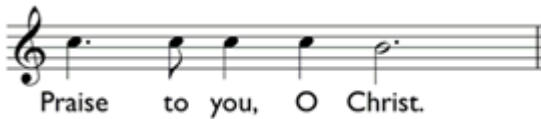
GOSPEL READING Luke 2.33-35

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.



The child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit **SERMON** Canon Chris Hollingshurst

Stand

THE CREED

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION led by Kathy Hollingshurst

The president invites everyone to pray, saying

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

Sit or

kneel *The bidding and response are*

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

In conclusion

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

Stand

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who has given us access to his grace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

HYMN



I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.

The Spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here.

Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one.

Words: Brian A Wren (b.1936)

Music: CP 305 St. Botolph, Gordon Slater (1896-1979)

THE TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Gracious God,
accept the offering of your Church,
the hearts of your people
Joined in praise and thanksgiving,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

President:
The__ Lord__ be with you.

All:
And__ al - so with you.

President:
Lift up your__ hearts.__

All:
We lift them to__ the Lord.__

President:
Let us give thanks. to__ the Lord__ our God.

All:
It is right to give thanks and praise.__

It is indeed right and good
to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and everlasting Father,
through Jesus Christ your Son.
For in these forty days
you lead us into the desert of repentance
that through a pilgrimage of prayer and discipline
we may grow in grace
and learn to be your people once again.

Through fasting, prayer and acts of service
you bring us back to your generous heart.
Through study of your holy word
you open our eyes to your presence in the world
and free our hands to welcome others
into the radiant splendour of your love.
As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast
with joyful hearts and minds
we bless you for your mercy
and join with saints and angels
for ever praising you and singing:

<i>Choir</i>	Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.</i>
	Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini Hosanna in excelsis.	<i>Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.</i>

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
 he took the cup and gave you thanks;
 he gave it to them, saying:
 Drink this, all of you;
 this is my blood of the new covenant,
 which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
 Do this, as often as you drink it,
 in remembrance of me.

Deacon

Je - sus Christ is Lord: Lord, by your cross, and
 re - sur - rec - tion you have set us free.
 You are the Sa - viour of the world.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
 his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
 rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
 and looking for his coming in glory,
 we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.
 As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
 we bring before you this bread and this cup
 and we thank you for counting us worthy
 to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
 and gather into one in your kingdom
 all who share this one bread and one cup,
 so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints,
 may praise and glorify you for ever,
 through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.



*Sit or
kneel*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup.
**we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

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AGNUS DEI

<i>Choir</i>	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.	<i>Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.</i>
	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.	<i>Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.</i>
	Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.	<i>Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us peace.</i>

COMMUNION MOTET

Convertere, Domine, et eripe animam meam; salvum me fac propter misericordiam tuam	<i>Turn thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul: O save me for thy mercy's sake.</i>
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Words: Psalm 6.4

Music: Orlando de Lassus (c.1532-1594)

Stand

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

A moment of silent prayer

Loving God,

as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**God of our pilgrimage,
you have fed us with the bread of heaven.
Refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

THE SENDING OUT

THE BLESSING

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

HYMN

During the hymn the procession moves to the West End of the Cathedral. As the procession passes you, please turn and face west. This movement signals the turn of our attention to Christ in the world as the offering of our lives continues there.



Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!

Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
his holy name, the Lord, the mighty one.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!

Powers and dominions lay their glory by.
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and for evermore!

Words: Luke 1.46-55, Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-2024)
Music: CP 362 Woodlands, Walter Greatorex (1877-1949)

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

We remain standing whilst the crucifer leads the choir along the south aisle into the south ambulatory, after which there are refreshments at the west end. You are welcome to listen to the voluntary or quietly make your way to the back of the Cathedral.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Voluntary in D minor *Samuel Long* (18th century)

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WHAT'S HAPPENING?

SERVICES TODAY

MOTHERING SUNDAY

7.45am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) *in the Lady Chapel*

9.45am Cathedral Eucharist *sung by Guildford Cathedral Singers*

6pm Evensong *sung by Oliver Turner, Cantor*

7pm Stations of the Cross

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Tuesday

8.30am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

9am Saturday

Holy Communion *in the Lady Chapel*

8.30am Tuesday

9.00am Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9.30am Saturday

12.30pm Thursday

Evening Prayer

4pm Saturday

5.30pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Choral Evensong

5.30pm Tuesday *sung by the Jennifer Bate Academy*

SERVICE OF TAIZE PRAYER WEDNESDAY 2 APRIL

8pm *in the Crossing*

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 6 APRIL

7.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) *in the Lady Chapel*

9.45am Cathedral Eucharist *sung by Laurens Macklon, Cantor*

6pm Choral Evensong *sung by Laurens Macklon, Cantor*

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

Holy Week Preacher's theme: The Seven Last Words of Jesus

PALM SUNDAY 13 APRIL

7.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) *in the Lady Chapel*

10.30am Palm Sunday Choral Eucharist *with procession*

6pm A Service of Music, Readings and a Reflection *by our Holy Week Preacher Fr George Guiver*

MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK 14 APRIL

8.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

9am Holy Communion *in the Lady Chapel*

5.30pm Choral Evensong *in the Quire*

8.30pm Sermon *from our Holy Week Preacher, Fr George Guiver, in the Lady Chapel followed by*

9pm Said Compline

TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK 15 APRIL

8.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8.30am Holy Communion *in the Lady Chapel*

5.30pm Choral Evensong *in the Quire*

8.30pm Sermon *from our Holy Week Preacher, Fr George Guiver, in the Lady Chapel followed by*

9pm Said Compline

WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK 16 APRIL

8.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

9am Holy Communion *in the Lady Chapel*

5.30pm Evening Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8.30pm Sermon *from our Holy Week Preacher, Fr George Guiver, in the Lady Chapel followed by*

9pm Said Compline

MAUNDY THURSDAY 17 APRIL

8.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

11am Diocesan Chrism Eucharist

5.30pm Said Evening Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

7pm Eucharist of the Last Supper with Footwashing *followed by The Watch until 10pm*

GOOD FRIDAY 18 APRIL

8.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

10am The Way of the Cross *an All Age service for Good Friday*

12noon The Three Hours *with Addresses given by Fr George Guiver*

1.30pm Liturgy of Good Friday (Choral Eucharist)

5.30pm Evensong *around the Cross*

EASTER EVE SATURDAY 19 APRIL

7pm Diocesan Easter Eve Service *with Baptism and Confirmation*

EASTER DAY SUNDAY 20 APRIL

7.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) *in the Lady Chapel*

9.45am Cathedral Festival Eucharist *Preacher Fr George Guiver*

6pm Choral Festival Evensong

JOURNEYING THROUGH LENT

Lent has always been a time for deepening discipleship and walking with Jesus on the path to Calvary and through the Cross to the glories of Easter Day. As part of our journey through Lent, we are sharing the opportunity to walk with Jesus on the Via Dolorosa by praying the Stations of the Cross. On Sundays 16 March, 23 March, 30 March and 6 April after Evensong we will be holding a service of The Stations of the Cross where we journey with Jesus to the Cross. This simple service which has been a part of the Church's liturgy for over 900 years, is loaded with meaning and is a beautiful way to focus our devotions during Lent. We encourage people to come to our beautiful service of Evensong before the Stations of the Cross, however, if you wish to

come just to the Stations then please feel free to do that; we will begin at 7.00pm. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Dean Bob Cooper.

LENT BOOKS

In recent years Canon Chris has suggested particular Lent Books for personal reading and reflection. This year he offers two:

- ***Searched Me Out and Known Me: Journeying Lent with the Psalms*, by Charlie Bell.** This is first and foremost a pastoral Lent book based on an exploration of the Psalms, and offers reflections for Ash Wednesday, for each Sunday in Lent, and then each day in Holy Week. Each chapter is built around a psalm, the day's Gospel according to the Church of England's calendar of readings and concludes with the Church of England's daily Collect.

- ***Healing Wounds*, by Erik Varden.** The writer is a Norwegian Catholic bishop, spiritual writer and monk. Structured to guide readers through a journey of reflection, beginning with the raw reality of suffering and moving toward the possibility of redemption and renewal, the book invites readers to sit with their own experiences of pain, consider how these might be transformed through faith and introspection, and by reflection on Christ's passion and its implications for believers.

Why not give one of them a try – and perhaps share your experiences with Chris or his clergy colleagues after Sunday services as we walk through the Season together? And if neither of these appeals to you, perhaps try to find something else to read or to do in order to deepen your faith during Lent.

HOLY WEEK PREACHER

Dean Bob is delighted to announce that our Holy Week preacher this year will be Father George Guiver CR. Fr George is a member of the Community of the Resurrection in Mirfield, where last year's preacher, Fr Charlie, is also one of the brethren. Fr George is an accomplished writer, preacher and teacher on the liturgy, prayer and ministry and will be preaching throughout the whole of Holy Week.

His theme throughout Holy Week will be the Seven Last Sayings of Jesus and there will be more information about this in the coming weeks. Holy Week is an important time of listening, learning and deepening discipleship and Fr George will be a wonderful aid to us on our Christian journey.

SERVICE OF TAIZÉ PRAYER

WEDNESDAY 2 APRIL 2025 – 8pm

You are welcome to a Service of Taizé Prayer at the Cathedral on Wednesday 2 April at 8pm. The service will include some well-known chants from Taizé, Bible readings, prayers and silence, led by a small instrumental music group and singing group. The service will begin and end in silence as is the practice at Taizé. To find out more about Taizé, the monastic community in Burgundy, France and their work, please visit taize.fr

If you would like to volunteer as a singer in the 4-part singing group, there will be rehearsals on Sunday 23 March at 11.15am and Wed 2 April at 7pm. Please contact Canon Rachel Young (Canon for Liturgy and Music) Email: rachel.young@guildford-cathedral.org
Phone: 07709 082999

HOLY WEEK FUNDRAISING CONCERT

SATURDAY 12 APRIL 2025

Start the journey through Holy Week with us. *Holy Week* by Chris Wood is a moving and contemplative Easter Oratorio that brings the passion, sorrow and hope of the season to life. Featuring the Guildford Cathedral Choir, the London Sinfonia and the L'Inviti singers. Tickets £15, U21s £8. www.guildford-cathedral.org/boxoffice (fliers are available at the back of the Cathedral).

FOOD BANK COLLECTIONS

The next collection will be on Sunday 6 April. Please bring packeted and tinned foods, in particular: teabags (not decaf), toothpaste, dried flavoured noodles, tinned meat, jam, chocolate spread. Easter cakes- individual little cakes decorated for Easter, would be much appreciated. There will also be a collection plate for cash donations, as we are able to give towards fresh food vouchers given to the clients. Thank you for your donations.

FRIENDS OF GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL VISIT TO SALISBURY CATHEDRAL, FRIDAY 16 MAY 2025

The Friends of Guildford Cathedral have organised a day trip to Salisbury Cathedral and Flower Festival on Friday 16 May 2025. The cost per person includes coach journey, admission to Salisbury Cathedral, The Spirit of Water Flower Festival and driver gratuity. Friends: £36.00. Non-Friends: £38.00. If you would like more information or a booking form, please contact Yvette directly by phone or email. Yvette Wright, Secretary to The Friends of Guildford Cathedral. Tel: 07851 371590 or www.guildford-cathedral.org

NET ZERO CARBON CONFERENCE

The Cathedral was represented at a Net Zero Carbon Conference in Portsmouth Cathedral on 18 January by Matt O'Grady and Jonathan Neil-Smith – see report at link [Diocese of Portsmouth - News - First net zero carbon conference for diocese](#). This contained a mix of inspiring talks and practical suggestions, including a helpful tour showing a number of modest schemes which had helped reduce the cathedral's heating costs and carbon footprint. The intention is that our own cathedral's existing Eco Group will be integrated with a Net Zero Carbon Board (integrated with the Cathedral's governance) as we seek to take further positive steps towards meeting the General Synod's agreed target of achieving Net Zero by 2030. Anyone interested in serving on this Board, or can suggest potential members, is encouraged to contact Jonathan Neil-Smith at acoo@guildford-cathedral.org

DO YOU LIKE A CHALLENGE?

Do you want the opportunity to abseil down the Cathedral Tower? Are you free on Saturday 14 June? We are looking for brave volunteers to make the Daring Descent to raise funds for the Cathedral. If you are interested in finding out more, talk to Karen Taylor 01483 547863 or fundraising.officer@guildford-cathedral.org

FOREIGN COINS AND BANKNOTES!

Your old and left over currency, both coins and notes, are of value to the Cathedral's Coins Scheme for converting to sterling for fundraising. We really need money left over from holiday or business trips; boxes of old coins and notes; odd packets, UK or foreign, found in the loft or bureau drawers. Age and date doesn't matter – everything is welcome. Please leave with the Sacristy or Office. We have raised £30,435 to date, but we need more! Thank you. John Mitchell

SAFEGUARDING AT GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL

The Cathedral is committed to Safeguarding as an integral part of its ministry and mission, promoting a safer culture and the welfare of every child, young person and adult. As such, the Cathedral has robust policies, procedures and guidelines in place, to ensure good practice throughout the community. Chapter has overall responsibility for Safeguarding, and the Safeguarding Leadership Group reports to Chapter every month on the progress of our Safeguarding journey and any issues arising. The members of the Safeguarding Leadership Group are listed below and can be contacted at any time on any Safeguarding concern you may have about yourself or another member of the Cathedral Community.

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In addition to Cathedral contacts, a new online link is now available for anyone wishing to report a safeguarding concern to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. The link is available on the 'Report a concern' page of the diocesan website and allows you to complete all the necessary details that will enable the DST to make an assessment, take any necessary action or give advice as quickly as possible. The teams remain available for calls and queries via our team number 01483 790739 and our email address – safeguarding@cofeguildford.org.uk

PRAYING FOR INDIVIDUALS

A gentle reminder that part of the ministry here is to pray for individuals on request. To include a name in the public intercessions, please contact Canon Chris Hollingshurst, preferably by email: chis.hollingshurst@guildford-cathedral. For prayer requests of a completely confidential nature, please email Canon Mavis Wilson at maviswilson2@gmail.com.

ECO TIP – OUR STEWARDSHIP OF MONEY

As part of our response to Christian Stewardship, we can ask ourselves questions about how our money is used. The personal choices about how we use our money can have a significant impact on climate and nature. Banking with and buying from ethical companies can help make a marked impact on our individual carbon footprints. Next time we buy something, perhaps we could pause and ask ourselves if we're happy with that company's ethics and if not, consider buying from elsewhere?

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