ASH WEDNESDAY 1st March 2017

Please note: The Eucharist will not be celebrated at 8am.

There will be a **said Eucharist at 12.30pm**. Celebrant: The Dean.

There will be a **Sung Eucharist at 7.30pm** at which the Cathedral Youth Choir will sing.

The Imposition of Ashes will be available at both these services for those who wish to receive this sign of repentance as Lent begins.

LENT STUDY GROUPS 2017

This year groups will study the **film** 'The Theory of Everything' by following the book **'The Mystery of Everything' written by Hilary Brand** (DLT London, 2015, ISBN 978-0-232-53208-1). Hilary wrote the book about the film 'Chocolat' which so many of us enjoyed. Both groups will be led by Canon Jan Kearton at No. 3 The Abbey.

Groups are invited to enjoy (before Lent!) a **bring and share meal** together and then to watch the film whilst eating puddings on **Monday 27th February, 7.30pm at No 3 The Abbey.**

Group 1 will meet on Friday mornings at 10.30am at 3 The Abbey, beginning on Friday 3rd March, and continuing each Friday of Lent. The group will finish in time for members who wish to attend the Friday Eucharist with music in the Cathedral to do so.

Group 2 will meet on Monday evenings at 7.30pm, beginning on Monday 6th March and continuing throughout Lent.

As both groups will study the same material, group members are welcome to 'swap' from Mondays to Fridays as they find most convenient that week.

Please sign the lists in the Cathedral if you would like to join a group.

WORSHIP DURING LENT

THE SUNDAYS OF LENT

8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Sung Eucharist with Lent Sermon Series 2017

Preached by The Dean, Canon Warden and Canon Peter Clement, the series explores **'God With Us - The Meaning of The Cross Then and Now'** by Rowan Williams, SPCK London 2017, ISBN 978-0-281-07664-2.

What is the meaning of the cross? In his accessible summary of Christian teaching, former Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, leads us to understand the cross as sign, sacrifice and victory, and to reflect both on what resurrection meant in Jesus' day and what it might mean to us now.

3.00pm Choral Evensong

WEEKDAYS

Daily worship follows our usual pattern:

7.40am Morning Prayer

8.00am Eucharist on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays

12.30pm Eucharist on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays

12.30pm Silent Prayer followed by the Offering of Incense on Thursdays

5.30pm Evensong (sung every day except Saturday)

EUCHARIST WITH ORGAN MUSIC
Fridays during Lent at 12.30pm

On Fridays during Lent, beautiful and reflective organ music will be played before and after the service. During the service, seasonal organ music will be played at the Offertory and during the Administration of Communion. The organist will be:

March 3 Edward Taylor, Assistant Organist

March 10 Jeremy Suter, Master of the Music

March 17 Jack Stone, Organ Scholar

March 24 Edward Taylor, Assistant Organist

March 31 Jeremy Suter, Master of the Music

April 7 Jack Stone, Organ Scholar

EASTER TO PENTECOST - possible new Study Group for 2017

Sometimes, the joy of Easter can seem to trickle away when the great day is over. If sufficient people are interested, Canon Jan Kearton is prepared to lead a further study group based on Paula Gooder's book '**This Risen Existence - The Spirit of Easter'** (ISBN 978-1-85311-996-5, Canterbury Press, London 2009). The group will be held on **Monday evenings from Easter to Pentecost at 7.30pm at No. 3 The Abbey.**

This deeply biblical journey begins with four sessions looking at resurrection through the writings of each of the four Gospels. Session 5 looks at resurrection in the Epistles and the last two sessions discuss Ascension and Pentecost respectively. In order to run, this group will need a minimum of six participants.

Please sign the sheet in the Cathedral if you are interested.

HOLY WEEK 2017

Monday 10 April - Friday 14 April

'People of the Passion'

Canon Michael Manley will lead the Cathedral Holy Week services with contemporary songs as part of the reflections this year, Monday 10 April to Thursday 13 April, and **Canon Jan Kearton** will lead the reflection at The Liturgy on Good Friday at 1.30pm.

A flyer containing *further information will be available nearer the time.*

Holy Week and Easter Services 2017

	Palm Sunday April 9
10.30am	Procession of Palms, the reading of the Passion Story and Eucharist sung by Members of the Cathedral Choir
3.00pm	Choral Evensong sung by Members of the Cathedral Choir
6.30pm	**The Passion** according to St Mark performed by the Cathedral Choir conducted by Mr Jeremy Suter
	Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Holy Week (April 10, 11, 12)
7.30pm	Sung Eucharist Preacher: Canon Michael Manley
	Maundy Thursday April 13
11.00am	The Chrism Eucharist sung by the Cathedral Youth Choir Preacher: Bishop of Penrith
7.30pm	The Eucharist of the Lord's Supper sung by Members of the Cathedral Choir followed by Watch of the Passion
	Good Friday April 14
12 noon	A Meditation led by Members of the Cathedral Choir
1.30pm	The Good Friday Liturgy sung by Members of the Cathedral Choir Preacher: Canon Jan Kearton
9.00pm	The Cross of Lights with music by The Cathedral Taizé Choir
	Easter Eve, April 15
7.30pm	**The Easter Vigil & Confirmation** sung by Members of the Cathedral Choir
	Easter Sunday, April 16
8.00am	Said Holy Communion
10.30am	Festival Eucharist sung by Members of the Cathedral Choir. President: The Bishop. Preacher: The Dean
3.00pm	Choral Evensong sung by Members of the Cathedral Choir Preacher: Canon Michael Manley

Lent and Easter 2017

A Prayer for Lent

Lord, to be turned from you is to fall,
to be turned to you is to rise
and to stand in you is to abide for ever;
grant us in all our duties your help,
in all our perplexities your guidance,
in all our dangers your protection
and in all our sorrows your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

These notes are designed to help us to make best use of the days of Lent, Holy Week and Easter and to explain some of what will be on offer at the Cathedral.