

THIS WEEK

Sunday 6 November - Third Sunday before Advent

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION**, page no 154

President: The Vice Dean

8.30am Breakfast with the Bible, led by Revd Kate Moore

9.30am **PARISH EUCHARIST** and welcome to

Georgia and Jemima Hurst

President: Revd Kate Moore

Preacher: The Vice Dean

11.15am **CHORAL EUCHARIST**

President: The Canon Precentor

Preacher: Heike Prentice

3.30pm **CHORAL EVENSONG**

Address: The Dean

The Dean is leading the worship at Highwood and Writtle today and Canon Edward Carter is preaching at St Thomas' Upshire and St Lawrence's Ninefields

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 13 November - Second Sunday before Advent

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**, page no 195

President: The Canon Theologian

9.30 am **PARISH EUCHARIST**

President: The Dean

Preacher: The Canon Theologian

10.55am **ACT OF REMEMBRANCE**

11.15 am **CHORAL MATTINS**

Preacher: The Canon Precentor

3.30 pm **CHORAL EVENSONG**

Address: The Dean

6.00pm **REMEMBRANCE SERVICE**

Daily Prayer through the Week (Mon to Sat):

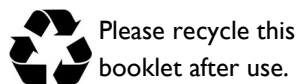
Morning Prayer: 7.45 am

Holy Communion: 8.15 am (also Wed at 12.35 pm & Thurs at 10.00 am)

Midday Prayer in St Cedd's Chapel

Evensong/Evening Prayer: 5.15 pm (sung on Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri,
said on Wednesday & Saturday)

On certain Saturdays Evensong is sung by a choir
– please check the Music & Services list for dates



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CATHEDRAL LIFE WEEKLY

Third Sunday before Advent, 6 November 2016



Remember

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY is observed today by more and more people. And they have a profound message and an important challenge for all of us.



The heart of it is certainly recalling the horror and the price of war. That today means Afghanistan, Syria, Iraq alongside the major conflicts of the 20th century. And we remember in order to commit ourselves to peace.

The St Peter's Chapel tells us an extraordinary story: it is the Cathedral's military chapel; it also contains the oil of healing; and at

its centre is the remarkable bronze statue of the Bombed Child, made by an Austrian Jew. It holds before us the extraordinary themes of today: those who fight in war; those innocent victims of war; and the assurance of healing that God holds out to a broken world.

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Study Notes on the Sunday Gospel

Luke 20.27-38

Introduction & Context

In vv. 28-33, people seek to trap Jesus into speaking against the Law by asking a question about marriage: if a man died without issue, his brother was required to marry his widow and give her a son, thus continuing his line. "This age" (v. 34) is the current era; "that age" (v. 35) is the era to come, when Christ returns. In God's kingdom, marriage will no longer exist; those who are admitted into eternal life for their faith ("considered worthy of a place ...", v. 35) will all be "children of God" (v. 36): this will be their family relationship. They will be immortal ("cannot die anymore") and will be like "angels" (considered sexless in Jesus' time). In vv. 37-38, Jesus argues for life after death (and resurrection) from the Pentateuch. In the story of the burning "bush", God tells Moses: "I am the God of Abraham ...". Because God says *is* (not *was*), Abraham is alive now. He died, so he must have been brought back to life, resurrected. God is truly "God ... of the living" (v. 38). In v. 39, some scribes, believers in resurrection, are pleased with Jesus' argument. V. 40 says that the Sadducees "no longer dared to ask ... [Jesus] another question": Jesus has evaded the trap.

Once you are settled and are ready to go:

- Read the passage slowly and reflectively
- Note anything that particularly strikes you and refer to the notes if they are helpful
- Spend a few moments in quiet reflection
- If you are a group, share your reflections in pairs or as a whole group (remembering that each person will have different perspectives and views on the passage)
- Read the passage for a final time and give thanks to God for the gift of his holy word.

Next Sunday's Readings - 13 Nov: Remembrance

9.30 am & 11.15 am:

Malachi 4: 1-2a,
Psalm 98,
2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13,
Luke 21: 5-19

3.30 pm:

Psalms 93, 97
Daniel 6
Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 7 November

6.00 - 8.00pm

Youth Group (YMCA)

7.45pm

Volunteers Steering Group (Johnson Room, Chapter House)

Wednesday 9 November

9.30am

Parent and Toddler Group (Chapter House)

11.00am - 3.00pm

24/7 Prayer (St Peter's Chapel)

12.35pm

Eucharist

1.00pm - 3.00pm

Welcome on Wednesday: coffee and cake in the North Transept

8.00pm

Keene Lectures

Thursday 10 November

10.00am

Eucharist

10.45am

Faith and Fitness (North Transept)

2.00pm

Mothers' Union (Chapter House)

Friday 11 November

11.00am

Act of Remembrance

12 noon

Essex Yeomanry Act of Remembrance

12.30pm

Lunchtime Concert - Alva Musica - Flute and Piano

7.30pm

Chelmsford Cathedral Choirs' Association Dinner

desserts and a glass of wine will take place in Chapter House. Cost is £10 per head and should be paid to Malcolm Treacher by 18 December. Our thanks to Mark Gerber of Stansted who is catering for the event. The lunch is open to anyone but please do join us especially if you will be on your own. Please contact Malcolm at the 11.15am service or a 3 Havengore, Victoria Rd, CMI IEA Tel: 250061.

Friday 11 November 7.30pm

Chelmsford Cathedral Choirs' Association Candlelit Dinner

This is the last opportunity to buy tickets. Costing £28 the evening includes a three course meal and entertainment from the choral scholars. Bring your own drinks. Cheques, made payable to CCCA, should be marked for the attention of Stephanie Simpson and returned to the Cathedral Office.

Sunday 13 November

Junior Church are holding a cake sale between the services to raise funds for the Junior Church Christmas panto ice cream fund. There are also five tickets remaining at £16.50 per ticket. Please contact Kerri tel: 07881 586 367.

Monday 14 November 10am

New Interests Group 'Walk and Talk' around Silver End led by Brian Greatrex. The village was conceived and built in 1926 by Francis Crittall for his factory workers. It concludes with lunch at the Square & Compasses Pub at Fuller Street.

Wednesday 16 November 8pm

The second Keene Lecture takes place in the Cathedral. Broadcaster and author Dr Simon Heffer speaks on 'Should politician do God?' and entry is free. All details are on the Cathedral website.

NOTICES & DATES FOR THE DIARY

A very warm welcome to Chelmsford Cathedral especially if you are a visitor or here for the first time. Everything you need for the celebration is contained in the service booklet. Please ask one of the welcome stewards on duty at the doors if you have any questions.

Junior Church meets today, starting at 9.30am in Chapter House. This week's theme is Abraham and Sarah.

Instead of a **blue envelope collection** today, we are responding to Christian Aid's Emergency Appeal for the people of Haiti following Hurricane Matthew. Please use the Christian Aid envelopes available at each door.

The Music and Drama Group at our Covenant Partner, Trinity Methodist Church, are putting on the family-friendly pantomime Aladdin and it would be great to support them. The show will be at Trinity Methodist Church Hall, Rainsford Road, CMI 2XB at 7.30pm on 28-30 December and 5-7 January. Tickets are £5 child, £10 adult, £25 for 2 adults & 2 children, and can be booked through the box office on 01245 226522. Get ready for fun audience participation!

As of this week, the **Youth Group** meets on a Monday instead of a Wednesday, from 6-8pm at the YMCA. For more information contact Steve email: steven.conroy@chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk

Over the next two weeks, white poppies will be available in the Cathedral as a reminder to people to

pray for peaceful resolutions to conflict. They are available free of charge in St Peter's Chapel.

Grand Christmas Draw

To be held at the Christmas Market on Saturday 3 December. First prize is £350 and tickets are available shortly. Donations of prizes are gratefully accepted. Please contact Jenny, tel: 01245 237408.

Urgently required: The Education Team would like any unwanted scarves or sarongs for their Christmas workshops starting next week. Please leave any donations for Bobby Harrington in the Cathedral.

The New Interests Group have six remaining tickets for the audio tour of the Houses of Parliament on Saturday 7 January. Cost £16, the timed entry is for 11.55am but people may move round at their own pace. Tickets from Ann Freese.

Tour Guide Training

A number of people have expressed an interest in joining our Tour Guide team to lead groups on visits to the Cathedral so a second training session has been planned for the afternoon of Tuesday 22 November. If you have already had the training there is no need to attend again! If you are already on the list of people interested in coming you will be sent more details very soon. If you would like to join the team and take part in the November training please contact the Cathedral office on 01245 294492.

Christmas Day Lunch

The annual two course Christmas Day lunch of roast turkey, a choice of

Daily Gospel Readings for this week, to use in your daily prayer:

<i>Sunday:</i>	Luke 20.27-38	<i>Thursday:</i>	Luke 17.20-25
<i>Monday:</i>	Luke 17.1-6	<i>Friday:</i>	Luke 17.26-end
<i>Tuesday:</i>	John 17: 18-23	<i>Saturday:</i>	Luke 18.1-8
<i>Wednesday:</i>	Luke 17.11-19	<i>Sunday:</i>	Luke 21: 5-19

You can find a simple 10 minute reflection at: www.pray-as-you-go.org

Thought for the day

This is what life is about. It is being sent on a trip by a loving God, who is waiting at home for our return and is eager to watch the slides we took and hear about the friends we made. — Henri Nouwen

Please pray for:

- Peggy and Ernie Andrews, Sue Cockett, Judith Dean, Rosemary Duffin, Antoin Irtelli, Julie Liney, Janet Wallace; all those receiving home communion and all in need of our prayers
- Those who work to spread the gospel to those who have not heard of the good news of Jesus Christ. Prepare the hearts of those who hear the gospel for the first time as the Advent season approaches
- The Lusitanian Church & The Rt Revd Jose Jorge De Pina Cabral, Bishop
- The Presbyterian Church of Moulsham
- The family and friends of Frances Muller who died this week

MU in a pickle!



Never a dull moment at Chelmsford Cathedral Mothers' Union! Following the celebrations for 140 years of the organization, members are helping the Diocesan MU produce 456 jars of pickled onions. These are for Bishop Stephen to use in his road shows next spring. The Cathedral branch is aiming to produce 80 the same number as members in the branch. On the Thursday preceding the meeting members peeled 10 kilograms. Then on Wednesday

members were helped by some of the toddlers at babies and toddlers; they enjoyed filling the jars. Fifty two have now been completed and the next bag of onions purchased. Visitors are always welcome at the meetings; membership is not necessary. Come along on 1 December at 8pm to share Christmas memories and mince pies with Canon Ivor Moody.



A large number of people thoroughly enjoyed the Flanders & Swann concert put on by James Davy and Laurence Lyndon-Jones. After the event James reflected; "It was a fun evening, which the large audience enjoyed hugely: our thanks to all who attended to make it such an entertaining evening". I'm sure it won't be long before a similar concert is arranged.



Brian Greatrex celebrated his 80th birthday