

THIS WEEK

Sunday 8 October - Trinity 17

8.00am HOLY COMMUNION, page no 184

President: The Canon Theologian

There will be no meeting of *Breakfast with the Bible*, 9.30 or 11.15 services this morning for Mission Sunday

3.30pm EVENSONG

Address: The Canon Theologian

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 15 October - Trinity 18

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION, page no 185

President: Revd Kate Moore

8.30am Breakfast with the Bible led by Revd Dr Paul Beasley-Murray

9.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST

President: Revd Kate Moore

Preacher: The Dean

11.15 am CHORAL EUCHARIST

President: Revd Kate Moore

Preacher: The Dean

3.30 pm EVENSONG

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Daily Prayer through the Week (Mon to Sat):

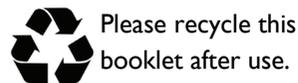
Morning Prayer: 7.45 am

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

Trinity 17, Sunday 8 October 2017



Mission Sunday



Today is the latest in the Cathedral Mission Sundays - an invitation for everyone who is part of the cathedral community here at Chelmsford.

Why do we do this? It's part and parcel of being the Cathedral for the diocese, the seat of the Bishop of Chelmsford - our call as the Cathedral community (congregations, clergy, choirs...) is

to serve the complex networks of our city county and region.

So today there is no 9.30am or 11.15am - just 8am and 3.30pm. Each year we encourage people to bring back stories and if possible photos from the places that you visit. If you can, send them to clare.broome@chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk and we will feature them in future editions of the Cathedral Life Weekly.

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Study Notes on the Sunday Gospel

Matthew 21: 33-end

Introduction & Context

The Sanhedrin members who first heard this parable would recall Isaiah 5:1-7, where God tells what will happen to his unfruitful "vineyard", "the house of Israel, and the people of Judah". In vv. 33-39, Jesus tells the parable: the landowner plants the vineyard, leases it out, and leaves. At harvest time, he sends successive sets of slaves "to collect his produce"; all are mistreated. When he sends his son, he is killed. Jesus' hearers answer his question: the first tenants will suffer "a miserable death" (v. 41) and other tenants will be found.

Here, the landowner stands for God, the first tenants for Israel's leaders. So the second tenants are replacements for Israel, probably those who follow Christ. Is Jesus "the son" (v. 38, Aramaic: *ben*) and the "stone" (v. 42, *eben*)? Then v. 43: to oppose God will be disastrous; his patience will be exhausted. The leaders of Israel recognize his reference to Isaiah; were it not that Jesus was widely accepted as God's "prophet" (v. 46), they would have arrested him.

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 - 15 Oct 2017 :Trinity 18

9.30 am & 11.15 am:

Isaiah 25: 1-9

Psalms 23

Matthew 22: 1-14

3.30 pm:

Psalms 90

Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15

Mark 10: 17-31

THE WEEK AHEAD

Daily Prayer 9-13 October

ARU are once again holding the university graduations here at the Cathedral. It is great to welcome them 9-13 October. But that means the daily prayer of the Cathedral - which is statutorily the most important work we do - needs to find a home! So the daily prayer is going walkabout! Mon - Fri Morning Prayer (7.45), the daily Eucharist (8.15) and Evensong (5.15) will be celebrated at The Ascension on Maltese Road. Everyone is - as always - very welcome to join in! (There will be no Wednesday 12.35 or Thursday 10am that week.)

Saturday 14 October

7.30pm

Caprice Concert

Welcome on Wednesday this week

Our café has kindly been offered 'space to be' at the Central Baptist Church on Wednesday, 11th October whilst the University Graduations are taking place in the Cathedral. The Church is located on Victoria Road (South), CMI 1LN and near the station, Cathedral bus stop and the multi storey car park. 1 - 3pm - coffee, tea and cakes as usual!

Wednesday 18 October 8pm

Grundtvig Cantata sung by St Clement's Youth Choir, Denmark. Classic hymns in new English versions.

Theological Society meeting

in the Chapter House. Barbara Ridpath speaks on 'Christian Stewardship and the Theology of Water'. £3.50 payable on the door.

Thursday 19 October

Cathedral Walking Group 10am

Peter Cross is leading the next walk starting at The Swan, Great Easton (CM6 2HG). Walking until about 1pm and visiting two

churches en route before stopping for lunch at The Swan.

2pm

Mothers' Union meeting in the Learning Centre with the Revd Canon Ivor Moody speaking on his sabbatical.

Friday 17 November

7.30pm CCCA Candlelit

Supper: an atmospheric evening in the North Transept with a three-course meal and entertainment from the choral scholars. Tickets £27 (including a drink on arrival) from cc.candlelitsupper@gmail.com

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.

There is no Junior Church this week as it is Mission Sunday.

Yellow Envelopes If you are a UK tax payer, please use a yellow Gift Aid envelope (available at the doors) to increase the value of your donation by 25% at no extra cost to you. Remember to fill in your name, house number and postcode and the date.

English for Women

The new term has started and the group are looking for more volunteers to help with either teaching the ladies or looking after the children. There is a particular need for Wednesdays. If you would like to find out more, please email [Suzannah at admin @ englishforwomen.org](mailto:Suzannah@admin@englishforwomen.org)

One ticket has been returned for the New Interests visit to the Workshop of the Royal Opera House in Purfleet on 20 October. Cost is £7. Transport to be agreed nearer the day. If you would like the ticket, please contact Ann Freese.

The pedestal at the West End of the Nave is sponsored by Tony

Adams to celebrate his and Diana's Wedding Anniversary.

Sponsoring a flower arrangement in the Cathedral is an excellent way to celebrate an occasion or remember a loved one while at the same time giving very welcome support to the Flower Guild as they provide flowers for the Cathedral week by week. We ask for a donation of £25.

For further details please contact Elizabeth Stedman on 01245 359268, estedman@hotmail.co.uk, or any member of the Flower Guild Committee.

Congratulations to our Assistant Organist Laurence Lyndon-Jones and his wife Olivia on the arrival of Arthur Benjamin weighing 8lb 9oz. Mother and baby doing fine but no reports on dad!

Sunday 15 October 12.45pm
The next **Meeting Point Lunch** will be held at Pontlands Park Hotel. Please book via Maureen tel: 01245 697781.

3.30pm Cantata Evensong with Bach's Reformation Cantata BWV80 with visiting musicians from the diocese of Karlstad, followed by a drinks reception and the **Martin Luther Exhibition** of books from the Cathedral's Knightbridge Collection 4.30-6pm.

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

<i>Sunday:</i>	Matthew 21: 33-end	<i>Thursday:</i>	Luke 1: 5-11
<i>Monday:</i>	Luke 10: 25-37	<i>Friday:</i>	Matthew 21: 12-17
<i>Tuesday:</i>	Matthew 28: 16-20	<i>Saturday:</i>	Luke 11: 27-28
<i>Wednesday:</i>	Matthew 11: 25-30	<i>Sunday:</i>	Matthew 22: 1-14

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

Thought for the day

Jesus himself did not try to convert the two thieves on the cross; he waited until one of them turned to him.

— Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Please pray for:

- Rosemary Duffin, Michael Harrington, Julie Liney, Rachel Penny, Canon Simon Pothén; all those receiving home communion and all in need of our prayers
- Great Waltham with Ford End
- Charities involved in the care and protection of our animals on Animal welfare Sunday. Pray for veterinary surgeons and all those who work for the welfare of animals
- The Diocese of St Albans, the Rt Revd Alan Smith, Bishop

Three Ordinations, Two Harvest Services and a Barn Dance!

... it was a busy weekend at the Cathedral!



On Saturday, thirty one people were ordained deacon to serve in the Chelmsford diocese. Around 2,000 people attended the Cathedral on Saturday.

In the evening, a barn dance took place in the Cathedral School, organised by the Social Committee.



At the 11.15am, two tractors led the harvest procession into the Cathedral.



More photos of the Parade Harvest Service and the cricket match between the Cathedral and the Mosque to follow next week.