

THIS WEEK

Sunday 11 September - The Feast of the Holy Cross

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION**, page no 182

President: The Canon Precentor

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

9.30am **PARISH EUCHARIST** and welcome to Rafferty Hellen

*President & Preacher: Ven Elwin Cockett,
Archdeacon of West Ham*

11.15am **CHORAL EUCHARIST**

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3.30pm **CHORAL EVENSONG**

Address: Revd Kate Moore

This morning the Dean is preaching at the Anglican Church of All Saints in the city of Rome, where he preached his first ever sermon 31 years ago.

Canon Edward Carter is presiding and preaching at Christchurch Colchester.

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 18 September - Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**, page no 184

President: The Canon Precentor

9.30 am **PARISH EUCHARIST with Backnang Twinning
25th Anniversary**

*President: The Dean
Preacher: Heike Prentice*

11.15 am **CHORAL EUCHARIST**

*President: The Canon Precentor
Preacher: The Dean*

3.30 pm **CHORAL EVENSONG**

Address: The Dean

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

Feast of the Holy Cross, 11 September 2016



Welcome new scholars!



*The new scholars (l to r);
Chris S, Lenny, Chris H,
Lewis and Tristan
with James Davy*

AS the new choir term starts, we welcome four new members of the musical team: Lenny Rush, Tristan Harkcom, Chris Huggon, and Lewis Hammond join as choral scholars, and Chris Strange as organ scholar.

We are delighted to have them with us; they bring with them a wide range of experience and gifts, and we look forward to their contribution to worship and the

wider life of the cathedral. Patrick Manning, Carlo Zanetti, and Ben Goble (senior choral scholar) remain from the last academic year, and this year we have three junior choral scholars: Edward Hollier, Joshua Roche, and James Stockton.

Do take the opportunity to hear these talented young musicians in action and please remember them in your prayers as they begin (or continue) their contribution to the worshipping life of the community.

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Study Notes on the Sunday Gospel

Reading for Holy Cross - John 3.13-17

Introduction & Context

Nicodemus is a powerful and wealthy man, and “a teacher of Israel” (v. 10). He is eager to understand Jesus, but to be “born from above” (v. 3) of “water and Spirit” (v. 5) is beyond his comprehension. Jesus tells him that some things cannot be understood in human terms. He continues: if you can’t comprehend things that happen on earth, how can you possibly understand “heavenly things” (v. 12). In v. 13, Jesus says: he who comes down from heaven has gone up again. Moses’ bronze serpent preserved from death those who trusted, through this symbol, in God. “Lifted up” (v. 14) foreshadows the Crucifixion. In a similar way, whoever believes in Christ will have “eternal life” (v. 15), life in the age to come. Those who willfully refuse to believe will “perish” (v. 16).

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 - 18 Sept 2016 :Trinity 17

9.30 am & 11.15 am:

Amos 8: 4-7

Psalm 113

1 Timothy 2.1-7

Luke 16.1-13

3.30 pm:

Psalm 128, 129

Ezra 1

John 7: 14-36

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday 13 September

12.30pm New Interests Autumn Lunch

Wednesday 14 September

9.30am Parent and Toddler Group (Chapter House)

12.35pm Eucharist

1.00–3.00pm Welcome on Wednesday coffee and cake in the North Transept

6.00-8.30pm Social Evening (YMCA)

8.00pm Theological Society (Chapter House)

Thursday 15 September

10.00am Eucharist

10.45am Faith and Fitness (North Transept)

Friday 16 September

12.30pm Lunchtime Concert - Douglas Tang (organ)

Saturday 17 September

1.00pm RSCM Festival

4.00pm Festival Service—all are welcome to attend

Saturday 24 September 3pm Friends’ Festival & AGM

The speaker this year will be Revd. Canon Dr. Alison Joyce, Vicar of St. Bride’s Church, Fleet Street. Members will receive details as soon as possible. All welcome!

Sunday 2 October, 12.30 pm

Harvest Lunch in St Cedd’s Hall. Tickets £8 (family ticket £20) from Bobby Harrington (265052) or Yvonne Spence (465108).

Sunday 2 October

Meeting Point Lunch: to book a place at the White Hart, Margaretting, please contact Penny tel: 07872 942625

Thursday 6 October 8pm

Mothers’ Union Puddings and Publicity: Meeting in the Chapter House, there will be an opportunity

to taste different puddings and buy Mothers’ Union cards.

**Thursday 13 October 2pm
Mothers’ Union** in St Cedd’s Hall, Chapter House. An AFIA presentation by Pam Hibbert.

MISSION SUNDAY

9 October

This now annual event is an invitation to everyone who normally worships at the Cathedral to join a different worshipping community for the day. There will be no 9.30 or 11.15 on 9 Oct and people are encouraged to bring back stories of their experiences.

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 sidespersons on duty at the doors if you have any questions.

Junior Church meets today, starting at 9.30am in Chapter House. The theme is Creation - bring a soft toy!

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.

We are welcoming representatives from most of the other cathedrals to the Cathedrals Administration and Finance Association conference on Tuesday to Thursday this week.

Backnang: next Sunday (18 Sept) civic leaders from Backnang and Chelmsford will be joining us Cathedral for the 9.30am celebration. This will be the climax of the German civic visit to Chelmsford and it is a privilege to welcome our civic guests.

Next Sunday (18 Sept) the Dean is again presenting the Sunday Breakfast Show 6am - 9am on BBC Essex.

Musicians wanted to form a new music group for the 9.30 am Sunday Eucharist. The first outing will be for Harvest on 2 October, please contact Simon Pothen tel: 01245 294482 or email precentor@chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk

Congratulations to Joseph Hammett and Sebastian Copp both going to study at the University of East Anglia Joseph to study Nursing and Sebastian to do Business Studies. And Charlie Dunn going to De Montfort to study business management and law.

Children's Society: Could all holders please return their boxes for counting this month either directly to me or leave with the vergers. We are still high on the list of donors to the society and can hopefully continue to strongly support the society. If any one else would like a box, please ask me. *Richard Spilsbury*

Monday 12 September

The funeral of Jean Davies will take place at the Cathedral at 10am and the funeral of Audrey Green will take place, also in the Cathedral at 1.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

Tuesday 13 September 12.30pm At the New Interests' Autumn Lunch possible events for 2017 will be discussed. Come along and have your say. For a place at the table please contact Ann Freese on 01245 357095.

Sunday 18 September 2.30 for 3pm Cricket Match:

Mosque versus Cathedral: come and cheer us on and support a landmark inter-faith event. It happens at Willingale Cricket Club CM5 0SJ (off the A414). Tea at the close (c 7 pm) will be provided by the Muslim community Everyone is very warmly invited to come along to an important and very enjoyable occasion.

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

Sunday: John 3.13-17
Monday: Luke 7.1-10
Tuesday: Luke 7.11-17
Wednesday: Luke 7: 31-35

Thursday: Luke 7.36-end
Friday: Luke 8.1-3
Saturday: Luke 8.4-15
Sunday: Luke 16.1-13

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

Thought for the day

Jesus was a revolutionary, who did not become an extremist, since he did not offer an ideology, but Himself

— Henri J.M. Nouwen

Please pray for:

- Peggy and Ernie Andrews, Sue Cockett, John Davies, Rosemary Duffin, Antoin Irtelli, Julie Liney, Frances Muller, Janet Wallace; all those receiving home communion and all in need of our prayers
- All those who work in education; to appreciate the important job that they do and to thank God for the education we have received.
- The Church of the Province of Uganda and the Most Revd Stanley Ntagali, Archbishop
- St John the Baptist, Danbury, & Little Baddow URC

We are sorry to record the death of Joan Sharland who organised the Wednesday Friendship Club meeting weekly in the Chapter House for 53 years. May she rest in peace.

Tapestry Exhibition seen by over 3,000 visitors



MORE THAN 3,000 people visited Chelmsford Cathedral during the last two weeks to view the Quaker Tapestry exhibition. In addition, many took advantage of the temporary café in the Cathedral to enjoy lunch or morning coffee with nearly 200 visitors a day.

Come and Sing with John Rutter: 'a fabulous day!'



TWO HUNDRED people enjoyed a singing workshop with renowned composer John Rutter in the Cathedral last Saturday with one participant echoing many others by describing the event as a 'fabulous day'.