

THIS WEEK

Sunday 15 October - 18th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION**, page no 185

President: the Revd Kate Moore, Associate Priest

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

9.30am **PARISH EUCHARIST** with baptism of Hugo Warren

President: the Revd Kate Moore, Associate Priest

Preacher: the Very Revd Nicholas Henshall, Dean

11.15am **CHORAL EUCHARIST**

President: the Revd Kate Moore, Associate Priest

Preacher: the Very Revd Nicholas Henshall, Dean

3.30pm **CANTATA EVENSONG**

Address: the Revd Kate Moore, Associate Priest

On Sunday 15th October Canon Edward Carter will be presiding and preaching at All Saints' East Hanningfield

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 22 October - 19th Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**, page no 186

President: Canon Edward Carter, Canon Theologian

8.30am **Breakfast with the Bible** (leader tbc) (in the Learning Centre)

9.30 am **PARISH EUCHARIST**

President: the Very Revd Nicholas Henshall, Dean

Preacher: Canon Ivor Moody, Vice Dean

11.15 am **CHORAL EUCHARIST**

President: Canon Edward Carter, Canon Theologian

Preacher: the Very Revd Nicholas Henshall, Dean

3.30 pm **EVENSONG**

Address: the Very Revd Nicholas Henshall, Dean

Daily Prayer through the Week (Mon to Sat):

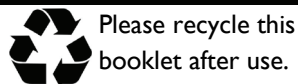
Morning Prayer: 7.45 am

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

TRINITY 18, 15 October 2017



Giving with Grace

Two years ago we had a major focus on teaching about financial giving. The response was tremendous - it meant that our congregational life had proper financial support. Next year we will be doing that again.



The gifts being blessed at the last stewardship campaign in 2015

This year is simply a brief reminder. At both main morning services Canon Edward Carter's excellent short film about Christian giving will be shown followed by a short presentation.

And everyone will receive a short handout both spelling out the message of "giving in grace" and inviting you to respond.

And remember: Jesus talked more about money than anything else, and his focus was always on the needs of the giver to give. Generosity - in response to the generosity of God - lies at the heart of the Christian faith.

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Study Notes on the Sunday Gospel

Matthew 22: 1-14

Introduction & Context

The third parable about the kingdom of heaven. Jesus' audience would associate a festive meal with the celebration of God's people at the end of time. This story is harsh and tragic; some responses seem disproportionate to the *crime*. It was the custom for the host to *send* "his slaves" (v. 3) to invite the guests, and again to tell them when dinner was ready; preparing a banquet took many hours. To refuse to come, to refuse a king's command, is treason; to kill his slaves (v. 6) amounts to insurrection, so the king sends troops to put down the rebellion. After those whom the king had chosen refuse to come, he invites all people, "both good and bad" (v. 10). One guest is ill-prepared for the banquet (v. 11); the king banishes him to torment. We recognize the king as God. The first guests are those who are hostile to Jesus; the one without the wedding robe represents those who do not count the cost in becoming disciples. The judgement on anyone who does not prepare will be at least as severe as that on those who reject Christ. The final verse is the moral of the story – a generalization of Jesus' intent in telling the parable.

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 - 22/10/17 :TRINITY 19

9.30 am & 11.15 am:

Isaiah 45: 1-7

Psalm 96 vv 1-13

Matthew 22: 15-22

3.30 pm:

Psalm 91

Isaiah 53: 4-12

Mark 10: 35-45

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 15 October

12.45pm

Meeting Point Lunch (Pontlands Park)

4.30pm

Martin Luther Exhibition with refreshments

Monday 16 October

6.00 - 8.00pm

Youth Group (YMCA)

Wednesday 18 October

9.30am

Parent and Toddler Group (Chapter House)

11am - 3pm

24/7 Prayer (St Peter's Chapel)

12.35pm

Eucharist

1.00 - 3.00pm

Welcome on Wednesday: coffee and cake in the North Transept

1.00 - 4.00pm

Friendship Club (Chapter House)

8.00pm

Grundtvig Cantata

8.00pm

Theological Society Meeting (Chapter House)

Thursday 19 October

10.00am

Eucharist

10.00am

Cathedral Walking Group (CM6 2HG)

2.00pm

Mothers' Union meeting (Learning Centre)

Friday 20 October

12.30pm

Luncheon Concert - Samantha Christopher (Clarinet)

singers.co.uk or James Dace tel:
01245 352133.

Sunday 5 November 6pm

Saying Goodbye Service

An opportunity to remember and formally recognize and remember babies lost in pregnancy, childbirth and infancy at a special service.

three-course meal and entertainment from the choral scholars. Tickets £27 (including a drink on arrival) from
cc.candlelitsupper@gmail.com

Friday 17 November

7.30pm CCCA Candlelit

Supper: an atmospheric evening in the North Transept with a

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 'The Parable of the Wedding Feast'.

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.

Old Pound coins - Although now out of circulation, the Cathedral is still pleased to receive the old pound coin so do place them in the collection as usual!

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.

White poppies will be available in the Cathedral on Sunday 29th Oct and 5th and 12th Nov free of charge.

Wednesday 18 October 8pm Theological Society meeting in the Chapter House. Barbara Ridpath speaks on 'Christian Stewardship and the Theology of Water'. £3.50 payable on the door.

Wednesday 31 October 8pm The Keene Lecture series begins with a Film Night, in the Cathedral, marking the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Entry is free.

Thursday 2 November 8pm Mothers' Union meeting in Chapter House. 'Biscuits with the Bank' a talk on the Chelmsford Food Bank. All welcome.

Thursday 9 November 2pm The afternoon section of the **Mothers' Union** meets and Chantel Constable will give a talk on the Helen Rollason Foundation.

Saturday 4 November 7pm Chelmsford Singers Concert. Maurice Duruflé *Requiem* and Leonard Bernstein *Chichester Psalms* and other works. Tickets £15/£13 from Chelmsford

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

Sunday: Matthew 22: 1-14

Monday: Luke 11: 29-32

Tuesday: Luke 11: 37-41

Wednesday: Luke 10: 1-9

Thursday: Luke 11: 47-end

Friday: Luke 12: 1-7

Saturday: Luke 12: 8-12

Sunday: Matthew 22: 15-22

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

Thought for the day

I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give.
I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare.
- C S Lewis

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
- Danbury, Howe Green and Great Baddow URCs
- The work of the hospices who bring comfort and relief to patients and their families in times of physical and spiritual need and stress. Pray for the hospice chaplains
- The Diocese of Swaziland (Southern Africa) and the Rt Revd Ellinah Wamukoya

A close match - with the Cathedral narrowly beaten!

On Sunday 1 October members of the congregation of Chelmsford Cathedral and Chelmsford Mosque came together for another inter faith cricket match at Willingale Cricket Club. The overcast skies could not dampen the fantastic spirit in which the game was played, and in a thrilling contest between mixed teams comprising young people, dads, (and a mum!), an Imam and the Cathedral's Vice Dean and Canon Pastor. The Cathedral narrowly lost by ten runs, with the game coming down to the last over! Members of both faith communities and Willingale village turned out to watch the match.

After team photos and the presentation of winner and runners up trophies and a certificate for every player supplied and presented by Mrs Sidra Naeem, the afternoon was



rounded off in style in the clubhouse with a delicious meal provided by members from the Mosque and the church and village community of Willingale. It took place in the presence of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor and Mayoresses, the leader of the Council Cllr John Aldridge and the Bishop of Colchester. The event proved another landmark in inter faith relations and cooperation, and further cemented strong friendships and alliances between our two communities.



At the 9.30am Harvest Service, gifts of toys were brought by members of the congregation to be sent to children in Croatia.

Baden-Powell lives on! Anarella Prime, great-granddaughter of Lord Baden-Powell attends Chelmsford Cathedral with her husband Richard. They are pictured with their family Charlotte, Emily, and the twins Robert and Juliet following the Harvest Church Parade.

