

## THIS WEEK

### Sunday 16 July Month - Trinity 5

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION**, page no 163

*President: Revd Kate Moore*

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

9.30am **PARISH EUCHARIST**

*President: Revd Kate Moore*

*Preacher: The Vice Dean*

11.15am **EUCHARIST**

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1.30pm Baptism of Ophelia Mary Grace Britton

3.30pm **EVENING PRAYER with hymns**

*Address: The Vice Dean*

*This Sunday the Canon Theologian is preaching at St Gabriel's Aldersbrook*

## NEXT WEEK

### Sunday 23 July - Trinity 6

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**, page no 165

*President: The Canon Theologian*

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

9.30 am **PARISH EUCHARIST**

*President & Preacher: The Canon Theologian*

11.15 am **EUCHARIST**

*President: The Vice Dean*

*Preacher: The Canon Theologian*

3.30 pm **EVENSONG and service of thanksgiving for the Voluntary Choir**

*Address: The Canon Theologian*

### Daily Prayer through the Week (Mon to Sat):

**Morning Prayer:** 7.45 am

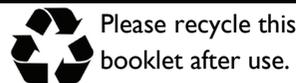
**Holy Communion:** 8.15 am (also Wed at 12.35 pm & Thurs at 10.00 am)

**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 5, 16 July 2017



## Farewell to choral scholars and a lay clerk

As the choir term ends, we bid farewell to members of the Cathedral community that have sung with us over the last year or two. The enlargement of the choral scholarship scheme four years ago means that up to six full choral scholars sing in the back row of the Cathedral Choir, alongside the lay clerks and singing men. Up to three (school-age) junior choral scholars are appointed and this allows boys with changing voices make the transition to singing with the gentlemen in a familiar environment, often with a view to gaining a choral scholarship elsewhere after leaving.

This summer we say goodbye to junior choral scholar Joshua Roche (also a former chorister), to choral



scholars Lewis Hammond, Carlo Zanetti, and Ben Goble. These young men have been exemplary members of the community and served the choir with distinction. Malcolm Leitch has been a lay clerk for two years and additionally to his fine singing, has acted as a valuable mentor to the younger singers; he is now returning to New Zealand with his family. All of them have thrown themselves into Cathedral life with verve and enthusiasm; we will miss them greatly and wish them well for the future.

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## Study Notes on the Sunday Gospel

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### Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

#### Introduction & Context

Jesus tells several parables; he explains the first one (vv. 18-23), but only partially. The “sower” (v. 3) and the seed are constant; where it lands varies: in three unfruitful places (“on the path”, v. 4, among rocks, v. 5, “among thorns”, v. 7) and in one fruitful place (v. 8).

V. 9 tells us (and the crowd) that this is a story with a deeper meaning. Perhaps here the sower is anyone who tells the good news. Growth represents receptivity. While Jesus has invited listening (v. 9), *understanding* (vv. 19, 23) is required in order to be fruitful: reflect on Jesus’ message. Those who brush off the message are seduced by evil (v. 19). Vv. 20-21 also speak of lack of understanding: of superficiality, of reflecting insufficiently to withstand “persecution”. Discipleship is demanding. Then v. 22: following Christ requires undivided loyalty, single-mindedness. Finally v. 23: only those who adequately reflect (thus coming to understanding), who meet the demands of the faith, and who are truly dedicated are fruitful and bring others to Christ.

#### 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.

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## Next Sunday’s Readings - 23/7/17 :Trinity 6

### 9.30 am & 11.15 am:

Romans 8: 12-25

Psalm 86.11-end

Matthew 13: 24-30; 36-43

### 3.30 pm:

Psalm 23

Jeremiah 23: 1-6

Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Sunday 16 July

12.45pm

Meeting Point Lunch (Côte)

### Wednesday 19 July

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

1.00 - 4.00pm

Friendship Club (Chapter House)

6.00 - 8.00pm

Youth group (Guy Harlings Garden)

8.00pm

Theological Society Meeting (Chapter House)

### Thursday 20 July

10.00am

Eucharist

### Saturday 22 July

2.30 - 5.00pm

‘Posh Tea’

### Thursday 3 August

The evening section of the **Mothers’ Union** are holding a Garden Party in Guy Harling’s Garden.

### Sunday 1 October 11.15am

At this year’s **Harvest Festival** we welcome donations of hand-tools for ‘Tools With A Mission’. TWAM produces trade kits for vocational training centres and community workshops around the world. They have a team of volunteers who collect and refurbish tools. The charity distributes the tools to projects that aim to transform lives and communities.

Tools for the following trades will be welcomed on the day:

blacksmiths, builders, carpenters, dress-makers, electricians, gardeners, masons, painters and decorators, plumbers and mechanics. For further details please contact Revd Janet Nicholls, Rural Adviser and Agricultural Chaplain [jnicholls@chelmsford.anglican.org](mailto:jnicholls@chelmsford.anglican.org)

## 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, for the last session before the Summer break. Starting at 9.30am in Chapter House this week's theme is 'the parable of the sower'.

**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.

**A pedestal** this week is sponsored by Margaret Birt in memory of her mother Connie Lovell.

**The Dean's Sermon** from last Sunday will be appearing in full text in the Comment section of the Church Times on Friday, 21 July. A copy is available in the Cathedral Library as well as on line.

### **Saturday 22 July 2.30-5pm**

**Posh Tea:** Please join us for tea, cakes and a glass of fizz in Jean and Dan Glading's garden, 43 Spalding Way, Great Baddow. Raffle and Bring and Buy/plant stall. Proceeds to the Flower Guild to buy flowers for the Cathedral. Tickets £7.50, available from Pippa Alston 01245 262361, pippaalston@aol.com, or Isabel Fyfe 01245 258505.

### **Friday 28 July**

**The New Interests Group** will be visiting Beeleigh Abbey Gardens, home to the Foyle Family. Refreshments, plant sales and free parking. Entry £6. For details email Ann Freese: allfreese@supanet.com

### **Saturday 29 July 6.30pm**

**Celebrity Organ Recital** with Peter King. Admission £8 including a drinks reception. Tickets available from the Cathedral Bookshop and on the door.

### **Saturday 29 July**

**Returning to our roots:** a day retreat at Bradwell Chapel experiencing praying and meditation in Aramaic, led by Revd Dr Jenny Williams. Tickets cost £25, book via [eventbrite.co.uk](http://eventbrite.co.uk)

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

<i>Sunday:</i>	Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23	<i>Thursday:</i>	Matthew 11: 28-end
<i>Monday:</i>	Matthew 10: 34-11: 1	<i>Friday:</i>	Matthew 12: 1-8
<i>Tuesday:</i>	Matthew 11: 20-24	<i>Saturday:</i>	John 20.1-2, 11-18
<i>Wednesday:</i>	Matthew 11: 25-27	<i>Sunday:</i>	Matthew 13: 24-30; 36-43

You can find a simple 10 minute reflection at: [pray-as-you-go.org](http://pray-as-you-go.org)

### **Thought for the day**

Pray as though everything depended on God.  
Work as though everything depended on you.

- Augustine of Hippo

### **Please pray for:**

- Jean Cooper, Rosemary Duffin, Julie Liney, Cyril Mills, Canon Simon Pothén; all those receiving home communion and all in need of our prayers.
- All Saints' Writtle
- The men and women of the RNLI and HM Coastguard who risk their lives to protect those who travel the seas around our coasts
- The Diocese of Ontario, Canada & the Rt Revd George Lindsey Russell Bruce

## Song School roof repairs making good progress



Work on the song school roof is progressing well as sagging roof trusses are strengthened with steel before being replaced. The whole roof is also being insulated which should help regulate temperatures and the repairs should prevent further leaks. Funding from the World War One grant means that repairs are now more than half way through and work is expected to be completed by the end of September.

## Joy Halstead recognised for her work with Keene Homes



*The former Mayor awarded a Highly Commended Certificate for Outstanding Voluntary Service to Joy in recognition of her 33 years of service to the Keene Homes both as a Trustee and for visiting and supporting residents on a weekly basis: a really well-deserved award. The ceremony took place in the Mayor's parlour and was followed by afternoon tea.*