

## THIS WEEK

### Sunday 28 May - Seventh Sunday of Easter

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION**, page no 146

*President: Revd Kate Moore*

8.30am Breakfast with the Bible, led by Heike Prentice

9.30am **PARISH EUCHARIST**

*President: The Dean*

*Preacher: Revd Kate Moore*

11.15am **CHORAL EUCHARIST**

*President: The Vice Dean*

*Preacher: The Dean*

1.30pm Baptism of Tilly Violet Walton

3.30pm **CHORAL EVENSONG**

*Address: Revd Kate Moore*

*This morning the Canon Theologian is preaching at St Mary's Theydon Bois for their Flower Festival Service.*

## NEXT WEEK

### Sunday 4 June - Pentecost

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*President: The Vice Dean*

*Preacher: The Dean*

11.15 am **EUCHARIST with hymns (incense is used)**

*President: The Dean*

*Preacher: The Vice Dean*

3.30 pm **EVENSONG with hymns**

*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

Seventh Sunday of Easter, 28 May 2017



## 'Thy Kingdom Come..'

- **Archbishops' call to prayer**
- **Poetry display in the Cathedral**
- **Bring and share 'Poetry Lunch'**



**Between Ascension Day and Pentecost** the Archbishops of Canterbury and York have asked communities and churches around the world to pray that their friends, families and neighbours come to know Jesus Christ. Under the heading 'Thy Kingdom Come', prayer events of all shapes and sizes will be taking place, including 24-7 prayer rooms, prayer days, prayer walks and half nights of prayer.

Here at the Cathedral there is a display of poetry in the outer North aisle until Trinity Sunday. The poems and pictures in the display are designed to be an

encouragement for prayer. There is also a leaflet with more information.

On Monday 5 June there will be a bring-and-share 'Poetry Lunch' from 12.00pm, near the display. This will include a poetry reading by Dr David Greenwood, and a chance to share favourite poems. For more information contact Canon Edward Carter on 01245 294486.

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## Study Notes on the Sunday Gospel

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### John 17: 1-11

#### Introduction & Context

Jesus prays to the Father. The time appointed by God for his departure has come. In v. 1, the Father giving this splendour to the Son adds to the Father's splendour because of the "authority" (v. 2) given to the Son over humans, especially "to give eternal life" to us.

V. 3 explains that "eternal life" is knowing the Father and the Son intimately. Vv. 4-5 state how the Son adds to the splendour of the Father (by completing his assigned task) and how the Father adds to the Son's splendour: by restoring him to the Father's "presence", to heaven – a state he enjoyed before God's creative act. V. 6 expands on "the work" (v. 4) the Son has done: to make the Father's character and person ("name", v. 6) known to those chosen by the Father. These elect are the mutual possession of Father and Son; these have been faithful to God's "word", his command. Vv. 7-8 expand on keeping the Father's word: the disciples know that the Father is the source of all that the Son has been given; Jesus is from (out of) the Father; and the Father sent him into the world. Looking forward to the time after his departure, Jesus asks the Father to "protect" (v. 11) the disciples from evil influences in the alien "world", that they may have a unity modelled on that of the Father and the Son.

#### Once you are settled and are ready to go:

- Read the passage slowly and reflectively
- Note anything that particularly strikes you
- Spend a few moments in quiet reflection
- If you are a group, share your reflections in pairs or together
- 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 - 4 June 2017 : Pentecost

#### 9.30 am & 11.15 am:

Acts 2: 1-21

*Psalms 104*vv 26-36

John 20: 19-23

#### 3.30 pm:

*Psalms 67, 133*

Ezekiel 37: 1-14

Romans 8: 22-27

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Wednesday 31 May

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)

### Thursday 1 June

10.00am

Eucharist

8.00pm

Mothers' Union (Chapter House)

### Friday 2 June

12.30pm

Lunchtime Concert - Swift Singers

### Saturday 3 June

8.15am

Holy Communion with the laying-on of hands

10.00am

Coffee in the Cathedral

7.30pm

Rotary Charity Jazz and Choral Concert

Former organ scholar **Weston Jennings** returns to give the lunchtime concert on Friday 9 June at 12.30pm; after two years of study at the Yale Institute of Sacred Music, Weston has just completed his Masters degree in organ studies. We look forward to hearing him play.

### Sunday 11 June 12.45pm

**Meeting Point Lunch** at Pontlands Hotel. Book via Penny on tel: 07872 942625.

### 3.30pm

**Volunteers' Thanksgiving Service** - this is a really important occasion and an opportunity to celebrate the huge contribution made to the

life of the Cathedral by our wonderful teams of volunteers. Everyone is welcome but it would be useful to have some idea of numbers for catering purposes - so please contact Marion as soon as possible if you are able to join us! *Andrew Duke* – Volunteer Coordinator

### Saturday 24 June 6pm

**The Cathedral Choirs' Association (CCCA)** is holding a Hog Roast with bouncy castle and outdoor games in the Guy Harlings garden on Saturday 24 June at 6 pm. Tickets at £5 child, £10 adult, £25 family (up to 5) are available from Philippa Penkett tel: 01245 351478— do join us for this fun social event.

## 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** today, or next week as it is half term.

**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.

**The 2016 Annual Report and Accounts** are on the website.

**Friday 2 June 7.30pm Churches Together in Chelmsford** are organising a hustings in preparation for the General Election at Christchurch URC. All are welcome to attend.

**Sunday 4 June at St Marys Church Maldon, 6pm**

St Mary's is hosting a monthly series of talks about faith which involves a service of Evensong led by their choir, a talk in the place of a sermon and then discussion and wine afterwards in the Octagon

parish room. On 4 June - the speaker is me, on the topic of 'Children and Faith' and I would really welcome some familiar faces being in the congregation!  
Revd Kate Moore

**Monday 5 June 12.00 noon Poetry Bring-and-Share Lunch**  
Following this year's 'Faith & Poetry' Lent Group there will be a Poetry Lunch in the Cathedral Outer North Aisle. Please bring food to share and a poem to read. The lunch will include a poetry reading by Dr David Greenwood. For more information please contact Canon Edward Carter on 01245 294486, or see the 'Thy Kingdom Come' poetry display in the Cathedral from 25 May.

**Tuesday 6 June New Interests Group**  
The next New Interests visit will be to Cambridge Botanical Gardens. Shared car lifts are available. Details from Ann Freese 01245 357096 or email: allfreese@supanet.com

**'God who sings through us'** - a musical retreat at Bradwell Chapel. Cost £15 including lunch. Tickets available from Eventbrite.

**Thursday 8 June 2pm Mothers' Union:** Board Games with Canon Edward Carter in St Cedd's Hall, Chapter House.

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

<i>Sunday:</i>	John 17: 1-11	<i>Thursday:</i>	John 17: 20-end
<i>Monday:</i>	John 16: 29-end	<i>Friday:</i>	John 21: 15-19
<i>Tuesday:</i>	Matthew 9: 10-13	<i>Saturday:</i>	John 21: 20-end
<i>Wednesday:</i>	Luke 1: 39-56	<i>Sunday:</i>	John 20: 19-23

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

## Thought for the day

Fall on your knees and grow there. There is no burden of the spirit but is lighter by kneeling under it. Prayer means not always talking to Him, but waiting before Him till the dust settles and the stream runs clear. - F B Meyer

## Please pray for:

- Jean Cooper, Amanda Corcoran, Rosemary Duffin, Jane Hopcraft, Julie Liney, Canon Simon Pothen; all those receiving home communion and all in need of our prayers
- The family and friends of Joan Herbert who died recently
- The workplace Chaplaincy Team (Essex and East London)
- Thy Kingdom Come - the Archbishops' call to prayer
- The work of the Anglican Centre in Rome
- The Diocese of Nike (Enugu, Nigeria)

## VISITATION

A big thank you to everyone who came along to the Visitation Round Table last Sunday and everyone who has contributed to a fantastic process. Bishop Graeme and his team are now hard at work on their report - we look forward to responding to their recommendations!

## Going ... Going ... Gone!



**Tim Leeson**, the Cathedral's Youth minister, had his beard shaved off to raise money for the Youth Group's trip to Sweden in the Summer. Opinion is divided on whether Tim looks better in the before or after photo but he did raise £400 towards the youth group trip (although he may need to carry ID for a while)!

## Singing for the brain

The Cathedral was pleased to support Dementia Awareness week last week by hosting 'Singing for the brain'. A one hundred-strong choir led the packed Cathedral as many people, carers, & their families joined in with well-known songs including 'Summer Holiday' and 'When the Saints go marching in'. It was a joyful afternoon and everyone left still singing.

