

THIS WEEK

Sunday 23 September - Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

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

President: Canon Alison Kennedy

8.30am Breakfast with the Bible, led by Tim Leeson

9.30am **PARISH EUCHARIST**

President & Preacher: Canon Alison Kennedy

11.15am **CHORAL EUCHARIST**

President: Canon Ivor Moody

Preacher: Canon Alison Kennedy

3.30pm **CANTATA EVENSONG** with Eboracum Baroque

Address: Canon Alison Kennedy

This morning The Revd Kate Moore is at Holy Trinity Hatfield Heath and St Mary's Sheering

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 30 September - Harvest

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**, (Harvest readings on special sheet)

President: The Very Revd Nicholas Henshall

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

9.30 am **PARISH EUCHARIST** with Parade

President: The Very Revd Nicholas Henshall

Preacher: The Revd Kate Moore

11.15 am **CHORAL EUCHARIST**

President: The Revd Kate Moore

Preacher: The Very Revd Nicholas Henshall

3.30 pm **ESSEX COUNTY HARVEST SERVICE**

Address: Rt Revd Roger Morris, Bishop of Colchester

Daily Prayer through the Week (Mon to Sat):

Morning Prayer: 7.45 am

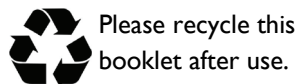
Holy Communion: 8.15 am (also Wed at 12.35 pm & Thurs at 10.00 am)

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

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Harvest

THIS YEAR the Diocese of Chelmsford is hosting the **National Harvest Torch**. The Harvest Torch is a beautiful metal sculpture created by Master Blacksmith, Andrew Hall.

The torch will begin its tour of Chelmsford Diocese on Saturday 29 September at St John the Baptist Church, Little Maplestead.

On Sunday 30 September it will join Bishop Stephen Cottrell on his Missionary Journey through rural parts of the diocese. This will include a celebration at Writtle University College to mark 125 years of its founding. The tour of the Harvest Torch will reach its climax as it joins the procession into the Cathedral for the County Harvest Thanksgiving Service at 3.30pm.

It has been a privilege to work with the national organisation, Love British Food, in preparation for the service which includes farmers, food producers, school children and many rural and agricultural organisations. We will truly celebrate and give

thanks to God for the rich diversity of food produced across our diocese and the commitment of those who produce it. And finally all are invited to enjoy

a Tiptree Cream Tea generously provided by Wilkin and Sons Ltd.

Following the service, our harvest produce will be donated to Age Concern to support their lunches in Chelmsford. Essex food producers, including gardeners and allotment-keepers, are invited to bring produce to the service.

All are welcome at Chelmsford Cathedral, Sunday 30th September, 3.30pm to praise God for our harvest and to give thanks for all who work the land so that we may have abundant food.

*Revd Janet Nicholls
Rural Adviser and Agricultural Chaplain,
Diocese of Chelmsford*



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Study Notes on the Sunday Gospel

Mark 9.30-37

Introduction & Context

Jesus and his disciples travel from Caesarea Philippi to Jerusalem, and re-enter Jewish territory (“Galilee”, v. 30). Jesus wants to avoid misunderstanding of him and his mission. He again teaches that he, the “Son of Man is to be” (v. 31) *killed*, but adds one new idea: he is to be “betrayed” or *handed over* to people; this is part of God’s plan. Both his suffering and betrayal are so beyond the understanding of the disciples that they dare not reveal their ignorance. Jesus now teaches more about being his followers. The disciples have been arguing over rank. Jesus says: *to be my disciple, you must abandon seeking position and prestige.* (vv. 36-37): *to welcome a child “in my name” is to welcome me.* In Aramaic and Greek the word for “child” is the same as for *servant*, so v. 36 may also speak of welcoming a *servant*, one sent by his master. If so, Jesus is saying: whoever receives the servant receives the master. Whoever receives a child receives Jesus, and whoever receives Jesus receives God, who sent him. Both child and servant are without status. They are unable to repay a kindness, in earthly terms.

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 - 30 Sept 2018 : Harvest

9.30 am & 11.15 am:

Joel 2.21-27

Psalms 126

Matthew 6.25-33

3.30 pm:

*Special readings for the Essex
County Harvest Service*

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 23 September

3.30pm Cantata Evensong

Monday 24 September

5.30 - 7.00pm Youth Group (8pm yr 9+) (YMCA)

Wednesday 26 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

1.00 - 4.00pm Friendship Club (Chapter House)

Thursday 27 September

10.00am Eucharist

Friday 28 September

12.30pm Lunchtime Concert - Galos Trio (violin, cello, piano)

7.30pm Dave Pickthall Big Band Concert - free entry

Saturday 29 September

4.00pm RSCM Festival Service - singers from across Essex & East London will join for worship at this service. All welcome

Friendly Communities Coordinator and Family Navigator, Alzheimer's Society) is running a session on *Dementia Friends* in St Cedd's Hall on 10 November - prompt start at 9am, refreshments at 8.30 and 10.15 and finish by noon at the latest. I do realise that this falls within the same area as that very well attended session delivered by Ruth Moody last autumn but it is a most important feature of our lives and our Cathedral is a dementia friendly community. Many of you will have received an invitation via your group leaders but this confirms that you are **all** welcome. Please let me know if you would like to come along in order that I can cater appropriately! *Andrew Duke* - Volunteer Coordinator

Harvest Festival: 30 September

This year the young people are working on the theme ‘Abundance and Generosity’. It also links in with the stewardship theme ‘Giving generously to a generous Cathedral’. This harvest the congregation is invited to join our young people in bringing a box of non-perishable food to any of the morning services which will be donated to the Chelmsford Food Bank.

Sunday 30 September 6pm

A Harvest Hot Supper is being hosted by the Social Committee in St Cedd’s Hall (Chapter House). With food, games and fun for all ages tickets cost £8 (adults) and £4 (children). From Yvonne Spence email: yvonespence@hotmail.com or tel: 01245 465108 or speak to any member of the Social Committee.

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 'Who is the greatest'.

The Cathedral is involved in the 'Link to Hope Family & Elderly Shoebox Appeal' for 2018. Leaflets are now available at both doors. The closing date to bring them to the Cathedral is Sunday 4 November. We are aiming for 80 shoeboxes.

Congratulations to Caroline Beasley-Murray, who is HM Senior Coroner for Essex and a regular 9.30am worshipper. On Saturday 29 September she becomes President of the Coroners Society of England and Wales for the following twelve months.

The funeral of Michael Harrington will be held at the Cathedral on Wednesday 3 October at 2pm. Please wear something red and donations would be welcome in aid of Farleigh Hospice in memory of Michael.

Margaret Bardsley's family warmly invite you to join them at St John's Church in Moulsham Street at 2pm on Sunday 7th October for the interment of her ashes. Bishop Stephen will also be presenting Margaret's Maundy money to the family.

The funeral for Sue Brignell will take place at Chelmsford Cathedral on Monday 22 October at 11.30am followed by a family only cremation service. Geoff and the Brignell family hope that all who knew Sue feel able to attend and thank everyone for their correspondence and kindness.

TODAY is the Interfaith Cricket Match & Family Fun Day between Chelmsford Cathedral and Chelmsford Mosque. Taking place at Willingale Cricket Club (CM5 0SJ) food will be served after the match so please bring a dish to share. Come along to support or play! Please contact Ivor Moody on ivor.moody@chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk

A conversation with John Dean: Many of you will know John Dean who worked for the Bible Society and played an important role in making the Bible available in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union where Christians were persecuted. Vernon Muller is hosting 'An afternoon in conversation with John' at 8 Ruskin Rd. CM2 6HN on Thursday 4 October at 2.45pm. Places are limited so please call Vernon: 01245 345865.

This Sunday: we will be admitting the new scholars and there will be promotion of choristers at Evensong (3.30pm). All are welcome, especially families to support them all, and the service (which includes the Bach Cantata) will be followed by a reception, to which everyone is warmly welcome.

Volunteers' Training Event
Mark Neville (who is Essex Dementia

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

<i>Sunday:</i>	Mark 9: 30-37	<i>Thursday:</i>	Luke 9.7-9
<i>Monday:</i>	Luke 8.16-18	<i>Friday:</i>	Luke 9.18-22
<i>Tuesday:</i>	Luke 8.19-21	<i>Saturday:</i>	John 1.47-51
<i>Wednesday:</i>	Luke 9.1-6	<i>Sunday:</i>	Matthew 6.25-33

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

Thought for the day

The absolutely indiscriminate nature of compassion is the dominant perspective of almost all of Jesus' teaching.
- Brennan Manning

Please pray for:

- Mary Bradford, David Brider, Rosemary Duffin, Mark Harris, Rita James, Julie Liney, Bartholomew Mullane, Winnie Towers; all those receiving home communion and all in need of our prayers.
- Skylark Church, Widford & CGC, Baddow
- The brothers and sisters in the Religious Society of Friends and Canon Jennifer Hodgkin
- The Anglican Church of Tanzania & The Most Revd Jacob Erasto Chimeledya, Archbishop

Sunday 7 October

This is the Cathedral's annual **Mission Sunday**. There will be no 9.30 am or 11.15 am, services. Instead everyone is warmly encouraged to worship somewhere else. It's great to experience the worship and fellowship of different churches, and indeed different denominations. People in previous years have often shared lifts and travelled together. These visits have been experienced as a great blessing and encouragement by the church communities people have visited.

Ride and Stride



On Saturday 8 September the Ride and Stride Event was held by Friends of Essex Churches throughout Essex and East London. Chelmsford Cathedral once again organised a reception for riders and walkers who visited the church.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the reception desk, including Penny Cowell, Peter Kemp, Eileen French, Jennifer Webb, Pam Brider, David Waugh, Jo Themistocleous and of course the vergers.

A big thank you to Libby Hill who has decided to hang up her cycling shoes after many years of sponsored participation in the event. It is estimate that Libby has raised in the region of £5000 for Essex Churches of which 50% has been returned to the Cathedral. This year she visited 21 churches – Thank you Libby.

31 Ordained Deacon last Saturday



Congratulations to 31 who were ordained deacon to work in the Diocese of Chelmsford last Saturday. The Dean of Southwell, the Very Revd Nicholas Sullivan spoke at all three services and there were greetings from visiting Bishops and Archdeacons from our link Diocese in Kenya and Sweden. Thank you to the team who helped the day run smoothly by welcoming people into the Cathedral.

