

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL SUNDAY NOTES

Sunday 23 February 2025: Second Sunday before Lent

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme
over all things,
now and for ever.

Amen.

SERVICES THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

Sunday:

- **8.00am** - Holy Communion (BCP)
- **9.15am** - Children, Families & Caregivers Eucharist
- **10.15am** - Mattins
- **11.15am** - Sung Eucharist
- **3.00pm** – said Evening Prayer

Monday - Saturday:

- **7.45am** - Morning Prayer
- **8.00am** - Holy Communion
- **5.30pm** – Choral Evensong

There is an additional celebration of Holy Communion (BCP) on Thursdays at 10.30am, followed by coffee in the cloisters.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have a notice relevant to the ministry and mission of the Cathedral that you would like to submit for this notice sheet, please contact: chris.george@chichestercathedral.org.uk by 5pm on Tuesday.

If you have any safeguarding concerns in relation to the Cathedral, please contact safeguarding@chichestercathedral.org.uk or speak to a member of our Safeguarding team [please see the website or our Safeguarding posters for more details].

CATHEDRAL NEWS

- **Lunchtime Concerts:** this week, Tuesday 25 February at 1.10pm, we welcome Charles Harrison (organ). Coffee is available – please bring your own mug.
- **Visiting choirs:** This week we are delighted to welcome the choir of Godalming Minster to sing our morning services today, and the Byron Consort of Harrow School to sing Choral Evensong on Wednesday.
- **Double Your Gift – Protect Music at Chichester Cathedral** This 950th year, your donation will be matched to secure the future of music. Support the Platinum Endowment Trust and ensure the Cathedral's cherished music continues for generations. **Every note matters. Donate now!** To donate either use the QR code or make a bank transfer to Chichester Cathedral Restoration & Development Trust CIO. Bank account: Barclays Bank, Account number: 53716384, Sort code: 20-20-62. (Please add your name as a reference, so that we can thank you), visit <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/27733>, or contact the Chichester Cathedral Restoration and Development Trust for more information trust@chichestercathedral.org.uk
- **Religion, Rebellion & Reformation:** Running in the cathedral until 15 November 2025 the exhibition features fascinating artefacts from across our Diocese; each object reveals remarkable moments and people from nine centuries of history. Please see the website for further details.
- **Talk: *The Restoration and Revival of Chichester Cathedral Library, 1670-1745*** Join Dr Andrew Foster for a fascinating look at the restoration of Bishop Henry King's Library to Chichester Cathedral, during a period of renaissance for cathedral, city and the surrounding region. Wednesday 26 February, 6.30pm in Vicars' Hall;



tickets are £10 per person and can be booked through the website.

- **George Bell House Bible Fellowship:** Thursday 27 February at 2.30pm *Exploring the Psalms: Psalms of Lament*. We meet in George Bell House. All are welcome.
- **Baptism and Confirmation:** if you are an adult and would like to be baptised or confirmed at Easter (or to discuss the possibility of this if you are unsure), please speak to one of the clergy about preparation.
- **Chorister open day:** Saturday 8 March, 1.30-4.30pm. Open to girls and boys in years 2, 3, 4 and 5, as well as their parents/guardians. Being a Chorister is an exciting and fun experience, developing valuable skills which will last a lifetime. No musical experience is necessary – just energy, enthusiasm and good reading skills. To book a place or find out more please email chris.george@chichestercathedral.org.uk
- **Lent Course.** This year's Lent Course will take place in George Bell House on Wednesday 12, 19, 26 March and 2, 9 of April, beginning at 12.00 with a soup lunch. It will end by 2pm. Please email chris.george@chichestercathedral.org.uk to book a place or speak to one of the clergy
- **Richard Ashby RIP:** The funeral of Richard Ashby will take place in the Cathedral on Thursday 13 March at 12.00. All are welcome.
- **Bell Tower Open Day** The bell tower will be opened for visits on the afternoon of Saturday 15 March. Come and see inside the 14th century bell tower, climb up to the ringing chamber, learn about the tower, the clock, the bells, and bell ringing. See the ringers in action and have a go if you'd like on our training bell. The bell tower is the only remaining medieval cathedral detached bell tower of at least seven that previously existed and the current bells date back to 1583, so are all historically significant. Booking is now available on the Cathedral website what's on section.
- **One Day Lenten Retreat**, Monday 17 March, 9.30am-6.15pm: Join us for this reflective day, led by Revd Canon Dr Earl Collins. After a celebration of the Eucharist in the Lady Chapel, Dr Collins will speak (in George Bell House) on The Baptism of Jesus, The Transfiguration of Jesus, The Exaltation of Jesus and The Comings of Jesus, interspersed with time for prayer, contemplation and silence. The day concludes with Choral Evensong in the Cathedral. Please register with chris.george@chichestercathedral.org.uk; spaces will cost £20 for the day, please bring a packed lunch.
- During Lent the Cathedral takes part in the **Chichester District Christian Aid lunches**. Local ecumenical partners take it in turns to cook and serve lunch. The Cathedral will be doing this (homemade soup and a roll) on **Wednesday 12/03/25, at Christ Church (Old Market Avenue)**, with preparation at 11.15 and lunch served 12.00-1.00. We would be very grateful for the support of the congregation. All donations go to Christian Aid. To learn more about the Cathedral's work with Christian Aid, please contact Canon Jack Dunn.

SUBMISSIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Chichester Deanery Year of Faith Celebration: Sunday 23 February, 5.00pm at St Paul's Chichester.** A service celebrating the history and Christian faith in our Deanery with Bishop Ruth.
- **Cloisters Kitchen & Garden:** Mothers' Day Lunch, 30 March, 12.30-3.00pm in George Bell House; Easter Sunday Lunch, 20 April, 12.30-3.00pm in George Bell House. For more details and to book please see www.cloisterskitchengarden.co.uk/special-events
- **Worthing Theological Society:** Monday 24 February, 7.45 pm, West Worthing Baptist Church. It will be given by Dr Hazel Sherman and is entitled **Jurgen Moltmann (1926 – 2024): a theologian for our times?** All are welcome. Further information from the Hon Secretary at honsecwts1@outlook.com
- **World Day of Prayer Service 2025:** All are welcome on Friday 7 March at 2.00pm, at Christ Church, Old Market Avenue, Chichester PO19 1SW. As we take part in this service, we become part of a wonderful wave of prayer which encircles the globe. Please come along and join us for fellowship and refreshments before the service - soup and a roll will be available from 12.30pm. Further details from Sheila Hoy (s.m.hoy@hotmail.co.uk).
- **Chichester Cathedral Friends:**
 - The Friends currently have four volunteer vacancies we are actively seeking to fill: Friends Secretary, Communications Volunteer, Event Organiser, Joint Membership Secretary. For more information about any of these roles please contact John Gardner (johngardner@chichestercathedral.org.uk)
 - **Book After Breakfast** on 13th March at George Bell House. Tea or coffee and biscuits at 10.00am, £5.00 per head. The book: 'Orbital', an inspirational novel by Samantha Harvey. To be introduced by congregation member, James Allport.

- **Diocesan Family Camp** Friday 11 to Sunday 13 July 2025 at Stedham Campsite. A weekend of fun activities and adventure, combined with worship and family time. www.celebratingfaith.co.uk/family-camp
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- Online: Visit www.parishgiving.org.uk and search for 'Chichester Cathedral', or scan the QR code

- By phone: 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday (9.00am - 5.00pm)

- By post: Using the PGS application form. A copy is available to collect from the Visitors' Desk or the Vergers' Office.