

Weekly notice sheet

Sunday 18th February 2018

The First Sunday of Lent



8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

The service begins on **page 293** of the Prayer Book. The Collect and Readings for the First Sunday in Lent can be found on **page 129**.

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Sung by Newcastle University Chamber Choir
President: The Ven Geoff Miller
Preacher: Canon Steven Harvey

4.00pm Choral Evensong

Sung by Newcastle University Chamber Choir

Welcome

We warmly welcome all our visitors to today's services. If you are visiting, or are here for the first time, please introduce yourself to one of the clergy.

Next Sunday – 25th February

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The full list of services, presidents, officiants, preachers and music is available on the Welcome Desk and on the Cathedral's website (www.stnicholascathedral.co.uk).

Bible Study Group

Members of this group will, during Lent, be attending the Lent Course – see the back page for details.

House Group

The House Group, to which all are welcome, is intended to help us grow in our Christian faith and life and to get to know each other better. The next meeting will be at **8.00pm** on **Wednesday this week, 21st February**, at the home of Ruth Lunn (Silver Birches, 73 Montagu Avenue, Gosforth, NE3 4JN). We will be continuing our discussion of Rowan Williams' recent book *God with us: The meaning of the cross and resurrection*. If you would like to know more, please speak with Canon Harvey, Ruth Lunn or Chris Davies (Lay Clerk) – or simply come to the next meeting!

Junior Church – Spring Term 2018

Junior Church this term will be held on **today** and **4th and 18th March**. Activities for children will continue to be available in St Margaret's Chapel, and for very young children in St George's Chapel, each Sunday.

A service of reflection and hope for anyone affected by child sexual abuse – Friday 9th March at 6.00pm

In a safe space, this short service will offer music, readings, prayers and silence. All are invited to come and participate, or simply to be present.

Confirmation

Anyone interested in exploring the possibility of being confirmed is invited to have a word with Canon Harvey. We aim to start groups – probably one for younger members of the congregation and one for adults – in Lent. The Confirmation Service will be held on Sunday 29th April.

Godly Play

We are planning two more complete Godly Play sessions in the Education Suite at the Cathedral this term – next **Sunday, 25th February, and 18th March**. These sessions will start at 1:30pm and finish at 3:30pm, and children can attend unaccompanied. Parents and carers are, of course, welcome to stay with their child(ren). The sessions will be led by a minimum of two trained Godly Play practitioners, who have enhanced DBS clearance. If you know of other families whose children may be interested, please do invite them along. To register your child for a session, or for more information, please contact Helen Roberston on helenvrobotson@gmail.com.

Organ Recitals – Mondays at 1.05pm

These lunchtime recitals feature the Cathedral's temporary Phoenix digital organ in a mixture of solo concerts and performances with other instrumentalists and vocalists. Each recital lasts 40 minutes. Admission is free, and there is a retiring collection (suggested donation: £5). The recital tomorrow, **19th February**, will be given by **Jordan English** (Christchurch, Manchester).

Choirs Association events

Ceilidh – Saturday 10th March

Once again this will take place at St James' and St Basil's Church Hall, Wingrove Road North, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE4 9EJ from 6.00pm to 9.00pm. Gillian Stewart and Friends will again be providing music for us, along with a caller, on what is sure to be another entertaining evening. Please do support one of the top social events of the year!

Car boot sale – donations needed

Were you swamped with gifts at Christmas and need to make some space? We are thinking of holding a car boot sale later in the Spring to help boost our funds, and your unwanted clutter could be our treasure! We are looking for donations that are in good condition and sets or games that are complete.

Further details of both events from Emily Stolting –
emily.stolting@stnicholascathedral.co.uk

Sunday Lunch in the Dog Leap Café

The next Sunday Lunch will be on **25th February**. Please book in person in the café, or 'phone 0191 235 7558.

St Nic's Knitters

This is the Cathedral's monthly knitting group. All are welcome – including total beginners! The next meeting is on **Tuesday this week, 20th February** at 8.00pm at Ian and Kate Roberts' house, The Verger's House, behind All Saints' Church on West Avenue in Gosforth, NE3 4ES. Please contact Kate Roberts on 07754 968510 or kcroberts79@gmail.com if you would like to know more.

Sunday parking permits

A letter has been received from Newcastle City Council regarding Sunday parking permits due to expire in March 2018. These permits can be renewed at an annual cost of £20 per permit. They allow up to four hours' parking at any pay and display bay on public roads and within Council

operated car parks on Sundays. Permits should be ordered through the Cathedral Office; if you require one, please give your name, address and car registration details, along with your £20 payment, to Ellie Robertson by **Sunday 4th March 2018**. (If paying by cheque, please make cheques payable to 'The Cathedral Church of St Nicholas'.) **Please note that after 4th March your name will not be able to be added to the list.**

LENT 2018

Bookstall

The Bookstall has been replenished. Titles for Lent include: Wendy Beckett's ***The Art of Lent*** – a painting a day from Ash Wednesday to Easter, looking at some of the world's greatest paintings; Janet Morley's ***The Heart's Time*** – a poem a day for Lent and Easter; Leigh Hatts' ***Keeping Lent and Easter*** – discovering the rhythms and riches of the Christian seasons; Tom Wright's ***Lent for Everyone: Mark***; and Megan Daffern's ***Songs of the Spirit*** – a psalm a day for Lent and Easter. There are also titles by Bishop Stephen Cottrell and others, and books for children.

Lent course and School of Prayer

There will again be a series of addresses on Thursdays in Lent. This year's theme is **Inspiring Words**. Please take a flyer from the Welcome Desk for full details. On **Thursday 15th March**, when the word will be 'Prayer', there will be a School of Prayer from 10.00am to 3.30pm – led by The Very Revd Michael Sadgrove, formerly Dean of Durham, and The Revd Prof David Wilkinson, Principal of St John's College, Durham. A separate flyer, giving full details, is available on the Welcome Desk. There will be no Quiet Day at Shepherds Dene this Lent, as members of the congregation are encouraged to attend the School of Prayer.

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The Church of England's 2018 Lent campaign

For the full range of resources, for individual and group use, visit:

www.churchofengland.org/lent

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