

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

April 2019

The Cathedral Library: Open to all on Tuesday 2nd April 10am - 12 noon, and Friday 26th April 2pm - 4pm. On display, books of particular interest. Library volunteers available to answer questions. You'll find the library by entering the Treasury and then climbing a stone spiral staircase - 40 steps! (*Sub-librarians Diana Wills and Richard Hance 01243 813587 library@chichestercathedral.org.uk*)

The Contemplative Prayer Group 'Be Still' has its next two meetings on Tuesdays 2nd and 16th April. Come along to 4 Canon Lane at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start; we finish at 8.45pm. The guiding theme for this year is the Rule of St Benedict, and the two evenings will focus on *'Keeping the fast' 1 Corinthians 7:7 (2nd April)* and *'Attending to the Work of God' Ephesians 4: 12-32. (16th April).*

Meet the Communar: The Communar and Executive Director, David Coulthard, will be available to meet members of the community and answer questions in the Cloisters Café from 9.30 – 10.30am on Thursday 4th April. If you have any questions for David, or even if you would simply like to drop in and say 'hello', David would be delighted to see you. These sessions are planned to take place quarterly following the Cathedral's staff briefings; future dates will be advertised. If you have a question but aren't able to drop by, or if you would prefer to email, David's address is communar@chichestercathedral.org.uk.

The Friends' Monthly Coffee Morning: 10am start on Saturday 6th April, in the South Transept. The Friends support and are engaged in all aspects of the Cathedral's mission and ministry. Whatever your interest - fantastic music, fabulous art, amazing buildings and architecture, great hospitality and fellowship, thought provoking talks and discussions, prayerful worship...the Friends help to make it happen. All are welcome at the Coffee Morning. You don't have to be a member to come along. Free coffee and biscuits, with donations welcome.

The Ecumenical Society of the Blessed Virgin Mary (ESBVM) Chichester branch meets on Saturday 6th April at 2pm at the Bishop's Palace in Chichester, when the Revd Ian Forrester and members of Boxgrove Priory Choir will give a presentation on the Blessed Virgin Mary in English hymnody, carols and choral music. The ESBVM office will be sung at the conclusion of the meeting and

tea will be served in the Sherborne Room. There is no charge but donations are invited. Please book via Bradley Smith 07931 527724 bradley.smith4@gmail.com

An Illuminating Cathedral Tour: Religious Art from the 12th Century to the Present Day. Saturday 6th April 10.30am – 12 noon, led by Chichester Cathedral guides, and starting with coffee in the Alexandra Room. The Alexandra Room is accessed through the Cloisters Café. Advance booking essential. Tickets £7.50, available from www.chichestercathedral.org.uk or from Chichester Box Office, The Novium Museum, Tower Street, Chichester, 01243 775888.

St Richards Singers' Lenten Concert: Saturday 6th April at 7.30pm, St George's Church, Cleveland Road, Chichester. We shall be singing music including Palestrina's *Pueri Hebraeorum*, Bruckner's *Christus Factus Est*, Bairstow's *Lamentation*, part of Stainer's *Crucifixion* and Sander's *Reproaches*. Tickets from SRSTickets@gmail.com. Conductor: Jake Barlow (Cathedral Lay Vicar).

Cathedral Fellowship: *'The Ladder of Divine Ascent Icon - The journey of love responding to love'* is the subject of the talk the Revd Sandra Beavis will be giving to the Cathedral Fellowship at its meeting on Monday 8th April. Please join us at 2.30pm, in 4 Canon Lane. A donation of £1 is kindly requested. For further information please contact Michael Cox 1michaelcox@gmail.com Everyone is invited!

Family Activities 'Birds and Bugs': Tuesday 9th April 10am - 3pm (last entry 2.30pm). A fun filled family day at Chichester Cathedral. Design and make creative crafts. Follow the Birds and Bugs trail – with prize! Ages 3 - 11 years, accompanied by an adult. No need to book, just drop-in. Toddlers' toy area. £1.50 child's meal offer with voucher available on the day. For further details contact Luna on 01243 812986 or luna.russell@chichestercathedral.org.uk

Music of the Spires: Saturday 13th April at 7pm, in the Lady Chapel, Chichester Cathedral. This concert by the choir *Sansara* is a celebration of the English choral tradition. Programme to include: William Byrd – *Emendemus in Melius*, *Memento homo*; Thomas Tallis – *Suscipe queso*, *Miserere nostri*; John Taverner – *Quemadmodum*; William Byrd – *Infelix ego*; Robert Parsons – *Peccantem me quotidie*; Robert Fayrfax – *Maria plena virtute* and Oliver Tarney - *A Prayer of St Richard of Chichester* (Chichester Premiere). Limited tickets available. Buy yours online from www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/events/sansara-music-spires

Easter Sunday Lunches: Sunday 21st April. Celebrate Easter Sunday with a special lunch in the delightful setting of 4 Canon Lane. Why not bring family and friends to enjoy delicious choices from a three course menu followed by coffee of coffee? £25 per person. There are two sittings at 12pm and 2.30pm. For reservations please call 01243 813585 or email: events@chichestercathedral.org.uk A non-refundable deposit of £10 per person will be required to reserve a place. See the full menu at www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/events/easter-sunday-lunches

An Illuminating Cathedral Tour: A Cathedral Celebration in Poetry and Prose, Friday 26th April or Monday 13th May. 10.30am – 12 noon, led by Chichester Cathedral guides. The tour will start with coffee in the Alexandra Room. The Alexandra Room is accessed through the Cloisters Café. Advance booking essential. Tickets £7.50, available from www.chichestercathedral.org.uk or from Chichester Box Office, The Novium Museum, Tower Street, Chichester on 01243 775888. Includes coffee and biscuits.

The Quiet Garden at Fishbourne invites you to a morning of rest, quiet and spiritual reflection on Tuesday 30th April (this later date due to Easter) from 10am to 12.15pm at St Peter's Place, Fishbourne Church Hall, PO19 3XT. We will be led by Annie Sneller, Community Mediator and trainee Reader. Our theme for 2019 is *'Inspiring Joy'* and her title is: *'Unwrapping the gift'*. For further information please contact Jane Bingeman 01243 776223.

Cathedral Peregrines Open Days: Every year a pair of peregrine falcons raise new chicks in the Cathedral's spire. A series of Open Days will be held on a number of weekends giving visitors the opportunity to observe the peregrines through a telescope, watch the live webcam footage of the nesting site from the café, and learn more about the birds and their activities. Open Days will be held on 27th & 28th April; 4th & 5th May; 18th & 19th May; 8th & 9th June; 15th & 16th June. Please note: All Open Days are weather permitting!

Cathedral Lunchtime Concerts: Our Summer series of free lunchtime concerts in the Nave starts on Tuesday 30th April at 1.10pm with Canadian pianist Luke Welch. His programme of Beethoven and Schumann is bound to be crowd-pleaser! In the following weeks, performances by *Flö Duo* (violin and flute), *The Parnassian Ensemble* (recorder, harpsichord, baroque cello) and the return of the ever popular *English Piano Trio*, as well as a concert by our very own talented organ scholar, Mitchell Farquharson (25th June), are just a few of the highlights. Full programme details and biographies from: www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/music/concerts/lunchtime-concerts

SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION

Should any member of the Cathedral Community have a safeguarding concern affecting either a child, young person or adult at risk, they should speak to a member of the Cathedral's safeguarding team or the Safeguarding Officer. Contact details for each can be found on the Cathedral noticeboards and website.

We would also like to make you aware of two websites that provide excellent, comprehensive resources for all young people (and their parents): Childline www.childline.org.uk and Kidscape www.kidscape.org.uk. There is also a smartphone app produced by Childline: For Me (*available for iPhones and Android phones*).

Looking ahead to future months...

The Friends' Monthly Coffee Morning: Saturday 4th May, 10am, South Transept.

Cathedral Peregrines Open Days: 4th & 5th May; 18th & 19th May.

IHS - A Way of Living: Saturday 4th May, the Sherborne Room, the Bishop's Palace. Bishop Martin writes: 'The first Christians were known as the followers of the way – and it's the way we live our Christian lives that's absolutely crucial – not least in drawing others to the faith. *IHS A Way of Living* is a project that ends up as a Rule of Life. It is your plan for how you live as a Christian. Like a diet or a fitness plan, it has to be suited to your needs and situation. Its outcome is a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and with God who made us and loves us.'

The day will consist of short addresses with plenty of time for discussion, much on a one-to-one basis or in small groups. There will be time for reflection and prayer and an opportunity to share your thought with others on the same journey.

Copies of the IHS Way of Living booklet are on the Information Desk and at the back of the Cathedral. You can also download the booklet and other information from www.chichester.anglican.org/yov2019/

There are a limited number of places so for further information and to book your place, please email Toni Hayes on toni.hayes@nhs.net or phone Richard Ashby on 01243 372234 There is no charge for the day but a contribution will be welcome.

Library Opening Hours: Tuesday 7th May, 10 - 12 noon, Friday 24th May 2 - 4pm.

Lunchtime Concert: Flö Duo, (violin and piano). Tuesday 7th May, 1.10pm. Free.

'Spirituality and Music' – A day led by the Revd Canon Tim Schofield, Precentor. Venue: Vicars' Hall, Chichester Cathedral, PO19 1EH. Saturday 11th May, 10.30am - 3pm. (Gather from 10am for coffee). Open to all. Cost £10. Lunch not provided, so bring packed lunch. The day is organised by *Be Still*, the Chichester Contemplative Prayer Group. To reserve your place, please contact David Browning on 01243 839922 bestillchichester@btinternet.com www.bestillchichester.com

An Illuminating Cathedral Tour: A Cathedral Celebration in Poetry and Prose, Monday 13th May. 10.30am - 12 noon, led by Cathedral guides.

Lunchtime Concert: The Parnassian Ensemble, Tuesday 14th May, 1.10pm. Free.

Cathedral Fellowship: Monday 20th May at 2.30pm. Discussion: 'Coincidences.'

The copy deadline for the May Monthly Notes is Sunday 14th April. Please send entries to Charlotte Rattray at lmassistant@chichestercathedral.org.uk (The deadline for each Weekly Notes is the Wednesday before the Sunday.)