

THIS WEEK

Sunday 19 January - The Feast of Dedication

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- 9.30am PARISH EUCHARIST**
President: Canon Imogen Nay
Preacher: The Revd Kate Moore
- 11.15am CHORAL EUCHARIST**
President: Canon Alison Kennedy
Preacher: The Revd Jackie-Dee Thornton
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NEXT WEEK

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Preacher: Rt Revd Stephen Cottrell, Bishop of Chelmsford

Daily Prayer through the Week (Mon to Sat):

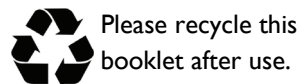
Morning Prayer: 7.45 am

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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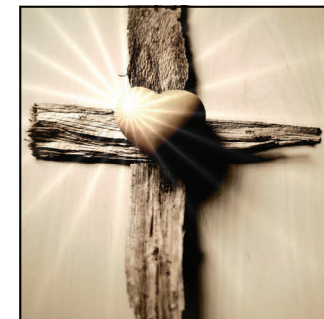
The Feast of Dedication, 19 January 2020



Finding Faith

I WONDER how you came to faith? Coming to faith might seem like a mysterious process, something best left for those with the title 'Evangelist'. But the most effective evangelist I have known was a woman in her 80s who cared about everyone who walked through the church doors and made it her role to get to know them, support them, reach out to them and ultimately to draw them into the wonderful community that is the church. The thing is that I might be called the *Canon for Evangelism and Discipleship*, but evangelism is about relationship and that means it's about how all of us approach one another.

On Sunday evening last week we had the first of our Finding Faith evenings and people came to that event because they were personally invited by a member of our Cathedral



congregation. Flyers and sermons might do a little bit, but personal invitation by a friend is the most effective way of enabling others to come to faith. It was a great evening with some really interesting conversations, a deepening of relationships with those who are already a part of the Cathedral community and the start of some new friendships. The next of our evenings is this week, Wednesday 22 January 7-9pm.

If everyone who reads this personally invited a friend, just imagine!

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Study Notes on the Sunday Gospel

Readings for the Feast of Dedication (19 January):

1 Kings 8.22-30
Ps 122
Matthew 21.12-16

Let us go to the house of the LORD!

Is the church a building or people? In a sense it is both in the way we use the word. But essentially the church is always people, and the building is simply the place where the people gather for worship, fellowship, learning and service.

Today's readings focus on the Temple at Jerusalem. In the first reading we hear the account of Solomon dedicating the Temple, and the psalm is all about going up to the Temple.

The Gospel strikes a slightly different note – Jesus cleansing the Temple of corruption and insisting that it is a house of prayer.

The church is people. Buildings only came later, and of course we don't have a Temple! We need to get it the right way round: on this Dedication Festival we give thanks for all those generations who have worshipped and served here down the centuries, and as part of that we give thanks for this wonderful building that has enabled us to serve our city, diocese and region.

Next Sunday's Readings - 26 January: 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

9.30 & 11.15

Isaiah 9.1-4
Ps 27.1-8
Matthew 4.12-23

3.30 pm

Pss99, 121
Genesis 14.17-20
Revelation 19.6-10

THE WEEK AHEAD

Wednesday 22 January

9.30am Parent and Toddler Group (Chapter House)
12.35pm Eucharist
1 - 3pm Welcome on Wednesday: coffee and cake in the North Transept
1 - 4pm Friendship Club (Chapter House)
7pm Finding Faith

Thursday 23 January

10am Eucharist

Friday 24 January

12.30pm Lunchtime Concert - Leigh Orpheus Male Voice

Please contact John Foster if you are interested in joining us john.foster53@btinternet.com tel: 07785 533791 or 01245 443555.

Thursday 30 January 7.30pm

CCCA Curry Night: All are welcome to a curry night at Indian Nights, London Road in aid of the Chelmsford Cathedral Choirs 2021 tour to Tennessee. Tickets £20 each, please email CCCA.Tickets@gmail.com for bookings & enquiries. Beverages are extra.

Saturday 1 February 2pm

Chorister for an afternoon: A fun interactive session for boys aged 6 - 10 with singing, musical games and other activities ending with Evensong at 5.15pm.

Please contact the music office for more details. Tel: 01245 294481.

Saturday 1 February 10am

Essex Mind and Spirit talk. Entitled 'Justice and Care - taking

action against modern slavery', Debi Lloyd's talk will focus on rescuing and caring for victims and assisting the police in bring traffickers to justice. The meeting is taking place in Chapter House and all are welcome.

Sunday 2 February 6pm

Everyone is welcome to the **Candlemas service taking place** in the Cathedral and the Friends are providing mulled wine and mince pies after the service - all are welcome.

Thursday 6 February 8pm

The Mothers' Union meet in the Chapter House where Steve Nelson will be speaking on Community Policing. All welcome.

Sunday 9 February 1pm

Meeting Point lunch: at Bartella's, Writtle. Enjoy a Sunday lunch with others. To book please phone Penny tel: 07872 942625.

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.

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 full name, house number and postcode and the date.

Cathedral Art & Craft Group:

The Art Group is expanding to welcome newcomers who enjoy drawing, knitting sewing or any other kind of craft! It's not a formal class, but an opportunity to get together, continue your own project in the company of others and join together for refreshments. The group meets in the Learning Centre, Thursdays, 1.30pm – 3.30pm during term time. For more information please contact Tony at harrington303@outlook.com or call 07852 504308.

The floral arrangement at the West End of the Nave is sponsored by Tony Allen and family in memory of Judith Allen on the 3rd anniversary of her death.

There is a three-drawer filing cabinet, in good condition available. It does not lock but if you would like it and can come and collect, please call Marion Palmer tel: 01245 294497. Thank you.

New to the Cathedral? Canon Imogen invites you to her 'Finding Faith' evenings for a relaxed time of discussion and a chance to get to know others from the cathedral community. **Wednesday 22 January 7-9pm.**

We are delighted to announce that Ann Bell has been appointed as Volunteers' Manager. Ann will be taking up this role from April. More details to follow later this month.

A scooter has appeared in Guy Harling's garden. If it could be yours, please contact Laura Dolton email laura.dolton@chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk to identify it.

Book Group: Would you be interested in joining a Cathedral Book Group? Sally Dilley invites those who are interested in exploring this to email her on: sallydilley@tiscali.co.uk

Tuesday 28 January

Cathedral Walking Group Walk: A walk around Hampstead led by John Foster. Meet at Chelmsford station in time for the 9.40am train to Stratford. The walk is about five miles mainly on roads and footpaths. Suggested lunch at the Freemasons Arms.

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

Monday	Mark 2.18-22
Tuesday	Mark 2.23-end
Wednesday	Mark 3.1-6
Thursday	Mark 3.7-12
Friday	Mark 3.13-19
Saturday	Mark 3.20-21

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

Please pray for:

- Teresa Hipgrave, Rita James, Winnie Towers, Norman Sharpe, and all those receiving home communion and all in need of our prayers
- Church of Our Saviour (Chelmer Village) & Made for More (formally SYM)
- Christian Unity and in particular Jesus' command 'As I have loved you, so you must love one another'
- The United Church of Bangladesh, the Most Revd Samuel Sunil Mankhin

Prayer at the Cathedral



The Cathedral Intercessors' Group consists of a group of people who pray regularly for those who are in need of prayers whether through illness, bereavement or any other specific need. Each group member has up to six people/situations to pray for at any given time, all prayer requests are completely confidential and the details are only known to the specific intercessor concerned. Any requests for prayer, whether for yourself or someone else whose permission has been obtained first, should come through our Canon Pastor Ivor Moody. If you are interested in joining us in this ministry, then please have a word with Canon Ivor.

We meet as a group from time to time which gives us the opportunity to share concerns, be updated on those being prayed for and spend some time in worship.

The Cathedral Prayer Group meets on the third Thursday of the month at 10.45 am in the Mildmay Chapel, this follows the service of Holy Communion at 10 am. Our aim is to spend concentrated time in prayer specifically for the Cathedral and everything associated with it particularly those who come with many and various needs and leave requests on our prayer board. We also remember the Diocese, the wider community of Chelmsford, the needs of the world, and anything else happening at that particular time. There is also the opportunity for open prayer but this is not compulsory, just taking advantage of the time and space is the important thing. We are a small group of regulars but would very much welcome anyone wishing to join us at any time.

Mary Love

Hang out with Hope!



If you haven't already seen it, Hope has appeared in the Cathedral. These large letters are a focal point for January, often seen as a bleak month after the excitement and bright lights of Christmas. However at Chelmsford Cathedral, people are coming to share their hopes and prayers for 2020 either by coming into the Cathedral and writing prayers or sharing their thoughts and photos on social media #hopespaces

To celebrate the end of our month of Hope, there will be an event, in the Cathedral on Sunday 26th January from 6-8pm. Against a back drop of quiet music, people are invited to explore Hope through drawing, creative writing, art and mixed media. Come and share your vision of Hope for 2020!