

THIS WEEK

Sunday 24 March - Third Sunday of Lent

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION**, page no 89

President: Canon Alison Kennedy

8.30am Breakfast with the Bible, led by Tim Leeson (Youth Minister)

9.30am **PARISH EUCHARIST**

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Preacher: Nicholas Henshall, Dean of Chelmsford

11.15am **CHORAL EUCHARIST**

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Preacher: Kate Moore (Associate Priest)

3.30pm **VOLUNTEERS' THANKSGIVING SERVICE**

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 31 March - Fourth Sunday of Lent - Mothering Sunday

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3.30pm **EVENSONG**

Homily: Canon Ivor Moody

Daily Prayer through the Week (Mon to Sat):

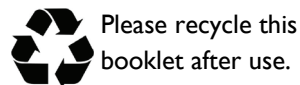
Morning Prayer: 7.45 am

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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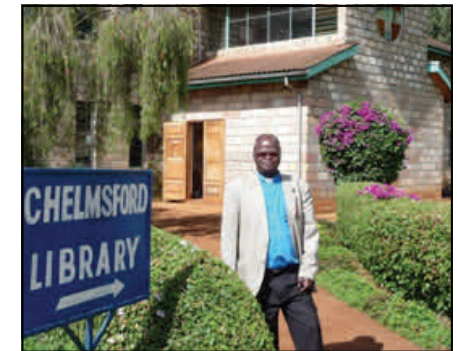
Bishop's Lent Appeal

ST ANDREW'S COLLEGE, Kabare, has been a key partner in the link between our Diocese and those in the Mount Kenya Region.

Its library is named after Chelmsford Diocese – reminding people of the story of our friendship. The College has trained many clergy and lay people for a range of occupations and now wants to improve its provision for people seeking to develop their own businesses and thus improve the lives of their families.

This year's Lent Appeal is raising money to support four projects:

- More tutorial rooms to increase the number of people who can take vocational courses;
- Renovate existing rooms to attract the best teachers;



- Improve computers in the library and purchase books for the business department,
- Install a gravity water system which will be more dependable than the existing pump.

The College has already raised £18,000 but needs another £30,000 to fulfil its vision. Please see the inside of the newsheet on details on how to give to the Bishop's Lent Appeal.

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Study Notes on the Sunday Gospel

Readings for Lent 3:

Isaiah 55.1-9
Psalm 63.1-9
Luke 13.1-9

“Seek the Lord while he may be found”

- The **First Reading** is the beautiful invitation to seek the Lord, to find him as water for our thirst and food for our hunger.
- These themes of longing and love are picked up in Psalm 63 “O God, eagerly I seek you,,, as in a dry land where there is no water. This whole psalm is a text worth spending time with this week
- And in today’s **Gospel** Jesus calls us to repent, literally “to turn around the way we look at the world”, - telling us that God desires that we bear fruit, promising us every opportunity to work with his grace.

In the coming days, let’s listen to the Lord who is faithful in both word and name as the One who is already at work in our lives.

Next Sunday’s Readings - 31/3/19 : Lent 4

9.30 am: Exodus 2.1-10 Ps 127.1-4 Luke 2.33-35	11.15 am: Joshua 5.9-12 Psalm 32 Luke 15.1-3, 11b-end	3.30 pm: Psalm 30 1 Samuel 16.1-13 Ephesians 5.8-14
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THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 24 March

12.45pm Meeting Point lunch (Middletons)

Monday 25 March

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

Wednesday 27 March

9.30am Parent and Toddler Group (Chapter House)

11.00am - 3.00pm 24/7 Prayer (St Peter’s)

11.00am - 12.30pm Lent 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)

7.30 - 9.30pm ‘Faith and Pilgrimage’ Lent Talk

Nicholas Henshall, Dean of Chelmsford

Thursday 28 March

10.00am Eucharist

Friday 29 March

12.30pm

Lunchtime Concert - Brentwood School Big Band

7.00pm

Compline

reflect on what was achieved in 2018 and what lies ahead; to ask questions and share ideas; and to receive the Cathedral accounts. All are welcome - refreshments are available from 9am and the meeting itself starts at 9.30am and will finish by 11am. Crèche facilities will be available in the St Cedd’s Chapel. The Dean will be delivering his AGM report at the 9.30am and 11.15am on Sunday 7 April.

Saturday 4 May 7.15 for 7.45pm Cathedral Dinner

With guest speaker, the Bishop of Bradwell. Tickets: £30 from Yvonne Spence tel: 01245 465108 or email: yvonnespence@hotmail.com The evening includes a four course meal and wine on the table.

ELECTORAL ROLL forms need to be returned by 30 March. Details on the Cathedral website.

Collections at all services on **Sunday 7 April** will be donated to the Bishop’s Lent Appeal. Please use a yellow envelope if you are able to Gift Aid your donation. You can also give at other times by placing your donation in a yellow envelope, writing Lent Appeal on the envelope and placing it in one of the collection boxes.

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 'When the time comes'.

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 name, house number and postcode and the date.

Flower Guild: 'Sponsor a lily'

The Flower Guild would welcome donations of £3 in memory of a loved one, to help cover the cost of lilies and other flowers during Easter. The names of those to be remembered will be displayed on Memorial cards in the Mildmay Chapel and in our Book of Remembrance which will also be on display. Please contact Isabel Fyfe at 129 Beeches Rd, Chelmsford, CMI 2SA or any member of the Flower Guild. Memorial cards may also be obtained from the vergers.

Easter leaflets are ready in the Cathedral (by the south door) for collection if you are either an Area Coordinator or have volunteered to deliver in the parish.

Easter cards as well as a wide range of **Lent books** are available on the Cathedral bookstall.

The team who count and bank collections would be glad of two or three more members to join them. Please speak to Elizabeth Marshall or Dan Glading if you can help.

Saturday 30 March 9am
The Church leaders of Essex and East London, at the invitation of the Bishop of Chelmsford, will be gathering at Chelmsford Cathedral. Everybody is welcome to join them for a time of prayer for our national life. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Thursday 4 April 8pm
Mothers' Union meet in Chapter House. Carol Gumbleton will be giving a talk on Marriage Preparation. All welcome.

Saturday 6 April 7.30pm
The Hutton and Shenfield Choral Society and Orchestra will be performing Handel's *Messiah*. Tickets £17/£6 from Ticketsource or on the door.

Thursday 11 April 2pm
The Mothers' Union meet in Chapter House. Revd Brenda Wallace gives a talk on Holy Week and Easter in Greece. All welcome.

Saturday 27 April 9 - 11 am
The Cathedral Annual Meeting is an important moment for the Cathedral congregations - an opportunity to

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

<i>Sunday:</i>	Luke 13.1-9	<i>Thursday:</i>	Luke 11.14-23
<i>Monday:</i>	Luke 1.26-38	<i>Friday:</i>	Mark 12.28-34
<i>Tuesday:</i>	Matthew 18.21-end	<i>Saturday:</i>	Luke 18.9-14
<i>Wednesday:</i>	Matthew 5.17-19	<i>Sunday:</i>	Luke 2.33-35

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

Thought for the day

You have given all to me - to you, Lord, I return it. Everything is yours - do with it what you will. Give me only your love and your grace - that is enough for me.
—*Ignatius Loyola.*

Please pray for:

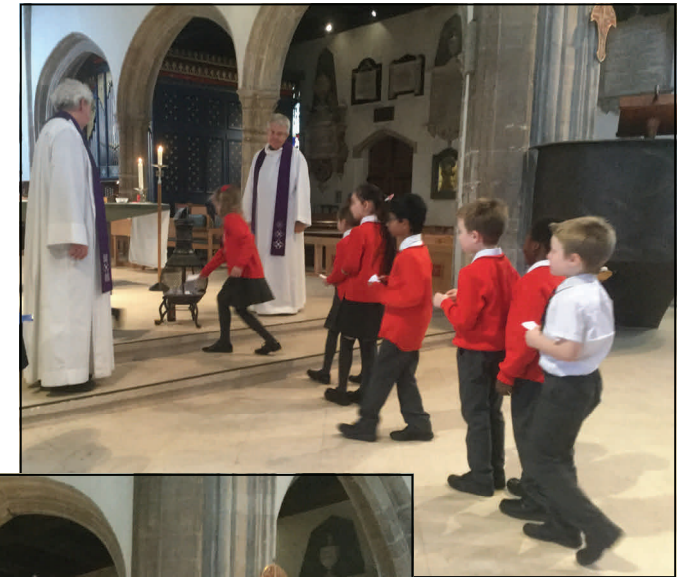
- Mary Bradford, David Brider, Rosemary Duffin, Mark Harris, Rita James, Julie Liney, Bartholomew Mullane, John Nightingale, Ray Cooper's mother, Winnie Towers; all those receiving home communion and all in need of our prayers
- Church of the Holy Spirit Widford and Widford Parish Church
- Us all that we will continue to look and listen for God in our lives during this holy season of Lent
- The Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui, The Most Revd Paul Kwong, Archbishop

Cathedral School Ash Wednesday Service

THE ENTIRE Cathedral School came to the Cathedral once again for their Ash Wednesday service - (held this year on Thursday because of cathedral diary commitments).

Pupils from Year 6 participated in the service doing the readings and prayers, and then they were all signed with the cross in ash, both as the senior representatives of the school, and to mark their 'rite of passage', soon to be leaving the school for various secondary schools.

Ivor the Vice Dean and Canon Pastor who was taking the service, made it possible for all the students to take part, as he asked everyone to write on pieces of paper something for which they wanted to say sorry to God. Then he got them to come to a brazier situated on the altar steps and throw in their sins, and then with the help of the Revd Neil Tozer, one of our Day Chaplains, set fire to them!



As the service progressed with music from the school choir and many of the young people coming up to receive their communion, the flames continued to burn, turning the 'sins' into ash, reminding everyone not only of our humanity and mortality, but the fact that God completely consumes all our wrongdoing, making the ash that's left a chance for us to start again and begin a new relationship with God.