

PATRONAL FESTIVAL: Today, we celebrate our Patronal Festival. The celebration of this important day in the Cathedral calendar is concluded with the Epiphany to Candlemas Carol Service at 6.30pm, sung by the Girls' Choir and the gentlemen of the Cathedral Choir. At this service, we welcome, as our guests, representatives of NHS Lancashire and Local Government. Members of the Stewardship Scheme who ordered tickets for this service should pick them up from the Welcome Desk.

FRIENDS LUNCHTIME TALKS: The next talk at 12 noon on Tuesday 6th February will be in the form of a flower demonstration given by Bill Dixon, organiser of the Blackburn Cathedral Flower Festival. This will be followed by soup/sandwiches and tea/coffee made by Café Northcote. The charge for members is £12.50 and for non-members £15. Please be sure to make a definite booking and pay, as lunches not taken have to be paid for. For more information please email Secretary@fobc.info or write to Friends of Blackburn Cathedral, Cathedral Office, Blackburn, BB1 5AA.

LUNCHTIME RECITAL: The next lunchtime recital is at 1.00pm on Wednesday 7th February will be given by former Organ Scholar Ed Jones, *St Anne's Cathedral, Belfast*. All are welcome – admission is free, but donations are requested.

THE CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST: From the beginning of Lent the said parts of the service will follow Common Worship Order One. This means that the said parts of the service will no longer be 'thee and thou' language. This does not affect the choral parts of the service which will still use traditional and Latin settings to be sung by the choir. In addition we have decided to retain the traditional Merbeke congregational setting of the Creed. This change will bring us into line with other cathedrals and enable people who join us as visitors to 'recognise' the liturgy as one they use in their own churches.

FLOWERS: Everyone appreciates the flowers which adorn the Cathedral Sunday by Sunday. Please help to maintain this custom by a donation in memory of a loved one, for a celebration, or simply as a gift. A pedestal costs £50: you may like to share this cost with a friend. If you are a UK tax payer, Gift Aid increases the value of your gift by 25%. Please see me if you would like to use this. You can sign up on the calendar on the Welcome Desk, (except in Lent and Advent,) to indicate your preferred date. Would those of you who give annually, please check your dates? I am available most Sundays to receive contributions. Many thanks for your continuing support. Pat Wedgeworth.

GIFT SHOP BOOK OF THE MONTH: 'The Pillars of the Earth' is a detailed history of the building of a cathedral in the 12th Century, at a time of turmoil in England. There is a civil war in progress between Stephen and Maud, and civil unrest on a smaller scale in the resistance of the peasants to the oppressive rule of the barons, as well as insight into the monastic life. Although lengthy, the book holds the attention at all times and will make any reader a fan of Ken Follett. Recommended by Jeremy Duerden, we have copies for sale in the shop at £9.99.

INTERCESSIONS AT THE CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST: We are hoping to recruit a group of lay intercessors for the 10.30am service on Sundays. If you would like to be considered please contact Canon Hindley, andrew.hindley@blackburncathedral.co.uk. We hope to recruit people from a broad cross-section of the Cathedral community.

THE NEXT RAMBLE: is on 10th February. The walk is about 6 miles and will start at 10.15 from the Royal Arms / Vaughn's Café / Visitor centre in Tockholes where there is plenty of parking and public toilets. BB3 0PA. The walk will make a steep climb towards Darwen Tower, or for those who prefer a gentler climb will circumnavigate the tower at a lower level then across the moors. Jenny and Phil Tomlin will be leading, but as usual more information can be obtained from Jeremy Duerden.



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4TH FEBRUARY 2018

PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE (CANDLEMAS) PATRONAL FESTIVAL

In Residence: Canon Andrew Hindley

8.00am **Holy Communion** (BCP)
President: Bishop Philip North

Please note there is no 9am Parish Communion today

10.30am **The Patronal Festival Eucharist**
Setting: Mass in G (Schubert)
Motets: Nunc Dimittis (Rachmaninov)
Joys seven (Cleobury)
President: The Dean
Preacher: Canon Andrew Hindley
Voluntary: Sonata III (Mendelssohn)

12.00pm Congregation Meeting in the Crypt

6.30pm **Epiphany to Candlemas Sequence** (Girls and Men)
Including music by Wood, Howells, Ireland and David Bednall



The Cathedral is fitted with an induction loop for speech and music.
Hearing aids should be put onto the appropriate setting.



The Very Rev'd Peter Howell-Jones *The Dean* Canon Andrew Hindley *Canon Sacrist*
Canon Andrew Horsfall *Canon Pastor* The Rt Rev'd Philip North *Canon Residentiary*
Samuel Hudson *Director of Music*

The Cathedral this Week

Members of the Sunday Congregation are invited to join in the Cathedral week-day worship either regularly on a particular day, or on an especially personal occasion to give thanks for a birthday or to commemorate an anniversary of joy or sorrow.

For details of choral music during the week, please see the Music List, copies of which can be found at the West End of the Cathedral or online at www.blackburncathedral.com

5th	Monday		
	8.40am	Morning Prayer <i>said</i>	Liz McLean
	12.30pm	Holy Communion <i>Order One</i>	Rev'd Robert Moore
	5.15pm	Evening Prayer <i>said</i>	Canon Wedgeworth
6th	Tuesday		
		<i>The Martyrs of Japan, 1592</i>	
		<i>The Accession of Queen Elizabeth II</i>	
	7.30am	Holy Communion <i>Order One</i>	Canon Hindley
	8.40am	Morning Prayer <i>said</i>	Canon Hindley
	5.15pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Girls' Choir</i>	Canon Hindley
7th	Wednesday		
	8.45am	Staff Eucharist <i>said</i>	Archdeacon Michael
	11.00am	Holy Communion <i>BCP</i>	Rev'd Robert Moore
	1.00pm	<i>Lunchtime Recital (see reverse for details)</i>	
	5.15pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by Schola cantorum</i>	Canon Hindley
8th	Thursday		
	8.10am	Holy Communion <i>Order One</i>	Canon Hindley
	8.40am	Morning Prayer <i>said</i>	Canon Hindley
	5.15pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by Cathedral Consort</i>	Canon Hindley
9th	Friday		
	8.40am	Morning Prayer <i>said</i>	Canon Hindley
	12.30pm	Holy Communion <i>Order One</i>	Canon Wedgeworth
	5.15pm	Evening Prayer <i>said</i>	Canon Hindley
		<i>The Cathedral Choirs resume the singing of services on Sunday 18th February</i>	
10th	Saturday		
		<i>Scholastica, sister of Benedict, Abbess of Plombariola, c. 543</i>	
	9.00am	Morning Prayer <i>said</i>	Canon Hindley
	9.30am	Holy Communion <i>Order One</i>	Canon Hindley
	3.30pm	Evening Prayer <i>sung by Cantus</i>	Canon Hindley
		Introit: Rise up, my love (<i>Willan</i>)	
		Setting: Third Service (<i>Jeffcoat</i>)	
		Anthem: I will lift up mine eyes (<i>Howells</i>)	

Sunday 11th The Second Next before Lent

(BCP: Quinquagesima)

8.00am	Holy Communion <i>BCP</i>	President: The Dean
9.00am	Parish Communion	Setting: Mass of St Thomas (<i>Thorne</i>) President and preacher: Canon Horsfall
10.30am	The Cathedral Eucharist <i>sung by Cantus</i>	Setting: <i>Stanford</i> in B flat Motets: Ave dulcissima Maria (<i>Gesualdo</i>) President: Canon Hindley Preacher: The Dean Offertory: The Sunday School Coffee Rota: Mothers' Union
4.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by Cantus</i>	Canticles: The Gloucester Service (<i>Howells</i>) Anthem: O sing unto the Lord (<i>Tomkins</i>) Preacher: Bishop Philip North

NOTICES

CONGREGATION MEETING: Following coffee this morning, there will be a meeting for the congregation. Updates about current Cathedral activities will be announced and questions are invited. All are welcome. Please use this facility, as it is your opportunity to share any concerns which you may have.

LENT

ASH WEDNESDAY is on Wednesday 14th February. BCP Eucharist 11am with Imposition of Ashes. Sung Eucharist at 6.30pm. This is a principal Holy Day when all Christians are obliged to make their communion.

COMPLINE: The Gentlemen of the Cathedral Choir will be singing 'Compline by Candlelight' throughout Lent. This atmospheric service will take place on most Fridays in Lent, starting on 23rd February. Please check the Music List or bulletin for more information each week.

LENT COURSES: Please see the fliers on the Welcome Desk about the Temple Lectures, starting on Thursday 15th February at 7.30pm, with Bishop Philip North speaking about 'Transforming Communities'.

A four week Saturday morning series on 'Prayer' begins on the 17th February from 11.00am to 12.30pm. For more information, please contact Aaron or Liz McLean.