

SETTING PEOPLE FREE: On Sunday 23rd September we will be hosting a special evensong - Setting People Free – a service to pray for and reflect on the issues surrounding Anti-Slavery and Human trafficking. This is an important area where the church, in partnership with other organisations, are seeking to make a difference to people's lives. All are welcome.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL: 14th -16th December. Roll up. We need volunteers for this uplifting Christmas drama. There is an information session on Sunday 23rd September at 2.30 in the Cathedral. If you want to take part in any capacity, but cannot be with us on 23rd, please get in touch at achristmascarol@blackburncathedral.co.uk We look forward to hearing from you. Warning: Humbugs not welcome!

VOLUNTEER CELEBRATION: On Sunday 30th September at 4.00pm we will be celebrating all of our volunteers and hope that as many of you as possible will be able to join us for Evensong and then a celebratory cup of tea and slice of cake afterwards. If you would like to join us it would be useful to have an idea of numbers so please sign up on the sheet on the welcome desk.

“BROTHERS IN ARMS”: Thursday 8th November. The play *Brothers in Arms* is the true story of twin brothers, Noel and Christopher Chavasse, who served with great courage during the First World War. Their father was the Right Reverend Francis James Chavasse, Bishop of Liverpool. The play, which has recently been performed at the Edinburgh Fringe, celebrates their service, bravery and deep rooted Christian faith.

Tickets, priced £2, are now on sale from the Cathedral Shop. Proceeds will be donated to the British Legion.

LEARN MORE ABOUT CHRISTIANITY: whether you are new to Christianity or you would like a refresher, Canon Pailing will be running a six week 'Pilgrim' course in the autumn. For more information: missioner@blackburncathedral.co.uk

JUST GIVING: The Cathedral has now set up a Just Giving account to support our mission and maintain our beautiful historic building. For further details please go to: <https://www.justgiving.com/blackburncathedral>

TEXT GIVING: you can donate by texting BLAC01 followed by the amount you wish to donate, to 70070. You can donate £1, £2, £3, £4, £5 or £10. As an example, to donate £5, you would text 70070: BLAC01£5 All money goes to the Cathedral. You may be charged for your text message. Please refer to your network operator's standard rates. If you have any questions about JustTextGiving, visit <https://www.justgiving.com/>

CAFÉ NORTHCOTE: Please note that there are new opening times in place: Monday-Saturday: 8.30-4.30; Sunday: 10-4. A new menu is now also available.

The Cathedral this Week

All are welcome to join in the Cathedral week-day worship. Public prayer takes place every day: Some people find a regular pattern of attendance helpful, or you can just drop in whenever you can.

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

17th Monday

Hildegard, Abbess of Bingen, Visionary, 1179

8.40am	Morning Prayer	<i>said</i>	Virger
12.30pm	Holy Communion	<i>Order One</i>	Rev'd. Alan Sowerbutts
5.15pm	Evening Prayer	<i>said</i>	Bishop Philip North

18th Tuesday

8.40am	Morning Prayer and Eucharist		Rev'd. Matt Allen
5.15pm	Choral Evensong	<i>sung by the Girls' Choir</i>	Liz McLean

19th Wednesday

Theodore of Tarsus, Archbishop of Canterbury, 690

8.40am	Morning Prayer	<i>said</i>	Liz McLean
11.00am	Holy Communion	<i>BCP</i>	Rev'd. Alan Sowerbutts
1pm	Lunchtime Recital	<i>see reverse for details</i>	
5.15pm	Choral Evensong	<i>sung by Schola Cantorum</i>	Liz McLean

20th Thursday

John Coleridge Patteson, first Bishop of Melanesia, and his Companions, Martyrs, 1871

8.40am	Morning Prayer and Eucharist		Rev'd. Matt Allen
5.15pm	Evening Prayer	<i>said</i>	The Dean

21st Friday

MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST

8.40am	Morning Prayer	<i>said</i>	Canon Pailing
12.30pm	Holy Communion	<i>Order One</i>	Rev'd. Alan Sowerbutts
5.15pm	Choral Evensong	<i>sung by Boys' Voices</i>	Canon Pailing

22nd Saturday

9.00am	Morning Prayer	<i>said</i>	Canon Pailing
9.30am	Holy Communion	<i>Order One</i>	Canon Pailing
3.30pm	Evening Prayer	<i>said</i>	The Dean

Sunday 23rd September Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 20)

8.00am **Holy Communion BCP**

President: Canon Horsfall

9.00am **Parish Communion** (*sung by the Young People's Choir*)

Setting: Mass of St Thomas (*Thorne*)

President and Preacher: Canon Andrew Horsfall

Anthem: Behold the lamb of God (*Handel*)

10.30am **The Cathedral Eucharist** (*sung by the Cathedral Choir*)

Setting: Kleine Orgelmesse (*Haydn*)

Motet: Beati quorum via (*Stanford*)

Tantum ergo sacramentum (*de Séverac*)

President: Canon Rowena Pailing

Preacher: The Dean

Offertory: Mrs K Emery and Mrs K Atkinson

Coffee Rota: The Scholars

4.00pm **Setting People Free service with Choral Evensong**

(*sung by the Cathedral Choir*)

Responses: *John Bertalot*

Canticles: *Kelly in C*

Anthem: The spirit of the Lord (*Elgar*)

Preacher: TBC

CONGREGATION MEETING: Today at 12 noon.

THERE BUT NOT THERE: the transparent silhouettes are part of the national centenary commemoration of the end of the 1914-1918 war. Each represents a person who was killed in the conflict, and has been installed where the men and women came from across the country, back in the communities they left behind.

FLOWERS: Flowers today are given by Brian and Ruth Whittle in loving memory of Brian's brother John and other members of the family. Flowers are also given by the Blackburn Cathedral Choirs association in celebration of their special weekend.

LUNCHTIME RECITAL: The Lunchtime recital series continues on Wednesday 19th September given by Nigel Spooner, Lancashire. All are welcome – admission is free, but donations are requested.

HEALTH QUESTION TIME: Put your questions to a panel of experts, chaired by Canon Wedgeworth, at the Cathedral from 2 to 3.30pm on Wednesday 19th of September. For details, please see the leaflets on the welcome desk.

BLACKBURN CATHEDRAL RAMBLERS: On the 22nd September from Grannydowbekins tearoom (grannydowbekins.co.uk) in Pooley Bridge (J40 M6) at **10.15**. It is an easy 5 mile/350ft ascent walk to Howtown. As usual, further info can be obtained from Jeremy Duerden on 07976 419198 or jeremy.duerden@virginmedia.com