

Sunday 18th February 2024 First Sunday in Lent

Services in Truro Cathedral today

8:00am Holy Communion – The Book of Common Prayer, The Dean 10:00am Sung Eucharist – President and preacher: Dean Simon Robinson

4:00pm Choral Evensong – Preacher: Canon Sally Piper

10:00am CHORAL EUCHARIST

This morning's hymns are:

Processional hymn: 67 Forty days and forty nights
Offertory hymn: 383 Jesu my Lord, my God, my all
Post Communion hymn: 414 O for a closer walk with God

Music for this morning's service:

Introit: Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake *Farrant*Mass setting: Missa Brevis *Berkeley,* Kyrie Orbis Factor

Motet: Here O my Lord, I see thee face to face *Whitlock* Voluntary: Allegro Maestoso (symphony number 3) *Vierne*

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading Gen 9:8-17

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all

flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

Responsorial Psalm 25: 1 - 9

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;

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To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul, O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame, but let the treacherous be shamed and frustrated.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;

Make me to know your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation, for you have I hoped all the day long.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;

Remember, Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting. Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions, but think on me in your goodness, O Lord, according to your steadfast love.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;

Gracious and upright is the Lord; therefore shall he teach sinners in the way. He will guide the humble in doing right, and teach his way to the lowly. All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

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Second reading 1 Peter 3: 18 - end

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Gospel Reading Mark 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

News, notices and the diary for the week beginning 18th Feb 2024

Monday 19th	09:00	Holy Communion (The Jesus Chapel)
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	09.30	Morning Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)
	16:00	Evening Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)
Tuesday 20th	09.00	Holy Communion (The Jesus Chapel)
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	17.30	Choral evensong (Quire)
Wednesday	09.00	Holy Communion (The Jesus Chapel)
21st	09.30	Morning Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)
	17:30	Choral evensong (Quire)
Thursday 22nd	09.00	Holy Communion (Jesus Chapel)
	09.30	Morning Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)
	12:10	Christian Meditation at the Finn Cross
	17.30	Choral evensong (Quire)
Friday 23 rd	09.00	Holy Communion (St Margaret's Chapel)
Polycarp, bishop	09.30	Morning Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)
Martyr	11.00	BCP Holy Communion (All Saints' Chapel)
	17.30	Choral evensong (Quire)
Saturday 24 th	09.00	Holy Communion <i>(The Jesus Chapel)</i>
	09.30	Morning Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)
	16:00	Evening Prayer (St Samson's Chapel)

Next Sunday, 25th February Generosity Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion: The Dean

10.00 am Choral Eucharist (*Live streamed*) President: Canon Elly Sheard

Preacher: The Dean

4.00 pm Choral Evensong (Live streamed) Preacher: Canon Elly Sheard

This week we are praying for: *Those who are sick:* Philip Sharp, Christine Lidgeley, Pat Crowle, Albert Jackson, Margaret, Jo, Andrew May, May Kincaid, Alison, Ann Churchill, Tracey M, Juliana, Canon Simon Griffiths, Veronica, John James, Fiona Davie, June Parnell, Barbara Cowdry, Clive Gough, Jill Jacobs, Pam Smith, Roger Nicholls, Elisabeth Sheard.

RIP Gill Matthias, Stella Philips, Sally Stephens

The Funeral of Sally Stephens will take place on Wednesday 28th February at 11.00am. All are welcome.

Canon Sue Wallace will be installed as Canon Succentor into the stall of St Endelienta at Choral Evensong on Sunday 17th March by Bishop Hugh Nelson. Traditionally, the Succentor supports the Precentor in the leadership of the liturgical life of the cathedral. Canon Sue has been working with the cathedral for a year and a half and is an experienced priest, musician and Precentor and it will be delightful to welcome her to this role as we continue to work together in the worship of Almighty God.

Early morning prayer walks in Truro Cathedral

During Lent, there will be the opportunity to pray in the cathedral early morning from 08:00-08:30. The cathedral has a particularly special and 'still' feeling at this time in the morning. You will be encouraged to pray in different places around the cathedral for the mission of God here in this sacred space. If you would like to join in praying for the mission and the witness of Truro Cathedral, please let Dean Simon know and he will give you the details of where to meet. The dates are Fridays 16th, 23rd Feb and 15th, 22nd March, all at 8.00 to 8.30am

No Faith in Fossil Fuels - pray for climate justice during Lent

In conjunction with a number of other Christian development charities, Christian Aid is this year leading a 24/7 vigil at Westminster through the first 10 days of Lent. The theme of the vigil will be a call to the UK government to work with urgency and commitment to tackle the climate crisis and associated global injustices. In solidarity with this initiative, Canon Elly will be leading a short act of prayer and reflection **every Sunday during Lent at 12noon in All Saints' Chapel,** for a maximum of 30 minutes on each occasion, **starting today.** All are welcome to participate in this act of prayer, worship and witness on behalf of the most vulnerable on the planet.

High level tours of the Cathedral were very successful during Gaia and are now being offered to the general public at selected dates and times. They are a good opportunity to experience a part of the cathedral that is not normally open to the public and can be booked via the cathedral website.