



PORTSMOUTH CATHEDRAL

Sunday 24th February 2019
Second Sunday before Lent

Highlights

As our national political life becomes ever more fraught, it is perhaps a good moment to be reminded of the need to remove the log from our own eyes before we see and judge the speck in our neighbours' eyes. It is also a good time to be reminded of the importance and impact of trading fairly with others, in particular for the poor. Fairtrade Fortnight starts officially tomorrow.

For two weeks each year, thousands of individuals, companies and groups across the UK come together to celebrate the people who grow our food, people who live in some of the poorest countries in the world and who are often exploited and badly paid. This year the focus is on the people – in particular the women – who grow the cocoa in the chocolate we love so much.

£1.86 is the amount a cocoa farmer in West Africa needs to earn each day in order to achieve a living income. Currently, a typical cocoa farmer in Côte d'Ivoire lives on around 74p a day. Almost all cocoa farmers in West Africa live in poverty. For the women the situation is even worse. They may plant and harvest on the farm, look after children, carry water, collect wood, cook and clean for the family, and transport the cocoa beans to market but often with fewer rights than men. The Fairtrade Foundation is campaigning for a living income to become a reality for cocoa farmers in West Africa.

The challenge for us is to support ethically sourced products including those which display the Fairtrade mark in preference to others as a way of supporting those who would otherwise be in poverty. It may cost us a little more but to the workers it offers a way out of poverty and actually is a way of giving them life, log removing life.

Canon Nick Ralph

Encountering God through transformative worship, challenging discipleship,
generous hospitality and prayerful engagement.

TODAY

Canon Jo is on tour with Cantate in Iceland. Cantate will be singing Mass today at Hallgrimskirkja.

Welcome to George Richford who will be playing the organ for us today.

Cathedral Fairtrade Breakfast will be available from 8.40am–10.15am and from 11.30am today in the Nave. For further details about Fairtrade Fortnight events in Portsmouth see <https://bit.ly/2SrfVe7>.

The List and new Events List are available in the Cathedral or on the [website](#).

NEWS

Chapter Clerk Peter Sanders, who has been Chapter Clerk since April 2013, will be retiring in the summer. There will be an opportunity to say farewell and thank you to Peter in early July and we wish him and Gillian well for the future.

Honorary and Lay Canons The Revd Julie Price, Associate Priest at Warblington and Emsworth has been appointed as an Honorary Canon and Sir David Normington and Sarah McCarthy-Fry as Lay Canons. They will be installed during Choral Evensong next Sunday evening.

NOTICES

Palm Sunday Crosses Please place last year's crosses in the basket in the Welcome Area by Monday 4th March so that they can be burnt for use on Ash Wednesday.

Electoral Roll If you have not collected or received your letter on the current revision of the Roll please pick up an envelope from the Welcome Area. Completed forms should be returned by Tuesday 2nd April.

Elections Two lay members of Chapter will be elected at the APCM in April. If you would like to know more about the role and process please join Canon Peter after the 10.30am Eucharist on Sunday 3rd March.

Friends of Portsmouth Cathedral The Spring Newsletter, including details of the summer visit to The Vyne has been sent to Friends. Details of membership are available in the Cathedral or through the website.

Visit to Wessex Jamaat Mosque 1.45pm Saturday 2nd March. If you would like to visit the Wessex Jamaat to learn more about Islamic beliefs and practices, please sign up on the sheet in the Welcome Area. For further details please contact Heather Hall via the Cathedral Offices.

Skittles Evening 7.30pm Friday 29th March at the Royal Maritime Club, a return match between the Cathedral and Gunwharf Quay Residents. Tickets £12.00 available from the Cathedral Shop.

A Reflective Afternoon 2.00-4.30pm Wednesday 13th March in an Emsworth house and garden. An afternoon of guided reflection with poetry and art on the theme of 'A Meaningful Life'. Led by the Revd Edwina Fennemore. All welcome. Transport available. Booking essential through the Cathedral Shop.

Meetings The agendas for this week's meetings of the [Fabric Advisory Committee](#) and the [Chapter](#) are on the Cathedral noticeboard and website.

Thy Kingdom Come 31st May to 8th June. Two weeks of prayer within churches, culminating in an open air ecumenical event at 1.00-4.00pm on Sunday 9th June at Portchester Castle. Further details <https://bit.ly/2E36kAK>

EVENTS and SERVICES

'Soup of Souls' Artist's Question and Answer Session 7.00-8.30pm this Thursday. Join Pete Codling in the Nave for a Q&A on his dramatic exhibition of 'Time' themed drawings created following his Arts Council funded residency last year. The exhibition continues until the end of March.

Lunchtime Live 1.10pm this Thursday. Peter Gould and Sachin Gunga (organ duet), free with retiring collection. Refreshments available from 12.30pm.

Cathedral Club 2.45pm this Thursday in Becket Hall. Celia Johnson - "A holiday in Japan". Donation of £1. Tea/coffee available.

Handel's Messiah 7.30pm Saturday 2nd March. Tickets for the performance by the Cathedral Choir and The Capelle Baroque Orchestra are available from the Cathedral Shop and [Eventbrite](#).

Living Well - Please join us as we continue to explore wellbeing and mental health through a range of events and services including:



- **Symposium: Value, Place & Purpose** 10.00am-2.00pm Monday 4th March in Becket Hall. For practitioners and professionals working in the field of wellbeing & mental health. Further details <https://bit.ly/2QORVfT>.
- **Living Well in the presence of God: exploring paths of prayer and meditation for Lent** 6.30pm-8.00pm Wednesdays from 13th March. A five week course led by Canon Angela Tilby, the Revd Dr Ruth Tuschling and Canon Jo Spreadbury following Evening Prayer. May also run on Thursday afternoons between 2.30-4.00pm from 14th March.

Installation of Dean of Portsmouth Tickets for those who have requested them are available for collection in the Welcome Area. If you would like to attend the installation of the Revd Canon Dr Anthony Cane on Saturday 16th March at 4.00pm please email installation@portsmouthcathedral.org.uk Additional tickets are also available from the Churchwardens or the offices.

Congregational Lunch to welcome the Dean 12.00pm Sunday 24th March. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Welcome Area for details.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

All those in need including: Brian, Roger, Derek, Jane, Stuart, Jenny, Freya, Donald, Mandy, Robert and Lizzie.

And those who have died: Jan Jones, John Varney and Daphne Nicholson *RIP*.

Sunday 24th February, Second Sunday before Lent

0800 Holy Communion (BCP said)

1030 Eucharist *Congregational*

Preacher: Canon Anthony Rustell

Readings: *Genesis 2.4b-9, 15-end; Luke 8.22-25*

1800 Choral Evensong *Congregational*

Preacher: Canon Nick Ralph

Readings: *Genesis 1.1-2.3; Matthew 6.25-end*

2000 Taizé-style Night Prayer

This Week

Monday	0740	Morning Prayer followed by Holy Communion
	1800	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Layclerks and Choral Scholars</i>
Tuesday	0740	Morning Prayer followed by Holy Communion
	1800	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Cathedral Choir</i>
Wednesday	0740	Morning Prayer followed by Holy Communion
	1200	Holy Communion
	1400	Baby and Toddler Group
	1800	Evening Prayer <i>said</i>
Thursday	0740	Morning Prayer followed by Holy Communion
	1800	Choral Evensong <i>sung by Cantate</i>
Friday	0740	Morning Prayer followed by Holy Communion
	1200	Holy Communion
	1800	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Cathedral Choir</i>
Saturday	0930	Diocesan Synod Eucharist
	1700	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Choir of St Faith's Church,</i> <i>Havant</i>

Sunday 3rd March, Sunday next before Lent

0800 Holy Communion (BCP said)

1030 Eucharist *sung by the Lay Clerks and Choral Scholars*

Preacher: Kitty Price, (Cathedral Reader)

Readings: *Exodus 34.29-end; Luke 9.28-36*

1300 Holy Baptism

1800 Evensong with Installation of Honorary Canon and Lay Canons

sung by the Cathedral Consort

Preacher: The Bishop

Readings: *Exodus 3.1-6; John 12.27-36a*