



# LANCASTER PRIORY

## Diary and Notices

Next Before Lent

27 February 2022

*In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:*

Barry Adams, Harper Anderson, David Blackwell, Stephen Gardner, Yvonne Grainger  
Michael Greenhalgh, Christine Heywood, Marilyn Kenny, Pirkko Leong, Valerie Pearson,  
Coralie Shimmons, Nick Stojic, Rachel Townley, David and Angela Underwood *and* Gill Witt.

**6.30 pm**

**Choral Evensong**

**Boys & ATB**

**Officiant:** Prof Richard Carter

**Sermon:** The Revd Leah Vasey Saunders

**Psalm:** 89.1-18

**Responses:** Gillthorpe

**Canticles:** Stanford in C

**Anthem:** *O for a closer walk with God* (Stanford)

**Hymns:** 134, 340 (ii), 239

**Voluntary:** Prelude to the 'Te Deum' (Charpentier)

### Today

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am	Priory Eucharist with Baptism
4.00pm	Families @ 4
6.30pm	Choral Evensong

**New to the Priory**—A warm welcome if you are new to Lancaster Priory. There are a number of opportunities to join with community, study and social groups for all ages and to stay in touch via digital newsletters and Facebook Groups, as well as our pages on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. If you would like to know more then please speak to the vicar or the wardens.

**Covid**—Although the wearing of face coverings is no longer mandatory please remember that continuing to use them enables those who are vulnerable to feel safer. Thank you.

### New Notices

**Lent lunches with Midday Prayer**—Mustard Seed are offering a lunch of home-made soup and bread every Wednesday in Lent. Lunch will follow a brief mid-day service. We are hoping to use these meetings to discern the future of Mustard Seed, and the Priory's response to local needs generally; your thoughts and prayers are all welcome! **Starts Wednesday, 9th March: Midday Prayer in church, lunch in the Refectory straight after.**

### In Date Order

**Pancake Party**—On Shrove Tuesday (1 March) 7pm at the Upper Priory Hall—Tickets available from our Wardens (Pauline and David). Adults £2.50, Family Ticket £6 (2 adults & children) includes a soft drink or you can bring your own bottle. At this event we will also create a parish timeline to support our vision process.

**Tuesday Group**—The next meeting will be on 1st March at 7.30pm. The speaker will be Chris Workman who will be talking about the Felt Hat Industry of the Lune Valley.

**Coffee Concerts**—Saturdays at 10.30am: 5 March Hawthorn Trio

**Baptism Preparation Classes** - the next class will be held on 6 March at 3.30pm in church, and from then on will be held at 3.30pm on the first Sunday of each month.

**Zoom Lectio Divina** next takes place 8-9.30pm on Monday 7 March 2022. It will be led by Joop Brouwer. Join us to see if you agree that modern technology gives added value to this ancient practice of praying and meditating on scripture. If you are interested in joining this live online session, please email Nigel Stewart at: [n.stewart@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:n.stewart@lancaster.ac.uk). Nigel will then email you a link to the meeting.

**Festival in Daily Life, Blackburn Cathedral, Saturday 19 March** - The Festival of Faith in Daily Life will be a time to reflect on how we can all be confident disciples, witnesses and leaders for Jesus Christ in our homes, workplaces and communities. Bishop Philip will preside at a Eucharist sung by the Cathedral Youth Choir. The keynote address will be from Lord David Alton of Liverpool about how faith has affected his working life of public service. The workshops will include: faith at home; faith at work; and living alongside people of other faiths. The Vine Community will be introduced. This is a simple and flexible framework for living out a Christian life, sometimes called a 'rule of life'. The Festival is free, but you need to book in advance so that the Cathedral can manage workshop numbers. Bring your own packed lunch or pre-order a packed lunch from 'Checks and Greys' (Cathedral restaurant) for a small charge. For more information and to book a place, email Jean Duerden: [conference@blackburn.anglican.org](mailto:conference@blackburn.anglican.org)

**Abide Youth Gathering in Preston**—from 3-9pm, Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup>. If any young people, aged 11-17, are interested in going please sign up with Viv.

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**Lancaster Priory Lent Reflections 2022 – The Five Marks of Mission.** If you would like to be part of this year's emailed Lenten reflections, please sign up at the back of church. The Vicar will introduce and explain each Mark beforehand, and we are asking contributors to reflect on what this means to you, your church, or the world you live in (Maximum 300-500 words) Please visit <https://www.anglicancommunion.org/mission/marks-of-mission.aspx> for more details. Please email your reflection at least 10 days prior to your chosen date to [office@lancasterpriory.org](mailto:office@lancasterpriory.org)

**Lent**—The material that we are using this year is the Archbishop's Lent Book: 'Embracing Justice'. Sign up sheets for Lent Groups are now available at the back of church.

**Palm Crosses**—Please return any old Palm Crosses to Alice to create ash for Ash Wednesday.

**Accommodation**—Rev. Dr Angela Yarber is an American artist and minister, who will be leading a workshop and retreat, "Decolonising Women's Spirituality" at the Priory on 11th June. She is looking for accommodation for the period of her art exhibition at the St Nicholas Chapel, "Queering the Dream", from 11th-21st June. She will be travelling with her wife and two children of 5 and 8. Rev. Dr. Yarber is open to a home exchange with her three-bedroom house with a pool in Florida. For more information, see this link: <https://www.homeexchange.com/holiday-home/1482343>

**Welcomers Wanted**— Throughout the year we receive many visitors wanting to see our beautiful church. We want to ensure they receive a friendly welcome and have access to information which helps them make the most of their visit. If you can commit 2 hours of your time on a regular basis, please think about becoming a Priory Welcomer. Training will be given so if you would like to know more, talk to Pauline Fielding, Churchwarden. She would like to establish a rota to operate from Easter onwards.

**Sidespeople Needed**— Our monthly rota for Sidespeople is looking a little thin for some Sundays. Sidespeople are a vital resource in welcoming people to our services, looking out for new people and ensuring that services run smoothly. If you feel that this is something you could do, please speak to either Pauline or David, our Churchwardens.

**Priory Prayer Lists**—If you would like a name to be included on the list please contact Jo Arber in the Priory Office on 65338 or via email [office@lancasterpriory.org](mailto:office@lancasterpriory.org)

**ChurchSuite**—We are using a new data management system called ChurchSuite to keep data

safely in one place. We will shortly be adding all of the electoral roll, but please can you inform us of your email contact on the slips at the back of church and leave in the box. Once you have been uploaded to the system you will receive a consent email. Thanks

**School Admission Cards**—Please can parents collect a school admissions cards from the back of church and the minister who has officiated the service will need to sign each time you attend.

**The Upper Priory Hall**—available to hire for small parties, groups or courses. Ideal for Children's parties or smaller celebrations. For more information please speak to Alice.

**Tai Chi and Qigong**—Classes to be held every Tuesday (7-8pm) in the Upper Priory Hall. The classes will be free but are a fundraiser for the Priory, so donations would be appreciated. For more information please contact Joop 07792 644402 or jc\_brouwer@yahoo.co.uk , or feel free to just come along on the evening.

**Praying for the Marsh and the new Estates on the Quay**—Every Tuesday morning 9.30 - 10.15, a small group of people from local churches meet via Zoom to pray for this area of our Parish. The format is very simple, we begin by briefly mentioning answers to prayer or areas of concern and then we pray either in silence or aloud. It is an encouragement to me every week. If you would like to know more, please talk to Gill Jenkinson, Hilary Greenwood, Lois Kirtley or myself. All we need is an email address and we will send you the Zoom invitation the day before. Thanks Katie. Priory Community Worker: katie.schad@lancasterpriory.org

**Support Group for the blind and visually impaired**—everyone with sight loss is invited to a new friendship and support group. Marsh Community Centre, Lancaster 11.30am-12.30pm Mondays. For information Katie: 07868314807 katie.schad@hotmail.co.uk

**Young Church**— Volunteers Required. If you would like to volunteer with our Young Church groups , or know anyone how may be able to help, please contact Viv at saflo@lancasterpriory.org

**Ellen Grayling Cards and Posters** —Cards and posters are available to purchase in church.

**Last chance to buy 'A Taste of Home'** - the Syrian cook book produced by local refugees with a member of the Priory. The book features in this month's BBC Good Food magazine where it has been chosen as one of Nadiya's favourites! £20 each with all proceeds to the Priory and Syrian refugees. Available from the vergers or Priory Office.

**PCC Minutes**— if you would like to receive the approved minutes on a monthly basis in a digital format, please see the vicar.

**The Priory Occasional Singers** - new members are always most welcome. Please see Ian Pattinson if you might be interested in joining. Their next service is Holy Tuesday 12th April 7.30pm. Rehearsals 11.30am on 6th & 13th March and 10th April.

**The Spiritual Growth Group**—meets on Wednesdays on Zoom at 7.45 pm for about an hour. We use Ignatian imaginative prayer videos as a preparatory resource before we meet for a time of sharing. All are welcome. Please contact us at spiritualgrowth@lancasterpriory.org.

**Contactless Card Donation Station** —you can donate to the Priory using the contact-less card reader which stands beside the door as you leave. All major debit and credit cards are accepted as well as Apple Pay and Android Pay

**Service Sheet Sponsorship**— If you would like to sponsor a future service sheet please confirm your chosen date and details on a form and post through the office letterbox or email your details to office@lancasterpriory.org. 2022 Dates are now available. Thank you.

**Smile.Amazon.co.uk**—Shop at **smile.amazon.co.uk** and Amazon will then donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases to your chosen charity. Just type in our charity number and Lancaster Priory will pop up for you to choose. The number you need to find us is **1131372**. (or search for St Mary Lancaster)

**Olive Branch** - Please continue to donate food items in the bin at the back of church.

The Olive Branch needs volunteers! In particular, if you are over 18, available between 11am and 4pm on a weekday, and would be interested in volunteering as a packer on a Thursday, or in the office on a Friday please get in touch by going to their website: [the-olivebranch.org.uk](http://the-olivebranch.org.uk) then 'Support us' and 'Register interest with us'. Mary Davis and Brian Kirtley are volunteers there and can give you more information.

**Notices**—Notices for the Sunday weekly sheet can be emailed to [office@lancasterpriory.org](mailto:office@lancasterpriory.org) by 5pm on Wednesday each week

**This Week**

Mon 28	7.30pm	PCC Meeting
Tue 1	10.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	11.00am	Interment of Norah Scott
	7.00pm	Pancake Party in Upper Priory Hall
Wed 2	2.00pm	Sanctuary Guild
	7.30pm	Ash Wednesday Eucharist
Fri 4	4.00pm	Children's Choir
Sat 5	10.30am	Coffee Concert: Hawthorn Trio

**Services next Sunday 6 March —Lent 1**

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Priory Eucharist
3.30pm	Baptism Preparation Session
6.30pm	Choral Evensong



The Priory is taking a big hit from a drop in visitor income, venue income, and service collections. If your income is keeping up, please consider using the QR code to make a donation to the work of the Priory. We share a great sense of thanksgiving for all that God is inspiring around us in these difficult times.

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