



LANCASTER PRIORY

Diary and Notices

Lent 3

20 March 2022

In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

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

And those recently departed:

Libby Smith & David Underwood *Please pray for their families*

6.30 pm

Choral Evensong

Girls & ATB

Officiant & Sermon: The Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders Psalm: 12,13 (Plainsong)

Responses: Plainsong

Canticles: June Nixon Fauxbourdons

Anthem: *O pray for the peace of Jerusalem* (Howells)

Hymns: 178, 64, 65

Voluntary: *Prelude on 'Crimond'* (June Nixon)

Today

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am	Choral Eucharist
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.

New Notices

English Touring Opera celebrates Easter with Bach's towering Saint John Passion in Lancaster Priory on Thursday 24th March 7.30 pm. This dramatic presentation of the Easter Story includes professional soloists and orchestra with Lancaster Priory Bach Choir and Lancaster Priory Boys and Girls Choir. For tickets use English Touring Opera or purchase on the door.

Mothering Sunday- Flowers for mother, and not just for mothers, but all who care for and about others, as we all should. On Friday 25 March following the 2.00p.m. Lady Day service, we shall be making up the daffodil posies, so please come and help if you can.

Tuesday Group—The next meeting will be held on 5th April at 7.30 pm. The speaker will be Hillary Hopwood who will be talking about her work with 'East meets West.'

Easter Lilies—If you would like to make a donation for lilies at Easter (£5 per stem or donation) Please contact Rosemary Brockbank or sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

In Date Order

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! **Midday Prayer in church, lunch in the Refectory straight after.**

Coffee Concert—Saturdays at 10.30am: 26 March Dave Shooter

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

Mothering Sunday—Once again for Mothering Sunday Mothers' Union members and other supporters have the opportunity to 'Make a Mother's Day' by donating to the various projects carried out by MU in support of families in Britain and Ireland and worldwide. Members of the congregation will be able to make a donation following the Eucharist on Mothering Sunday.

Baptism Preparation Classes - the next class will be held on 3 April 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 4 April 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. Nigel will then email you a link to the meeting.

Easter Messy Church—Friday 15 April, 10am-12pm. Everyone welcome to join us for Easter activities.

Choir vacancies—We are currently recruiting for boys and girls aged 9-13 to join the Priory Choir; please do take some leaflets from the back of church to help us to spread the word. Younger children (aged 6-10) might want to start with the Children's Choir (Fridays, 4.15pm-5pm) before joining the robed choir. Don is always pleased to hear from any adults who would like to join the choir; strong sight-reading skills are essential. Please do email DoM@lancasterpriory.org if you would like any further information or to book a voice test.

The Priory Café- has been opening just for the Coffee Concerts during the pandemic but we would like to do more! However, this means having more helpers to enable us to open as previously after the Coffee Concerts over lunch time and in to the afternoon. If you think you could spare a couple of hours on a Saturday please speak to either Ken Gale or Pauline Fielding. It involves serving refreshments mainly but if you're keen you could learn Barista skills on our coffee machine. If you are 16 yrs or older and think you could help, we would love to hear from you.

Lancaster Priory Lent Reflections 2022 – The Five Marks of Mission. Please email us if you are not already receiving the emails and would like to.

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

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.

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 two services are Holy Tuesday 12 April 7.30pm and Sunday 24 April 10am. Next rehearsals will be on Sunday 3 April and Sunday 10 April after the 10am service

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 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 by 5pm on Wednesday each week

This Week

Mon 21	7.30pm	Resources Committee
Tue 22	9.15am	School visit—Penwortham Priory Academy
	10.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	7.00pm	Tai Chi and Qigong Classes in the Upper Priory Hall
Wed 23	12.00pm	Mustard Seed Lent Prayers and Lunch
	2.00pm	Sanctuary Guild
Thurs 24	7.30pm	Concert: ETO St John Passion with Lancaster Priory Bach Choir
Fri 25	2.00pm	MU Service for Lady Day
	2.30pm	Welcomer Training
	4.00pm	Children’s Choir
	9.00pm	Compline
Sat 26	10.30am	Coffee Concert: Dave Shooter
	11.30am	Welcomer Training

Services next Sunday 27 March —Lent 4 Mothering Sunday

8.00am	Holy Communion
Officiant:	The Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders
10.00am	Priory Eucharist
President & Preacher:	The Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders
4.00pm	Families @ 4
Officiant:	The Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders
6.30pm	Choral Evensong
Officiant:	Prof Richard Carter
Preacher:	Mrs Lois Kirtley



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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