

Weekly Pew News

Sunday 28th January

Fourth Sunday of Epiphany



**LANCASTER
PRIORY**

This Week's Prayer

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Holocaust Memorial Day Prayer *from the Council for Christians and Jews.*

Eternal God, we come before you, conscious of the fragility of freedom, to remember the victims of the Holocaust. We lament the loss of the six million Jews who were killed in the Holocaust, the millions of other victims of Nazi persecution, and victims of all genocides. Remembering the past, help us today to use what freedom we have to stand up for those whose freedom is denied. We pray for a day when all shall be free to live in peace, unity and love. Amen.

Today's Services

Complete orders of service can be accessed on a digital device via the QR code or <https://cutt.ly/pwrbcZF6>



PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE (CANDLEMAS)

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| 8.00am | Holy Communion (BCP) |
| 10.00am | Priory Eucharist (<i>Girls & Lower Voices</i>)
President & Preacher: Revd Dr Louis Johnson, Associate Priest
Readers: Miriam Vasey-Saunders & Kim Robinson
Intercessions: Revd Michael Fielding
Setting: Missa Brevis <i>Dove</i>
Anthem: If ye love me <i>Tallis</i>
Voluntary: Prelude on 'Dundee' <i>Parry</i> |
| 4.00pm | Families@Four (<i>Family friendly holy communion</i>)
President: Revd Dr Louis Johnson, Associate Priest
& Kaarina Leong, Ordinand |
| 6.30pm | Holocaust Memorial Day Service (<i>Boys & Lower Voices</i>)
Officiant: Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders, Vicar
<i>Special order of service.</i> |

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In our prayers

We remember those who are sick and especially:

Linda Bruce, Jason Connor, David Cummings, Jonathan Easton, Henry Grainger, Gethin Hutchins, Alan Kenny, Marilyn Kenny, David Newton, Ann Nicol, Lynn Morrall, Carolyn Parker, Christopher Peasnell, Coralie Shimmons and John Tinsley.

We remember the recently departed, especially: John Eyes, Betty Haworth, Bill Levens, Col. Chris Owen, & Yvonne Wade.

Notices *The deadline for notices each week is 4pm on Wednesday.*

This Week

Midweek Fellowship group – (Zoom) Wednesdays at 7.30-8.45pm. If you are interested in joining us you are most welcome. (email Hilary@lancasterpriory.org)

Marsh Prayer Group – (Zoom) Tuesdays at 9am to pray for the community – includes Priory people & other church groups. We greatly appreciate prayer for our ministry on the Marsh. (email richard.hawksby@btinternet.com for the link)

Opportunities to Volunteer

Sunday 10 O'clock Refreshments – We require people to help serve tea/coffee. If you would like to be involved, please see Hilary Greenwood.

Youth and Student Work Volunteers If you would like to support our work with the next generation of the Priory congregation, either with 11-18's or with 18's-25's, by being chaperones/friendly adults when our groups meet, please talk to our clergy, Leah or Louis.

Priory Music Department Holiday Club If you would be interested in supporting this week chaperoning, serving juice and biscuits, supervising craft activities etc. It isn't too late to get involved! Please speak to our Director of Music, Rebekah, for more information

Other Notices

New to the Priory - A warm welcome if you are new to Lancaster Priory. Please stay for refreshments after our 10.00 service, and get to know us better. Stay in touch, sign up to our mailing list via <https://cutt.ly/vwrbRat9>

Celebrating each other - We are starting a church diary of birthdays and special occasions. If you would like your birthday or special event included in this, please speak to Sarah Hutchins or email sarahhutchins@gmail.com

Palm Crosses - Please return last year's palm crosses to the vergers at any time the Priory is open so that they can be burned and used to create the Ash for Ash Wednesday. Thank you.

This year's Lent Groups - will be following the "Being With" course - a course for exploring Christian faith and life. This is suitable for all, no matter how long you have been a Christian and will run as three groups. This course requires no preparation- just bring yourself! The sign-up sheets are at the back of church. *There will be more information about resources to keep a Holy Lent in next week's notice sheet.*

Baptism and Confirmation - It is never too late to be baptised or confirmed. We hope to have a special service for adult Baptism (from year 6 upwards) and Confirmation at Easter. If you would like to find out more about being baptised or confirmed, please speak to our clergy, Leah or Louis.

Charity of the Month – Through our intercessions we pray for our long-term partnership with EducAid, which provides support in a multitude of ways to the many young people in Sierra Leone. And, with the return to the Priory of The Three Sophia's, "we want to remember and make visible the 76 Black Africans named in our registers. Sophia is the first step towards this. Her name means 'wisdom'. Our prayer is that she will inspire us as we step into a future that makes space for those exploited and unacknowledged in the past."

The Men's Fellowship - 7.00pm this coming Thursday in the refectory. Join us to welcome Grant Ashton our speaker for this inaugural session. Grant will speak about his time as Army Chaplain. The title of his talk is "Faith under Fire" Please speak to Dave Russell, Andrew Nicholson or Peter Hopwood, today to confirm your attendance or ask questions.

Zoom Lectio Divina - Monday 5th February 8.00-9.30pm It will be led by Joop Brouwer. To find out more, please email at: n.stewart@lancaster.ac.uk. Nigel will send the link to this meeting shortly before.

PRIORY DIARY

*Church public opening times are 10am – 4pm Monday – Saturday.
Access to the garden of remembrance is during opening hours*

Monday 29th

- 11.30 Funeral for Betty Haworth
Lancaster & Morecambe Crematorium
- 19.00 Holy Communion (CW) *Priory Sanctuary*
- 19.30 Parochial Church Council Meeting *Priory Refectory*

Tuesday 30th

- 10.15 Holy Communion (BCP) *Regimental Chapel*
- 12.15 Funeral for John Eyes *Priory Church*

Thursday 1st February

- 12.30 Holy Communion with Prayers for Healing *St Thomas' Chapel*
- 19.00 Men's Fellowship Supper & Talk *Priory Refectory*

Friday 2nd HOPE exhibition Neil Eckersley Begins. *Priory Church*

Saturday 3rd

- 10.30 Coffee Concert Steve Varden with Neil Eckersley *Priory Church*

Sunday 4th 2 Before Lent

- 8.00 Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10.00 **All Age Eucharist** (*Boy's & Lower Voices*)
President: Revd Dr Louis Johnson, Associate Priest
Preacher: Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders, Vicar
Readers: Jean Simpson (Proverbs 8: 1, 22-31)
David Redmore (Colossians 1. 15-20)
- 15.30 **Baptism Preparation:** Revd Dr Louis Johnson
- 18.30 **Choral Evensong** (*Girl's & Lower Voices*)
Officiant: Kaarina Leong, Ordinand
Preacher: Lois Kirtley, Licensed Lay Minister
Readers: Margaret Pattinson (Genesis 2: 4b – end)
Margaret Simpson (Luke 8: 22-35)

Pastoral Support

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Mrs Lois Kirtley, LLM coordinates the congregational pastoral contact scheme.

Email info@lancasterpriory.org if you would like a contact or regular visitor, or if you would like to offer support to others.