

Our prayers are also asked:

- for our parish and Cathedral Church
- for those preparing for Confirmation
- for Peter Ayres, his parents and godparents, as he comes for baptism at St Mary de Lode
- for General Synod meeting this weekend in York
- for all those elected as Members of Parliament
- for those affected by Hurricane Beryl
- for those who are sick, or undergoing medical treatment

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The Parish of Hempsted with St Mary de Lode
and St Mary de Crypt, Gloucester
in partnership with Gloucester Cathedral



Trinity 6, 7th July 2024

10.00am	Parish Eucharist	St Mary de Lode
Readings	2 Corinthians 12: 2-10; Mark 6: 1-13	
Preacher	Pauline Godfrey	
2.00pm	Baptism	St Mary de Lode
3.00pm	Choral Evensong	Cathedral
Preacher	Nikki Arthy	

Morning Prayer via Zoom is on Wednesday and Friday at 9am.
Compline via Zoom is on Thursday at 9pm.

Prayers for the City take place in St Mary de Crypt Church each Friday at 1pm. **Coffee, Cake and Conversation** takes place 11am-12.30pm beforehand in the Old Crypt Schoolroom.

Services for St Swithun's Day, 14th July

Parish Eucharist with Confirmation St Swithun's 10.00am

St. Swithun's Day Celebrations will take place on **Sunday 14th July**. We will welcome Bishop Robert to preside, preach and confirm candidates. Do bring a picnic and stay after the service to share lunch together and enjoy **live music and Messy Church activities** from 12noon.

The **Bishop of Eswatini**, the Rt Rev'd Dalcy Dlamini will be visiting Gloucester 11-17 July following the USPG national conference at which she is a keynote speaker. Bishop Dalcy will be with us on St Swithun's Day which will be an opportunity for everyone to meet her. She will spend the week shadowing Nikki and attending parish and Cathedral events.

There are two free **concerts** next weekend at St Mary de Crypt (donations invited.) On Friday 12 July at 7pm Ecclesiastical Insurance Staff Choir, City of Gloucester Community Choir and Gaudeamus present *Music's Coming Home*. The monthly Coffee Concert is on Saturday 13 July at 1130, *Heaven in Fullest Glory* arias and songs by Bach, Handel, Haydn, Schubert, Mendelsson & Strauss: Robert-John Edwards baritone & Sara Willander piano. Coffee and cake in the schoolroom beforehand.

Deanery Synod meets next on Wednesday 17 July in St Mary de Crypt. The evening begins with supper at 6pm followed by the meeting at 7.30pm. Dean Andrew and Canon Craig will share about the mission and ministry of the Cathedral, how it functions, and what their vision and hopes are for the Cathedral in the season ahead. They will also reflect on Cathedral/City connections going forward. There will then be time for us to discuss, reflect and pray about our hopes and dreams for strengthening mission and

ministry links between Cathedral and Deanery (a priority area in our Deanery Strategic Plan). Synod will end by 9.15pm. All are welcome. *If anyone could offer to help lay out and serve food beforehand, please let Mary or Nikki know.* Thank you so much!

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to support the **afternoon tea fundraiser** as part of Hempsted C/E School fete last Saturday whether by baking cakes, preparing the Lysons Hall, serving teas or washing up! Although we weren't as busy as we had hoped, those who attended clearly enjoyed themselves. Along with donations given for cakes after the event, we achieved £253.00 towards parish funds. Our partnership with the school is precious and it is always good to be invited to contribute to events. My thanks to Debbie Hotchkins and Jenny Simmonds for all their coordination and leadership of this community venture. *Nikki*

Gloucester Cathedral is gearing up for the summer. There are activities for all ages planned, from a family Olympics Trail to Sound Bathing, a Taizé service and opportunities to walk the labyrinth, as well as multiple Yoga sessions. For more details and information on how to book (when necessary) see the Cathedral's website: <https://gloucestercathedral.org.uk/whats-on/summer-2024>

Prayer for the week

Lord of heaven and earth of all nations and peoples, all faiths and no faith
reveal yourself to those who are suffering,
reveal yourself to all who are refugees,
reveal yourself to those who are powerful,
reveal yourself to all who are powerless,
reveal yourself to ordinary people in their everyday lives,
that this world might reflect your love and your glory.

John Birch