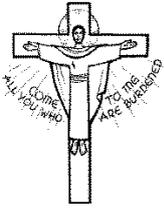


Guess How Much I Love You? Lent 2021



This is not a Lent in which we are being asked to give things up for we have given up so much this past year. This is a Lent when we are invited to draw closer to God, reflecting on faith, hope and love as we celebrate a shaft of light, a glimmer of hope or a moment of joy in our journey to Easter. The crucified Christ asks the question: 'Guess how much I love you?' He extends his arms and responds: 'This much.'

Ash Wednesday 17 February

'Praying at Home' via Zoom will take place at 7.30pm. As usual, the service and Zoom link will be circulated and hard copies sent to all not on email.

The Eucharist will be live-streamed from the Cathedral at 4.30pm
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Candles in the Dark: Faith, Hope and love in a time of pandemic by Rowan Williams

You are invited to join a Lent group gathering via Zoom to discuss meditations written by the former Archbishop of Canterbury for the congregation of his parish church. The publicity says: 'Candles in the Dark will be welcomed by all who are looking for light in these dark times. Written with warmth and compassion, it will challenge you, nourish you and leave you with fresh resources for faith to guide you through a still uncertain future.'

Wednesdays 24 February, 3, 10, 17, 24 March 7.30-8.30pm led by Canon Sandra Millar.
Contact Sandra for the Zoom link revdocsand@gmail.com

Thursdays 25 February, 4, 11, 18, 25 March 11am-12noon led by Canon Nikki Arthy.
Contact Nikki for the Zoom link nikkiarthy@btinternet.com

Books priced £7.50 are available from Mary Gould. But please don't let the cost of a book put you off; just have a quiet word. 01452 419840 mary_gould100@yahoo.co.uk

The Cathedral is also offering a **Lent weekly discussion meeting** on 5 Tuesdays by Zoom, beginning Tuesday 23 February, 7.30-8.30pm followed by Compline at 8.30pm. The group will focus on the weekly pattern of stained glass pictures and reflections from the cathedral. All you need to do is to look at the website or social media uploads each week to view the windows and texts. You can do this on a daily basis, or just catch up before each meeting. If you'd like to be included in this Lent Group Zoom link please email Canon Richard Mitchell at richard.mitchell@gloucestercathedral.org.uk

Virtual Messy Church will meet via Zoom during Lent on Sunday 28 February and Sunday 28 March at 4.00pm. We look forward to jumping, singing, searching, making, sharing a bible story and praying together! Contact Rachel Laughton rachel.childrenandfamilies@gmail.com

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