



From the Dean:

“Jesus’s resurrection,” says Bishop Tom Wright, “is the beginning of God’s new project to colonise earth with the life of heaven.” In other words, we should focus not so much on future promise, on life hereafter, as on present reality: the transformation of the here and now. Which is why we pray: “Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.” The challenge this prayer presents afresh each day, the commission we receive anew on Easter morning, is to embrace and live resurrection life in the here and now.

I remember being on an Easter retreat, and the elderly priest who was leading it hobbled down to breakfast. The chap next to me whispered in my ear: “He looks as though he’s come back from the dead. Not resurrected - resuscitated!” That is not the Easter life that God gives to his world. Think rather of overflowing joy, abundant love, contagious hope - not easy when we are confronted every morning with the woes of the world, but assuredly the fruit of a life attuned to God, steeped in prayer, and immersed in Christian community.

I’ve talked often enough about experiencing something of this in Romania - with thousands of people gathering at church for their Easter service, and singing all night long “Christ is risen from the dead...” And one of the most remarkable things: for people all over Romania, Easter marks a watershed in daily life. For them, as for us, Lent lasts for 40 days, Easter for 50 - but in Romania, after 40 days of pretty rigorous fasting, come 50 days of joyful feasting. And all across the country, for those paschal days, the ubiquitous greeting: ‘Hristos a înviat’, ‘Christ is risen’. And the answer: ‘Adevărat a înviat!’ - ‘He is risen indeed!’ In church, of course, but also in the street, in the shops, in the office. In Romania they **live** as an Easter people: it affects how they speak, what they eat, how they

dress. The life of heaven is breaking in as daily reality; resurrection becoming a part of the here and now.

But Romania's a bit of a trek, so I was delighted last year that the local Romanian community here in Devon gathered on the West Front of our cathedral on Easter Eve, about 1000 people, and only for the first part of the service, 45 minutes or so, but still glowing in the candlelight of Easter, and overflowing with resurrection joy. And, praise God, they're coming back this year. And since, unusually, this year the Romanian Easter coincides with our Western date, their service will take place on our Easter Eve, 19 April, about 10pm. If you want a glimpse of what Romanian Easter looks and feels like, here's your chance - all pretty much on your doorstep.

But that of course is an extra, a cherry on top of our own Easter celebrations here at the Cathedral. For we've a really special Holy Week lined up this year, with Bishop Martin Shaw for the first three days reflecting on the life and work of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, and Bishop Mike with us for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Day. We can be sure that they will both be stimulating and enlightening company as we journey together with Jesus on his journey to Good Friday and Easter Morning and we hope you will choose to join us too. For this is the week above all others to renew and re-inspire us to play our part in God's project as together we strive to colonise earth with the life of heaven.

Jonathan Greener

The May edition of *Cathedral News*

We hope to publish the next edition of the *News* on Sunday 4th May 2025. The deadline for material is **Monday 28th April 2025**. Please send any contributions to hmm53@tiscali.co.uk or to any member of the editorial team; Heather Morgan, Rosemary Bethell, and Jenny Ellis.

Congratulations Tom

Many congratulations to Tom Mitchell, who has been appointed as the Cathedral's new Head Virger. Tom will be taking over the role previously occupied by Luke Stevenson as Custos.

New Tunicle

The serving team would like to have a new green tunical in memory of Wilf Reynolds, one of the serving clerks who died a year ago. Donations would be most welcome, please make your donation through Canon Ian Morter.

In Conversation with Kathryn Timms on: Creative Grief
Sunday 11th May 2025 6:30pm The Chapter House, Exeter Cathedral
(Refreshments served from 6.00pm)



Kathryn will be speaking about *Creative Grief*, exploring how art can serve as a vessel for memory, loss, and remembrance. Currently studying for an MA in Fine Art at Plymouth Arts University, Kathryn's work focuses on the importance of acts of remembrance and the narrative power of significant objects—those that carry both memory and meaning.

With a background as a teacher and school chaplain, Kathryn brings meaningful insight into the privilege of chaplaincy: the act of walking alongside others in their journeys of loss and healing. Her practice weaves together personal and communal grief, considering how creativity can help us hold and process the stories we carry.

Join us for an evening of reflection, conversation, and exploration of the ways art and faith can help us remember, honour, and heal.

News from the Tapisers

First, a couple of months ago I told you about a special embroidery project in which we have been invited to take part. It is the idea of the Worshipful Company of Upholders in London to mark the 400th year of their Royal Charter. They want to create a major piece of textile artwork which will showcase the best traditional craft skills of Opus Anglicanum embroidery. This will be hugely challenging for everyone taking part!

The number of applicants has been very high, so the process of selecting a team has been difficult, but I'd like to thank everyone who showed an interest in taking part.

The project, which requires a commitment of attending every week for nine months, will start in May. The whole process will culminate in a grand unveiling at London's Guildhall in the summer of 2026. Thereafter it will tour all the twelve participating cathedrals – so it will be displayed in Exeter for everyone to see. I'll keep you posted as to our progress.

Secondly, does anyone know of an upholsterer who would be able to restore one of our Rondel cushions? Our former upholsterer has retired and we are struggling to find another. Thank you.

Diana Symes, Chairman of the Company of Tapisers



**From the Vow Made
Sunday 1st June –
Wednesday 4th June
2025, during
Cathedral opening
hours**

From The Vow Made is a landmark sculptural installation suspending 1,000 wax objects made by 1,000 people in Devon for the nave of the Cathedral.

Each object, or votive, has been hand-crafted out of local Devon beeswax by a member of the local community on the theme of ‘giving thanks’, representing something for which each person is grateful.

The Votives Project is led by international award-winning artists Neil Musson and Jono Retallick, and is kindly supported by The National Lottery Heritage Fund. The project is inspired by Exeter Cathedral’s medieval votive collection. The moulded votive offerings were hung around the tomb of Bishop Edmund Lacy (c. 1370-1455) by pilgrims seeking cures through the Bishop’s saintly influence.

Find out more at bit.ly/vow-made

**Bishop’s Palace Open Garden
Sunday 6th and 13th April, 2pm-4:30pm**

The garden of the Bishop’s Palace is one of the best kept secrets in Exeter. It covers three acres and is one of the most ancient in Devon. Bounded by the old Roman bank and city wall to the east and by the Cathedral to the west, it is a haven of peace in the middle of the city. The Bishop’s Palace will be opening the garden to visitors on Sundays 6 April and 13 April from 2pm-4:30pm.

There is a suggested donation of £5 for your visit, in aid of Historic Churches Trust.

Tea/coffee and hot cross buns will be served in the Palace Porch. Please note the garden does not have suitable access for wheelchairs or mobility scooters.



'12,000 Steps A Day' for Devon Historic Churches Trust

Robert Middleton, a member of the Cathedral Community, is walking at least 12,000 steps (9 kilometres) a day, from December 2024 until August 2025, to raise money for the Devon Historic Churches Trust.

The total raised as of March is a splendid **£629.13**, plus **£140.75** from Gift Aid.

Robert states that "supporting the *DHCT* is so very important, so that we can preserve our historic churches – for everyone, and for ever."

Donate to Robert's JustGiving page: www.justgiving.com/page/devonhct

Can you help the Wednesday Kitchen?

Supporting Exeter's homeless and vulnerably housed is a mission that many of you share with our Wednesday Kitchen team. Whilst it is not practical for every person who cares to be physically involved with our service, you can support our work by becoming a sponsor. Serving our baked potatoes every week is always welcomed by our guests but, like all of us, a treat is especially welcome.

The Wednesday Kitchen is looking for "one-off" or even regular sponsors to cover the "at cost" expense of serving freshly cooked bacon baps on the last Wednesday of each month. We need to raise £50 for each occasion which, I can assure you, raises such wonderful smiles and expressions of thanks from our guests.

We would be so grateful if you could help us by sending a cheque, payable to 'Exeter Cathedral' and addressed to: "Pippa in Accounts for the Wednesday Kitchen". Alternatively, you can contact Pippa directly who will let you know how to transfer funds digitally. (pippa.smith@exeter-cathedral.org.uk) If you happen to be wandering the Cathedral Green between 6-7pm on a Wednesday, please come and say hello to us - coffee is on the house!

**Thank you, in anticipation....
Penny & the WK team**

Slow Book Group: a Lectio Divina approach to Poetry

The next edition of the Slow Book Group is turning for a season to poetry. We will be exploring and reflecting on poems drawn from an anthology assembled specially for the group, poems from a mix of voices across centuries, genders and cultures that in different ways speak to contemplative prayer and deepening our relationship with the Divine.

The group will meet on the last Tuesdays of May-November, with a break in August. That is, 27th May, 24th June, 29th July, 30th September, 28th October, 25th November. As previously, the sessions will be on Zoom from 7.30-8.30pm.

The group will be led by Clare Bryden and Canon Deborah Parsons. There will be an opportunity for members to volunteer to choose a poem for the month and lead the session. Members will have the opportunity in advance to read and sit with the chosen poem of the month. During the session we will use the practice of Lectio Divina – slow reading and pondering over the text – as another way of listening to and praying the poem, then spend time sharing in small groups and the whole.

We warmly encourage new participants. If you would like to sign up or if you have any questions about whether this group may be for you, please email Canon Deborah at deborah.parsons@exeter-cathedral.org.uk

Update from the 2020s Development Appeal Project

Work is progressing on the new Electricity Substation with equipment being installed and the connections prepared. The substation will provide a dedicated electricity supply to the Cathedral buildings and Bishop's Palace. This replaces an existing supply that has reached the end of its life, and also provides the additional capacity needed to extend power to the Cathedral Green for the Christmas Market and other events.

Pilgrimage to Bayeux-Lisieux (and Notre Dame, Paris): 29 Sept - 4 October 2025

The Dean is planning a visit to our link diocese - please pick up a leaflet from the coffee table if you might be interested, and a form to return to book a provisional place. **If you have already registered your interest, please call Tina Robbens (01392 285980) or email her (tina.robbens@exeter-cathedral.org.uk) to ensure you are on the list. We have had some computer problems and would hate to miss anyone.**



Malcolm Pomeroy RIP

Malcolm was a much-loved member of the Cathedral Community. His funeral, a Requiem Mass, was on 10th March. We are very grateful to Canon James Mustard for the text of his sermon.

We all have our memories of Malcolm. My first memory of him was him appearing on Christmas Day in immaculately pressed jeans at the home of

Canon John Thurmer to assist with the washing up after a vast Christmas meal. “How’s you then?” he asked, before snapping on his marigolds and plunging into the murky depths of crockery that lay before him. Malcolm, ever ready to help, loyal, keen to be part of the action, generous to a fault with his time and his consideration.

That was over thirty years ago. In recent years, I came to know Malcolm again – I said to him that the Cathedral was some sort of cabinet of Dorian Gray, or the place that time forgot, as no one here (unlike me!) seemed to have aged a bit. I came to appreciate deeply Malcolm’s gift for patience and kindness, his deep love for this place, a friendly welcomer to all who visited the Library and Archives during the week, and a dedicated server, stickler for high standards of dress, so much so that to have one’s vestments adjusted so as to be presentable for worship, is still known as to be “Malcolmed”.

And I had thought that I might be unusual, noticing his kindness, his courtesy, his smartness of dress, his love for this place and his loyalty to his friends. But time and again, I have been told of these qualities, by all near and far. Whether it was putting in a good word for a Choral Scholar to help him get a step on a career ladder at County Hall, or every visit to Malcolm ending in a frantic taxi ride to the Cathedral so as not to miss Evensong. He loved this place and its people, and it was a genuine joy and surprise that when I returned here as a priest, after a gap of twenty-three years, that he was still here, greeting me with his vice-like grip and a “hello mate”.

Malcolm was born on 13 August 1944, son of Cyril Thomas Pomeroy and Phyllis Louise nee Ball in Kent, where his father had a dental practice in Beckenham. Shortly after the end of the Second World War, he moved with his family to Devon when his father became senior dental officer for Devon County. He spent most

of his working life working for the Education Dept of Devon County Council. His father died in 1972 and Malcolm was always devoted to his mother with whom he lived until her death many years later.

Malcolm was particularly devoted to the Cathedral Choir, and Exeter Cathedral School. There is a Pomeroy Cup for Chorister Sports, and he was a VIP guest at many school events. He will be as much missed there as he will be at the Cathedral. Beyond Exeter, Malcolm volunteered for many years for the hospice in Exmouth, which his mother had been involved in setting up, and he honoured her memory with his ongoing commitment to that place. When he retired Malcolm was a keen traveller, especially on the Cunard line – indeed his last cruise, round the Baltic Sea was only a few years ago and I was delighted to hear of his experiences en route. He was also a regular visitor to see his cousin Edwin in New York; Edwin enjoyed Malcolm's visits and their assorted trips together.

The Gospel reading today tells of faithful Simeon, old Simeon who has been a faithful servant of the Temple, devoting his life to it, sustained by the hope that God would send a Messiah before he died. In so many ways, Malcolm's life of quiet devotion to this place is like that of Simeon. Malcolm, the expert crucifer, lifting high the ensign of the faith. Malcolm, the Dog Whipper (an ancient role within this cathedral), leading processions with a steady and stately dignity, his virge pointing forward, and in every sense away from himself; the focus of the procession was always those who came after him, never Malcolm himself. That quality in a virger, or indeed any one of us involved in church, is rare and to be cherished: the innate ability to direct attention away from oneself so as to raise up those around you does not, I must confess, come easily to many of us in places like this, and we need people like Malcolm to remind us that it is not all about us! In recognition his service to this place, he was in the first tranche of those to be awarded the St Boniface award, a Bishop's medal for volunteers who have made a significant contribution to the Diocese. Needless to say he wore it with pride.

That re-directing, illuminating quality surely marks him out as a rare treasure. In as much as there is a quality of Simeon about Malcolm, I think we learned from him, too, something of what it means to be Christ-like. Simeon spent his life waiting for the Messiah. The expectation was that the Messiah would be a warrior king who would vanquish the cruel, occupying Romans. What Simeon saw was quite the opposite: a gurgling babe, the epitome of powerlessness and vulnerability. Malcolm was far from a babe, but in a church and culture obsessed with leadership and grand strategies, he was a fine example of true discipleship, the qualities of turning attention away from himself and toward the building up of others.

So there was a terrible cruelty in the difficulties of Malcolm's final year or two. His decline was rapid, and was distressing to see. Latterly, Malcolm was in Seaton, and in addition to his regular visits from Cathedral and Exmouth friends, he was visited by the pastoral team of that parish. One of the visitors had this to say:

Although Malcolm was not able to communicate verbally, he always knew we were present. As we shared Holy Communion in his room his eyes would light up and his mouth open to receive the Holy bread and wine. Malcolm would hold my hand and squeeze it tighter and tighter as we said prayers, then gradually relax as a Blessing was offered. A truly lovely man.

Even when unable to communicate, he was able to interact and reassure.

No one likes to speak ill of the dead. But inevitably when preparing an address such as this someone might say "of course you won't be able to include this in your address, but...". Perhaps the most extraordinary thing about Malcolm is that I have not had any such comment from anyone about him. He may not have been a saint, but according to the many warm and affection words I have heard, I'm not sure he was far off!

So before us lies Malcolm: beloved son, relative, colleague, mentor, server, disciple, encourager and friend. He pointed away from himself and built up others. He delighted in his ministry in the Temple, and showed us true Discipleship. May he rest in peace, and rise in glory. Amen.



Cathedral Community Committee (CCC) 11th March 2025

At the March meeting, the CCC agreed arrangements for the preparation of flowers for Mothering Sunday. We also made plans for the distribution of candles with an invitation to people to write on them the name of their mother, or another person they would

be remembering on Mothering Sunday. This proved to be a welcome innovation. At the Choral Eucharist on Mothering Sunday, about 200 candles were placed on stands by the pulpit-see photo above.

Thanks were expressed for the written reports distributed after the last Town Hall meeting, a great help for those unable to be present.

Ideas for future fundraising for the Sound System Appeal were discussed, as was safeguarding.

The next meeting is on Tuesday 8th April. Please send any items or questions for the agenda to amb@exeter-cathedral.org.uk or to hmm53@tiscali.co.uk

Heather Morgan, Chair Cathedral Community Committee



Bishop Mike's Five Strategic Priorities

The Diocese of Exeter's vision to grow in prayer, make new disciples and serve the people of Devon with joy has evolved over the last five years, with a widespread post-pandemic listening consultation leading to the development of the '**Next Steps' strategy** to support mission

communities to flourish, and to be sustainable for generations to come. It's a vision that fits with Jesus' commission in Mt.28.16-20, which is authoritative for me and I'm sure for many.

Putting flesh on the bones of the vision, I would like to articulate five particular priorities for this next season of our life together.

First, **missional leadership**: equipping and resourcing the ordained and lay leaders of our Christian communities as best as we can to develop disciples and make new disciples.

Second, developing a "**missional DNA**" across our Christian communities, encouraging outward-looking, invitational churches, hospitable to outsiders and engaged with their wider communities.

Third, cultivating an intentional **vocational culture** so that we are not asking whether God is calling me/us, but "To what is God calling me/us now?"

Fourth, **children and young people** being placed at the heart of our life, mission and ministry.

And fifth, a **mixed ecology**: understanding that we need different ways of doing and being Church. Alongside time-honoured Church we need all sorts of Christian communities which can engage with the 95% of our population who are as yet unengaged. I hope that these five priorities will become embedded at every level of our ministry going forward.

Chapter House Coffee Club

Coffee/Tea is usually available after the 8.00 am & 10.00 am Sunday services in the South Transept. For those who'd like to continue the conversation after that feel free to gather in the Chapter House Refectory from 11.45am (or after any post-service groups) to chat over a coffee or lunch for an hour. No need to book in advance ... just grab a table or two and let the conversations begin. For more information contact Canon Deborah Parsons deborah.parsons@exeter-cathedral.org.uk



An Evening with Rob Rinder : Wednesday 14th May 2025 at 7pm

Join us for a fascinating evening with barrister, broadcaster, author, advocate and musician, Rob Rinder MBE.

Rob will be discussing his life and work in conversation with The Very Revd Jonathan Greener, Dean of Exeter. He will also be answering questions from the audience and signing copies of his *Sunday Times* number one best-selling novels, *The Trial* and *The Suspect*.

This event is exclusive to Exeter Cathedral and we anticipate huge demand, so please book now to avoid disappointment.

Tickets: £15 – £25

Diocesan Synod 22nd March

The synod met at St Matt's Exeter for the first time. The main items of business were the Presidential Address by Bishop Mike in which he spoke about the five strategic priorities (see page 10), an update on our application to the Strategic Mission and Ministry Investment Board, and a motion to be presented at General Synod concerning a change to the national financial settlement.

The last of these is of great importance in the context of the financial situation of many dioceses. It is a request to the Church Commissioners to redistribute financial resources to Diocesan Stipend Funds to reflect the value of the diocesan contributions to the Church of England Pension scheme established in 1997, a sum of £2.6 billion, and calls upon dioceses to use these funds to support parish ministry in the ways discerned locally to be the most effective “in enabling growth and sustaining the Church of England’s commitment to be a Christian presence in every community.” The motion was carried by an overwhelming majority. Together with similar motions from several other dioceses, it will now go to General Synod.

We also received reports on the last sessions of General Synod, from the Diocesan Board of Education and from the Diocesan Advisory Committee for the Care of Churches.

Heather Morgan

What's On in April

Stones & Bones: The Cathedral Precinct Tour – April

Monday 7 April at 11:30am

Tuesday 15 April at 11:30am

Tuesday 22 April at 11:30am

Wednesday 30 April at 11:30am

Delve into the history of the Cathedral Green and explore the surrounds of Exeter Cathedral, by tracing their history from Roman time to the present day. Find out more bit.ly/special-tours.

Easter Family Activities

Monday 7 April – Thursday 17 April

Visit Exeter Cathedral during the Easter holidays to enjoy fun family-friendly activities.

Find out more bit.ly/easter-exeter-2025.

The Bishop's Palace Garden & Cathedral Tour

Wednesday 9 April, 10:30am

Monday 14 April, 10:30am

The Bishop's Palace Garden & Cathedral Tour is an opportunity to visit a beautiful area in the centre of the Exeter.

Find out more bit.ly/special-tours.

Romanesque to Gothic Tour

Thursday 10 April at 1:30pm

Take a closer look at Exeter Cathedral's exterior and learn about its successive phases of building work.

Find out more at bit.ly/special-tours.

Bishop's Open Garden

Sunday 13 April, 2pm-4:30pm

The Bishop's Palace will be opening the garden to visitors in aid of Historic Churches Trust.

Holy Week Suppers

Monday 14 April, following 5:30pm Choral Evensong at 6:15pm

Tuesday 15 April, following 5:30pm Choral Evensong at 6:15pm

Wednesday 16 April, following Said Evening Prayer at 6:15pm

Join us for supper after our evening worship this Holy Week.

Find out more at bit.ly/holy-week-suppers.

Kings & Queens Tour

Wednesday 16 April 2025 at 1:30pm

Join us to discover the stories of Exeter Cathedral's royal patrons and visitors on this special tour which blends a walking tour of the Cathedral building with a visit to the Cathedral Library & Archives to explore original documents. Find out more at bit.ly/special-tours.

Onwards & Upwards Tours

Thursday 17 April at 1pm

Thursday 24 April at 11am

Explore Exeter Cathedral at ground level to discover its finest medieval features, before heading upwards, into its fascinating roof space. Find out more at bit.ly/special-tours.

A Night at the Opera by Candlelight

Saturday 26 April at 7:30pm

London Concertante presents a sensational evening at the opera with an array of the finest opera arias and overtures. Find out more at bit.ly/lc-opera-candlelight.

The Music of Queen by Candlelight

Thursday 1 and Friday 2 May, at 7:30pm

Join us for an incredible night of Queen Anthems, performed at Exeter Cathedral, by candlelight. Find out more at bit.ly/ec-queen.

Romanesque to Gothic Tour

Friday 2 May 2025 at 1:30pm

Delve into the history of the Cathedral Green and explore the surrounds of Exeter Cathedral, by tracing their history from Roman time to the present day. Find out more at bit.ly/special-tours.

From the Flower Arrangers

A short note this month to thank those members of the congregation for money they have kindly given towards the Easter arrangements, and to say that it is not too late to contribute as we get towards the end of Lent. More news next month.

Cloister Club Co-ordinator

We are looking to recruit a Co-ordinator for Exeter Cathedral's junior church, Cloister Club. The Cloister Club Co-ordinator will develop work with the children and families in our Cathedral community and beyond, enabling them to feel fully part of Exeter Cathedral. The successful candidate will lead a team of volunteers to develop a fresh curriculum and experience for children and families. This is a paid, fixed-term contract for 1 year, 12 hours per week for 40 weeks, with potential for a longer-term contract. Please see the Cathedral website vacancies page to download an information pack and application form.

Cathedral Confirmation Service 11th May

There will be a confirmation service led by Bishop Mike at the Cathedral on Sunday 11th May at 10am and he would like to confirm as many people as possible! [Find out more about confirmation.](#)

If you are considering being confirmed or would like to find out more about what it involves, please contact:

Revd Prebendary Nigel Guthrie: nigel.guthrie@exeter-cathedral.org.uk or Revd Prebendary Julian Ould julian.ould@exeter-cathedral.org.uk They would love to hear from you.

Can you be a Chalice bearer?

Sundays at 10am Choral Eucharist require at least 6 Chalice bearers (or Eucharistic Assistants) to administer the chalice alongside the priest.

For various reasons our numbers have dropped, and we would like to invite you to offer yourself for this significant part of the service. Training is provided - hopefully you could offer once or twice a month

You would be considered a volunteer and would be required to complete the necessary paperwork before you could start.

If you may be interested in following this up - please contact Chris Brathwaite at Tel: 01626 873807 or chrisbee3@btinternet.com

Congratulations

Many congratulations to Jeremy Rawlings, one of our team of servers, who has been accepted for ordination training, and our prayers for the next stage in his ministry.



SOUND SYSTEM APPEAL EASTER QUIZ

The Easter Cathedral Community Quiz Sheets will be available from Palm Sunday 13th April to take away and work your way through over the Easter Break. 100 cryptic questions all relating to music, be that a phrase, item, title, artist, etc.

Solve as many as you can, on your own, in a pair, or as a household, and submit your completed sheet back for a chance to win the £30 cash prize. Entries are £2 per sheet payable upfront, which will be available during coffee after the 8am and 10am Sunday services, during the Holy Week soup suppers, or by emailing jake_hibberd@hotmail.co.uk

All proceeds to the Sound System Appeal. Please join in, have fun and make a contribution to our fundraising.



Mothering Sunday Flowers

Thank you very much to everyone who helped to prepare the posies of flowers for Mothering Sunday which were lovely and much appreciated by all who received them. Thank you also to the Cloister Club for giving them out with such joy and enthusiasm.

Holy Week Compline and Addresses 14th-16th April at 7.15pm

Bishop Martin Shaw considers The Passion of Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945): Theologian, Pastor and Dissenter. 'Conviction, Obedience and Dissent.'

Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906 to 1945) was a key founding member of The Confessing Church in Germany. Bonhoeffer focused on Christianity's role in a secular world. Resisting Nazi dictatorship, including its genocidal anti-semitism, he was imprisoned, during which he wrote his most famous work through letters and papers. On being moved to a concentration camp, he was executed by hanging. Bishop Martin's three addresses will be looking at what Bonhoeffer saw as the cost of being a disciple of Christ, which has even more significance in our time.

Bishop Martin Shaw is a former Bishop of Argyll and the Isles with previous ministries in Exeter, Bury St Edmunds and Cambridge.

Holy Week 2025

Palm Sunday 13 April

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

9.45am The Liturgy of Palms, Procession, and Choral Eucharist

Gather at New Cut Gate

4pm: Choral Evensong

Monday 14 April - Wednesday 16 April

5.30pm Choral Evensong (said on Wednesday)

6.15pm Bread and Soup Supper *in the Chapter House. Please book in advance.*

7.15pm, Organ, Compline and Address 'The Cost of Discipleship', Choral music

sung by the Dumnonii Consort, Address by Bishop Martin Shaw

Maundy Thursday 17 April

10.30am Chrism Eucharist with Renewal of Ministerial Vows

7.30pm The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday *Preacher The Bishop of Exeter*

Good Friday 18 April

10am Good Friday service given by Churches Together across Exeter

1.30pm The Liturgy of Good Friday *Preacher The Bishop of Exeter*

7.30pm Meditation for Good Friday

led by the St Peter's Singers

Easter Sunday 20 April

6am Easter Vigil: Preacher The Bishop of Exeter

Gather in the Cloister Gallery

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Choral Eucharist: President and Preacher The Bishop of Exeter

11.45am Choral Matins

4pm Choral Evensong

Easter Monday 21 April

Services today sung by the Old Choristers' Association

11.30am Choral Eucharist

3pm Choral Evensong

Welcome

A very warm welcome to the Old Choristers who will sing the services on Easter Monday and good wishes for their annual reunion.