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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday

- 09.15 Eucharist (*said in the Lady Chapel*)
- 11.15 Choral Eucharist / Choral Matins
- 15.15 Choral Evensong

Monday - Friday

- 09.00 Sung Matins (*during school term*)
- 11.05 Eucharist (*said in the Lady Chapel on
Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saints' Days and Festivals*)
- 17.30 Choral Evensong / Evening Prayer

Saturday

- 11.05 Eucharist (*said in the Lady Chapel*)

MAY PREACHERS

May 7	The Revd M. T.. Kingston	<i>Prebendary of Yagoe</i>
May 14	The Revd K. M. Poulton	<i>Prebendary of Swords</i>
May 21	The Very Revd K. R. J. Hall	<i>Precentor of Tassaguard</i>
May 28	The Revd P. I. Arbuthnot	<i>Prebendary of Castleknock</i>

CHAPTER NEWS FROM THE CHAPTER CLERK

Two Chapter members were installed recently, bringing up the Chapter to full complement. On 16 April the Dean installed the Revd Dr Sahr Yambasu as Prebendary of Finglas, one of the Chapter's two œcumenical stalls. Canon Yambasu is a minister of the Methodist Church in Ireland; he currently ministers in Waterford, and on Chapter he succeeds Canon Charles McMullen.

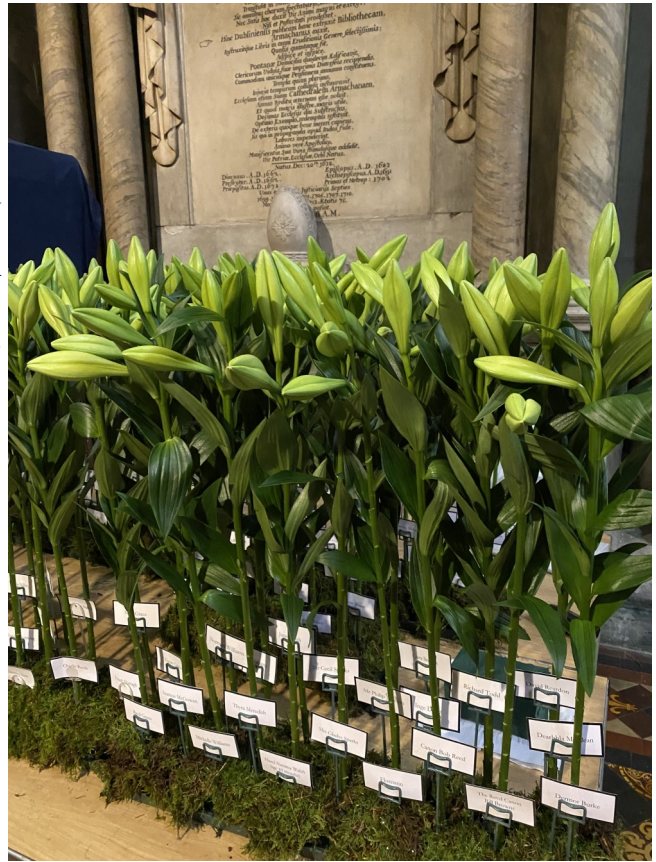
On 7 May the Dean installed Canon Paul Thompson as Prebendary of Donaghmore, the stall of the representative of Clogher Diocese who is appointed by the Bishop of Clogher. Canon Thompson succeeds Canon Ian Ellis, who is now himself the Bishop of Clogher.

We wish our new Chapter members God's richest blessings in their ministry amongst us here.

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EASTER LILIES

A display of these lilies was arranged in the Cathedral for Easter Sunday in memory of family members and friends:



A SHOT FROM THE CANON

‘Once in royal David’s city’ are the first words we hear at the Christmas Carol Service, inspiring us to think about, and marvel at, the Christmas story. But look more closely at the hymn and it becomes obvious that it’s not just about Jesus coming down to earth at Christmas, but also about Jesus returning to heaven from earth. The work Jesus began at Christmas he completed on Ascension Day: both aspects of his saving work he did for you and me. There’s an eccentric custom of saving some Christmas cake or pudding for Ascension Day; eccentric, but rewardingly thought-provoking.

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RETURN JOURNEY

He came down to earth from heaven
Who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall;
With the poor and mean and lowly
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see him; but in heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high;
When like stars his children
crowned
All in white shall wait around.

‘Once in royal David's city’ (Mrs Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818–95)

Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it
Spotless to the last,
Bought it back victorious
When from death he passed.

‘At the name of Jesus’ (Caroline Maria Noel, 1817–77)

FRIENDS OUTING

On 12th. April, thirteen Friends had a most interesting visit to the “dead centre” of Dublin, Glasnevin Cemetery, where so many famous Irish men and women are buried. Unfortunately, the day turned out to be one of the wettest this year, but, notwithstanding that, all on the trip enjoyed it and found much of interest. It also transpired that Alan, our very informative guide, had previously worked in the cathedral. From Daniel O’Connell’s round tower and mausoleum to Eamon de Valera’s modest headstone, the Republican Plot to the flower bedecked grave of Michael Collins, we all learnt a lot about Ireland’s revolutionary past. In contrast, we also visited the memorials to the Irish soldiers killed in the World Wars, showing that Glasnevin Cemetery does not discriminate when it comes to the dead. The coffee shop proved a very welcome shelter from the inclement weather at the end of the tour and we enjoyed coffee and chat. Thanks to Irene Wilson Power for organising this most interesting tour.

Next up for us will be the AGM, in the deanery (by kind permission) on 24th. May. We are fortunate indeed that Mr Neale Richmond TD has agreed to speak to us after the meeting. Mr Richmond, Fine Gael TD for Rathdown, was appointed Minister of State in January of this year.

Sunday 18th. June will see our annual Festival Evensong when the preacher will be the dean of Ossory, Very Rev Stephen Farrell, followed by the garden party in the deanery garden. Looking further ahead, on September 2nd we will have our annual outing, this time to Johnstown Castle and St Iberius Church in Wexford. Details and application form can be found in the current issue of Saint Patrick’s People. AF

DO DUBLIN



Last month we were delighted to welcome the new recruits from the Do Dublin green bus as they took a tour of the cathedral and met with the Dean. They were in awe of the cathedral and will be recommending a visit to their tens of thousands of passengers over the summer.

VISITING CLERGY



Worshipping at Evensong in Saint Patrick's recently, through an arranged visit by the Rector of Tallaght, Canon William Deverell, were the Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Würzburg, Dr Franz Jung (front row, second from left), and the Reverend Fr Frank Drescher, Administrator of the Parish of Saint Kevin and Saint Kilian, Kilnamanagh; pictured also are Canon Deverell, and Canon Paul Arbuthnot, Prebendary of Castleknock on the Chapter of the National Cathedral, and Vicar of St Ann's, and Rector of St Stephen's Dublin.

MUSIC AT SAINT PATRICK'S

Following 2 very successful and enjoyable trips in 2022, the Cathedral Choir will be embarking on several trips both abroad and closer to home over the summer months.

Firstly, members of Schola Patricii (the Cathedral's senior girls' choir) and the Lay Vicars will be travelling to Exeter Cathedral to sing and the Choristers, we hope, will be also heading to the UK to sing in Hexham Abbey, a trip that was originally planned for the fateful summer of 2020. For both of these trips we would very much appreciate any help and support that members of the Cathedral Community can give; they are wonderful experiences and offer great boosts of confidence, especially given the last couple of years.

Please make your cheques payable to Saint Patrick's Cathedral, marking the reverse "Sponsor a Chorister". Thank you for all your generosity both now and over the years, it is always very much appreciated!

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FORTHCOMING CONCERT

Thursday 4 July | 7.30pm | *Tickets from €10.00*

THE WONDROUS MACHINE | *Stars & Stripes*

In aid of **TEMPLE STREET CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL**

RECORDING AT SAINT PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

During the first week of May, the music department gathered under the guidance of Mr Stuart Nicholson, and Mr Gary Cole of Regent Records, to record a new CD. Three nights of recording, 45 choristers, 5 altos, 2 pianists, one harpist and half a ton of chocolate bars later... It is in the can!



It was a very long and tiring week but the recording has now gone for editing, and production to disc, just in time to hit the shelves for Christmas 2023

There will be updates during the year as to the date of the CD launch, so watch this space!

Congratulations to all involved.



SOPHIE'S WARRIORS FOR TEMPLE STREET

HELL & BACK is Ireland's toughest mental and physical endurance challenge, which sees the stunning Killruddery Estate in Bray, Co. Wicklow, converted into an adventure playground. Participants will complete an 8KM or 13KM trail route crossing rivers and lakes, climbing hills and mountains, and crawling through bogs and swamps.

One of our vergers, Colette, is taking on the Hell & Back challenge on June 10th to raise funds for Temple Street Children's Hospital, where her daughter Sophie's life was saved when just two days old.

<https://hellandback2023.enthuse.com/pf/sophies-warriors>

Sláinte Leanaí Éireann



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WILL US WELL

When making, or amending, your Will please consider including a legacy bequest to the Cathedral. If you are interested in supporting us in this way, let your solicitor or Will-writer know that you wish to make provision for the Cathedral in your Will. For more information please contact the Cathedral Administrator, Mr Gavan Woods.

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

Under data protection regulations (GDPR) it is no longer possible to ascertain information about patients and so it would be helpful if you, or a relative, are admitted to hospital please let the Dean or Canon Charles Mullen know if you would like to be visited in hospital.

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