

LENT



AT THE CATHEDRAL
2018

FROM THE DEAN

Dear friends,

I commend to you this season of Lent and invite you to be part of the journey of this special season. The word “Lent” comes from an old English word meaning “lengthen”, referring to the lengthening days in the northern hemisphere spring. This means Lent is a time for turning toward God just as the earth turns toward the sun in the springtime. We are invited to ask, “What is God seeking to grow in you?”.

In the earliest days of the Church, Lent was the time when the Church prepared people for baptism. It was a time of spiritual growth, and as the leaders of the Church taught the baptism candidates, everyone else in the Church listened again to the Word of God and renewed their commitment. The season of Lent then, is most of all about turning to God afresh, the source of love and life, and deepening our faith together.

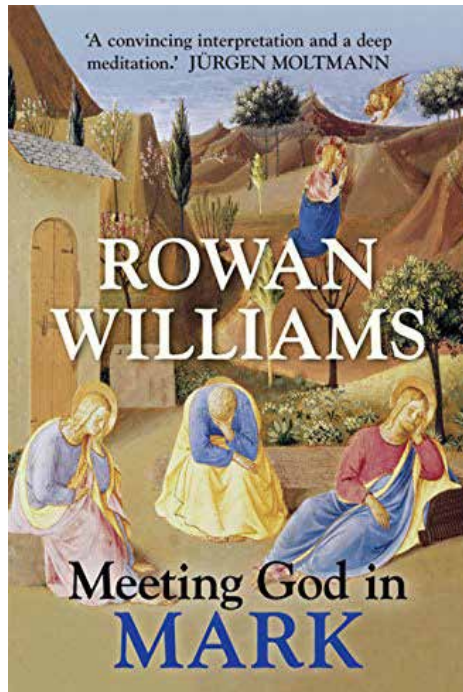
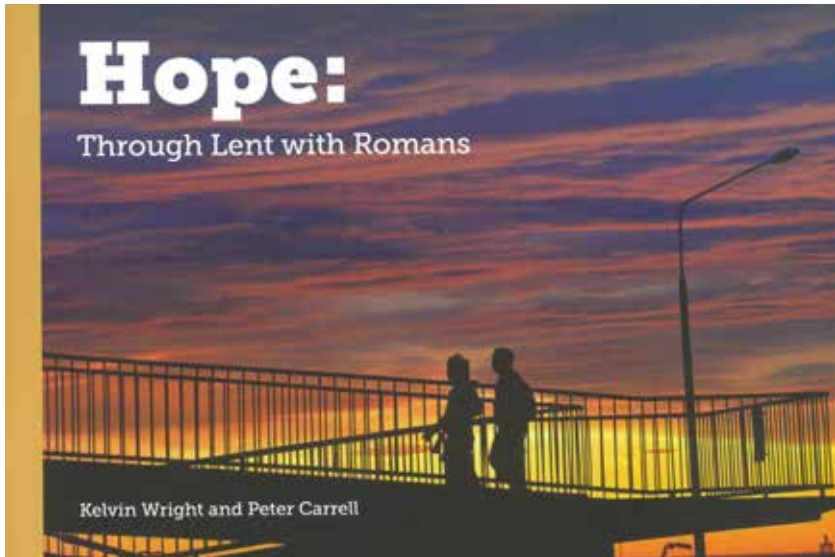
Lent is a journey we do together as the people of God. In Lent, God calls us to support each other in the journey of faith. Helping each other to pray, to care for others and support the wider Church, to give sacrificially, and to fast. On Ash Wednesday the gospel of the day calls us into the disciplines of prayer, fasting and alms-giving. The call is to sharpen our senses and our awareness of God acting in our lives, and to encourage and build one another up in the faith.

Lent at the Cathedral is offering a variety of ways to do this. The preaching series and study groups are calling us to deepen our journey of discipleship and to discover joy and hope in the Gospel. If you are reading this and would like to know more about the Christian faith, please do not hesitate to ask one of the clergy team.

May you and yours have a holy and blessed Lent and come with joy to the wellspring of life, Jesus Christ himself.

Lawrence Kimberley
Dean.

RECOMMENDED READING FOR LENT
AVAILABLE FROM THE CATHEDRAL



ASH WEDNESDAY

14 FEBRUARY



7.30am Morning Eucharist

Preacher: Dean Lawrence Kimberley

12.05pm Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes

5.30pm Ecumenical Service with Imposition of Ashes

Held at St Mary's Roman Catholic Pro-Cathedral

Music: The Choirs of the Transitional Cathedral & St Mary's Pro-Cathedral

ASH
WEDNESDAY

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH IN AOTEAROA
NEW ZEALAND AND POLYNESIA

AN ECUMENICAL LITURGY

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to sanctify - to teach - to care for



SUNDAY EVENSONG PREACHING SERIES

SUNDAYS AT 5.00PM

Theme: Hope for the Journey

Sunday 18 February

Gillian Simpson, Executive principal, St Margaret's College

Sunday 25 February

Bosco Peters, Chaplain, Christ's College

Sunday 4 March

Vivien Harber, Priest-in-Charge, Ross & South Westland

Sunday 11 March

Anne Price, Priest-in-Charge, St Michael and All Angels

Sunday 18 March

Peter Hurricks, Vicar of Halswell Prebbleton



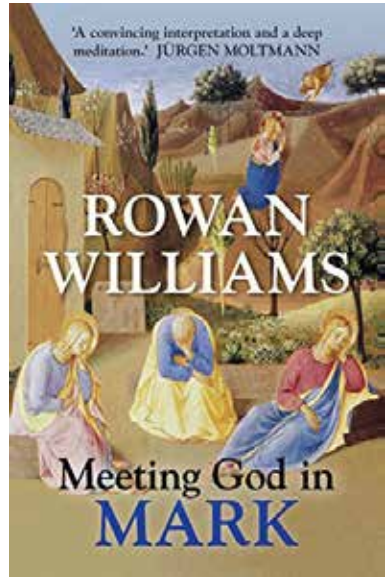
WEDNESDAYS

- 7.30am Morning Eucharist with a short reflection, followed by breakfast
Theme: Encountering God
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| 21 February | The Rev'd Alastair Buick |
| 28 February | Marla Hughes |
| 7 March | The Rev'd Nicky Lee |
| 14 March | Elizabeth Kimberley |
| 21 March | Gwen Jackson |
| 28 March | TBC |
- 9:30am Lenten Study Group at The Deanery [see below for details]
Meeting God in Mark
- 5:30pm Choral Evensong *sung by The Cathedral Choir* (not in Holy Week)



STUDY GROUP

Wednesday mornings at the Deanery, from 9:30am - 11:00am, starting on Wednesday 21 February. The text will be *Meeting God in Mark* by former Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Rowan Williams. To register your interest please see Ben or Nicky, or use the sign-up form in the Foyer.



PALM SUNDAY

5.00PM: LOVE IS HIS MEANING

A Passiontide service with readings and anthems. Music is by the Cathedral Choir

ORGAN RECITAL

BY JOHN LINKER, CATHEDRAL DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Music for Lent

Tuesday 27 March at 1:10pm

Works by Bach, Mendelssohn and Scheidt



MOVIE

“A UNITED KINGDOM”

When an African prince and a white middle-class clerk from Lloyd’s underwriters got married in 1948, it provoked shock in Britain and Africa. Seretse Khama met Ruth Williams while he was a student at Oxford University. After his studies, he was supposed to go home to the British Protectorate of Bechuanaland (now Botswana) and marry someone from his own tribe, but his romance with Williams changed everything. His family disapproved and Khama was forced to renounce his claim to the throne. The British government came under pressure to show its disapproval and Khama was exiled from his homeland. He later became the first president of Botswana when it became an independent country.

Friday 9 March at 7.00pm (location to be advised). The movie (approx 100minutes) will be followed by a 20 minute theological reflection. To register your interest please see Ben or Nicky, or use the sign-up form in the Foyer.



LENTEN QUIET DAY

Saturday 17 February at The Community of the Sacred Name retreat House, 300 Tuam Street. Conducted by Revd Ben Randall. The day starts at 10:00am and finishes at 3:00pm. Please bring something for a shared lunch. Please see Ben for further information.



LENTEN APPEAL

This year our Lenten Appeal will be to aid the work of one of the Cathedral's mission partners, Miriam Tillman in the Hospital of Hope in northern Togo. There is a separate donation box in the foyer for donations.



EXPLORING THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

Where ever you are on your faith journey the Transitional Cathedral extends a warm welcome to you. Whether you feel sure and confident in your faith or whether you are full of questions, doubts and uncertainties you are very welcome. At this Cathedral we seek to do our best to support one another in our shared searching and questioning, knowing none of us will ever fully understand it all.

If you would like to know more about the Christian faith then please contact a member of our clergy team, who will be happy to meet with you.

You are also welcome to email The Rev'd Ben Randall at assistantcurate@christchurchcathedral.co.nz

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Sunday 25 March ~ Palm Sunday

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist
10.00am Choral Eucharist
Music: The Cathedral Choir
5.00pm Love is his Meaning: A
Passiontide service of
lessons and anthems
Music: The Cathedral Choir

Monday 26 March

- 12.05pm Holy Eucharist

Tuesday 27 March

- 12.05pm Holy Eucharist
1:10pm Organ Recital
5.30pm Choral Evensong
Music: The Cathedral Choir

Wednesday 28 March

- 12.05pm Holy Eucharist

Thursday 29 March

~ Maundy Thursday

- 12.05pm Holy Eucharist
7.00pm Service of Footwashing
and the stripping of the
altar

Friday 30 March ~ Good Friday

- 10:00am Stations of the Cross ~ A
children's service (*with
hot cross buns to follow*)
12noon The Celebration of the
Lord's Passion
Music: The Cathedral Choir

Saturday 31 March

- 12.05pm Midday Prayer
9.00pm The Easter Vigil

SUNDAY 1 APRIL ~ EASTER DAY

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist
10.00am Festival Eucharist
Music: The Cathedral Choir
5.00pm Festal Evensong
Music: The Cathedral Choir

SUNDAY 8 APRIL ~ LOW SUNDAY

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist
10.00am Choral Eucharist
Music: The Cathedral Choir
5.00pm Christ is Risen! A Service
of Easter readings, hymns
and anthems
Music: The Cathedral Choir

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