



An Evening with Hilaire Belloc

Sue Lawley of BBC Radio and Television has a passion for the great writer and wit, Hilaire Belloc. Sue, together with her husband, Hugh Williams, and Hugo Swire, MP, and a group of top class musicians, will be with us in the Cathedral on Saturday 13 March at 7.30 p.m. for a highly entertaining evening of readings and music celebrating Belloc's life. Sue Lawley was with us recently planning the event and it promises to be quite an evening. Do join us: tickets are available from the Theatre Royal on 01284 769505 or www.theatreroyal.org

Prayers for Peace and Justice

The Cathedral community will gather for prayer and the lighting of candles on the third Thursday of every month at 12 noon from now on in the Edmund Chapel to hold before God many of the difficult issues facing our world like, for example, the conflict in Afghanistan, the effect of climate change, the gap between rich and poor, the problem of extremism in religion, and so on. The service lasts for about 20 minutes. Do join us. This first happens on Thursday 21 January at 12 noon and then again on Thursday 18 February and so on thereafter. It will be a very simple liturgy at which we hope people of both a committed and a hesitant faith will feel comfortable.



Edmund Gallery

On Saturday 13 February, the Cathedral's new art gallery and exhibition space opens with an exhibition of work by the renowned Bury artist Ronald Ronaldson. The Edmund Gallery will be open from 10.00 a.m. until 4.30 p.m. each day until Tuesday 23 February, and thereafter will run a season of exhibitions by local artists. For more information, or to enquire about holding an exhibition in the Edmund Gallery, please contact the Cathedral's Arts Coordinator David Humphreys (01284 748737 or adam@stedscathedral.org).

Fairtrade Fortnight

In recognition of its newly acquired Fairtrade status the Cathedral will mark Fairtrade Fortnight with a display in the Cathedral. Over the weekend of 27 and 28 February there will also be a Fairtrade stand in the Cathedral with samples to entice people to try the many fairly traded items now available. On Sunday 28 February from 4.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. a Tea Dance will take place in the Refectory as part of Traidcraft's Big Brew initiative. Tickets will be available shortly from Penny Bentley on 01284 766063.

Child in the Midst

To celebrate last year's 'Year of the Child 2009' and the new initiatives for 2010, there will be a day Conference on Saturday 27 February at Christ Church, Moreton Hall, Bury St Edmunds. Mary Hawes, National Children's Officer will be the Keynote speaker for the day. For more information, and to book a place on the conference before the 12 February, please contact: Liz Kirby, Discovery Centre Administrator on 01284 748731 or email: admin.dc@stedscathedral.org



Family Activity Day

'Reflections for Lent' will be the theme for the Family Activity Day on Wednesday 17 February. Drop in anytime from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. to take part in crafts, activities and stories for all the family. Donations welcome.

The Refectory

Two special offers are available throughout February. In the morning there are free coffee refills between 9.30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. and in the afternoon you can get a cup of tea with a scone or piece of cake for the special price of £2.15. The Refectory is open Monday to Saturday 9.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.

Cathedral Diary

In addition to our regular programme of worship and activities, the following special events take place in February 2010.

Tuesday 2 February 2010 at 7.00 p.m.

Solemn Eucharist for the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas).

Monday 8 February 2010 at 5.30 p.m.

Evensong sung by the Perse School Choir.

Wednesday 17 February 2010 at 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

Family Activity Day: Lent Activities for Schools.

Wednesday 17 February 2010 at 7.00 p.m.

Solemn Eucharist for Ash Wednesday with the Imposition of Ashes.

Thursday 18 February 2010 at 12 noon

Prayer for Peace and Justice.

Saturday 20 February 2010 at 1.10 p.m.

Luncheon Recital: Choir 18.

Saturday 20 February 2010 at 5.30 p.m.

Evensong sung by Choir 18.

Sunday 21 February 2010 at 3.30 p.m.

Evensong and Installation of the Reverend Canon David Jenkins as Archdeacon of Sudbury.