



# ELY CATHEDRAL NEWS

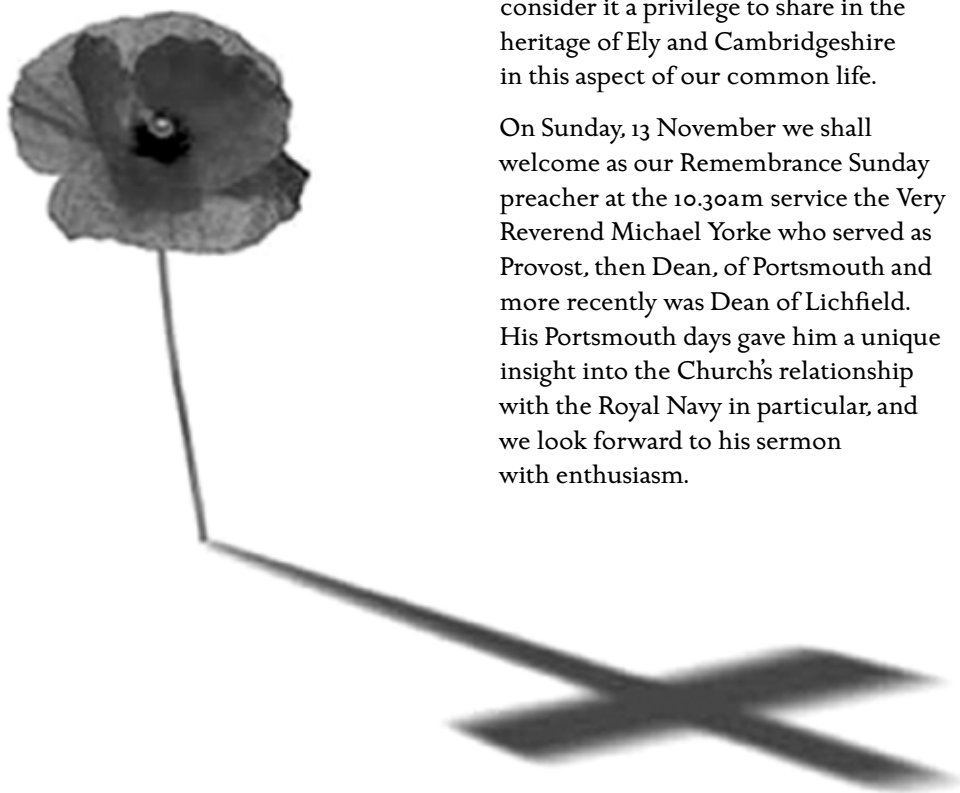
## Remembrance

Churches, and particularly cathedrals are full of memorials, but perhaps the saddest area in Ely Cathedral is St. George's Chapel in which are listed the names of those soldiers who lost their lives in military service during the two World Wars. The wall panels seem to contain unending lists, and then one realises that they open on hinges to reveal yet more names. A little further east is the Bomber Command memorial with its open books with their own poignant lists of a large number of airmen who lost their lives. The memorial to HMS Walpole also reminds us that all the nation's armed services were deeply involved in both wars. When I was appointed Dean, one

of the earliest pieces of information given to me was the tragic story of the incarceration of the men of the Cambridgeshire Regiment at Singapore. All of these memorials, and more, remind us of the cost of warfare.

The newspapers bring us daily reminders of contemporary conflicts, and we remember the men and women of our modern armed services whose lives have been lost. We also remember those whose lives are at risk at this very moment. The realisation of these things is a challenge to the easy optimism with which most of us live our days. Although I have never done military service, I have been conscious throughout my years as a priest of the importance of remembering those who gave their lives in order to preserve our way of life. These days I consider it a privilege to share in the heritage of Ely and Cambridgeshire in this aspect of our common life.

On Sunday, 13 November we shall welcome as our Remembrance Sunday preacher at the 10.30am service the Very Reverend Michael Yorke who served as Provost, then Dean, of Portsmouth and more recently was Dean of Lichfield. His Portsmouth days gave him a unique insight into the Church's relationship with the Royal Navy in particular, and we look forward to his sermon with enthusiasm.



## November 2005 Highlights

**BISHOP LANCELOT ANDREWES**  
*November 1st:* Bishop Andrewes became Bishop of Ely in 1609. To mark the third centenary of his consecration, the Dean will give a talk on Andrewes' life and work in South Transept at 19.30.

**ALL SOULS DAY**  
*November 2nd:* Requiem Eucharist commemorating the Faithful Departed sung by the Cambridge Voices – Vittoria: Missa pro Defunctis at 19.30.

**A BRUSH WITH FAITH EXHIBITION**  
*October 30th – November 27th:* Methodist collection of modern Christian art.

**ROBIN BRIARS ON PIANO**  
*November 3rd:* Lunchtime concert in the South Transept at 13.10.

**HIDDEN SAINTS –  
HIDDEN KINGDOMS**  
*November 5th:* A celebration of the world church: 11.00 – 15.00 in the Cathedral. For information please contact: Canon Fiona Brampton 01353 740309 email [fiona.brampton@ely.anglican.org](mailto:fiona.brampton@ely.anglican.org)

**THE STAINED GLASS  
MUSEUM LECTURES**  
*November 9th:* No. 2: 'Edward Burne-Jones, Charles Fairfax-Murray and the Art of Siena', at 19.00 in the Cathedral Centre. Tickets £5.50 (inc.wine) from The Stained Glass Museum.

**LUNCHTIME CONCERT**  
*November 10th:* Vanessa Scott: Soprano, Charles Borthwick: Tenor, Jonathan Lilley: Piano. Time 13.10.

**REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE**  
*November 11th:* Members of the congregation and others will be welcome to the service held at 10.30.

**ELY CONSORT CONCERT**  
*November 12th:* 20.00 in the Lady Chapel

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE**  
*November 13th:* 10.30: preacher: The Very Revd Michael Yorke, Dean Emeritus of Lichfield.

**ORGAN RECITAL**  
*November 16th:* 19.30 – Jonathan Lilley

**ADVENT CAROL SERVICE**  
*November 27th:* 18.30

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## Thought for November

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One of the traditional titles accorded to the Lord Jesus is 'Prince of Peace.' That may seem anomalous when one thinks of 'wars and rumours of wars', but there are issues of justice, freedom and security that we cannot ignore. Someone once commented to me that it is strange that the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion assert that it can be lawful for a Christian to bear arms and fight in wars (*see Article 37*). This is surely because those issues of security, justice and freedom are intrinsically important. A quiet life is not necessarily to be sought at all costs and, even though we may not pay much attention to the Articles these days, we certainly do have to have, as Christians, an articulate and intelligent comprehension of warfare and other forms of conflict.

In a perfect world, the vision of the Prophet Micah would work, 'they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more...' (*Micah 3:3*). This little quotation brings us to the essence of the idea that our Lord somehow embodied divine ideals of peace.

The truth is, of course, that the purity of the teaching and example of Jesus Christ comes to us through the filter of human sinfulness. Jesus was the one truly perfect person ever to have lived. All other human beings are flawed, and yet the Christian message can only come to each succeeding generation through the men and women who precede them in the history of our society. This month, when we recollect the costliness of recent wars in our national history, it is good to remember that our Lord is indeed the Prince of Peace.

*The Dean*

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## Regular services

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### *Sundays:*

8.15 am: Holy Communion  
10.30 am: Sung Eucharist  
3.45 pm: Evensong

### *Daily Services:*

7.40 am: Morning Prayer  
8.00 am: Holy Communion  
12 noon: Midday Prayers – Quiet Hour  
5.30 pm: Evensong  
(Evening Prayer – Wednesday)

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## Music Notes

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The Cathedral choir is on half term holiday until Saturday 5th November. During periods such as this we are always very grateful to visiting choirs who come to Ely to lead the worship.

When the choir returns it will be time to prepare for a very busy period of services and concerts. The choristers will travel to Southwell Minster on Friday, 18th November to sing in the first of two concerts featuring "The Choirboys". *The Ely concert will be on Friday, December 9th – a date not to be missed!*

For many people the liturgical highlight of the year is Advent Sunday, and the Procession at 6.30pm is always very well attended. As ever there will be seasonal music sung by the choir interspersed with readings and those strong Advent hymns.

The choir will appear in concert on Weds. 7th December in St Mary Abbots Church, Kensington, London. This is a charity event for "Hope and Homes for Children".

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## Choir Librarian

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There is a vacancy for a Choir Librarian as from 1st November, 2005. The job has been traditionally undertaken by a lay clerk but it is also open to anyone else who lives nearby and who could spare the time to help in this way. There is a small honorarium. The amount of time involved is flexible and subject to discussion. The work can be done at almost any time of day and it is mainly required during term-time when the choir is in residence.

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### DECEMBER DEADLINE

*The deadline for the December edition is Monday 21st November. Copy should be emailed to: [j.kerridge@cathedral.ely.anglican.org](mailto:j.kerridge@cathedral.ely.anglican.org)*

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## World Church Day

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South American dancing, gap year opportunities, meditation, discussion, games and crafts, displays, music... all this and a revelation too.

Come to Ely Cathedral on Saturday, 5th November, from 11.00am to 3.00pm, where it is hosting a celebration of the World Church, where there'll be a chance to find out everything you wanted to know about the world church but were afraid to ask.



There'll be displays of Christ's mission and ministry around the world; a chance to find out about gap year opportunities or experience opportunities for those who are older; there's a workshop of South American dancing; the Mothers' Union will have some floor games to help us understand issues facing our sisters and brothers in other countries; there are discussion groups for those who like to listen and talk; crafts for those who like to do things and for the young at heart; and areas of prayer and meditation. But most of all, will be displays from parishes just like yours, who have formed links with the world church – and people on hand to share all that they have learned from their partner churches, and how simple it is to make such links.

Bring some food to share at an enormous shared lunch, as we prepare for that great banquet to be shared by all the saints in the Kingdom of Heaven. If your food reflects another country or culture, that will be wonderful – but good old sausage rolls are just as welcome.

After the meal we will all join in an act of worship, celebrating the whole of Christ's Church.

And the revelation...well, actually we hope it will be two. During the day the Bishop will reveal the details of next year's Lent Appeal. But we also hope that, as you see something of the

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life of the world church, you will want to share in its life, and find some small way to get to know more of these Hidden Saints and Hidden Kingdoms.

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## Remembrance Day

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There will be a service to which members of the congregation and others will be welcome, on Friday 11th November at 10.30am.

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## Choristers' memorial

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At the end of Evensong, on Saturday 12th November, a memorial wreath will be laid at the Choristers memorial in the south nave aisle.

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## Mothers' Union

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The next M.U. Cathedral Branch Meeting is on Tuesday 15th November, 7.30pm at the Cathedral Centre.

Jonathan Rogers will give a talk about plans for the future of the Lantern Dance Theatre Company, a new venture based in Ely in the field of integrated mixed ability dance. A collection will be made for Christmas vouchers for Cambridge Women's Aid.

The Branch Quiet Morning will be held on Friday 2nd December from 9.30 am to 1.00 pm at Ely Methodist Church, led by the Revd. Canon Vanessa Herrick. There will be a charge when we know the final numbers. Contact 665810 for more details.

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## Healing Service

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The annual Diocesan Celebration of Wholeness and Healing takes place on Saturday 19th November. The morning session, at St Mary's Church, Ely, will run from 10.00am (*registration from 9.30am*) until 12.30pm, and will explore the healing ministry in parish life. There will be presentations from three parishes in the Diocese. These will be facilitated by Dr Sara Savage, Senior Research Associate in the Cambridge University Faculty of Divinity. There will be a Eucharist with laying on of hands and anointing in the Cathedral at 2.00 p.m. The Bishop of Huntingdon will preside, and the Revd Andrew McKearney, Diocesan Adviser in Spirituality, will

preach. There will be a charge of £5 for the morning session. Participants are invited to bring a packed lunch.

Further details are available from the Revd Andrew Schofield, telephone 01223 832137 or e-mail [andrew.schofield@ely.anglican.org](mailto:andrew.schofield@ely.anglican.org)

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## Images of the Passion

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The Stained Glass Museum Autumn Lecture Series: 'Images of the Passion', at 7.00 pm on 23rd November, conducted by Dr Nigel Spivey, from the Department of Classics, Emmanuel College.

Tickets £5.50 *inc. wine* available from the Stained Glass Museum, telephone 01353 660347. *Sponsored by Rowley Fine Art Auctioneers and Valuers, Ely*

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## Advent Procession

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PROCESSIONS are a form of religious drama: they re-enact events in the history of the world's creation and salvation. ADVENT is a time of expectation: the word itself means 'coming'. It recalls ancient Israel's hope for the advent of the Messiah and also expresses the Christian hope for the fulfilment of God's Kingdom. It celebrates Christ's coming to lead the world from darkness to light.

This year's service, on Sunday 27th November, at 6.30pm, is based on the Great Advent Antiphons. 'Antiphon' originally meant something sung alternately by two choirs: but it came also to mean a sentence, appropriate to the season of the Church's year, sung before and after the psalms and canticles. The service will begin in darkness, representing the darkness before creation as well as the darkness of sin. The procession will move from the west to the east, symbolising the coming of Christ, the true Light. The words and music will seek to enable us to worship God, who calls us to do his will and make the world what he created it to be – full of his glory.

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## Cathedral Schools Days

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Over two thousand children from all over the county, came to the Cathedral in October, for four Schools Days.

In the morning, they heard the story of the Exodus and learnt some rousing, dramatic songs to accompany the re-enactment of the Crossing of the Red Sea, which was undoubtedly the highlight of the day. The children sat in rows either side of the nave, waving streamers to represent the Red Sea, as the 'Hebrews' passed through to the Promised Land (the Octagon!) and danced in celebration of their freedom to the glorious music of 'Jubilate'.

In the afternoon, the watery theme was continued in the worship with the story of the Stilling of the Storm, which featured many special effects, including impressive 'Mexican waves', courtesy of Bishop John!

The children's prayers were represented by wool brought by them and tied into a prayer net that hung in the Octagon. By the last of the four days the net had become a beautiful, sea-coloured tapestry; a fitting reminder of the message and the fellowship of these special days.

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## Changes to Service Times

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*From Sunday 1st January 2006, Evensong will take place at 4.00pm.*

Chapter has been considering this change for some time. There is an increasing number of occasions during the year when we are asked to provide for additional services, usually for a special event or a particular 'good cause'. Hitherto these have had to start very early in the afternoon in order that they can be satisfactorily concluded before the congregation for Evensong arrives. In order to make life a little easier for everyone, not least the vergers and other members of the Chapter staff, we have decided to move Evensong to the slightly later time. I am sure that everyone will quickly become accustomed to this minor, but very helpful, adjustment to our Sunday programme of services.

*From Thursday 5th January, the Thursday Eucharist will be at 12.10pm.*

It is felt that moving the time of this service forward by 20 minutes will distance the celebration of the Eucharist from the sometimes noisy nearby setting-up of a lunch-time concert. This should mean the Eucharist can take place at a relatively peaceful time in the Cathedral.

*All other service times remain unchanged.*

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## The Choirboys in Concert

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As the Choirboys are enjoying the success of their national publicity campaign the Cathedral are very excited about their forthcoming concert here on Friday 9th

December, 7.30pm, in aid of Ely Cathedral's Music Appeal. The program will feature parts of Mozart's Coronation Mass and Handel's Zadok the Priest plus tracks from the Choirboys highly acclaimed debut album including Panis Angelicus, The Lord is my Shepherd (Theme from The Vicar of Dibley), Danny Boy, Tears in Heaven, He ain't Heavy, Walking in the Air, Let there be peace on earth, Pie Jesu and Rutter's The Heavenly Aeroplane. The boys will be accompanied by the choirs of Ely Cathedral & Southwell Minster and the Britten Sinfonia. The conductors for the concert include the Cathedral's Director of Music Paul Trepte alongside Paul Hale from Southwell Minster and Martin Neary who has been working with the Choirboys on their album.

The Choirboys debut album will be released on November 7th and will be heavily promoted by a national TV advertising campaign. The album, simply called The Choirboys will be available from the Cathedral shop.

We anticipate that with all the national media coverage the boys are attracting and their bid for the Christmas Number One slot with a cover version of Eric Clapton's 'Tears in Heaven', the concert will be a sell out.

Tickets range are priced at £20/£15/£10/£5 and are available from the Cathedral Box Office on 01353 660349 or [box.office@cathedral.ely.anglican.org](mailto:box.office@cathedral.ely.anglican.org) and Cambridge Arts Theatre Box Office on 01223 503333.

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## CALENDAR

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### NOVEMBER

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*Tuesday 1st – All Saints Day*

08.00: Said Eucharist

12.30: Said Eucharist

*Wednesday 2nd*

19.30: All Souls Day Requiem Mass sung by Cambridge Voices 'Missa Pro Defunctis' by Vittoria

*Sunday 13th – Remembrance Sunday*

10.30: Service of Remembrance

*Wednesday 23rd*

19.30: USAF Thanksgiving Eve Service

*Sunday 27th – Advent Sunday*

10.30: Advent Sunday Sung Eucharist

18.30: Advent Carol Service

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### DECEMBER

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*Sunday 4th*

18.30: Amnesty Taizé Service – Lady Chapel

*Friday 9th*

19.30: The Choirboys in Concert

*Saturday 17th*

12.00: Shoppers Carol Service  
13.00: Ely Consort Recital – Lady Chapel  
15.00: Christingle Service  
19.30: Son et Lumière – The Story of Christmas: Tickets £15

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*Monday 19th*

19.30: Soham Village College Christmas Concert

*Wednesday 21st*

15.00: Steam Dreams Christmas Concert

*Thursday 22nd*

19.30: Rotary & Cathedral Choir Christmas Concert with Ely Sinfonia

*Saturday 24th – Christmas Eve*

16.00: Crib Service

18.30: Carol Service

23.30: First Eucharist of Christmas

*Sunday 25th – Christmas Day*

10.30: Christmas Day Sung Eucharist

15.45: Evensong with carols

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### JANUARY 2006

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*Friday 6th*

18.30: Epiphany Eucharist

*Sunday 8th – Baptism of Christ*

10.30: Sung Eucharist

*These details were correct when printed.*

*The calendar is updated on the Cathedral website [www.cathedral.ely.anglican.org](http://www.cathedral.ely.anglican.org)*

*Tickets for concerts and other events may be bought from the Cathedral Box Office on 01353 660349 or directly from the desk at the South Door.*

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### SUNDAYS & FESTIVALS IN NOVEMBER

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- 2 ALL SOULS DAY – 19.30  
Requiem Mass – sung by Cambridge Voices  
Missa pro defunctis – Vittoria
- 6 THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT  
Sung Eucharist – 10.30  
Collegium Regale – Howells  
Teach me O Lord – Moore  
Organ: Final from Symphonie no.3 – Vierne  
Choral Evensong – 15.45. Preces – Moger  
Collegium Regale – Howells  
Antiphon – Vaughan Williams  
Organ: Psalm prelude  
Set 2 No 3 – Howells
- 13 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY  
Sung Eucharist – 10.30  
Contakion  
Song of Athene – Tavener  
Organ: March from Scipio – Handel  
Evensong – 15.45. Preces – Shephard  
Stanford in A  
Requiem aeternam – Duruflé  
Organ: Choral no.2 in B minor – Franck
- 20 SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT  
Sung Eucharist – 10.30 *Visiting Choir*  
Evensong – 15.45 *Visiting Choir*
- 27 ADVENT SUNDAY  
Sung Eucharist – 10.30  
Mass – Widor  
Organ: Symphonie no.6, 1st movt – Widor  
Evensong – 15.45 *Men's Voices*  
Preces – Sarum  
Short service – Batten  
Remember me – Tomkins

*The full list of services and music is published on the Cathedral's website.*