

CATHEDRAL NOTICES

8 October 2017

*Welcome to all who worship here today.
If this is your first time here, please sign our guest book.*

The **Cathedral and Office** will be closed Monday 9 October in observance of the **Columbus Day holiday**.

The Cathedral Chapter is promoting a series of **get-togethers with Dean Harding** over the next several weeks. The hope is that these small, off-site gatherings will provide an opportunity for members of the Cathedral family to meet and speak with the Dean in more intimate, comfortable settings, and spark conversations and the exchange of ideas that provide the Dean with a greater sense of who we are as individuals and members of a faithful worshipping community. If anyone would like either to host or attend one of the meet-and-greets, please contact Keith St. John, at 518-424-2123 or stjohnkeith@gmail.com.

The **2017 Bible Symposium: *Not as orphans: praying and preaching with the Saints of Scripture*** will be held on Saturday 14 October. The Bible Symposium speaker this year is The Rev. Dr. Michael Cover, an Episcopal priest and Assistant Professor of Ancient Christianity and Judaism at Marquette University, and a frequent contributor to The Living Church. The title of Fr. Cover's presentation is *Not as Orphans: Praying and Preaching with the Saints of Scripture*. Doors will open at 8:30 a.m. The presentation will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. The cost for the day is \$20. Coffee and pastries in the morning and lunch are included. Come and listen to a respected scholar help us understand the Scriptures! Registration may be done online at <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3099318>

The Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys sings its first **Choral Evensong** of the term on Sunday 15 October at 3 p.m. The liturgy is preceded by an organ recital at 2:30 played by John Bradford Bohl and is followed by a reception in Pedersen Hall hosted by The Friends of the Choir.

Consider joining one of the Cathedral's **ministry teams**. To learn more, please speak to the head of the ministry team (or teams) that interests you.

Lay readers, contact the Cathedral Office 518-465-1342

Acolytes, contact Lawrence Norville: Larry.Norville@thruway.ny.gov

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Hospitality & Festivities, contact Louis Bannister: 518-22907102 or louis@enchantedFloristAlbany.com

BLT: Bible Lunch Together will resume on Monday 16 October at 12:30 p.m. Dean Harding and Deacon Plaske will hold a weekly lunchtime Bible Study meeting at Au Bon Pain in the Empire State Plaza located on the Main Concourse. Please join us and please share this information with you family, friends, and co-workers.

Take a Turn With the Coffee Urn! A new sign-up sheet for those wishing to host Sunday Coffee Hour is now located in the back of the Nave. If you're interested in contributing, but you're shy about committing to a specific Sunday, please consider baking something and putting it in the Cathedral kitchen's freezer for use on a Sunday when refreshments are needed. Please contact Louis Bannister (Louis@EnchantedFloristAlbany.com or 518.229.7102) for more information.

The Thrift Shop reopened for the season on 7 September. It was good to see many of our regular customers. The variety of "new" (actually old) items for sale appealed to them, and business was brisk. Many thanks to all who donated those items to the Thrift Shop during the summer so that fresh merchandise greeted our customers. "New" old items are always welcome. Also, many thanks to our returning volunteers whose devotion our Lord and the cathedral makes this ministry a blessing, as well as a successful fundraiser.

Did you know that **Morning Prayer** is read in the Lady Chapel each morning at 8:30? Did you know that the **Holy Eucharist** is celebrated at the Cathedral every day at 12:05? Perhaps you work downtown and could consider attending and bringing a co-worker along with you? Perhaps you could mention this opportunity to someone you know someone who lives or works downtown?

Anglican Prayer Bead Group: Since the earliest of times, people have used pebbles or a string of knots or beads on a cord to keep track of prayers offered to God. Those interested in praying with Anglican Prayer Beads are invited to gather in St. Alban's Chapel at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Bring your own beads if you have them, or use those available. For more information, please speak with Louis Bannister 518-229-7102 Louis@EnchantedFloristAlbany.com.

