

MARCH 2013



The [Archbishop of Canterbury](#), Justin Welby, will be in Truro Cathedral for a day of prayer on Monday 18 March 2013. This is part of his national '[Journey of Prayer](#)', prior to his Enthronement on 21 March.

The purpose of Archbishop Justin's journey is to pray and to encourage others to pray with him; so he is keen that a welcome is extended to everyone across Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.

During the day, from 10.30am - 3.30pm, he will be joined by schoolchildren and members of the many groups who are currently working together to meet the challenges that we are all facing at this time of austerity.

There will be a range of resources available in the Cathedral so that people can engage with different forms of prayer. These will include:

- guided prayer;
- prayer trees;
- a prayer labyrinth;
- prayer maps; and
- a children's prayer space.

Archbishop Justin will be spending part of the day praying on his own and, at times, with other people.

Bishop Tim says: "This is a great privilege for us, so do come to the Cathedral and join with the Archbishop in prayer on Monday 18 March.

As we journey through Lent, considering our own discipleship, what better time to pray for him as he takes this momentous step on his journey; and we can also pray for ourselves and for the wider church.

"Prayer is a radical action with enormous and unforeseen consequences. Prayer enables us to recognise that we are not in control but that God is. And so prayer allows us to be transformed into the people God wants us to be."

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OUR PRAYERS GO OUT TO ALL THOSE INVOLVED IN THE HOLY WEEK MISSION IN HELSTON LED BY BISHOP TIM AND REVEREND STEVE WILD.

So what are you giving up for Lent?

This is the popular face of Lent, which this year started on Wednesday 13 February. 'Chocolate' is the most likely answer, or 'swearing', or 'smoking', but this six-week period leading up to Easter is about so much more. It's a time for reflection, reassessing priorities, reconnecting with God.

So, here are some resources to help you make Lent something special this year, whatever your beliefs...

I'M NOT BUSY is a message both to yourself and to others. It doesn't say that you have no pressures, demands or deadlines. It means that you are not going to let them rule your life or eat into your soul. [Find out how](#)

30 WAYS TO LOVE LIFE AND LIVE LENT – Day 1: Turn off phone, computer, tablet, TV for deliberate time slots. **Day 2:** Walk the streets of your area – What and who do you notice? **Day 3:** Take a certificate of excellence to a local public service/business you are grateful for... [more](#)

40 ACTS: DO LENT GENEROUSLY 40 days of lent; 40 reflections; 40 simple acts of generosity... [more](#)

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS Take time this Lent to count the blessings in your life and reflect on God's abundant provision. [Download the calendar](#) or [get the App](#) for your smartphone.

ABOUT JUSTIN WELSBY

Born in 1956 in London, the Right Reverend Justin Welby was educated at Eton College and Trinity College, Cambridge, where he studied history and law.

For 11 years - five in Paris and six in London – he worked in the oil industry, becoming group treasurer of a large British exploration and production company. He focused mainly on West African and North Sea projects. During this period he became a lay leader at Holy Trinity, Brompton in London, having been a council member at St Michael's Church in Paris.

His father's family were German Jewish immigrants who moved to England to escape anti-Semitism in the late 19th century and integrated quickly. His British ancestors, on his mother's side, include several clergymen. A major influence both on Justin and his wife Caroline was their experience of personal tragedy. In 1983 their seven-month old daughter died in a car crash in France. Six years later in 1989, after sensing a call from God, Bishop Justin stood down from industry to train for ordination.

He took a theology degree at St John's College, Durham, in which he focused on ethics – particularly in business. He has since published articles on ethics, international finance and reconciliation. His booklet, 'Can Companies Sin?', drawing on his experience in the oil industry, evolved from his dissertation at theological college. He has frequently said that the Roman Catholic approach to Christian social teaching, beginning with the encyclical of Leo XIII's *Rerum Novarum*, up to Pope Benedict XVI's *Caritas Veritate*, has greatly influenced his social thinking.

For 20 years, his ministry has blended deep devotion to his parish communities with Church work around the world, especially in areas of conflict.

After being ordained Deacon in 1992, he spent 15 years serving Coventry Diocese. His Curacy was at All Saints Chilvers Coton with St Mary the Virgin Astley, in Nuneaton.

In 1995 he became Rector of St James, Southam, a small market town in the same Diocese – and also the next year of St Michael and All Angels, Ufton, the neighbouring parish. He helped revive both churches, growing their congregations and launching bereavement and baptism teams, among other things. Between 2000 and 2002 he also chaired an NHS hospital trust in South Warwickshire.

In 2002, he was made a Canon of Coventry Cathedral, where he ran the reconciliation work based there. With Canons Andrew White and Stephen Davis, he worked extensively in the field in Africa and the Middle East.

He has a particular interest in Kenya, the DRC and Nigeria, where he was and remains involved in work with groups involved in conflict in the north. In the Niger Delta, he has worked on reconciliation with armed groups.

He met with religious and political leaders in Israel and Palestine, and on one trip to Baghdad reopened the Anglican Church with Canon Andrew White, shortly after the allied invasion. In 2006 he also took responsibility for Holy Trinity Coventry, the main city centre church, as Priest-in-charge.

He left Coventry five years later, being installed Dean of Liverpool on 8 December 2007, replacing the Right Reverend Rupert Hoare. Liverpool Cathedral is the largest cathedral in England.

Its local area, Toxteth, is among the most deprived in north-west Europe. During his deanship, he brought the Cathedral into much greater contact with its local community, working with asylum seekers and in partnership with neighbouring churches.

The Cathedral also hosted events from a TUC rally to royal services. Over his four years, during which he also continued to work on reconciliation and mediation projects overseas, the Cathedral's congregation increased significantly.

In 2011, he returned to the place where his journey towards becoming Archbishop began: on 2 June 2011, he was announced as the new Bishop of Durham, taking over from the Right Reverend Tom Wright.

He was enthroned at Durham Cathedral on 26 November, and drew parallels between Liverpool and Durham – noting both the struggles and the enduring spirit of the two places.

On 9 November 2012, the Right Reverend Justin Welby was announced as the 105th Archbishop of the See of Canterbury.

He will succeed Dr Rowan Williams, who is retiring at the end of December after 10 years as Archbishop. He will be enthroned at Canterbury Cathedral on 21 March 2013.

An expert on the politics and history of Kenya and Nigeria, he has lectured on reconciliation at the US State Department. In the summer of 2012, he was asked to join the Parliamentary Commission on Banking Standards.

His interests include French culture, sailing and politics. He is married to Caroline, who studied Classics at Cambridge, where they met. They have two sons and three daughters.



Cantabile , WILLING TO SING FOR YOU



Cantabile is a multi-denominational SATB choir based in the Redruth area. Over the years, the choir has gained its well-earned reputation not only for the quality of music at performances in chapels and churches throughout the area but for the money it has generated at performances for several local charities.

In addition, the choir has been able to raise money for badly needed church and chapel funds. If you are a church or a chapel without a choir but with a need to attract people and raise money for a worthwhile cause, then Cantabile may be able to help you.

The choir are currently practising for Easter performances and can tailor their performance to suit specific church or chapel requirements. Contacts: Grace Croft (01872 560972) or Lesley Chandler (01209 215612) for further information.

ENOUGH FOOD FOR EVERYONE. IF...

If there is enough food for everyone in the world, why does Sulemana have to work in the fields all day instead of going to school? Every day Sulemana Alhassan makes the journey to his family's field, several kilometres from his village of Kpalun in Ghana. Under the blazing sun he weeds, chases the birds that pick at seeds and carries heavy loads of maize during harvest.

He's just 13 years old and would much rather be at school with his friends and younger brother, learning and taking advantage of the lunches the government funds. But without advice and support on how to grow more with less physical effort, Sulemana's father will continue to need his help if he is to grow enough to feed his family. The world produces enough food for everyone, but not everyone has enough food.

We can make 2013 the beginning of the end for the global hunger crisis. The Church of England has joined with Christian Aid, Cafod, Tearfund, Oxfam and many others to campaign for Enough Food for Everyone.

IF.....4 BIG 'IFS'.

AID

IF we give enough aid to stop children dying from hunger, and help the poorest people feed themselves.

TAX

IF we stop big companies dodging taxes in poor countries, so that millions of people can free themselves from hunger.

LAND

IF we stop poor farmers being forced off their land, and use crops to feed people, not fuel cars.

TRANSPARENCY

IF we force governments and big corporations to be honest and open about their actions that stop people getting enough food.

We can press our leaders to make these big IFs happen, and if they do there really will be enough food for everyone. Your church can be part of this movement for change to really make 2013 count in the fight against hunger.

We are asked to lobby our MP's between 15th Feb and 15th March, but we are particularly asked to lobby Dan Rogerson, MP for North Cornwall because of his role within the party. If you are a North Cornwall constituent and feel able to take part in this please contact Chris Jadav, 07896 361520, CJadav@christian-aid.org Join the campaign www.christianaid.org.uk/if



