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Dear Friends of Canterbury Cathedral,

***"For things should not be loved for the sake of places,
but places for the sake of good things."***

These words of counsel were given by Pope Gregory the Great to Augustine, the first Archbishop of Canterbury. They are good words for each of us now to ponder as we prepare for the departure of Archbishop Williams this winter and the enthronement of his successor next year. Canterbury is indeed a place of good things—of welcome, beauty and holiness, and of things that transpire to capture and uplift the spirit.

I was a Canterbury Scholar there at the International Study Centre, forging long lasting relationships with fellow pilgrims from all over the world. This we did through lively informal discussions, worshipping together daily, engaging in regular Bible study and provocative theological conversations, or simply walking the beautiful Cathedral Close in silent prayer. Being participants in the Scholars' Programme gave us a deeper appreciation for the worldwide Anglican Communion and the spiritual riches of our Mother Church at Canterbury.

Our help, yours and mine, is needed to keep these alive for ourselves and for future generations. You may know the Cathedral receives no government or state funding, nor is it funded by the Church of England. So I ask you to join me in supporting Canterbury Cathedral and its Scholars' Programme by making a generous gift to The Friends of Canterbury Cathedral in the United States "for the sake of good things."

Faithfully,



The Rev. Kate Bryant
Canterbury Scholar '05 and FOCCUS Board Member

On the reverse page, note the two stirring pilgrimages being offered in 2013

Two Offerings from Pilgrimage Pathways

Travels across Cornwall
28 April -- 12 May 2013
\$6400*

Tracing the advent of Christianity in The West Country of England, this fifteen-day pilgrimage invites you to explore the sense of spiritual continuity with the sea and the land through the last two millennia. Steeped in history since before time, Cornwall is a sacred place to seek and find God anew, and a place of connections with those who have lived, worshipped, and laughed for generations upon generations. From medieval churches like St. Endellion and St. Enodoc to the almost contemporary cathedral at Truro, we will meet the Anglican communities with whom we share much. Come experience the tales of King Arthur at Tintagel, Bodmin Moor, dissolutioned-abbeys turned country-homes of Cornish gentry, wild landscapes described by Daphne du Maurier, buccaneers and pirates, extraordinary meals within Padstow and Fowey, and modern art around St. Ives. Come and allow yourself to be caught up in the magical and mystical environs of this holy Land! (By nature of finding ourselves and God in harmony, this pilgrimage will be limited to 14 people.)

Experience Southern England & Normandy
19-29 July 2013
\$4700*

The Friends of Canterbury Cathedral in the United States announce this ten-day journey focusing on historical and religious aspects of Canterbury and her role at the center of the Anglican Communion. We traverse the Anglo-Norman Pilgrimage Pathways to immerse ourselves in the legacy and reality of the art, architecture, literature, and religious artifacts proclaiming the Resurrection across the centuries in England and France. From visiting world-renowned collections of stone and glass, to tasting exquisite cuisine, to walking the Pilgrims' Way into Canterbury, to acknowledging the polarities of War and Peace in 1066 and 1944 with the Beaches of Normandy – we will build our community of prayer and relaxation and amusement. This is the journey of a lifetime, not a normal tour!

Visit will include: Cathedrals at Rouen, Portsmouth, & Canterbury; the Beaches of Normandy; Caen Memorial of Peace; Arromanches 360; American Military Cemetery; Bayeux Tapestry; Tudeley Church; Hastings battlefield; Abbey du Bec-Hellouin; Westminster Abbey; Monet's Gardens at Giverny; Leeds Castle and Rye explorations.

*For further details, please contact Matthew Corkern,
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*Please note the costs above are all inclusive of everything except air-travel and insurance. These trips are based on double-occupancy, but single may be accommodated upon sign-up.