



# WORCESTER CATHEDRAL

## Services and Music May 2024

May is the month when Easter gives way to Ordinary Time, just as spring hopefully gives way to summer. The season of Easter, in which we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ, lasts for fifty days all the way until Pentecost. But from the fortieth day onwards there is a definite change of gear. Ascension Day marks the moment of Jesus' return to heaven, to the right hand of the Father. There is then a period of watching and waiting ahead of the feast of Pentecost and the sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church.

Although this marks the end of the Easter festivities, of course every Sunday is a little Easter, a celebration of the resurrection. As soon as Easter and Pentecost are behind us, we find ourselves first at the great feast of Trinity and then the only slightly lesser feast of Corpus Christi, both celebrated in the western Church since the high Middle Ages. Trinity Sunday in particular sums up everything that has gone before in Christmas, Easter and Pentecost – it sends us on our way, as it were, with a spring in our step as we move forward joyfully into the long and glorious summer!

John Paul Hoskins

Interim Dean:  
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Director of Music:

Stephen Edwards  
John Paul Hoskins  
Samuel Hudson

All choral services are sung by the cathedral choir unless otherwise stated.

# April 2024

In Residence: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins

## Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April

## The Fifth Sunday of Easter

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 44.16-end

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (*with livestream*)

Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist**

Messe Brève in C *Charles Gounod*

Psalm 22.25-end

Os justi *Anton Bruckner*

Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

4.00 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the RSCM Millennium Youth Choir*) Responses: *Lloyd*

Evening Service in D *Charles Wood*

Psalm 96

Be thou my vision *Bob Chilcott*

Hymns 206, 333

*Cathedral Choir singing evensong at St John the Baptist, Hagley.*

6.30 pm **Evening Worship** (*sung by the Voluntary Choir*)

Jesus is Lord *Martin How*

Rejoice, the Lord is King *Malcolm Archer*

Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

## Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Catherine of Siena, Teacher of the Faith, 1380

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 71

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)

5.30 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Sanders*

Evening Service in F *George Dyson*

Psalms 72, 75

We wait for thy loving kindness *William McKie*

## Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 73

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer**

Psalm 74

# May 2024

## Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May

## Philip and James, Apostles

Day of music endowed by Les and Carol West.

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 139, 146  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)  
1.00 pm **Holy Communion**  
5.30 pm **Evensong** (Upper voices) Responses: Plainsong  
Evening Service in F *Kenneth Long* Psalm 149  
Give us the wings of faith *Mark Blatchly* Hymn 464  
7.00 pm **St Richard's Hospice 40th Anniversary Service**

VERSE: DECANI

## Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>

## Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, Teacher of the Faith, 373

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 78.1-39  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: Rose  
Evening Service in D flat *Sydney Nicholson* Psalm 78.41-end  
*Laudate nomen Domini Christopher Tye*  
7.30 pm **Concert** London Concertante  
*Music from the Movies by Candlelight*

## Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 55  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)  
11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: Sanders  
*Fauxbourdon Service David Cooper* Psalm 69  
*Dum transisset sabbatum John Taverner*

## Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>

## English Saints and Martyrs of the Reformation Era

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 76, 79  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: Rose  
Evening Service in D *Herbert Brewer* Psalms 81, 84  
*As truly as God is our Father William Mathias* Hymns 108, 446

# May 2024

In Residence: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>

## The Sixth Sunday of Easter

*Day of music endowed in memory of Roger Brooks.*

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 104.26-32

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) *(with livestream)*

Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist**

Messe solennelle *Jean Langlais*

Psalm 98

Ubi caritas *David Briggs*

Preacher: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins

3.00 pm **Worship in the Garden**

*entering the garden through the 'deliveries' doorway outside the Edgar Tower gate.*

4.00 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Sanders*

The Three Choirs Service *Bob Chilcott*

Psalm 45

Set me as a seal upon thine heart *William Walton*

Hymns 115, 424

6.30 pm **Evening Worship** *(sung by the Voluntary Choir)*

A grateful heart *Mary Plumstead*

O be joyful in the Lord *Benjamin Britten*

Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

## Monday 6<sup>th</sup>

## Rogation Day

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 80, 82

8.00 am **Holy Communion** *(with livestream)*

5.30 pm **Evensong** *(sung by the University of Birmingham Liturgical Choir)*

Evening Service in C *Charles Villiers Stanford*

Responses: *Clucas*

Sing ye to the Lord *Edward Bairstow*

Psalms 85, 86

## Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>

## Rogation Day

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 87, 89.1-18

8.00 am **Holy Communion** *(with livestream)*

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer**

Psalm 89.20-end

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## Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> Julian of Norwich, Spiritual Writer, c. 1417 Rogation Day

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 119.105-128  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)  
12.00 pm **Eucharist for the Society of Catholic Priests**  
1.00 pm **Holy Communion**  
5.30 pm **Evensong** (*Upper voices*) Responses: Plainsong  
Evening Service in E flat *Edward Bairstow* Psalms 15, 24  
I will sing of thy great mercies, O Lord *Felix Mendelssohn* Hymn 128ii

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## Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Ascension Day

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 110, 150  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)  
12.15 pm **Lunchtime Recital** The Choral Scholars of Worcester Cathedral  
5.00 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalm 8  
5.30 pm **Sung Eucharist** (*with incense*)  
Communion Service in E *Harold Darke* Psalm 93  
*Coelos ascendit hodie Charles Villiers Stanford*  
Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

## Friday 10<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 88, 95  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)  
11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Radcliffe*  
*Fauxbourdon Service Jeremy Woodside* Psalm 102  
O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit *Thomas Tallis*  
7.30 pm **Concert** ABBA Reunion  
The Music of ABBA by Candlelight

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## Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 96, 97, 100
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Radcliffe*  
Evening Service in G *Charles Villiers Stanford* Psalm 104  
All wisdom cometh from the Lord *Philip Moore* Hymns 419, 139
- 6.30pm **Devotional Recital** Samuel Hudson (organ)  
*L'Ascension Olivier Messiaen*

In Residence: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins

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## Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>

## The Sunday after Ascension Day

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 76
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (*with livestream*)  
Preacher: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins
- 10.30 am **Sung Eucharist**  
*Missa Brevis Zoltan Kodaly* Psalm 1  
*Ave Maria Anton Bruckner* Preacher: The Revd Dr Mark Dorsett
- 4.00 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Rose*  
Evening Service in B flat *Edgar Day* Psalm 147.1-11  
*Verleih uns Frieden Felix Mendelssohn* Hymns 6, 332 (omit vv 2, 3)
- 6.30 pm **Evening Worship** (*sung by the Voluntary Choir*)  
*Ascension Carol Harrison Oxley*  
*Hail the day that sees him rise Mack Wilberg*  
Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan
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## Monday 13<sup>th</sup>

*Day of music endowed by Joan Harris.*

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 98, 99, 101
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 11.00 am **Eucharist for Retired Clergy**
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Radcliffe*  
*The Short Service Richard Ayleward* Psalm 105  
*Behold, the tabernacle of God William Harris*

# May 2024

## Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>

## Matthias the Apostle

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 16, 147.1-12

8.00 am **Holy Communion** *(with livestream)*

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer**

Psalm 80

## Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 110, 111, 112

8.00 am **Holy Communion** *(with livestream)*

1.00 pm **Holy Communion**

5.30 pm **Evensong** *(Upper voices)*

Responses: *Nardone*

The Durham Service *Christopher Totney*

Psalm 119.129-152

The Call *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

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## Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 113, 115

8.00 am **Holy Communion** *(with livestream)*

12.15 pm **Lunchtime Recital**

David Brookshaw (organ)

5.30 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Maxim*

Fauxbourdon Service *John Holmes*

Psalms 114, 116, 117

Laudate nomen Domini *Christopher Tye*

## Friday 17<sup>th</sup>

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalm 139

8.00 am **Holy Communion** *(with livestream)*

11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)

5.30 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Radcliffe*

The Short Service *Richard Farrant*

Psalms 130, 131, 137

O praise the Lord *Adrian Batten*

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## Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 120, 121, 122  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** (sung by the Choirs of Worcester, Gloucester and Hereford  
Cathedrals) Responses: MacDowall  
The Jesus Service *William Mathias* Psalm 48  
I will sing unto the Lord *Richard Blackford* Hymns 348, 141

In Residence: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

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## Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>

## Pentecost

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 145  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (with livestream)  
Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards  
10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (with incense)  
Messe *Charles-Marie Widor* Psalm 104.24-end  
Litany to the Holy Spirit *Peter Hurford*  
Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan  
4.00 pm **Evensong** (sung by the Voluntary Choir) Responses: Freestone  
Evening Service in C minor *George Dyson* Psalm 139.1-11  
Spirit of God, unseen as the wind *Anthony Baldwin*  
Hymns 136 (t.214ii), 431  
6.30 pm **Sung Eucharist with Confirmations** (sung by the Youth Choir)  
Mass of the Quiet Hour *George Oldroyd*  
Draw us in the Spirit's tether *Harold Friedell*  
Preacher: The Bishop of Dudley
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## Monday 20<sup>th</sup>

## Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, Restorer of Monastic Life, 988

Day of music endowed in gratitude for the Musicians of the Three Choirs Festival.

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 1, 15  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: Maxim  
Evening Service in E minor *Richard Drakeford* Psalm 16  
Exsultate justi *Lodovico da Viadana* Hymn 221ii



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## Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>

*Day of music endowed by Richard Spalding.*

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 132, 133

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalms 134, 135

## Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 119.153-end

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)

1.00 pm **Holy Communion**

5.30 pm **Evensong** (*Upper voices*) Responses: *Nardone*

The First Service *Philip Moore* Psalm 136

The Lord is my shepherd *Kenneth Leighton*

VERSE: CANTORIS

## Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 143, 146

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)

12.15 pm **Lunchtime Recital** Harrison Cole (organ)

5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Maxim*

Evening Service in A *William Harris* Psalms 138, 140, 141

Te lucis ante terminum *Thomas Tallis*

## Friday 24<sup>th</sup>

### John and Charles Wesley, Evangelists, Hymn Writers, 1791 and 1788

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 142, 144

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)

11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)

5.30 pm **Evensong** (*Lower voices*) Responses: *Tallis*

Magnificat primi toni *Francesco Soriano*

Nunc dimittis tertii toni *Tomas Luis da Victoria* Psalm 145

In manus tuas *John Sheppard*

# May 2024

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>**

**The Venerable Bede,  
Monk, Scholar, Historian, 735**

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalm 147
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> ( <i>with livestream</i> )	
1.00 pm	<b>The Wedding of Annabelle Newland and Max Fellows</b>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b> ( <i>sung by Quorum</i> )	Responses: <i>Parry</i>
	The Second Service <i>Thomas Tomkins</i>	Psalms 97, 98
	I heard a voice <i>Thomas Tomkins</i>	Hymns 147, 246ii

In Residence: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

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**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Trinity Sunday**

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalm 33.1-12
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP) ( <i>with livestream</i> )	
	Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards	
10.30 am	<b>Sung Eucharist</b> ( <i>sung by Quorum</i> ) ( <i>with incense</i> )	
	Missa Simile est Regnum Caelorum <i>Tomas Luis de Victoria</i>	Psalm 29
	Dum complerentur <i>Tomas Luis de Victoria</i>	
	Preacher: The Revd Dr Robin Parry	
4.00 pm	<b>Evensong</b> ( <i>sung by Quorum</i> )	Responses: <i>Parry</i>
	Magnificat: <i>Sexti toni Adrian Willaert</i>	
	Nunc dimittis: <i>Jacob Regnart</i>	Psalm 104.1-9
	Exaudi Deus <i>Orlande de Lassus</i>	Hymns 144 (t.210), 360

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**Monday 27<sup>th</sup>**

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 1, 2, 3
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> ( <i>with livestream</i> )	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 4, 7

# May 2024

## Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 5, 6
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 9, 10

## Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 119.1-32
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>(with livestream)</i>	
1.00 pm	<b>Holy Communion</b>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 11, 12, 13
7.30 pm	<b>Concert</b>	ESO Youth Orchestras
	E4E: The Elgar for Everyone Family Concert	

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## Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>

## Corpus Christi

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 147
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.00 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 23, 42, 43
5.30 pm	<b>Eucharist with Hymns</b> <i>(with incense)</i>	Psalms 116.11-end
	Preacher: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins	

## Friday 31<sup>st</sup>

## The Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 85, 150
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>(with livestream)</i>	
11.30 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 122, 127, 128

# June 2024

## Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Justin, Martyr, c. 165

Day of music endowed by Ivor and Hazel Pond.

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 20, 21, 23
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 5.30 pm **Elgar Festival Evensong** (sung by the Chamber Choir) Responses: King  
Evening Service in G Charles Villiers Stanford Psalms 24, 25  
Great is the Lord Edward Elgar Hymns 389, 286
- 7.30 pm **Elgar Festival Gala Concert** English Symphony Orchestra  
Violin Concerto Edward Elgar  
Wreck Steve Elcock  
Cockaigne (In London Town) Edward Elgar  
Pomp and Circumstance Marches Edward Elgar

In Residence: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins

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## Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>

## The First Sunday after Trinity

Day of music endowed by Jacqueline Jeavons-Fellows.

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 28, 32
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (with livestream)  
Preacher: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins
- 10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (sung by the Chamber Choir) Psalm 81.1-11  
Communion Service in B flat Charles Villiers Stanford  
O salutaris hostia Edward Elgar  
Preacher: Professor John Vickerman
- 3.00 pm **Worship in the Garden**  
entering the garden through the 'deliveries' doorway outside the  
Edgar Tower gate.
- 4.00 pm **Elgar Festival Evensong with Wreath-Laying  
by the Elgar Society** (sung by the Chamber Choir)  
Evening Service in B flat Charles Villiers Stanford Responses: Tomkins  
The Spirit of the Lord Edward Elgar Psalm 35  
Hymns 248ii, 439i
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