

# Benefactors of Worcester Cathedral



## AN INSPIRATIONAL PLACE SINCE THE 7<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY

Worcester Cathedral is one of England's most beautiful cathedrals. For centuries, worshippers and visitors have made the journey to Worcester Cathedral to gain inspiration and knowledge and to experience this very special place.

The Cathedral's treasures include King John's Tomb, Prince Arthur's Chantry, the early 12th Century Chapter House, St Wulfstan's Crypt, medieval cloisters and magnificent Victorian stained glass.

The Library hosts an important collection of medieval manuscripts, including the Will of King John. Admission to the Cathedral is free and it is open every day of the year.

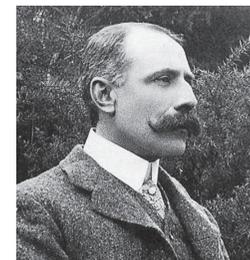
There has been a choir at the Cathedral for over 1,000 years and since the 18th century, the Cathedral has been famous for its part in the annual Three Choirs Festival, the oldest choral festival in existence.



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*"Having spent my life, with absences, in the shadow of the Cathedral, having been born close to it and having come back as a truant to die under its shadow, nothing would give me greater happiness than to know that its future improvement was assured."*



*“Cathedrals are not only the jewel in the crown of our built heritage, they are at the heart of our nation’s common life – through commemoration, remembering, celebration and grief. People can find space and solace in them, both in large acts of worship and solitary contemplation.*

*Admission into the Cathedral is free and it is open every day of the year. It costs £7,500 per day to maintain and we receive no direct government funding. Please help us to ensure that the Cathedral will remain freely available to all so that it may continue to inspire and enrich our society.”*

The Rt Revd Dr John Inge,  
Bishop of Worcester

## Honouring our Supporters

Throughout its history, Worcester Cathedral has been sustained by the incredible generosity of people, organisations and charitable trusts which have supported its architectural development; its music and worship; and its education and work in the community.

A regular gift is one of the most valuable ways that you can support the Cathedral. You can become a Benefactor of Worcester Cathedral by making an annual gift of £250 for individuals, or £400 as a joint annual gift.

To express our gratitude for your support, we will invite you to attend an annual Thanksgiving service in June to commemorate the great founders and benefactors of the past, and a service at Christmas as well as other special occasions.

As the value of your gifts accumulate or if you would like to make a more substantial gift, we have created:

### St Oswald Benefactors for lifetime gifts totalling £10,000+

A Gift Aided pledge totalling £8,000 is worth £10,000 to the Cathedral. Individuals paying 40% tax can claim £2,000 in their tax return.

### St Wulfstan Benefactors for lifetime gifts totalling £50,000+

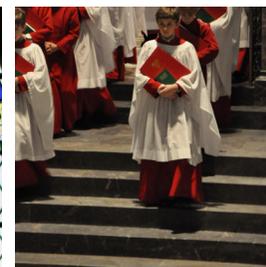
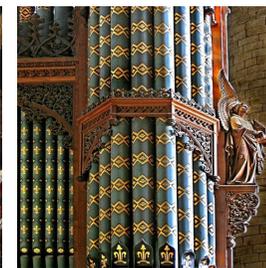
A Gift Aided pledge totalling £40,000 is worth £50,000 to the Cathedral. Individuals paying 40% tax can claim £10,000 tax in their tax return.

The names of St Oswald and St Wulfstan Benefactors will be recorded in a Commemorative Book. There will be a Service of Thanksgiving every June for all our Benefactors.

Donations by individuals to Worcester Cathedral are tax free. There are many ways that you can make a gift: through Gift Aid; straight from your wages or pension; donating land, property and shares; and in your Will.

- ◆ UK taxpayers giving through Gift Aid means the Cathedral can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you give.
- ◆ If your employer, company or personal pension provider runs a Payroll Giving scheme, you can donate straight from your wages or pension.
- ◆ You do not have to pay tax on any land, property or shares that you donate and you get relief on Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax.
- ◆ A gift in your Will to Worcester Cathedral is free from inheritance tax and may reduce your inheritance tax rate if more than 10% of your estate is left to charity.

If you would like to discuss any aspects of making a gift to Worcester Cathedral, please telephone us on **01905 732912** or email: [development@worcestercathedral.org.uk](mailto:development@worcestercathedral.org.uk)



## Benefactors Donation Form

Please complete and return this form free of charge to:  
**FREEPOST RTGU-SSHG-JALA, The Chapter Office, 8 College Yard, Worcester, WR1 2LA**

Title:  Name:

Address:

Email:  Tel No:

You can become a Benefactor of Worcester Cathedral by making an annual gift of £250 for individuals, or £400 as a joint annual gift.

I wish to make a regular donation of: £  per month / per quarter / per year *(delete as applicable)*

The payments will commence from this date:

### Standing Orders and Bank Transfers

Please pay:  
**Worcester Cathedral, Barclays Bank Limited, High Street Branch, Worcester**  
**Account No: 50182885**  
**Sort Code: 20-98-61**

Please contact us if you require a standing order mandate.

I wish to support:

Unrestricted  The Fabric  Music  Education and Outreach  The Library

Please tick this box if you wish your gift to remain anonymous.

### Gift Aid Declaration

If you are a UK taxpayer, we can reclaim 25p tax relief on every £1 you donate, at no cost to you. Please sign and date below if you are happy for us to do this on your behalf.

Yes, I would like Worcester Cathedral to treat this and all subsequent donations as Gift Aid donations.

I confirm that I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less income tax and/or capital gains tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

Signed:  Date:

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