



# WORCESTER CATHEDRAL

## Services and Music March 2023

This month, we enter Lent: 40 days of prayer and discipline, that echoes the 40 days Jesus spent in the wilderness at the start of his ministry. 'The wilderness' is a weighty image in Christian tradition. It can carry with it echoes of everything from the chaos which God orders at the start of creation, to the years of Israel's wandering through the desert, to the places of desolation that were known in exile. It is a place of unpredictability and danger, vast open spaces, traversed with time to feel our fear.

Sometimes, the wilderness we need is a wilderness of silence and solitude, where we can detach from the voices that clamour for our attention to better hear the voice of God. But that is not our only option. In Mark's gospel, Jesus' time in the wilderness is not spent in solitude at all, but surrounded by wild beasts and ministering angels. The world Jesus enters for those forty days is one in which human beings are only peripheral, but the rich diversity of the created order is fully present. And it is there, surrounded by beasts and angels, that Jesus grounds himself in his call as the beloved Son: the one born to manifest God's love, the one who will walk to the cross rather than abuse his power.

It may be that God calls you into solitude this Lent, and that silence is what you need to better hear the voice of God. But consider — God may also send you foxes, feathered things, and a sudden rustle of leaves. The wild beasts and angels are sometimes given us to help us know our place: as created being, as occasionally peripheral, as beloved.

Kimberly Bohan

Dean:  
Canon Precentor:  
Director of Music:

Peter Atkinson  
John Paul Hoskins  
Samuel Hudson

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

# February 2023

In Residence: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

## Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February

## The First Sunday of Lent

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 119.1-16
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (with livestream)
- 10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (*sung by the Oakville Singers*)  
The Litany *Thomas Tallis* Psalm 32  
Communion Service in F *Harold Darke*  
Ave verum corpus *William Byrd*  
Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards
- 4.00 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalm 50.1-15
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## Monday 27<sup>th</sup>

## George Herbert, priest, poet, 1633

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 80, 82
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 12.30 pm **Memorial Service for the late Samuel Carey**
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Radcliffe*  
Evening Service in A *Herbert Sumsion* Psalms 123, 131  
Love bade me welcome *Ralph Vaughan Williams* Hymn 60

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

## Oswald, bishop of Worcester, 992

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 34.1-8
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 5.00 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalm 119.57-64
- 5.30 pm **Sung Eucharist** (*sung by the Chamber Choir of the King's School, Worcester*) Psalm 112.1-9  
Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo *Josef Haydn*  
O sacrum convivium *Luigi Molfino* Preacher: The Dean

# March 2023

## Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March David, bishop, patron of Wales, c. 601

### Ember Day

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 119.105-128
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
9.00 am	<b>King's School Ash Wednesday Service</b>	
1.00 pm	<b>Holy Communion</b>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b> ( <i>Upper voices</i> )	Responses: Plainsong
	Evening Service in F <i>Sydney Watson</i>	Psalms 91, 93
	I give you a new commandment <i>Peter Aston</i>	Hymn 60

VERSE: CANTORIS

## Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Chad, bishop of Lichfield, missionary, 672

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 90, 92
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: Rose
	The Fauxbourdon Service <i>Healey Willan</i>	Psalms 94
	Ave verum corpus <i>Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart</i>	Hymn 60

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

### Ember Day

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 88, 95
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
11.30 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: Radcliffe
	Dein Will gescheh <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	Psalms 102
	The Fauxbourdon Service <i>Jeremy Woodside</i>	
	Nolo mortem peccatoris <i>Thomas Morley</i>	Hymn 60

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

### Ember Day

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 96, 97, 100
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
2.00 pm	<b>Be a Chorister for an Afternoon</b>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong attended by members of Rotary</b>	Responses: Rose
	Evening Service in D <i>Charles Wood</i>	Psalms 104
	Be thou my vision <i>Bob Chilcott</i>	Hymns 359 (t. 322), 333

# March 2023

In Residence: The Dean

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

## The Second Sunday of Lent

*Day of music endowed by Caroline Aldhouse.*

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 74

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

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (*Lower voices*)

Missa Inter Vestibulum *Francisco Guerrero* Psalm 121

God so loved the world *Henry Ley*

Preacher: The Revd Charmian Manship

4.00 pm **County Civic Service** Responses: *Radcliffe*

Evening Service in A minor *Thomas Tertius Noble* Psalm 147.1-12

For the beauty of the earth *Ian King*

Hymns 334, 264 (omit v5), 488

Preacher: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins

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

Turn thy face from my sins *Thomas Attwood*

Forty days and forty nights *Martin Herbst arr. Harrison Oxley*

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

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 98, 99, 101

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

5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Clucas*

Petrus, der nicht denkt zurück *Johann Sebastian Bach* Psalm 105

Evening Service in C *Charles Hylton Stewart*

Te lucis ante terminum *Thomas Tallis* Hymn 61

## Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> Perpetua, Felicity and companions, martyrs, 203

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 106

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

5.30 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the Chapel Choir of Lincoln College, Oxford*)

The Third Service *Philip Moore* Responses: *Clucas*

Abendlied *Josef Rheinberger* Psalm 107

Hymn 61

# March 2023

## Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>

**Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy,  
priest, poet, 1929**

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 110, 111, 112
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
1.00 pm	<b>Holy Communion</b>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b> ( <i>Upper voices</i> )	Responses: Plainsong
	The Plainsong Canticles <i>Samuel Hudson</i>	Psalms 119.129-152
	O bone Jesu <i>Richard Dering</i>	Hymn 61

VERSE: DECANI

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 113, 115
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: <i>Clucas</i>
	Evening Service in A <i>William Harris</i>	Psalms 114, 116, 117
	God be in my head <i>Henry Walford Davies</i>	Hymn 61

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 139
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
11.30 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: <i>Smith</i>
	Durch dein Gefängnis, Gottes Sohn <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	
	The Short Service <i>Thomas Morley</i>	Psalms 130, 131, 137
	In ieiunio et fletu <i>Thomas Tallis</i>	Hymn 61

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 120, 121, 122
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: <i>Smith</i>
	The St Paul's Service <i>Herbert Howells</i>	Psalms 118
	Wash me thoroughly <i>Samuel Sebastian Wesley</i>	Hymns 65, 390
7.30 pm	<b>Concert</b>	Orchestra of St John
	<i>Including music by Sousa, Elgar, Rutter and</i>	<i>Oakville Singers &amp; Guests</i>
	<i>Vaughan Williams, in aid of Young Lives vs Cancer (CLIC Sargent)</i>	

# March 2023

In Residence: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins

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

## The Third Sunday of Lent

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalm 46
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP) (with livestream)	
10.30 am	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>	
	Missa de Angelis <i>David Bednall</i>	Psalm 95
	Sicut cervus <i>Charles Gounod</i>	Preacher: The Dean
4.00 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: <i>Clucas</i>
	O hilf, Christe, Gottes Sohn <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	Psalm 40
	Penitential Canticles <i>Adrian Lucas</i>	
	Insanae et vanae curae <i>Josef Haydn</i>	Hymns 64, 434
6.30 pm	<b>Organ Devotion</b>	Nicholas Freestone (organ)
	Movements from Clavier-Übung III <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	

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## Monday 13<sup>th</sup>

*Day of music endowed by Ian Bell.*

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 123, 124, 125, 126
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: <i>Smith</i>
	Christus, der uns selig macht <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	
	Evening Service in E <i>Sydney Watson</i>	Psalms 127, 128, 129
	Sicut cervus <i>Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina</i>	Hymn 59

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 132, 133
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 134, 135

# March 2023

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 119.153-end
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
1.00 pm	<b>Holy Communion</b>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b> ( <i>Upper voices</i> )	Responses: <i>Nardone</i>
	Magnificat: <i>Plainsong</i>	Psalms 136
	Nunc dimittis: <i>Geoffrey Burgon</i>	
	Salvator mundi <i>David Bednall</i>	Hymn 59

VERSE: CANTORIS

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 143, 146
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
12.15 pm	<b>Lunchtime Recital</b>	Musicians from RGS Worcester
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: <i>Clucas</i>
	Evening Service in F minor <i>Derek Holman</i>	Psalms 138, 140, 141
	Ave verum corpus <i>Edward Elgar</i>	Hymn 59

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

**Patrick, bishop, missionary,  
patron of Ireland, c. 460**

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 142, 144
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
11.30 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP)	
12.00 pm	<b>Renewal of Wedding Vows</b>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: <i>Sumsion</i>
	In meines Herzens Grunde <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	Psalms 145
	Evening Service in A minor <i>Richard Farrant</i>	
	Justorum animae <i>Charles Villiers Stanford</i>	Hymn 59

# March 2023

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalm 147
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b> ( <i>sung by the Chamber Choir</i> )	Responses: <i>Tomkins</i>
	The Fauxbourdon Service <i>William Byrd</i>	Psalms 148, 149, 150
	Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake <i>Richard Farrant</i>	Hymns 71, 75
7.30 pm	<b>Concert</b>	Worcester Festival Choral Society
	The Dream of Gerontius <i>Edward Elgar</i>	

In Residence: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

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

## The Fourth Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday

*Day of music endowed by Derek Rowley.*

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalm 19
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP) (with livestream)	
10.30 am	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>	
	Missa Brevis <i>Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina</i>	Psalm 34.11-20
	Ave maris stella <i>Edvard Grieg</i>	
	Preacher: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins	
4.00 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: <i>Sumsion</i>
	Ach, Herr, lass dein lieb' Engelein <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	Psalm 23
	Evening Service in G <i>Francis Jackson</i>	
	Ne irascaris, Domine <i>William Byrd</i>	Hymns 234, 466
6.30 pm	<b>Sung Eucharist</b> ( <i>sung by the Voluntary Choir</i> )	
	Mass of Saint Osmund <i>David Halls</i>	
	Like a mother with her child <i>Piers Maxim</i>	
	Preacher: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins	

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# March 2023

## Monday 20<sup>th</sup>

## Joseph of Nazareth

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 25, 147.1-12
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong with Licensing of the Revd Dr Robin Parry as Associate Priest</b>	Responses: Moore
	Ach, grosser König <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	Psalms 1, 112
	Evening Service in E minor <i>Daniel Purcell</i>	
	My eyes for beauty pine <i>Herbert Howells</i>	Hymn 160 (t. 190ii)

## Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Thomas Cranmer, archbishop of Canterbury, martyr, 1556

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 5, 6, 8
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 9, 10
7.30 pm	<b>Concert</b>	Royal Grammar School, Worcester

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 119.1-32
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
1.00 pm	<b>Holy Communion</b>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b> ( <i>Upper voices</i> )	Responses: Nardone
	The Berkshire Service <i>Malcolm Archer</i>	Psalms 11, 12, 13
	The sorrows of my heart are enlarged <i>William Boyce</i>	Hymn 241

VERSE: DECANI

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 14, 15, 16
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
12.15 pm	<b>Lunchtime Recital</b>	Peter Dyke (Organ)
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: Moore
	Evening Service in G <i>Edward Bairstow</i>	Psalms 18
	O saviour of the world <i>John Goss</i>	Hymn 241

# March 2023

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 17, 19
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
11.30 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b>	Responses: <i>Sumsion</i>
	<i>O grosse Lieb' Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	Psalm 85
	<i>The Second Service Thomas Tomkins</i>	
	<i>Vinea mea electa Francis Poulenc</i>	Hymn 180

## Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>      **The Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 111, 113
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
5.00 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 131, 146
5.30 pm	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>	
	<i>Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo Josef Haydn</i>	Psalm 40.6-13
	<i>Ecce concipies Matthew Martin</i>	
	Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards	

# March 2023

In Residence: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

## Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>

## The Fifth Sunday of Lent Passion Sunday

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 86
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (with livestream)
- 10.30 am **Sung Eucharist**  
Communion Service in D *Kenneth Leighton* Psalm 130  
*Christus factus est pro nobis Anton Bruckner*  
Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan
- 4.00 pm **Evensong** Responses: Moore  
*Wer hat dich so geschlagen Johann Sebastian Bach* Psalm 30  
*Collegium Sancti Johannis Cantabrigiense Herbert Howells*  
*Ruht wohl, ihr heiligen Gebeine Johann Sebastian Bach* Hymns 379, 62
- 6.30 pm **Evening Worship** (sung by the Voluntary Choir)  
With loving hands *Noël Tredinnick*  
My song is love unknown *Malcolm Archer*
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## Monday 27<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 27, 30
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 11.30 am **Chrism Eucharist for the Bishop of Oswestry**
- 5.30 pm **Evensong with Installation of Honorary Canons**  
*Er nahm alles wohl in acht Johann Sebastian Bach* Responses: Tomkins  
*Evening Service in G Herbert Sumsion* Psalms 26, 28, 29  
*Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks Herbert Howells* Hymn 60

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

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 32, 36
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalm 33

# March / April 2023

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalm 34
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
1.00 pm	<b>Holy Communion</b>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b> ( <i>Upper voices</i> )	Responses: Plainsong
	The Second Service <i>Philip Moore</i>	Psalm 119.33-56
	O grosse Lieb' <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	Hymn 60

VERSE: CANTORIS

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalm 37
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
9.00 am	<b>King's School End of Term Service</b>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 39, 40
5.30 pm	<b>All Creatures Great and Small: A Service of Blessing for Animals</b>	

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

*Day of music endowed by the Foundation for Sport and the Arts.*

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalm 31
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
11.30 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalm 35
7.30 pm	<b>Concert</b>	Worcester Cathedral Choir
	St John Passion <i>Johann Sebastian Bach</i>	Musical & Amicable Society

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

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 41, 42, 43
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 45, 46

# April 2023

In Residence: The Dean

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

## Palm Sunday

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 61, 62

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

10.30 am **The Liturgy of Palm Sunday**

Hosanna to the Son of David *Thomas Weelkes*

Mass for Four Voices *William Byrd*

Psalms 31.10-18

Salvator mundi *Thomas Tallis*

Preacher: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins

The congregation meets in Cathedral Square for the blessing of palms, followed by the procession into the Cathedral, the dramatic reading of the Passion, and the Eucharist.

4.00 pm **Evensong**

Responses: Rose

Evening Service in E *Herbert Murrill*

Psalms 80

God so loved the world *John Stainer*

Hymns 84, 94

6.30 pm **Music and Readings for Holy Week** (sung by the Voluntary Choir)

Ex ore innocentium *John Ireland*

I give you a new commandment *Peter Nardone*

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? arr. *Nicholas Freestone*