



WORCESTER CATHEDRAL

Services and Music July 2025

8 out of 10 angels...

Sitting in the Chapel of Prayer each day for morning prayer, the east window is a natural focus and my eyes are drawn to the angels - many of whom are playing instruments. Moving my glance across and upwards the eyes then rest on the painted roundels on the Lady Chapel vault where again angels rejoice with musical instruments of great variety. The theme continues: windows in the nave, statues on the reredos, carvings on screens and embroideries, kneelers, and vestments. Eight out of ten angels, it would seem, choose music to offer their praise, honour, and worship to Almighty God.

The Three Choirs Festival, this year at Hereford and so central to the musical tradition of this Cathedral, marks an important end to the choir year and celebrates the joy, excellence, and gift of music here at Worcester which allows us to join, not just with eight, nor eight out of ten, but with the whole host of heaven, right here in the heart of this city and diocese.

Stephen Edwards

Dean:
Director of Music:

Stephen Edwards
Samuel Hudson

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

June/July 2025

In Residence: The Dean

Sunday 29th June

Peter and Paul, Apostles

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 71, 113
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (*with livestream*) Preacher: The Dean
- 10.30 am **The Ordination of Deacons**
A Worcester Mass *Donald Hunt* Psalm 125
Tu es Petrus Robert Pearsall
Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Richard Cooke
- 4.00 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Clucas*
Evening Service in B flat *Edgar Day* Psalms 124, 138
Os justi Anton Bruckner Hymns 214ii, 332
- 6.30 pm **Evening Worship** (*sung by the Voluntary Choir*)
O for a closer walk with God *Charles Villiers Stanford*
Litany to the Holy Spirit *Ben Ponniah*
Preacher: The Revd Dr Robin Parry
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Monday 30th

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 44
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Tomkins*
Evening Service in E flat (no. 2) *Charles Wood* Psalms 47, 49
We wait for thy loving kindness William McKie

Tuesday 1st July

Day of music endowed by Michael and Angela Clarke.

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 48, 52
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the Abermore Singers*) Responses: *Ayleward*
The King's College Service *Joanna Forbes L'Estrange* Psalm 50
Evening Hymn *Henry Balfour Gardner*

July 2025

Wednesday 2nd

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 119.57-80
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
1.00 pm	Holy Communion	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 59, 60

VERSE: CANTORIS

Thursday 3rd

Thomas the Apostle

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 92, 146
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
10.30 am	King's Day Service	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 139

Friday 4th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 51, 54
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
11.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 38

Saturday 5th

Day of music endowed by Anne Renshaw.

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 68
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 65, 66
7.00 pm	Concert	Worcester Cathedral Youth Choir
	Credo – a concert celebrating the 1700 th anniversary of the Nicene Creed.	

July 2025

In Residence: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

Sunday 6th

The Third Sunday after Trinity

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 74

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (*with livestream*) Preacher: The Dean

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist with Cathedral Choir Farewells**
Messe *Charles-Marie Widor* Psalm 66.1-8

Alleluya psallat *Peter Aston*

Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

3.00 pm **Worship in the Garden**
*entering the garden through the 'deliveries' doorway outside the
Edgar Tower Gate.*

3.30 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalm 65

4.00 pm **End of Year Celebration with Voluntary Choir Farewells**
(*sung by the Voluntary Choir*)

A Jubilant Song *Mary Lynn Lightfoot*

Come, sing the praise of Jesus *arr. Donald Hunt*

God the Holy Trinity *David Halls*

Hymns 239, 381

Monday 7th

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 71

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

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalms 72, 75

Tuesday 8th

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 73

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

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalm 74

July 2025

Wednesday 9th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 77
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
1.00 pm	Holy Communion	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalm 119.81-104

VERSE: DECANI

Thursday 10th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 78.1-39
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	Evensong <i>(sung by the Cecilia Consort)</i> The St Paul's Service <i>Herbert Howells</i> O thou, the central Orb <i>Charles Wood</i>	Responses: <i>Forbes L'Estrange</i> Psalm 78.41-end
7.30 pm	Concert The Music of Coldplay by Candlelight	Concerts by Candlelight

Friday 11th

Benedict, Abbot, Father of Western Monasticism, c. 550

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalm 55
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
11.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalm 69

Saturday 12th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 76, 79
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	Evensong <i>(sung by the Chamber Choir)</i> Fauxbourdon Service <i>William Byrd</i> Ave verum corpus <i>Edward Elgar</i>	Responses: <i>Byrd</i> Psalms 81, 84 Hymns 341, 374

July 2025

In Residence: The Dean

Sunday 13th

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

7.30 am Morning Prayer

Psalm 76

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) (with livestream)

Preacher: The Dean

10.30 am Sung Eucharist *(sung by the Chamber Choir)*

Mass in G minor *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

Psalm 25.1-10

O taste and see *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

Preacher: The Dean

2.15 pm Masonic Service *(sung by the Chamber Choir)*

Responses: *Byrd*

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake *Richard Farrant*

Magnificat: Evening Service in C *Charles Villiers Stanford*

Light out of darkness *Edward Elgar*

Preacher: The Revd Canon Huw Mosford

4.00 pm **Evening Prayer**

Psalm 77

Monday 14th

John Keble, Priest, Tractarian, Poet, 1866

7.30 am Morning Prayer

Psalms 80, 82

8.00 am Holy Communion *(with livestream)*

5.30 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the Choir of St James Episcopal Church,*

Baton Rouge, LA, USA)

Responses: *MacDonald*

Evening Service in F Peter Aston

Psalms 85, 86

A Hymn for St Cecilia *Herbert Howells*

Tuesday 15th

Swithun, Bishop of Winchester, c. 862

7.30 am Morning Prayer

Psalms 87, 89.1-18

8.00 am Holy Communion *(with livestream)*

5.30 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the Choir of St James Episcopal Church,*

Baton Rouge, LA, USA)

Responses: *MacDonald*

The King's College Service *Joanna Forbes L'Estrange* Psalm 89.20-end

Let us love in deed and truth *Larry King*

July 2025

Wednesday 16th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 119.105-128
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
1.00 pm	Holy Communion	
5.30 pm	Evensong <i>(sung by the Choir of St James Episcopal Church, Baton Rouge, LA, USA)</i>	Responses: MacDonald
	Evening Service in A <i>Herbert Sumsion</i>	Psalms 91, 93
	There is a land of pure delight <i>Grayston Ives</i>	

VERSE: CANTORIS

Thursday 17th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 90, 92
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 94

Friday 18th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 88
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
11.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
5.30 pm	Evensong <i>(sung by the Choir of St James Episcopal Church, Baton Rouge, LA, USA)</i>	Responses: Ayleward
	Evening Service in G minor <i>Richard Farrant</i>	Psalms 102
	O Lord, the maker of all thing <i>William Mundy</i>	

Saturday 19th

**Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa,
and his sister Macrina, Deaconess,
Teachers of the Faith, c. 394 and c. 379**

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 96, 97, 100
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	Evensong <i>(sung by the Choir of St James Episcopal Church, Baton Rouge, LA)</i>	Responses: Ayleward
	Evening Service in D minor <i>Thomas Attwood Walmisley</i>	Psalms 104
	They that go down to the sea in ships <i>Herbert Sumsion</i>	
		Hymns 456, 252

July 2025

In Residence: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

Sunday 20th

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 82, 100

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

Preacher: The Dean

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (*sung by the Choir of St James Episcopal Church, Baton Rouge, LA, USA*)

Missa Resurrectionis Gerre Hancock

Psalm 15

O sacrum convivium Thomas Tallis

Preacher: The Revd Dr John Fitzmaurice

4.00 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the Choir of St James Episcopal Church, Baton Rouge, LA, USA*)

Responses: Ayleward

Collegium Regale Herbert Howells

Psalm 81

Great is the Lord Edward Elgar

Hymns 483 (t. 77), 408i

Monday 21st

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

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

5.30 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the Anglican Singers, New London, CT, USA*)

Evening Service in C Charles Villiers Stanford

Responses: Rose

Evening Hymn Henry Balfour Gardner

Psalm 105

Tuesday 22nd

Mary Magdalene

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 30, 32, 150

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

5.30 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the Anglican Singers, New London, CT, USA*)

Evening Service in D Herbert Brewer

Responses: Rose

Beati quorum via Charles Villiers Stanford

Psalm 63

Hymn 174 (t. 195, omit *)

7.00 pm **A Service of Thanksgiving for the Life and Ministry of Canon Rosemary Lawley**

July 2025

Wednesday 23rd

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 (sung by the Anglican Singers, New London, CT, USA)	
	Evening Service in G Francis Jackson	Responses: King
	The Spirit of the Lord Edward Elgar	Psalms 119.129-152

VERSE: DECANI

Thursday 24th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 113, 115
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 114, 116, 117
7.30 pm	Concert	Concerts by Candlelight
	The Music of the Eagles by Candlelight	

Friday 25th

James the Apostle

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 7, 29, 117
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
11.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
5.30 pm	Evensong (sung by the Anglican Singers, New London, CT, USA)	
	Evening Service in B minor T. Tertius Noble	Responses: King
	Justorum animae Charles Villiers Stanford	Psalms 94
		Hymn 175 (t. 418)

Saturday 26th

Anne and Joachim, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Day of music endowed by Brian and Diana Gant.

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 120, 121, 122
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	Evensong (sung by the Anglican Singers, New London, CT, USA)	
	The Gloucester Service Herbert Howells	Responses: Rose
	Faire is the Heaven William Harris	Psalms 118
		Hymns 239, 452

July 2025

In Residence: The Dean

Sunday 27th

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 95
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (*with livestream*)
Preacher: The Revd Dr John Fitzmaurice
- 10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (*sung by the Anglican Singers, New London, CT, USA*)
Communion Service in E Harold Darke Psalm 138
Blessed be the Lord God *John Amner* Preacher: The Dean
- 4.00 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the Anglican Singers, New London, CT, USA*)
The Worcester Service *Herbert Howells* Responses: Rose
Hail, gladdening Light *Charles Wood* Psalm 88
Hymns 472ii, 461
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Monday 28th

Day of music endowed by Gerald and Cynthia Harris.

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 123, 124, 125, 126
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalms 127, 128, 129

Tuesday 29th

Mary, Martha and Lazarus, Companions of Our Lord

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 132, 133
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the Choir of Holy Trinity, Coventry*)
Evening Service in D *George Dyson* Responses: *Sumsion*
O Lord, the maker of all thing *William Mundy* Psalms 134, 135

July/August 2025

Wednesday 30th William Wilberforce, Social Reformer, 1833, Olaudah Equiano and Thomas Clarkson, Anti-Slavery Campaigners, 1797 and 1846

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 119.153-end
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
1.00 pm	Holy Communion	
5.30 pm	Evensong <i>(sung by the Choir of Holy Trinity, Coventry)</i>	
	The Fifth Service <i>Thomas Tomkins</i>	Responses: <i>Smith</i>
	Blessed city, heavenly Salem <i>Edward Bairstow</i>	Psalms 136

VERSE: CANTORIS

Thursday 31st

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 143, 146
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	Evensong <i>(sung by the Choir of Holy Trinity, Coventry)</i>	
	Evening Service in G <i>Herbert Sumsion</i>	Responses: <i>Sumsion</i>
	Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace <i>Herbert Sumsion</i>	
		Psalms 138, 140, 141

Friday 1st August

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 142, 144
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
11.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
5.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Psalms 145

Saturday 2nd

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	Psalms 147
8.00 am	Holy Communion <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	Evensong <i>(sung by the Lea Singers)</i>	Responses: <i>Clucas</i>
	Evening Service in G minor <i>Henry Purcell</i>	Psalms 148, 149, 150
	For lo, I raise up <i>Charles Villiers Stanford</i>	Hymns 346, 377

August 2025

In Residence: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

Sunday 3rd

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalm 106.1-10

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

Preacher: The Dean

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (*sung by the Lea Singers*)

Messa da Cappella a quattro voci *Claudio Monteverdi*

Psalm 49.1-9

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace *Samuel Sebastian Wesley*

Preacher: The Archdeacon of Dudley

3.00 pm **Worship in the Garden**

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

4.00 pm **Evensong** (*sung by the Lea Singers*)

Responses: *Clucas*

Collegium Magdalenae Oxoniense *Kenneth Leighton*

Psalm 107.1-32

Hymn to St Peter *Benjamin Britten*

Hymns 245, 476
