### **SUNDAY 17 AUGUST 2025**

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



#### Welcome

Welcome to the Cathedral today. If you are here with young children or babies, please ask a steward for a children's activity bag. New Worshippers are especially welcome, please ask a steward or a verger for a welcome booklet.

#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

## Cathedral library – old cards

Two of the library volunteers are looking for any old cards e.g. birthday, Easter (but <u>not</u> Christmas cards), or just a nice picture that can be made into homemade cards. If any of the congregation or volunteers have any they no longer want, please can you drop them off either at the library door during weekdays or at the reception desk at the north porch marked for the library.

## St Oswald's Hospital, Worcester - Almshouses available

St Oswald's Hospital is an ancient foundation of almshouses, located in central Worcester at The Tything, Worcester, Worcestershire WRI IHR. It is comprised of 21 Grade II listed almshouses, a chapel and gardens and the aim of St Oswald's Hospital is to provide high quality homes in a safe, secure and friendly environment, with a strong sense of community. Each of the almshouses is self-contained and consists of a living room, a bedroom, a kitchen and a bathroom and there are currently spaces available for new residents.

For more information, please contact Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan (Chaplain) on 01905 732906 or <a href="mailto:kimberlybohan@worcestercathedral.org.uk">kimberlybohan@worcestercathedral.org.uk</a> or Matthew Hall (Steward) on 01905 732907 or at

<u>MatthewHall@WorcesterCathedral.org.uk</u> Details of how to apply can also be found at <u>www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/community/st-oswalds-hospital</u>

# **Prayer and Intercessions**

Please pray for the sick and those in need, and for all the departed among them Susan Gladys Stuart and Sue MacPherson (ex-WFCS). The clergy maintain an intercessions list which is placed on the altar at the daily eucharist. If you would like a name to be added to this list, for whatever reason, please send an email to <a href="mailto:prayer@worcestercathedral.org.uk">prayer@worcestercathedral.org.uk</a>

# **Praying for the Cathedral Community**

Over the course of the year a weekly prayer focus for the Cathedral Community will be printed in the Sunday News. This week we pray for the Chapter Livings—the parishes where the Cathedral plays a role in appointing the vicar or rector.

#### Make a Will this Summer

We are delighted to be working with four of Worcestershire's prominent solicitors to bring you 'Make a Will this Summer'. Appointments are for simple Wills only. In return you will be asked to make a donation to the Cathedral. <a href="https://www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/support-us/make-a-will-this-summer">www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/support-us/make-a-will-this-summer</a>

## Something unique...

Celebrate and remember your loved one with a beautiful hand-crafted Perpetual Flame. Created exclusively for Worcester Cathedral—find out more here <a href="https://www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/support-us/perpetual-flame">www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/support-us/perpetual-flame</a> or view the display near the Jesus Chapel.

## **ENVIRONMENT & SOCIAL JUSTICE**

### Living Gently on the Earth

Worcester Cathedral's award-winning training programme Living Gently on the Earth for green and generous living continues as shown below:



- Saturday 20 September, 1.40 pm. Responsible Stewardship of Land and Sea: bio-diversity, fertilisers, pollution, habitat use.
- Saturday 15 November, 1.40 pm. **Eco-justice: responding to the social** implications of ecological harm.
- Saturday 17 January 2026, 1.40 pm. Acting for a Changed-World: community, government, and business.

The events are free, and take place in the Undercroft. You can get more details and book a place to attend at <a href="https://www.worcestercathedral.co.uk/eco">www.worcestercathedral.co.uk/eco</a> (or scan the QR code with your phone camera). Tickets are not compulsory but will ensure that you have a place if full.



#### Christian Aid Resources for Action for Gaza

The Cathedral community regularly supports Christian Aid—a charity which exists to create a world where everyone can live a full life, free from poverty. Christian Aid has made some useful resources for prayer, a prayer vigil, fasting (#FastForGaza), a petition, a template letter to send to MPs and an opportunity to donate to a Middle East Humanitarian Appeal. Please take a look: <a href="https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/dec-middle-east-humanitarian-appeal/fastforgaza">www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/dec-middle-east-humanitarian-appeal/fastforgaza</a>

## **Meditative Prayer Group**

The Meditative Prayer Group meets monthly by Zoom. The meeting includes both short reflections and periods of quiet for meditation and the opportunity for prayer. If you would like to join the meeting and do not have the Zoom link, please email <a href="mailto:prayer@worcestercathedral.org.uk">prayer@worcestercathedral.org.uk</a> and request the link. The next meeting will be at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 3 September; subsequent meetings will be on 1 October, 5 November and 3 December.

## **Worcester Theological Society**

Thursday 18 September – 'Theology of Safeguarding: A Decade of Listening and Responding to Voices of Pain in the Methodist Church' Henry Lewis, Methodist Minister. St Andrew's Methodist, Pump Street. 1.45 pm for a 2 pm start.

#### **SERVICES & EVENTS**

## **Today's Services**

7.30 am	Morning Prayer
8.00 pm	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer, with livestream)
10.30 am	Sung Eucharist (sung by Wells Cathedral Chamber Choir)
4.00 pm	Evensong (sung by Wells Cathedral Chamber Choir)

## **Next Sunday's Services**

7.30 am	Morning Prayer
8.00 pm	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer, with livestream)
10.30 am	Sung Eucharist (sung by the Pilgrim Singers)
4.00 pm	Evensong (sung by the Pilgrim Singers)

# **Forthcoming Services**

Saturday 23 August	11.00 am	Pet Blessing Service
		All creatures, great and small, are welcome!
Monday 8 September	5.30 pm	Sung Eucharist for the Feast of the Birth of
		the Blessed Virgin Mary (Patronal Festival)

## **Services in the Quire**

10.30 am Eucharists on Sundays will take place in the Quire (rather than the Nave) this summer until 31 August inclusive.

## Worship in the Garden and Sacred Garden

You can find out more about these services and events by visiting <a href="www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/eco">www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/eco</a> or by contacting the Revd Dr Robin Parry on <a href="RobinParry@worcestercathedral.org.uk">RobinParry@worcestercathedral.org.uk</a>

### **Cathedral Library Tours**

Library tours will be offered this summer on either Thursdays or Fridays at 12.30 pm to 1.30 pm—check via the cathedral website. It is also sometimes possible to arrange a private library tour by appointment at other times—contact 01905 732922 or email <a href="mailto:davidmorrison@worcestercathedral.org.uk">davidmorrison@worcestercathedral.org.uk</a> for more details. Specific themed library tours eg. medicine, law, maps or music are also possible on request.

#### **Lunchtime Recitals**

Recitals begin at 12.15 pm and last until around 1 pm. Admission is free with donations welcomed at a retiring collection.

Thursday 18 September Jen Townsend (flute)
Thursday 25 September Kris Thomsett (organ)
Thursday 2 October Angelina Kopyrina (piano)
Thursday 9 October Richard Walker (organ)
Thursday 16 October Michael Jones (piano)
Thursday 6 November Jonathan Soman (clarinet)
Thursday 13 November James D Hicks (organ)

### **GENERAL NOTICES**

## **Parking**

Those attending regular services may obtain the bollard code for College Green (email <a href="mailto:parking@worcestercathedral.org.uk">parking@worcestercathedral.org.uk</a>)—the entrance from College Green to the cloisters is open on Sunday mornings and now unlocked (though shut) for all Evensongs. Please note that parking on College Yard on the north side of the cathedral is no longer possible.

# Safeguarding at Worcester Cathedral

The Cathedral's Safeguarding Officer is Juliet Faulkner, whose contact email is <a href="mailto:julietfaulkner@worcestercathedral.org.uk">julietfaulkner@worcestercathedral.org.uk</a> and phone numbers 07385662791 or 01905 732948. The website (link below) contains all contact details. The Cathedral website provides details of our Safeguarding policy and procedures as well as information about Safe Spaces, an independent service supporting survivors of church-related abuse. <a href="https://www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/safeguarding">www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/safeguarding</a>

### **Cathedral Newsletter**

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## **Sunday News**

Notices for inclusion in this Sunday News should be emailed (usually by the previous Wednesday) to <a href="mailto:sundaynews@worcestercathedral.org.uk">sundaynews@worcestercathedral.org.uk</a>