



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 vergers for a welcome booklet.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Harvest Lunch on Sunday 4 October

Everyone is welcome to join us at our community lunch in the Chapter House after the Harvest Eucharist on Sunday 4 October. There will be bread, cheese, pork pie and salad, followed by homemade desserts. Please sign up on the lists located at the west end of the Nave and in the Chapter House each Sunday until 27 September. We suggest a donation of £5.00 to cover costs. 4 October is also Homelessness Sunday, so after expenses any remaining cash will be donated to Maggs Day Centre, which is one of our cathedral charities this year.

Cathedral Community Social Event

It is hoped that a fun social evening can be held during November. However for this to go ahead, some willing helpers are needed.

If you are interested in being a part of the organising team, to help plan, set up and run the event, please contact Davina Rowe on 07906158204 or davinarowe@gmx.com by 20 September please.

Vacancies

The Cathedral is currently recruiting for the following roles:

- House-for-Duty Chaplain, St Oswald's Hospital
- Principal Tenor Lay Clerk
- Assistant Tenor Lay Clerk
- Member of the Finance Committee

If you know anyone who might be interested, further details can be found at www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/jobs

Prayer and Intercessions

Please pray for the sick and those in need; and for all the departed, among them Helen Howell, Harry Brama, and Jo Grice. 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 prayer@worcestercathedral.org.uk

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 Maintenance Team (Steve Smith, Andy Dance, Dave Skipp, and Ewan Pollock).

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 WR1 1HR. 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 kimberlybohan@worcestercathedral.org.uk

Details of how to apply can also be found at www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/community/st-oswalds-hospital

Adopt a Piece of History

Supporting the conservation and ongoing care of Worcester Cathedral can be done in a thoughtful and creative way, with adoptions starting from £25 for items such as stained-glass windows, misericords, and carvings. Adopters receive a personalised certificate and a high-resolution photograph in a presentation folder, with all funds contributing to the Cathedral's upkeep and running costs—creating a meaningful gift for someone you love, from somewhere you love. Choose your piece from the catalogue here:

www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/adopthistory

Something unique...

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

ENVIRONMENT & SOCIAL JUSTICE

Great North Run—sponsorship

Regular worshipper Helen Taylor will be running the Great North Run 2026 today to mark her 70th birthday and raise funds for Freedom from Torture, the only UK-based human rights organisation dedicated to the treatment and rehabilitation of torture survivors. You can sponsor her at <https://freedomfromtorture.enthuse.com/pf/helen-taylor>

Living Gently on the Earth

Worcester Cathedral's award-winning training programme Living Gently on the Earth continues on Saturday 19 September, 2 pm, with **"Eco-Justice"**. The Old Palace.

The events are free. You can get more details and book a place to attend on www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/living-gently (or scan the QR code with your phone camera). *Tickets are not compulsory* but will ensure a place if full.



Green Investment Roadshow

On Thursday 24 September, 9.30 am to 2 pm, we have the 'Green Investment Roadshow' in the Undercroft. You can find out more at this link <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/operationnoah/2186578> or with this QR code:



Coffee Morning–Macmillan Cancer Support

Joy and Phil Hancock will be running a coffee morning on Friday 25 September in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. The event will be at their home 2 Walnut Tree Mews WR5 1BU from 10 am until 12 noon. All are warmly welcome. Please phone Joy on 0745 0768 727 or email her on london83@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

FAITH & SPIRITUALITY

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 prayer@worcestercathedral.org.uk and request the link. The next meeting is at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 14 October; subsequent meetings will be on 4 November and 2 December.

Worcester Theological Society

Thursday 17 September – 'Does Faith require Reason?' Roger Spiller.
St Andrew's Methodist, Pump Street. 1.45 pm for a 2 pm start.

SERVICES & EVENTS

Today's Services

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| 7.30 am | Morning Prayer |
| 8.00 am | Holy Communion (<i>Book of Common Prayer, with livestream</i>) |
| 10.30 am | Sung Eucharist with Admission of Alexander Robson as Assistant Director of Music and the Presentation of Chorister Awards |

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

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Worship in the Garden: A New Time and Venue

From Sunday **October 4**, 2026, Worship in the Garden will take place at **2.30pm** in the garden formerly known as **Ed Shed**. (The door to the garden is located in the cloisters, near the Cathedral shop. The exact location can be found on this link: <https://what3words.com/shady.rush.share>)

We are working hard to make this new site for Worship in the Garden wheelchair accessible. However, at present, whilst it is possible for those with mobility needs to enter the garden, and to be part of the worship, some of the activities do take place in areas requiring step access.

For more information please visit the **Worship in the Garden (Worcester)** Facebook group or contact the Revd Dr Robin Parry on RobinParry@worcestercathedral.org.uk

Funerals

Thursday 8 October	2 pm	Funeral of Harry Brama (Southwark Cathedral, followed by refreshments)
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Worcester Deanery Prayer Evening

Worcester Deanery (the 42 Church of England churches in Worcester and its environs) have organised a Prayer Evening for all in the Deanery with the theme 'Praying through Change', 6.30 pm–8 pm Wednesday 16 September at St Martin's Church, Holt.

Gala Organ Recital

Celebrating the 18th anniversary of the Cathedral's Quire Organ, Martin Baker will perform this year's Gala Organ Recital at 7.30 pm on Saturday 26 September. Martin studied at the Royal Northern College of Music, Chetham's School of Music and Downing College, Cambridge, then held positions at Westminster and St Paul's Cathedrals before being appointed to Westminster Abbey at the age of 24. In 2000 he returned to Westminster Cathedral as Master of Music. He is much sought after as an organist, playing frequent solo concerts in the UK and around the world. His programme will include music by Bach, Howells, Messiaen, and Mendelssohn, as well as an improvisation. Tickets cost £15, with free admission for students and under

18s, and can be purchased on the door, or in advance from:

[GalaOrganRecital2026.eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/GalaOrganRecital2026)

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the recital.

Lunchtime Recitals

Recitals begin at 12.15 pm and last until around 1 pm. Donations welcomed at a retiring collection.

Thursday 17 September Bas Westerhof (organ)

Thursday 24 September William Forrest (organ)

Thursday 1 October Ian Rutt (organ)

Thursday 8 October Graham Thorpe (organ)

Thursday 15 October Kapsetaki Twins (piano)

Thursday 5 November Ophelia Amar (organ)

Thursday 12 November Evan Lawrence (organ)

Thursday 19 November James Lancelot (organ)

Thursday 26 November Thomas Howell (organ)

GENERAL NOTICES

Parking—new bollard code required

Regular worshippers at Evensong or on Sundays may obtain a bollard code for parking access to College Green—the entrance from College Green to the cloisters is open on Sunday mornings and unlocked (though shut) for all Evensongs. **This bollard code has changed this month.** All existing (and new) users should obtain this new code via the application form at <https://forms.office.com/e/8pgRfU3NAA>.

Accessible parking spaces on College Yard can be booked for blue badge holders via www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/parking

Road Closures and Access Restrictions Today

There will be numerous road closures this Sunday morning to accommodate the Worcester City Run and Half-Marathon. These will include College Street, Deansway, Worcester Bridge and part of King Street. It is expected vehicle access onto College Green will remain possible, but exiting again via King Street will only be possible before 9.15 am and after 12.30 pm.

Safeguarding at Worcester Cathedral

The Cathedral website provides details of our Safeguarding policy as well as information about Safe Spaces, an independent service supporting survivors of church-related abuse: www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/safeguarding. If you have concerns about a child, young person or adult who may have been harmed or be at risk of harm, please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team, by email safeguardingadvice@cofe-worcester.org.uk or phone 01905 732800.

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Sunday News

Notices for inclusion in the next issue of the Sunday News should be emailed by Wednesday 16 September to sundaynews@worcestercathedral.org.uk