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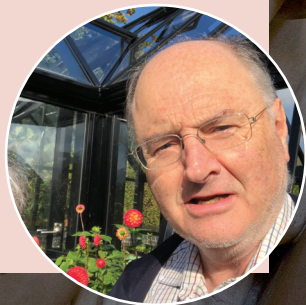
'From the first moment I came into the Cathedral, I knew this was a special place'



My regular gift to Worcester Cathedral began when close friends of my mother first introduced me to this remarkable place – and I was moved to give. I am a keen supporter of cathedrals and also small, local parish churches. I feel we are incredibly lucky to have been given these places in which to worship; to stand where countless generations have stood before.

I am very glad to support the Cathedral in this way. It comforts me greatly to know that my regular gift will help preserve Worcester Cathedral as a place of worship for so many others to enjoy.

Geoff Simpson, supporter



A regular gift will help preserve Worcester Cathedral for the next generation



Dear Friend,

I don't think I will ever lose the excitement, the joy, of walking into Worcester Cathedral. I am so conscious that, in this beautiful place of worship and community, we stand where countless generations of our ancestors have stood before. It is our privilege today to be guardians of a Cathedral that has been at the heart of the nation's story for centuries.

Worcester Cathedral is many things to many people. Our challenge is to protect this special place; to deliver the Cathedral into the next century, for those who will come to enjoy and marvel as we do today. If you are a regular visitor or worshipper, we need your support to enable us to keep the doors open and the lights on, for all who wish to join us.

If you are perhaps coming to the Cathedral for the first time, your support is warmly welcomed to help to protect this unique, historic building for the time until you return – and

for the many others who will follow in your footsteps.

Today, we ask you to consider a regular gift – a small, affordable contribution that will give us the predictable income needed to successfully steward the Cathedral during our time of responsibility – ready to hand on to future generations. Thank you.

Stephen Edwards

The Very Revd Dr Stephen Edwards
Dean of Worcester





The protection of an iconic building

Worcester Cathedral has rightly been called one of England's most important and interesting cathedrals.

Founded in the year 680, it has grown over time and now features examples from every period of English cathedral architecture – from very early Saxon, through English Gothic, to some of the best examples of Victorian restoration.

Today, while the building is still strong, its age necessitates almost constant repair and upkeep. Our in-house team of stonemasons and carpenters continue to support and maintain the building and lend their skills to other ancient properties around the country.

Worcester Cathedral also supports apprenticeships in stonemasonry to ensure traditional heritage skills and techniques are passed down through the generations.

A monthly gift would support our stonemasonry team, ensuring that they can continue to repair and maintain our precious, ancient building.

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A Christian Offering

**'All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.'**

These words from the First Book of Chronicles summarise our Christian giving – an offering of thanksgiving. Many people choose to support the Cathedral with a regular gift as their Christian offering – part of their relationship with God and a way to support his ministry in this place.

Worcester Cathedral is first and foremost a church – a place that has been a home of prayer and worship for more than fourteen centuries. A regular gift will support both the rhythm of worship and the fabric of the building, allowing

us to keep the Cathedral open, well lit and warm in the colder months. It will also support the Cathedral's ministry, witness and worship every day of the year.

A monthly gift
would help preserve
Worcester Cathedral's
extensive programme
of Christian
worship.

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'Worcester Cathedral is a touchstone'

Worcester Cathedral has become a very important place in my life – and to the relationship I have with my wonderful granddaughter, Evie, who attends Kings School. I don't think I've missed a concert or recital the school has put on, and I love to attend Cathedral concerts when I can. We often go to the Cathedral together, to have lunch in the cloister, spend some money in the gift shop and just marvel at this wonderful building.

I began my regular gift after the storms that damaged the pinnacle because I think it's vital that we all protect this special place. I know my regular gift is appreciated and I trust that they will spend my contribution wisely. They let me know when extra help is needed and I give when I can. But there's no pressure to give more and I feel valued.

Jane Lander-Taylor, supporter





For the love of music

Music is at the centre of Cathedral life, not only as a core part of worship – but also through a busy and expanding concert schedule.

We have a long and proud musical history. The current Cathedral Choir of boy and girl choristers is the direct descendant of the monastic choir, and there has been singing here almost consistently since we were founded in 680. We also have a voluntary choir (founded in the 1870s), a youth choir (founded in 2021) and a mixed adult chamber choir (founded in 1998) – all wonderful opportunities for music making.

Worcester Cathedral is also one of three Cathedrals that host the Three Choirs Festival – the longest-

standing non-competitive classical musical festival in the world, now over 300 years old and synonymous with the UK's great composers such as Edward Elgar, Ralph Vaughan Williams and Gustav Holst.

A monthly gift
would help to keep
the Cathedral as a
centre of music and
song for generations
to come.

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To preserve a vital hub for our community

The Cathedral has a powerful role as a centre of community engagement, working to provide learning, education, and friendship for many.

The Cathedral itself is widely used by local people and visitors alike. We are a welcoming home for all those who wish to come and meet loved ones, have a meal in the Cloister Café or simply sit for a few moments of peace.

Our outreach work connects the Cathedral with a range of social groups and our award-winning learning programme reaches hundreds of schoolchildren every year. The stunning Medieval Library,

which is open for tours, houses medieval manuscripts and books collected from the 7th century to the present day.

A monthly gift would support our community engagement, our Medieval Library and enable us to continue to be a beacon of hope for those who need us.

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To deliver a sustainable and fairer future

Worcester Cathedral has laid out an inspiring vision to be a catalyst for campaigning and raising awareness on both the environment and social justice issues.

As we all strive for a world where humanity can co-exist, in harmony with nature and the needs of a healthy planet, we have pledged to significantly reduce our contribution to global warming and pollution, with the aim to achieve net zero emissions by 2030.

We will continue to champion the work and amplify the impact of partner organisations who support the homeless, the vulnerably housed and local people in crisis. Our anti-slavery events and activities, and those that focus on

county lines problems and gender-based violence, continue to make a difference in the community by highlighting these issues and helping us all to spot the signs of exploitation.

A monthly gift
would help us to
install new, energy-
efficient systems and
help achieve our
vision of a 'net-zero'
Cathedral.

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'The Cathedral is part of our shared history and heritage – I believe we have a duty to protect it'



The Cathedral is very precious to me. I came to know it very well in the mid-1950s; I was just seven years old when my father, Robert Milburn, became Dean of the Cathedral. It was a very different role back then – he had to do most of the administrative work himself, with just a couple of people supporting him. My mother chaired the Flower and Embroidery Guilds, and as a little girl I would 'help' by polishing the candlesticks!

I moved away when my father moved to London, but I returned to Worcestershire in later life. Today, I am very pleased to support the Cathedral in memory of my family and also because I believe this building with its superb music must be cherished and celebrated and preserved for the next generation.

Angela Sutton, supporter



Being a Regular Giver

A regular gift is a simple yet affordable way in which supporters can help protect Worcester Cathedral and enable us to continue our Christian mission for generations to come. For individuals, breaking down a donation into smaller, monthly amounts, allows a greater contribution over the year. For Worcester Cathedral, a regular gift provides ongoing, predictable income that allows us to plan and budget ahead.



*I wish to support Worcester Cathedral
by becoming a Regular Giver*

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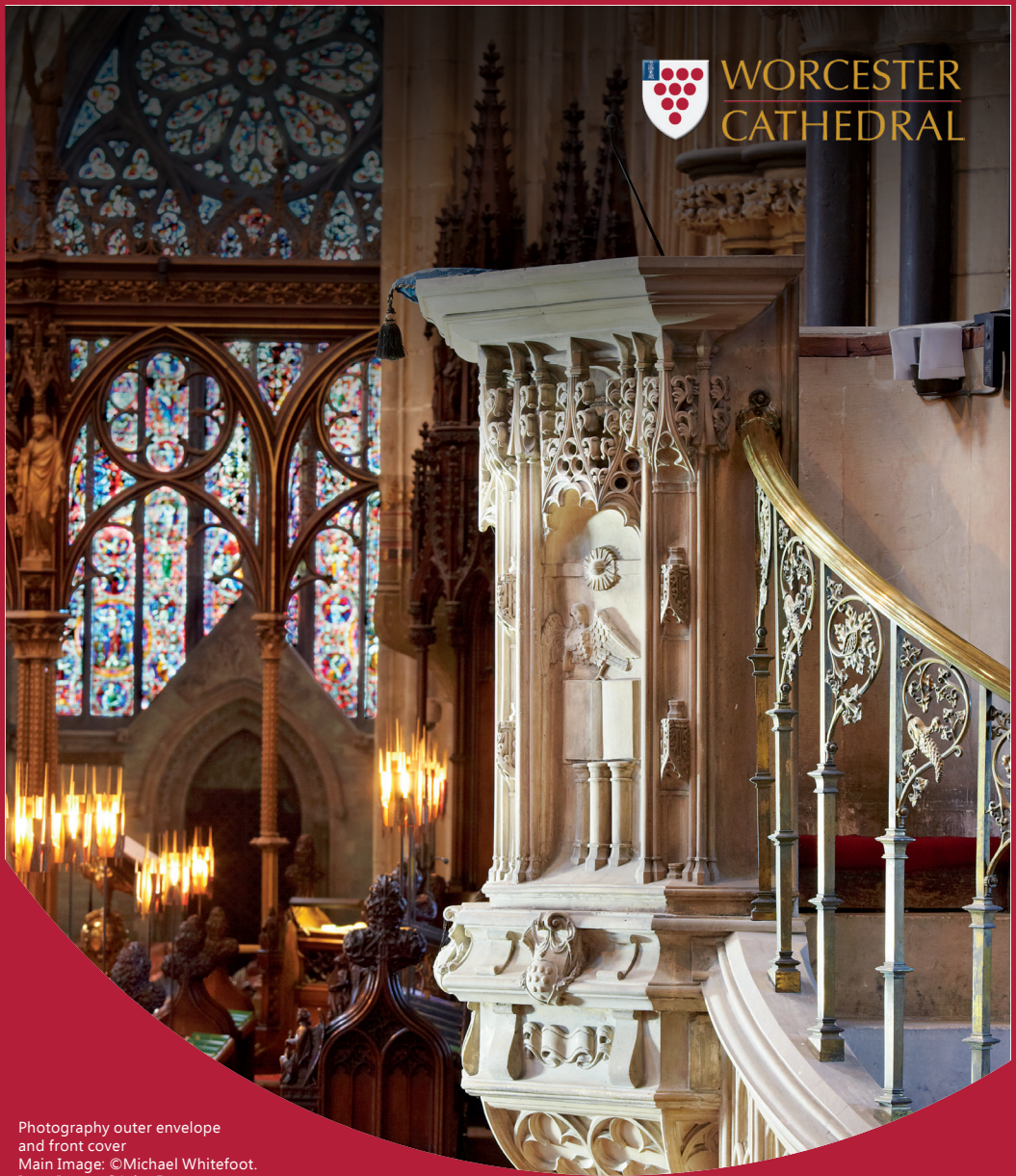
Or, by visiting our website:

www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/regular-giving

Funds raised through this appeal will be spent to support the Cathedral's ongoing running and renovation costs, wherever those funds can be most effective.

*'Whatever you do, in word
or deed, do everything in
the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God the
Father through him.'*





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