



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

Summer Picnic

You are all invited to come along to our 'Bring your own picnic' on Sunday 22 June, starting from 12.15 pm on the Top Lawn at the Old Palace (or inside in the Great Hall if wet weather). Please bring a picnic chair/blanket, picnic and alcoholic refreshment if you wish. A **free** glass of non-alcoholic punch will be available. There will be fun games for adults and children! If you are able to attend would you kindly add your name to the list on the noticeboard which will be in the Chapter House after the 10.30 am Eucharist until 15 June. Parking will be on College Green, using the usual Sunday barrier code. For those who require parking at the Old Palace for mobility reasons, please see Davina Rowe or Phil Hancock for access details. We look forward to seeing you.

Appeal for new Stewards for services

Sides Stewarding is one of the many ways that we can help support Chapter in the daily life of worship. It is also a lovely way to become more involved in the Cathedral Community. Greg Rowe, Head Steward for Worcester Cathedral, is looking for new members to help during the Sunday 10.30 am Eucharist and Special Services throughout the year. All are welcome with training and support provided. For more information, please contact Greg at gregrowe@gmx.com.

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 or Matthew Hall (Steward) on 01905 732907 or at

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

Prayer and Intercessions

Please pray for the sick and those in need, and for all the departed among them David Bowen, John Gaston and Lucy Orchard. 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 (mindful of the feast of St Dunstan, patron saint of bellringers) we pray for the Worcester Cathedral Guild of Bellringers, one of the largest ringing bands in the UK.

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

Charitable Giving: next steps

Having agreed our charitable giving for the year, the Congregational Committee is keen to explore how we might build our relationship with these charities. This year Maggs celebrates its 40th anniversary and Christian Aid its 80th. Join us for a meeting to see how we can connect: Wednesday 28 May, 6 pm at the Deanery.

Christian Aid Week

This year's campaign supports farmers like Aurelia and Amelia in Guatemala to learn skills to protect their farms and provide for their families in the face of extreme weather. Paul Robert will be relating their stories and how Christian Aid is working with local partners to make a difference, at a 10.30 am Christian Aid service at Pershore Abbey on Sunday 18 May.

Like many other Christian Aid supporters, Paul Robert is participating in '70k in May' to raise funds for the campaign: fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/challenge-2025/pauls-70k-may

Or you can donate to Christian Aid Week via their website: www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/christian-aid-week

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 19 July, 1.30 pm. **Living in Harmony with Life: diet and animal Welfare.**
- Saturday 20 September, 1.30 pm. **Responsible Stewardship of Land and Sea: bio-diversity, fertilisers, pollution, habitat use.**
- Saturday 15 November, 1.30 pm. **Eco-justice: responding to the social implications of ecological harm.**



The events are free. You can get more details and book a place to attend at www.worcestercathedral.co.uk/eco (or scan the QR code with your phone camera). *Tickets are not compulsory* but will ensure that you have a place if full.

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 will be at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 4 June.

Worcester Theological Society

Thursday 19 June – ‘The biggest challenge facing my church is...’ A symposium. 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 (<i>Book of Common Prayer, with livestream</i>)
10.30 am	Sung Eucharist
4.00 pm	Evensong
6.30 pm	Evening Worship (<i>sung by the Voluntary Choir</i>)

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Worcester Saints

St Dunstan (Monday 19 May). The extract below is from Exciting Holiness: Dunstan was born near Glastonbury around 910 into a noble family. He received a good education and spent time at the court of the King of Wessex. A saintly uncle urged him to enter the monastic life; he delayed, but followed the advice in time, on recovering from an illness. Returning to Glastonbury, Dunstan lived as a monk, devoting his work time to creative pursuits: illuminating, music, and metalwork. In 943 the new king made him abbot, and this launched a great revival of monastic life in England. Starting with Glastonbury, Dunstan restored discipline to several monasteries and promoted study and teaching—he was Bishop of Worcester from 957 to 959. Under two later kings, he rose to political and ecclesiastical eminence, being chief minister and Archbishop of Canterbury under King Edgar. This enabled him and his followers to extend his reforms to the whole English Church. In 970 he fell from political favour but continued as archbishop, preaching and teaching. He died in 988.

Ascension Day

There will be a Eucharist with Hymns (*with incense, but no choir*) at 5.30 pm on Ascension Day, Thursday 29 May. A joint service of Holy Communion for Ascension Day will also be held that day on behalf of Worcester Deanery (the 42 CofE churches in Worcester and its environs) at 7 pm at St Philip & St James Church, Hallow.

Worship in the Garden and Sacred Garden

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

Organ Spectacular

Discover the power and beauty of Worcester Cathedral's organs, as our popular Organ Spectacular returns. From the quietest shimmer to the loudest roar, the colours and contrasts of the organ will be demonstrated through much-loved organ repertoire, alongside music that you would not hear at Evensong! This year's concert will be celebrating *Play the Organ Year* and will be raising funds for the Worcester Cathedral Choristers Association. Saturday 14 June at 7.30 pm. Tickets: £16/£6 (U18's), available from www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/organ-spectacular-tickets-1302922118129 or on the door.

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 22 May

Jack McCabe (organ)

Thursday 5 June	Ciara Millington (mezzo soprano) and David Turner (bass)
Thursday 12 June	Dewi Rees (organ)
Thursday 19 June	Michael Jones (piano)
Thursday 26 June	Kenneth Wilson (cello)

GENERAL NOTICES

Parking

Those attending regular services may obtain the bollard code for College Green (email parking@worcestercathedral.org.uk)—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.

Bath Road Planned Closures

Please be aware that Bath Road is scheduled to be closed for resurfacing on Sundays 18 and 25 May.

Safeguarding at Worcester Cathedral

The Cathedral's Safeguarding Lead is Canon Kimberly Bohan, whose contact email is: kimberlybohan@worcestercathedral.org.uk The phone number is 01905 732906 and 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. www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/safeguarding

Sunday News

Notices for inclusion in the Sunday News should be emailed (usually by the previous Wednesday) to sundaynews@worcestercathedral.org.uk