SUNDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2026
THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT
(SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY)

Worcester Cathedral
Sunday News

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

Curacy Placement

We are pleased to announce that the Revd Gilly Maxim will be doing a placement with the Cathedral from 9 November until the end of December. Gilly is in the third year of her curacy, and is already well known to many in the Cathedral community. We are grateful for her presence with us this season.

Retirement of King's School Chaplain

The Revd Dr Mark Dorsett will retire as Chaplain of the King's School at the end of this academic year. He is stepping down as a Minor Canon of the Cathedral at Easter and his final Sunday will be 4 April 2027.

Sides Stewards

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 and training and support provided. For more information please contact Greg at gregrowe@gmx.com

Intercessors

If you might like to explore the possibility of leading intercessions at our Sunday morning Eucharists, please speak to John Vickerman john@prodoc.plus.com

Christmas Puddings for sale in aid of The Friends of Worcester Cathedral

As we did last year The Friends will be selling "Ultimate Plum Pudding" Christmas puddings in the Chapter House during coffee after the Sunday morning 10.30 am Eucharist. They come in three sizes: Small 120g = £5; Medium 454g = £11; Large 908g = £16. They are delicious as anyone who has had them during the last few years will tell you. Payment can be by cash, card or BACS.

Christmas Cards for sale

Christmas cards will also be for sale in the Chapter House during coffee, in support of the cathedral library. Cash only.

Sandwich Sunday

The next Sandwich Sunday will be on Sunday 6 December, after coffee in the Undercroft. Why not come along, have a chat and eat your lunch with friends.

Prayer and Intercessions

Please pray for the sick and those in need; and for all the departed, among them Sue Sykes, Chris Romain, Anthony Champion, and Clarice Bentley. 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 Worcester Cathedral Choristers Association.

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.

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 2 December.

Tewkesbury Abbey Theology Forum

Tuesday 17 November – 'The Abbots of Tewkesbury: Altruism, Ambition and Avarice" The Revd Charles Whitney. Tewkesbury Abbey Parish Hall. 7 pm drinks for a 7.30 pm start.

Worcester Theological Society

Thursday 19 November – 'Rudolf Steiner's Christian Theology' Adrian Lamont. 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 am	Holy Communion *(Book of Common Prayer, with livestream)*
10.30 am	Sung Eucharist
4.00 am	Evensong with Thanksgiving for the life of Harry Bramma
6.30 pm	Evening Worship *(sung by the Voluntary Choir)*

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Memorial Services

Our 4 pm Evensong today (Sunday 15 November) will include thanksgiving for the life of Harry Bramma, who served as our Assistant Organist from 1963 to 1976, and went on to be Director of the Royal School of Church Music.

A Christmas Carol

This Is My Theatre bring Charles Dickens' classic tale *A Christmas Carol* to life in a one-act adaptation. The Old Palace. 3pm & 7pm, Wednesday 18 November. Tickets £22 (U16 £16). www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/ChristmasCarol

An Evening with Allister Malcolm: creator of Your Perpetual Flame

Allister Malcolm, the acclaimed glass artist behind the Perpetual Flame, will share the story of his career and his passion for creating works that connect people with memory, reflection and hope. The Old Palace. 7pm, Thursday 26 November. Tickets £15. www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/AllisterMalcolm

Lunchtime Recitals

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

Thursday 19 November James Lancelot (organ)
Thursday 26 November Thomas Howell (organ)

GENERAL NOTICES

Parking

Regular worshippers at Evensong or on Sundays may obtain a bollard code for College Green (email parking@worcestercathedral.org.uk)—the entrance from College Green to the cloisters is open on Sunday mornings and unlocked (though shut) for all Evensongs. Accessible parking spaces on College Yard can be booked for blue badge holders via www.worcestercathedral.org.uk/parking

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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