Services & Music List

Canterbury Cathedral June 2025

WELCOME

Welcome

Canterbury Cathedral is the seat of the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Canterbury, the Mother Church of the Anglican Communion, and a place of pilgrimage welcoming visitors from across the world.

For over fourteen hundred years God has been worshipped here. With its roots in the Benedictine tradition, the ongoing daily pattern of morning and evening prayer and Eucharist continues the prayers and praises of countless generations in this Cathedral.

Alongside this we host a large number of special services, some regular, some occasional. These mark the feasts of the Church's year and significant events in the life of our local community, or offer opportunities for exploring faith and spirituality in creative and diverse ways.

Whether you are a regular worshipper with us, someone who has come to the Cathedral for a special event, or a visitor making a once in a lifetime journey to Canterbury, you are most welcome and an equal part of this community whose story reaches back to Augustine's mission to England in 597.

We invite everyone who attends our services to contribute to the ongoing costs of maintaining this beautiful Cathedral and investing in our ongoing ministry. It costs us approximately £30,000 a day to care for the building and people of this place and to continue to invest in the high quality of music that is offered here. There are regular collections at the end of our services, you can make use of the digital payment points or scan the QR code below. Whatever you can give it is gratefully received. Thank you.



WORSHIP

Regular worship

At the heart of Cathedral life is the regular rhythm of daily prayer. The day begins each morning with the quiet, said services of Morning Prayer and the 8.00am Eucharist, and ends with the service of Choral Evensong, with music from the Cathedral Choir or one of the many excellent visiting choirs who come to sing during the Cathedral Choir's holidays, or Said Evening Prayer. The Cathedral's principal act of worship every week is the 11.00am Sunday Choral Eucharist.

Live streaming

Choral Eucharists on Sunday, Choral Evensongs, and other special services are routinely live-streamed and available on our website and via YouTube. If you attend these services you may be seen on camera, and by attending these services you give your permission to appear in this way. If you have any queries or concerns about this please contact the Precentor in advance (precentor@canterbury-cathedral.org). To watch these services online visit www.canterbury-cathedral.org

Silent Prayer Thursdays as part of Evening Prayer

(Previously 'The Julian Prayer Meetings')

An opportunity to be still in the midst of the business of life and rest in the holiness and peace of this sacred place. If you are drawn to silent prayer, please join us weekly on Thursdays* in the Crypt for an extended time of silent prayer as part of a said service of Evening Prayer ending at 6.15 pm. Whether you stay for ten minutes or half an hour, this space is for people of all denominations, faiths or none who wish to have some quiet, reflective time, resting in the present moment.

Taizé Prayer 12.30pm on Mondays** in the Western Crypt

Drawing on the pattern of worship from the Taizé Community, these lunch time services are an invitation to encounter God and one another in the sharing of simple songs, listening to scripture, and spending time in silence. Dates are 2 June (Taizé Workshop) and 9, 16, 23 and 30 June.

*most Thursdays with occasional variations, check the Pew Sheet for details **during choir term time

WORSHIP

Archbishops of Canterbury commemorated in June

- 2nd Oda, 22nd Archbishop, 958
 Remains re-buried in the Corona
- 4th William Juxon, 77th Archbishop, 1663 Buried at St John's College, Oxford
- 6th William Whittlesey, 57th Archbishop, 1374

 Buried in the South Nave (named stone in the floor near the Lectern)
- 12th Lyfing, 30th Archbishop, 1020 Buried in the Chapel of St Martin
- 14th Simon de Sudbury, 58th Archbishop, 1381

 Buried South of the High Altar (head in Sudbury Parish Church)
- 30th Aethelred, 18th Archbishop, 888

 Buried in the Cathedral, site unknown

Other commemorations in June

- 5th Death of Orlando Gibbons, 1625

 Buried in the Nave
- 8th Death of Edward, the Black Prince, 1376 Buried on the South side of the Trinity Chapel
- 18th Burial of King Henry IV, 1413

 Buried on the North side of the Trinity Chapel

MUSIC

Summer Term Organ Recitals

Organ recitals start at 6.15pm in the Cathedral's Quire and are free of charge with a retiring collection. Programmes for these concerts are included in the monthly Services and Music List.

Friday 6 June: Simon Hogan, Southwark Cathedral

Friday 4 July: Will Fairbairn, London

Summer Recitals – Choral and Organ Scholars

The Cathedral's Choral and Organ Scholars will perform a series of Summer Recitals in June 2025. These will start at 1.15pm in the Crypt, immediately following the Lunchtime Eucharist at 12.30pm.

Wednesday 11 June Ellen Griffiths (Alto)
Wednesday 18 June Benjamin Ferriby (Bass)
Wednesday 25 June Jamie Rogers (Piano)

These events are un-ticketed and free to attend, with the usual Cathedral Precincts charges applying. Each recital will last approximately 45 minutes.

Join the choir

The next round of auditions for boy and girl choristers will take place on Saturday 28 June 2025. These auditions are for boys currently in Years 2 or 3, and girls currently in Year 7. Successful candidates will be invited to join the choir in September 2025.

If you are interested in the auditions, please fill in the online form by Sunday 22 June to book a place. Please note that parents/guardians (at least one) are asked to stay at the Cathedral with their child throughout auditions. More information about being a chorister can be found on our website, where you can read our Chorister Information Booklet.

https://www.canterbury-cathedral.org/music/join-the-choir/

David Newsholme, Director of Music

1 Sunday The Seventh Sunday of Easter (Sunday after Ascension Day) **Holy Communion** (BCP) 8.00am Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt **Morning Prayer** 9.15am Jesus Chapel, Crypt 10.30am Children's Church Community Studio joining in the Eucharist in time for Communion 11.00am **Eucharist** Quire sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks (Decani II verse) Byrd, Mass for five voices Psalm 97 Preacher: The Reverend Dr E L Pennington, Canon Missioner Byrd, Ave verum corpus Hymns 260 Spirit divine, attend our prayers (Billing); 460 O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray (Song I); 486 Christ is the King! O friends rejoice (Vulpius (Gelobt sei Gott)) 5.30pm **Evensong in celebration of volunteers** Quire sung by Lay Clerks Andrew Millington, Responses Psalm 68.1-13, 18-19 Sheppard, First service Marenzio, O Rex gloriae Hymn 794i The King of love my shepherd is (Dominus Regit me) 2 Oda, 22nd Archbishop of Canterbury, 958 Monday 7.30am **Morning Prayer** Jesus Chapel, Crypt 8.00am **Holy Communion** Saints & Martyrs of Our Own Time, Corona 12.30pm Taizé Prayer Workshop Community Studio **Evensong** 5.30pm Quire sung Lay Clerks Andrew Millington, Responses Psalms 12-14 Tallis, Short service Tallis, Hear the voice and prayer

Hymn 250ii Holy Spirit, truth divine (Vienna)

3 Tuesday The Martyrs of Uganda, 1886 and 1978 **Morning Prayer** 7.30am Jesus Chapel, Crypt **Holy Communion** 8.00am St Gabriel, Crypt 5.30pm **Evensong** Quire sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks Smith, Responses Psalm 18 Gibbons, Second service Gibbons, Almighty and everlasting God Hymn 544ii Morning glory, starlit sky (Song 13) 4 Wednesday 7.30am **Morning Prayer** Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt **Holy Communion** 8.00am

Holy Communion

Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt

Evensong

This service commemorating the 400th anniversary of the death

of Orlando Gibbons, who is buried at Canterbury Cathedral,

Quire

will be broadcast live on BBC Radio 3

sung by boy choristers, girl choristers and Lay Clerks

Gibbons, Almighty and everlasting God

Smith, Responses Psalms 22; 23

12.30pm 3.00pm

7.00pm

Gibbons, Second service

Gibbons, O clap your hands

Hymn 544ii Morning glory, starlit sky (Song 13)

Thursday Boniface (Wynfrith) of Crediton, Bishop, Apostle of Germany, Martyr, 754
 7.30am Morning Prayer Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
 8.00am Holy Communion Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
 5.30pm Evening Prayer with Silence Western Crypt

Archdeacons' Visitations Service

6 Friday

7.30am Morning Prayer8.00am Holy Communion

Jesus Chapel, Crypt Nave Altar

5.30pm Evensong

Quire

sung by Lay Clerks (Cantoris II verse)

Tallis, Responses

Psalm 33

Ortiz, Magnificat primo toni plainchant, Nunc dimittis

Palestrina, Surrexit Pastor bonus

Hymn 253 Love of the Father, Love of God the Son (Song 22)

6.15pm Organ Recital

Simon Hogan, Southwark Cathedral

Hovland, Toccata on 'Now thank we all our God'

Buxtehude, Nun bitten wir den Heiligen Geist, BuxWV 208

Duruflé, Prélude, Adagio et Choral varié sur le thème du 'Veni

Creator'

J.S. Bach, Nun danket alle Gott, BWV 657

Demessieux, Te Deum

7 Saturday

8.00am Holy Communion9.15am Morning Prayer

St Nicholas, Crypt

Jesus Chapel, Crypt

Quire

5.30pm Evensong sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks

Cecilia McDowall, Responses

Psalm 37

Wood in E-flat

Tallis, O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit

Hymn 238i Come down, O Love divine (Down Ampney)

8	Sunday	Day of Pentecost (Whit Sunday)			
	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	High Altar		
	9.15am	Morning Prayer	Jesus Chapel, Crypt		
	10.30am	Children's Church	Community Studio		
		joining in the Eucharist in time for Commun	•		
	11.00am	Eucharist	Quire		
		sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks	C		
		Jonathan Dove, Missa brevis			
		Psalm 104.24-35			
		Preacher: The Archdeacon of Canterbu	rv		
		Gibbons, Come, Holy Ghost (Song 44)	J		
		Hymns 237 Christians, lift up your hearts (Salve Festa Dies);			
		244 Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round (Song 1); 239 Come Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire (Nun danket all')			
	5.30pm Solemn Evensong				
	1	sung by girl choristers and Lay Clerks	Quire		
		Attwood, Come, Holy Ghost			
		Radcliffe, Responses			
		Psalm 33.1-12			
		Howells, Collegium Sancti Johannis Car	ntabrigiense		
		Matthew Martin, Veni Sancte Spiritus			
		-	58 O thou who camest from above (Hereford)		
	7.30pm	King's School Evensong	Nave		
9	Monday	Columba, Abbot of Iona, Missionary, 5	97		
	7.30am	Morning Prayer	Jesus Chapel, Crypt		
	8.00am	Holy Communion St	Anselm, South Quire Aisle		
	12.30pm	Taizé Prayer	Western Crypt		
	5.30pm	Evensong	Quire		
	_	sung by girl choristers and Lay Clerks			
		Radcliffe, Responses			
		Psalms 47-49			
		Weelkes, Short service			
Croft, We will rejoice in thy salvation					
		Hymn 236 Breathe on me, breath of God (Carlisle)			

10 Tuesday

7.30am Morning Prayer Jesus Chapel, Crypt
 8.00am Holy Communion St Gregory, South-East Transept
 5.30pm Evensong Quire

sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks Cecilia McDowall, Responses

Psalms 53-55

Byrd, Second service

Gabriel Jackson, O thou that art the light

Hymn 246 Holy Spirit, come, confirm us (All for Jesus)

11 Wednesday Barnabas the Apostle

7.30am Morning Prayer Jesus Chapel, Crypt
8.00am Holy Communion Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
12.30pm Holy Communion Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
1.15pm Choral Scholar Recital Eastern Crypt
5.30pm Evensong Quire

sung by girl choristers

Ridout, Let saints on earth in concert sing

plainchant, Responses

Psalm 61

Bairstow in E-flat

Dering, Gaudent in coelis

Hymn 255 O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace (Tallis's ordinal)

12 Thursday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	Jesus Chapel, Crypt
8.00am	Holy Communion	St Martin, North-East Transept
5.30pm	Evening Prayer with Silence	Western Crypt
7.00pm	Archdeacons' Visitations Ser	vice Quire

13 Friday

7.30am Morning Prayer8.00am Holy Communion

Jesus Chapel, Crypt

5.30pm Evensong

Holy Innocents, Crypt Quire

sung by Lay Clerks (Decani I verse)

Grayston Ives, Responses

Psalm 69.1-22, 30-31

Marson, The verse service

Cavalli, Salve Regina

Hymn 262 Spirit of mercy, truth, and love (Melcombe)

14 Saturday

8.00am Holy Communion

High Altar

9.15am Morning Prayer

Jesus Chapel, Crypt

5.30pm Evensong

Quire

sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks

Ayleward, Responses

Psalms 73; 74

Matthew Martin, Magnificat (Fifth service)

Walmisley, Nunc dimittis in d

Matthew Martin, Sanctus & Benedictus (Coventry Missa brevis)

Hymn 278 We give immortal praise (Croft's 136th)

15 TRINITY SUNDAY Sunday **Holy Communion** (BCP) 8.00am Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt **Morning Prayer** 9.15am Jesus Chapel, Crypt 10.30am Children's Church Community Studio joining in the Eucharist in time for Communion 11.00am **Eucharist** Quire

sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks

Grayston Ives, Gloria & Agnus Dei (Missa brevis)

Matthew Martin, Sanctus & Benedictus (Coventry Missa brevis)

Psalm 8

Preacher: The Dean

Wood, Great Lord of Lords

Hymns 268 Affirm anew the three-fold name (St Matthew); 277 I bind unto myself today (St Patrick; Gartan); 276 Holy,

holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! (Nicaea)

5.30pm Solemn Evensong

sung by girl choristers and Lay Clerks

Quire

Byrd, Gloria tibi, Domine

Wesley, arr. Hunt, Responses

Psalm 73.1-3; 15-27

Howells, Westminster service Matthew Martin, I saw the Lord

Hymn 272 Father, Lord of earth and heaven (Stuttgart)

7.30pm King's School Evensong

Quire

16	Monday	Refugee Week	
	,	Richard, Bishop of Chichester, 1253	
	7.30am	Morning Prayer	Jesus Chapel, Crypt
	8.00am	Holy Communion	Jesus Chapel, Crypt
	12.30pm	Taizé Prayer	Western Crypt
	5.30pm	Evensong	Quire
	-	sung by girl choristers and Lay Clerks	
		Wesley, arr. Hunt, Responses	
		Psalms 82-85	
		Gibbons, Short service	
		Lloyd, View me, Lord	
		Hymn 603 Bright the vision that delighte	d (Laus Deo (Redhead
		no. 46))	

17 Tuesday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	Jesus Chapel, Crypt
8.00am	Holy Communion	St Mary Magdalene, Crypt
5.30pm	Evensong with Admission of Ch	nurchwardens Quire
_	sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks	
	Ayleward, Responses	
	Psalm 89	

 $Matthew\ Martin,\ Magnificat\ (Fifth\ service)$

Sumsion, Nunc dimittis in G, a4

Matthew Martin, Never weather-beaten sail

Hymn 628 Father of heaven, whose love profound (Rievaulx)

18	Wednesday 7.30am 8.00am 12.30pm	Morning Prayer	St Edward the Confessor, N	us Chapel, Crypt
	1.15pm	Choral Scholar Recit	tal	Eastern Crypt
	5.30pm	Evensong sung by girl choristers plainchant, Responses Psalm 93		Quire
		Becky-Ellice Creighton,	-	
		Couperin, Lauda Sion sa		
		Christi)	aviour, sanctify my breas	et (Anima
19	Thursday	Day of Thanksgiving for Holy Communion (Corpus Christi)		
	7.30am	Morning Prayer	Ies	us Chapel, Crypt
	8.00am	Holy Communion	_	us Chapel, Crypt
	5.30pm	Sung Eucharist	<i>y</i>	Quire
	•	sung by Lay Clerks		
		Byrd, Mass for three voi	ices	
		Psalm 116.11-16		
		Gerald Hendrie, Ave verum		
		Hymns 422 Alleluia, sing to Jesus! (Hyfrydol); 460 O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray (Song 1); NEH 268 Of the glorious body telling (Pange Lingua)		
20	7.30am 8.00am 5.30pm	Morning Prayer Holy Communion Said Evening Prayer	Jes St John the Evangelist, Sou	rus Chapel, Crypt oth-East Transept Western Crypt

21	Saturday 8.00am 9.15am 5.30pm	Holy Communion Morning Prayer Evensong sung by boy choristers and Rose, Responses Psalm 106 Walmisley, Magnificat i Matthew Martin, Nunc Matthew Martin, Gloria Hymn 619 Come, ye fai Herrscher)	Lay Clerks n d dimittis (Fifth (Coventry M	issa brevis)	
22	Sunday	The First Sunday afte	er Trinity		
	8.00am	Holy Communion (B	•	Our Lady Undercro	t, Crypt
	9.15am	Morning Prayer	,	Jesus Chape	
	10.30am	Children's Church		Community	
		joining in the Eucharist in	time for Commi	ınion	
	11.00am	Eucharist with Minis	stry of Heali	ng	Quire
		sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks			
		Matthew Martin, Gloria (Coventry Missa brevis)			
		Palestrina, Sanctus, Benedictus & Agnus Dei (Missa Æterna			
		Christi munera)			
		Psalm 22.19-28			
		Preacher: The Reverend Dr E L Pennington, Canon Missioner			
		Matthew Martin, Ave verum corpus			
		Hymns 366 (t. 337) Living God, your word has called us			
		(Blaenwern); 519 Some	_	-	
		568 Take up the song, a	nd sing the pra	aise of God (Wood	lands)
	5.30pm	Evensong			Quire
	•	sung by girl choristers and	Lay Clerks		
		Sarah MacDonald, Resp	•		
		Psalm 57			
		Arvo Pärt, Magnificat			
		plainchant, Nunc dimitt	is		
		Matthew Martin, When	David heard		

Hymn 612 Christ triumphant, ever reigning (Guiting Power)

23 Monday Etheldreda, Abbess of Ely, c.678

7.30am Morning Prayer Jesus Chapel, Crypt
8.00am Holy Communion St Stephen, North-East Transept
12.30pm Taizé Prayer Western Crypt
5.30pm Evensong Quire

sung by girl choristers and Lay Clerks Sarah MacDonald, Responses

Psalms 114; 115 Brewer in D

de Monte, Sancte Johannes Baptista

Hymn 302ii How beauteous are their feet (St Thomas)

24 Tuesday The Birth of John the Baptist

7.30am Morning Prayer Jesus Chapel, Crypt
8.00am Holy Communion Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
5.30pm Evensong Quire

sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks Harris, Holy is the true light

Rose, Responses Psalm 119.1-32

Sumsion, Magnificat in G, a4

Matthew Martin, Nunc dimittis (Fifth service)

Gibbons, This is the record of John

Hymn 319 Sing we the praises of the great forerunner (Diva

Servatrix)

25	Wednesday	Ember Day	
23	7.30am	Morning Prayer	Jesus Chapel, Crypt
	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Gabriel, Crypt
	12.30pm	Holy Communion	Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
	1.15pm	Summer Recital	, , , ,
	_		Eastern Crypt
	5.30pm	Evensong	Quire
		sung by girl choristers	
		plainchant, Responses	
		Psalm 119.73-88	
		plainchant, Magnificat	
		Holly Smith, Nunc dimittis	
		Vaughan Williams, The Call	
		Hymn 602 Blest are the pure in heart	(Franconia)
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26	Thursday	W	
	7.30am	Morning Prayer	Jesus Chapel, Crypt
	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Nicholas, Crypt
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer with Silence	Western Crypt
27	Friday	Ember Day	
_	7.30am	Morning Prayer	Jesus Chapel, Crypt
	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Nicholas, Crypt
	5.30pm	Evensong	Quire
	r	sung by Lay Clerks (Decani II verse)	C -
		Cleobury, Responses	
		Psalms 126-128	
		Wise, Evening Service in E-flat	
		Gibbons, O God, the King of glory	
		The state of the s	1. (11.

Hymn 792 The God of love my shepherd is (University)

28	Saturday	Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons, Teacher of the Faith, c.200		
	0.00	Ember Day	C. A. 1. C. (1.0): A: 1	
	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Anselm, South Quire Aisle	
	9.15am	Morning Prayer	Jesus Chapel, Crypt	
	10.30am	Ordination of Deacons	Nave	
	2.30pm	Ordination of Priests	Nave	
	5.30pm	Said Evening Prayer	Western Crypt	
	7.30pm	A Memorial Concert for The Ve	ery Rev'd	
		Dr Robert Willis, Dean Emeritu	1S Nave	
		Booking required to reserve a seat. Cathedral website for details.	Please see the Canterbury	
29	Sunday	Peter and Paul, Apostles		
	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt	
	9.15am	King's School Matins	Nave	
	10.30am	Children's Church	Community Studio	
		joining in the Eucharist in time for Comi	•	
	11.00am	Eucharist	Quire	
		sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks		
		Stanford, Gloria, Sanctus & Benedictus in C		
		Matthew Martin, Agnus Dei (Coventry Missa brevis) Psalm 125		
		Preacher: The Reverend A P Dodd, Canon Treasurer		
		Duruflé, Tu es Petrus		
		Hymns 586 All praise to Christ, our Lord and king divine		
		(Engelberg); 675 (omit vv. 4, 5) Immortal Love for ever full		
		(Bishopthorpe); 787i Take my life, and let it be (Nottingham)		
	5.30pm	Solemn Evensong	Quire	
		sung by girl choristers and Lay Clerks		
		Stanford, Beati quorium via Byrd, Responses Psalms 124; 138 Howells, New College service		
		Matthew Martin, O praise God in hi	s holiness	
		Hymn 321 Thou art the Christ, O Lord (Love unknown)		
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30 Monday

7.30am Morning Prayer

8.00am Holy Communion St Gregory, South-East Transept

12.30pm Taizé Prayer Western Crypt

5.30pm Evensong Quire

sung by girl choristers and Lay Clerks

Byrd, Responses Psalms 147-150 Watson in E

Lucy Walker, And be thankful

Hymn 664 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds (St Peter)