

Safeguarding : Do you need to talk?

**Are you concerned about the safety of a child, young person or vulnerable adult?
Or is there something that you would like to discuss that affects you?**

A safeguarding concern is anything that may impact the safety and wellbeing of a child, young person or vulnerable adult; if they are being neglected, harmed or at risk of being harmed by others or themselves, and are in need of protection. To report a non-emergency safeguarding concern please scan the QR code and complete our online form or email safeguarding@canterbury-cathedral.org

TO REPORT AN EMERGENCY SAFEGUARDING CONCERN PLEASE CONTACT
THE CATHEDRAL CONSTABLES OFFICE: Located by the main entrance to the
Precincts, Christ Church Gate. Alternatively, please call 01227 866237



Voluntary roles - please consider applying for:

Audit and Risk Committee Member or Finance Committee Member

The Audit and Risk Committee provides independent oversight of the Cathedral's systems of internal control, risk management, and financial reporting. They support the Chapter in discharging its responsibilities as a registered charity and steward of public trust, overseeing external and internal audit functions, and the mitigation of financial, reputational, operational and safeguarding risks. This is meaningful work in a truly unique setting, and we are seeking committee members who combine professional expertise with a collaborative spirit and a commitment to the Cathedral's evolving mission. We value diverse perspectives and a forward-looking approach, ensuring their governance continues to be as enduring and inspiring as the building itself.

Central to our vision is a commitment to financial sustainability. As the Cathedral continues to serve as a place of worship, sanctuary, and cultural significance, it recognises the importance of robust financial planning and governance. Ensuring long-term financial health through diversified income streams, responsible stewardship, and transparent reporting is essential to supporting its mission and safeguarding its future.

The Finance Committee plays a vital role in supporting this strategic direction. Its key responsibilities include regular reviews of investments, oversight of capital projects, and management of investment properties—ensuring that financial stewardship remains aligned with the Cathedral's long-term vision and values. In addition, the Committee monitors financial performance and advises the Chapter on financial obligations and strategic planning.

The closing date for applications for both rolls is 12 September 2025. Shortlisted candidates will be invited to a selection event at Canterbury Cathedral during September with a view to appointment from beginning of October.

Learn more & apply: www.canterbury-cathedral.org/get-involved/work-with-us

The Friends of Canterbury Cathedral

THE FRIENDS OF CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL are the Cathedral's fan club. We are admirers of the building, its history, and its community, and we help to support the Cathedral and its work. Our new Programme of Events has just been launched and includes talks, coffee mornings, day trips, recitals, and even an annual holiday! You can find out more about our Events and Friendly community here: <https://www.canterbury-cathedral.org/support-us/friends>. Or pop into our Office in Cathedral House or phone 01227 865292 for more information.

Please send submissions for the Pew Sheet to:

tobin.wallace-sims@canterbury-cathedral.org by Wednesday please



THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITAN CHURCH OF CHRIST, CANTERBURY

Welcome to our services for the week beginning Sunday 31st August 2025

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Canon in Residence: The Dean

You are more than welcome to join us at any of the following services

Weekend Services (Sat & Sun)		Weekday Services (Mon—Fri)	
8.00	Holy Communion	7.30	Morning Prayer (9.15 Bank Holidays)
9.15	Morning Prayer	8.00	Holy Communion
11.00	Choral Eucharist (Sunday)	11.00	Bell Ceremony
15.00	Huguenot Service (in French, Sunday only)	12.30	Holy Communion - Wednesdays (Taizé Prayer resumes on Mondays in September)
17.30	Choral Evensong	17.30	Choral Evensong Thursdays said Evening Prayer with Silence

Out and about in the Diocese

The Archdeacon is at All Saints, Chillenden this morning to celebrate and preach.

Visiting Choirs

During the Cathedral Choir's Summer break, we have visiting choirs which come to sing our services for us. In the last week and over this weekend we are joined by the Hamberg Bach Choir. We are very grateful to all our visiting choirs for their hard work and for allowing us to maintain a high standard of music in worship whilst the Cathedral Choir is having a well-earned rest. We also thank Ian Roberts who organises and co-ordinates all our visiting choirs, and takes care of them while they are here. The Cathedral Choir will return to sing tomorrow, with the installation of Boy Choristers, Lay Clerks and Scholars at Evensong on 6th September and Girl Choristers at Evensong on 7th September.

Children's Church - information and a request for volunteers

Children's Church resumes on 7th September, but there are parent-led crèche facilities for babies and toddlers in the north east transept - please ask a steward for directions. We are grateful to Jessie and her team for all their work with the Cathedral's children and young people throughout the year.

We are also looking for volunteers to join the team: Using a syllabus that follows the pattern of service within the Anglican Community, Sunday Church volunteers use storytelling, songs, games, craft and prayer to bring to life Bible stories and share worship with children from the age of 5 –11. Please note that if you would like to volunteer in this role you will be asked to complete the Church of England basic and foundation Safeguarding courses and will need to complete an Enhanced DBS check. Please find more details on our website at:

<https://www.canterbury-cathedral.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

Canterbury Christian Aid Group - Guided walk

Blean Woods Sunday 14th September starting at 2pm from RSPB car park CT2 9DD. Suggested donation £5 for Christian Aid. Further details and to book contact Andrew Goatly at apgoatly@gmail.com

Friends of Kent Churches Ride and Stride - 13th September

Each year, people get on their bikes or put on their walking boots to go from church to church to raise funds for their home church and the Friends of Kent Churches. If you would like to take part in this event to raise money for the Cathedral (50% of the proceeds go to the home church) then please contact Simon Nichols at the Welcome Centre via simon.nichols@canterbury-cathedral.org

American Connections Tour

Discover the strong bond that Canterbury Cathedral has with the United States. Throughout history, Canterbury's inhabitants have gone on to shape American history, and in turn Americans have made their mark on Canterbury Cathedral. Hear stories of the people who have shaped the history of the United States and learn how glass and stone from Canterbury Cathedral adorns their churches. This is the story of centuries of friendship across the Atlantic. Dates: Labor Day: Mon 1 September, 11:15-12:30; Patriots' Day: Thurs 11 September, 11:15-12:30; Indigenous Peoples' Day: Mon 13 October, 11:15-12:30; Fri 24 October, 11:15-12:30; Veterans Day: Tues 11 November, 11:15-12:30; Thanksgiving: Thurs 27 November, 11:15-12:30. £5 per person, plus Cathedral admission charge. Book at our Visitor Centre, or email visits@canterbury-cathedral.org to reserve your space.

Private Evening Cathedral Tours

There is nothing more atmospheric than visiting Canterbury Cathedral as evening falls outside, once the crowds have gone home, and you are able to enjoy the serenity and beauty of this special place all to yourself. Discover the Cathedral when it is closed to the public, on an exclusive guided tour taken 'out of hours', led by one of our expert guides, who will share many fascinating stories with you. This is your opportunity to explore parts of the building which are not normally open to the public, while learning about the history and architecture of this magnificent building as you make your way around. This tour is perfect for history lovers and those seeking a unique way to enjoy the Cathedral - book your exclusive evening tour now and look forward to a truly special experience.

Dates: Fri 12 September, 18:30-20:00; Fri 3 October, 18:30-20:00

£40 per person. Pre-booking required - via the whats-on page of the Cathedral website.

Tours take place after our 17:30 Evensong which you are very welcome to attend beforehand.

A Reflective Guided Pilgrimage

WEEKLY on a Thursday (please check dates), 16:30-17:00 Join us after visiting hours, for a short guided pilgrimage around the Cathedral, stopping at places of significance for reflection and prayer. Torin Brown, Pilgrim Officer, will lead a pilgrimage around the outside of the Cathedral, visiting places of symbolism and structures of meaning, to reflect upon our lives and our world. It is a pilgrimage of prayerful intent. We will walk in silence between reflections of meaning, in an exercise of mindfulness, and in preparation for the evening service. Dates: 4, 11, 18 & 25 September. New dates added regularly. Free to attend; but donations gratefully received. For more information email pilgrims@canterbury-cathedral.org

A Silent Vigil for Peace in Gaza August 31st - TODAY

So many of us are distressed by events in Gaza, the West Bank and Israel and the ongoing loss of life and hope for families in Israel and Palestine alike.

As a response, a silent vigil is being held to raise awareness and to voice our concerns, along the lines of silent witness vigils held in Tel Aviv, Switzerland and elsewhere, and the vigil held in Canterbury last month. The purpose of the vigil is to stand up for peace, justice and mutual respect for people of all creeds and nationalities, so **it is asked that people not bring flags or partisan symbols**. The hope is that by showing a peaceful and united approach that brings people of different faiths and none together we can show our solidarity with each other against bigotry and against the ongoing destruction of so many lives.

Please join us in a silent vigil for Gaza in Canterbury on Sunday 31 August.

Meeting time 13.00 at the Buttermarket or gather for a shared lunch (bring your own picnic) beforehand at 12.15 in the garden of Friends Meeting House, 6, the Friars. The vigil will be held for about 45 minutes at the Buttermarket. You are invited for tea at the Meeting House afterwards. Please email petertoon@aol.com if you plan to come, as for public safety reasons the police has to be notified of how many people are expected.

Safeguarding Committee Volunteer Vacancies

We are seeking individuals who would like to contribute to the life and work of the Cathedral by volunteering for membership of the Safeguarding Committee. More details can be found at:

<https://www.canterbury-cathedral.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

Applications close at the end of the month, and interviews will be in mid-September.

Please do consider this opportunity if you have experience in the area of Safeguarding.

A Stitch in Time: A Day Exploring the Textiles of Canterbury Cathedral

Monday 15 September, 10:15-17:00 at Canterbury Cathedral Lodge

Canterbury Cathedral holds a fascinating collection of textiles. These include some fabric fragments and items of church dress dating from medieval times. This day will provide a unique opportunity to find out from our experts more about the history of these items and how they are used and cared for. Tea, coffee and pastries will be available upon arrival; with a two-course lunch in between; and tea, coffee and cake to finish the day - all included. £75 per person

Find out more and book at www.canterburycathedral.org/events

Historic Graffiti Tour

On this tour, members of the Cathedral's Historic Graffiti Team will shine a light on a selection of the fascinating historic graffiti that can be found throughout the Cathedral.

Focusing on the Eastern Crypt, Quire and Trinity Chapel, a selection of different types of historic graffiti from different periods will be revealed; along with the very different motivations in the past for making marks on walls. Dates: Thu 18 September, 14:15-15:30; Thu 25 September, 12:15-13:30; Tue 14 October, 12:15-13:30; Thu 23 October, 14:15-15:30; Tue 11 November, 14:15-15:30; Tue 9 December, 12:15-13:30. £5 per person, plus admission charge.

Book at our Visitor Centre, or reserve your space by emailing visits@canterbury-cathedral.org

FOOD BANK COLLECTIONS - Please donate

There are three Food Bank bins around the cathedral site: in the foyer of Cathedral House; in the South-West Transept near the shop; and in the North-East Transept near the door to the Dean's Steps. These provide much-needed resources for those who are in need during the current cost of living situation, and are part of our mission to support those who are struggling. Please do make this a regular opportunity for you to follow our Lord's teaching that what we do for the least of our sisters and brothers, we do also for him.