

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



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!

A FRIENDLY TALK Bruges – It's More Than Just Chocolate Tuesday 23 September, 10:30-11:30 in the Kentish Barn

Melanie Gibson-Barton returns to give us insight into another culture, encompassing the history and geography of this European landmark. Attendees will also learn about the modern aspects of the attractive city of Bruges. For audience members that have visited Bruges, the talk will bring back memories, and will show that there is much more to see in this city to inspire a return visit to explore in more depth. £10 Friends of Canterbury Cathedral; £15 non-members. Includes tea and coffee on arrival.

A FRIENDLY TALK Stone on Stone - the Men Who Built the Cathedrals

Tuesday 7 October, 10:30-11:30 in the Clagett Auditorium. Standing in the Nave of a cathedral, it is hard not to wonder how ordinary human beings could have created sky-scraping, dizzyingly high buildings on which even the top-most parts were delicately decorated, in an age before even the simplest of power tools. Imogen Corrigan will tell us the story of the men who built the cathedrals of the medieval era: who they were, how they lived and how with the simplest of hand tools they created the astonishing buildings that hundreds of years later still stand as monuments to their ingenuity and skill. Imogen will discuss the context for building such huge places of worship and the men who built them (who they were, and the challenges they had to face). She will reveal how they found the materials, explain the construction techniques, and consider building control. Finally, she will divulge who paid for it all. £10 Friends of Canterbury Cathedral; £15 non-members. Includes tea and coffee on arrival.

These events are organised by and in support of The Friends of Canterbury Cathedral (Registered Charity No 1210093). For more information about this and future events, help booking, or becoming a member, please call The Friends' Office at 01227 865292 or email friends@canterbury-cathedral.org

FRIENDLY Singing for Wellbeing St Paul's Church Hall, Canterbury, CT1 1NH

ALL welcome – rusty singers included!

Turn up for a cuppa and a biscuit, followed by sociable singing to put a smile on your face.

Led by Jamie Rogers, Assistant Director of Music at Canterbury Cathedral.

Please join us between 14:00-15:00 on the following Mondays: 13th October, 10th November, 8th December.

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 21st September 2025

Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Canon in Residence: The Archdeacon of Canterbury

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

KING APPROVES APPOINTMENT OF NEW CANON PRECENTOR

The King has approved the appointment of the Reverend Lindsay Yates to be our new Canon Precen-tor. Lindsay has been leading the Generous Giving Team in the diocese, and is already an Honorary Minor Canon. She is married to Archdeacon Will Adam, and comes with a wealth of experience. You can read the full press release on the Cathedral's website.

Lindsay will be Collated by the Bishop of Dover and Installed by the Dean in the next few weeks (details to be announced soon.) Please keep Lindsay in your prayers as she prepares for the busy year ahead, during which she will curate the enthronement of the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury.

Children's Church - a request for volunteers

We are 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/>

Vacancy at Jesus Hospital

Jesus Hospital a small almshouse community on Sturry Road, near to shops and surgery and on the main bus route. We have a weekly chapel service and residents are expected to attend and take part in the occasional social events. However residents have to be able to live independently within this caring friendly community. A vacancy will shortly arise for a flat suitable for one or two people. For more information please contact the Warden at jhcwarden@outlook.com or phone 07579026176.

Harvest Thanksgiving

We will keep Harvest Thanksgiving on **Sunday 5th October at 11am**, with the Blessing of Animals in the afternoon and the County Harvest Festival at Evensong at 5.30pm. If you would like to bring Harvest gifts for the Food Bank, please leave them with the Virgers during the week running up to 5th October, or on the day itself. Please ensure that gifts are non-perishable (tins or packets) and have three months before their use by date. Thank you.

ONLINE BOOK GROUP

The Interior Castle by Teresa of Avila (1515-1582)

Ten sessions over 11 weeks (between 9 September – 18 November)

Tuesday evenings, 20:00 - 21:00 GMT via Zoom

The Interior Castle is often singled out by scholars of Teresa's work as her masterpiece. Teresa received the image of the whole book in a vision on Trinity Sunday 1577. An early biographer writes that she beheld "a most beautiful crystal globe like a castle in which she saw seven dwelling places, and in the seventh, which was the centre, the King of Glory dwelt in the greatest splendour". Among the mystics, St Teresa of Avila holds a unique position as a witness to divine realities. Her common sense, humour, and penchant for everyday images liven her writings; but she is above all remarkable for her analytical abilities in proving the mystery of God's workings in the soul. Join Canon Emma online via Zoom to reflect and discuss this profound exploration of the interior castle. Together, over ten sessions, we shall read and discuss the complete text - focussing on specific chapters each week. We will be reading the Classics of Western Spirituality version, published by Paulist Press and translated by Kieran Kavanaugh and Otilio Rodriguez - available to purchase online. Please note, chapters will not be provided for these sessions. The book is available to purchase online from a range of outlets, as a digital or physical copy. Please ensure that you have read the chapters ahead of the group meeting. Each week the session will be recorded so if you miss a week you can catch up along with the 'Questions to Ponder'. Whether you can join us for just a few or all of the gatherings, you are most welcome to read together this celebration of Richard Rolle's profound religious experiences and the insights he gained from them to take into your own spiritual life. The group is free, but any donation you may wish to make to the mission and ministry of the Cathedral will be warmly received. **Booking essential** - Book your space via our website to be sent a Zoom link. It will be the same zoom link for each week.

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:** 25 September. New dates added regularly. Free to attend; but donations gratefully received. For more information email pilgrims@canterbury-cathedral.org

Taizé Lunchtime Prayer Mondays at 12.30pm

Mondays, during choir term time, 12:30-13:00 in the Crypt
All are welcome to come and experience this way of praying, as we connect with God and one another through sound and silence.
The worship of Taizé is based on simple repetitive chants, the reading of scripture and silence. All are welcome. In person only.
Find out more and see dates: www.canterbury-cathedral.org/taize
Free to attend, but donations are gratefully accepted.

New Bishops - a request for lunch invitations

At the end of October, new bishops from the Anglican Communion will gather here as they have done for some years. This is a very special time for them, and a privilege for us to host them. As in past years, we are asking members of the Cathedral Community to host one or two bishops for Lunch on Sunday 2nd November after post-Eucharist drinks. If you are willing to host, please contact Andrea via andrea.tadiwala@canterbury-cathedral.org

The Great Stour Riverfest starts on Sunday!

The Great Stour Riverfest (21 - 28 September) is back for the third consecutive year. This community festival aims to raise awareness of the importance of the River Stour as a chalk stream and to encourage residents and visitors to celebrate, respect and enjoy it. The festival features walks, talks, punting trips, art & craft activities, yoga and much more, all focused on the river.

The Riverfest events are organised by community groups in partnership with Canterbury City Council, Whitefriars and the Canterbury Business Improvement District (BID). As part of the festival, we are delighted to be co-hosting a workshop on 'The Rights of Rivers' which you are warmly invited to attend.

Further details can be found at: <https://www.canterbury.co.uk/attractions/great-stour-riverfest-2025>

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 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.