

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



An event at the Lodge

A Day to Explore the Gardens at Canterbury Cathedral Tuesday 19th May, £67 per person (10% discount for Friends), 10:15-17:00. Meet the team at Canterbury Cathedral for a fascinating day exploring the gardens and the history of gardening at the Cathedral, including tours and talks from our knowledgeable team. Tickets include refreshments, a 2-course hot lunch, and tea and cake to round off the day.

To book, please call 01227 865350, email events@canterburycathedrallodge.org, or visit the Lodge reception.

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 Living Through Two World Wars - Canterbury 1914-1951

Tuesday 16 June, 14:30-15:30 in the Clagett Auditorium

Doreen Rosman returns for a final talk in her series about the history of Canterbury, focusing on one person's experience to evoke what it would have been like to live through this period of tumultuous change. As a teenager, a girl born c 1900 would have seen horses commandeered off city streets for the front, been offered jobs previously restricted to men, and mourned the deaths of lads she had known at school. After the war, she would have witnessed major slum clearance, the building of council estates, delivery vans replacing bicycles, and the opening of huge state of the art cinemas. The 1940s brought renewed rationing, blackouts, war weapons fund-raising, and constant sleep deprivation. The worst of 35 bombing raids flattened the east end of the city - amid whose ruins, as a middle-aged woman, she might have attended a Festival of Britain exhibition. Doreen Rosman taught history at the University of Kent. Her publications include, *Canterbury: A History since 1500*, the story of a city and its people.

£10 Friends of Canterbury Cathedral; £15 non-members. Includes tea and coffee on arrival.

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 Monday: 8th June.

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 17th May 2026

The Seventh Sunday of Easter - The Sunday after Ascension Day

Canon in Residence: The Reverend Dr Emma Pennington

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

Weekend Services (Sat & Sun)

8.00	Holy Communion
9.15	Morning Prayer
11.00	Choral Eucharist (Sunday)
15.00	Huguenot Service (in French, Sunday only)
17.30	Choral Evensong

Weekday Services (Mon—Fri)

7.30	Morning Prayer (9.15 Bank Holidays)
8.00	Holy Communion
11.00	Bell Ceremony
12.30	Holy Communion - Wednesdays Taizé Prayer - Mondays in Term Time
17.30	Choral Evensong

Pentecost next Sunday - a day for bright colours

Next Sunday, Pentecost, is sometimes understood as the Church's birthday, also known as Whitsunday, and is when we celebrate Pentecost, when we remember the giving of the gift of the fire of the Holy Spirit. Sarah, our Archbishop will be preaching at the Sung Eucharist at 11 o'clock. If you are planning to attend worship at the cathedral on this day, please consider wearing something bright and fire coloured to add a sense of vibrancy in our congregations that day.

Confirmation - September 20th - for children and adults

There will be a Confirmation service at the beginning of the new academic year with classes leading up to that in June and July. If you would like to explore coming to full membership of the Church by taking this step, please email precentor@canterbury-cathedral.org and we will send out details of when classes will take place.

Silent Prayer

We have welcomed the return of Choral Evensong to Thursday 17.30 but as a result we have lost the weekly slot for corporate, public silent prayer (although there is 10 minutes of silent prayer included in Monday's Taizé Service). My colleagues and I are trying to discern how best to address this. Please send me any ideas that come to mind that could be considered further. *The Dean*

Preachers at Evensong in Eastertide

17th May: The Reverend Joyce Addison, Priest-in-charge of the Parish of St Martin, in Maidstone

24th May: The Reverend Jo Richards, Rector of St Dunstan, St Mildred, & St Peter, Canterbury.

31st May: Sir Paul Britton, former senior civil servant, deputy chair of Mind, Chair of the Friends of Kent Churches.

7th June: The Reverend Philip Musindi, Vicar of St Andrew, Reading Street, Broadstairs.

Film Club - TODAY at 14.00, AV Studio

Misericordia. Director Alain Guiraudie. A man visits a village for a funeral and becomes embroiled in a disappearance in this crime drama. 100 m. Certificate 15: strong violence, nudity.

Contemporary Theology Group

Wednesday 20 May: Canterbury's ecumenical Contemporary Theology Group meets at 5 o'clock in **St Peter's Methodist Church** for a talk by George Conyne, on **The Trump Political Earthquake and American Faith Communities.** George, who is himself American, taught History and American Studies at the University of Kent where he also served as Quaker chaplain. There is an entrance charge of £5 to cover costs but people in full-time education are welcome to attend free.

NEW FOR 2026 - FREE* Wednesday Lunchtime Organ Recital

Performed by our Assistant Director of Music, Jamie Rogers, this new series will be centred solely around the music of J.S Bach and his influences.

Date: 20th May at 13:15 in the Quire. Un-ticketed.

*Included free with a valid Cathedral Admission Ticket, Cathedral Pass or Friends' Card. Kids go FREE every day! (T&Cs apply); does not apply to group bookings or school visits.

FREE Informal Organ Recital - 18:15 in the Quire - after 17.30 Evensong

Friday 22nd May - Eleni Keventsidou (See the website for organist biography)

An informal organ recital, featuring the Cathedral's guest. Free and un-ticketed, with a retiring collection.

CONCERT: The Central Band of the Royal British Legion Saturday, 30 May 2026, 18.00, The Nave

Join us in The Nave as we welcome the return of The Central Band of The Royal British Legion for a sensational and heart-stirring concert featuring songs from the shows and stirring military marches. The Central Band is the flagship band of The Royal British Legion and has established itself as a respected and in-demand ensemble. The band's busy schedule has seen recent performances on BBC's The One Show, the Royal Albert Hall, the Championship Finals at Wimbledon, Cadogan Hall, and Westminster Abbey. This is a fundraising concert for The Friends of Canterbury Cathedral; Charity Number 1210093.

Tickets: Children (up to 12) £10, Adults £25 ONLY AVAILABLE FROM THE CANTERBURY FESTIVAL BOX OFFICE: www.canterburyfestival.co.uk or 01227 457568

Thomas More Commemoration service, St Dunstan's church, Monday July 6 19.30

St Thomas More's head is buried in the Roper Vault of St Dunstan's Church because his daughter, Margaret, married into the Roper family. Each year a service of commemoration is held at St Dunstan's.

The guest speaker this year is **Sir Mark Warby.** Sir Mark was appointed a Court of Appeal Judge in 2021, having previously been a High Court Judge. Before beginning his judicial career, he was a barrister and later a QC specialising in media and sports law.

The title of his talk will be **More and more: law and the Charterhouse in London.** When Thomas More was a young barrister, he lived and worshipped daily at the Charterhouse, which was then a Carthusian monastery. Sir Mark will describe More's involvement with the Charterhouse, and also that of later lawyers with the institution, now an almshouse. Refreshments will be served at St Dunstan's after the service.

FREE* Summer Recitals with our Cathedral Choral Scholars

Wednesday 3 June - James McNinch (Tenor), Wednesday 10 June - Lydia South (Mezzo)
Wednesday 17 June - Stephen Beale (Bass). Recitals take place in the Crypt immediately after the 12:30 Lunchtime Eucharist.

*Included free with a valid Cathedral Admission Ticket, Cathedral Pass or Friends' Card. Children aged 17 and under go free (T&Cs apply).

Planet Israel. Curzon Cinema, Westgate, 10 June, 18.20, discussion panel afterwards

There will be a screening of the new film, which sets out to examine why 73% of Jewish Israelis were polled as supporting the way the war's been fought in Gaza. British/American Jew and filmmaker, Gillian Mosely wanted to know what has happened to make any Jews, a people who have experienced oppression, othering, and genocide, exhibit such moral and humanitarian numbness.

Discussion panel afterwards, chaired by Jonathan Arnold, Michael Ramsey Professor in Theology and Director of the Social Justice Network. To find out more and to book tickets visits

www.planetisrael.co.uk

Sacred Resonance by Renaud Muraire

Reimagining Christian Iconography at Canterbury Cathedral 21 May - 8 September 2026

Renaud Muraire's paintings create a powerful dialogue between traditional Christian iconography and contemporary human experience. Drawing on biblical narratives that continue to resonate today, his work explores universal emotions, challenges, and aspirations, offering space for reflection on identity and lived experience.

Influenced by High Renaissance and Baroque masters such as Michelangelo, Raphael, Caravaggio, and Rubens, Muraire presents biblical figures as deeply human, using gesture, colour, and expression to bring emotional immediacy to familiar stories. His work honours the historic role of sacred art as a source of comfort, guidance, and shared belief, while reinterpreting it for a modern audience.

Exhibited in the crypt of Canterbury Cathedral, these paintings present sacred imagery as a living language. They encourage audiences of all backgrounds to reflect on their own journeys, transforming timeless themes of compassion, love, and redemption into reflections of contemporary life.

'Climb the Corona' Tour

Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays in April - September*

* Tours will run on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 22nd April to 19th September - except 1st, 29th & 31st July, due to closures.

The Corona Chapel was built in the 12th century to house the crown - 'corona' in Latin - of St Thomas Becket's skull, which had been sliced off during his murder and was revered as a saintly relic.

Explore the chapel, usually closed to the public, giving you the opportunity to explore the tombs of Cardinal Reginald Pole and Archbishop Temple, and view the wonderful stained glass windows in more detail, before climbing the 95 steps to the top of the Corona Tower itself and experience amazing views across the city in all directions.

This tour offers a unique opportunity to see the city of Canterbury differently - as well as some hidden stone carvings atop the tower. £12 per person, plus Cathedral admission charge.

This is a popular tour; pre-booking advised to avoid disappointment.

Please read full tour information and restrictions on the website before booking.

Please ensure you arrive at the Cathedral Visitor Centre at least 15 minutes before the tour starts to check-in. You will be required to sign a disclaimer on the day, to confirm you have understood and will abide by these restrictions. Please note, this tour is weather dependent. In the event of cancellation due to bad weather, tickets may be exchanged for an alternate date.