

Services & Music List

Canterbury Cathedral
February 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 or Said Evening Prayer. In term time Children's Church meets on Sunday mornings. 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 for the new year are 20 January - 10 February, and 3 - 31 March.

**most Thursdays with occasional variations, check the Pew Sheet for details*

***during choir term time*

WORSHIP

Archbishops of Canterbury commemorated in February

- 2nd Laurence, 2nd Archbishop, 619
Buried at St Augustine's Abbey
- 4th Ceolnoth, 17th Archbishop, 870
Buried in the Cathedral, site unknown
- 11th William Howley, 90th Archbishop, 1848
Buried at Addington
Memorial in the North Quire Aisle
- 12th Wulfhelm, 21st Archbishop, 941
Buried in the Chapel of Our Lady and St Benedict
- 13th Æthelgar, 26th Archbishop, 990
Buried in the Chapel of St John the Evangelist
- 15th Henry Deane, 67th Archbishop, 1503
Buried in the Martyrdom
- 16th Richard of Dover, 41st Archbishop, 1184
Buried in the Chapel of St Mary, North Nave Aisle (now lost)
- 19th Thomas Arundel, 60th Archbishop, 1414
Buried in the North Nave (named stone by the Walker Organ)
- 22nd Stigand, 34th Archbishop, 1072
Buried in Winchester Cathedral
- 29th John Whitgift, 73rd Archbishop, 1604
Buried in Croydon Minster

MUSIC

Visiting Choirs

The Plaxtol Scholars, formed in 1996, is a small chamber choir whose members enjoy singing services in cathedrals, minsters and abbeys around the country. The Scholars also sing occasional concerts, the most recent a Christmas carol recital in the chapel at the National Trust property Ightham Mote near Sevenoaks, with the music based on carols written around the time the chapel was built.

The choir of **St Paul's, Canterbury** takes a leading role in the weekly Sunday morning worship, as well as the popular monthly Evensong and Supper services, and other seasonal events. The choir has featured as a visiting choir at several cathedrals, primarily around South East England, and at Ypres as part of the daily service held under the Menin Gate.

The Gundulf Consort is an ad hoc group of experienced church musicians based in Rochester, formed primarily to act as a cathedral visiting choir. In addition to singing in cathedrals, mostly at Canterbury, the Consort has an annual residency at Himmerod Abbey in Germany, singing "English Cathedral Evensong" for a week in August, ending on the Patronal Festival of Himmerod's founder, St Bernard of Clairvaux.

The choir of **St John's, Barham** consists of local people of all ages who love to sing traditional English church music. They sing regular Eucharists and occasional Evensongs and are currently preparing a full programme of music for Lent, Passiontide and Easter.

MUSIC

Spring Term Organ Recitals

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

Friday 7 March: Ed Gaut, Keble College, Oxford

Friday 4 April: John Mountford, Oakham School

Organ Open Evening

An Organ Open Evening, run by our Assistant Director of Music, Jamie Rogers, will be held on Friday 28 March at 6.30pm. This will include an introduction to the Cathedral's organ (refurbished by Harrison & Harrison in 2020), a demonstration, and a chance for keen organists to play a short piece of their choice, time allowing.

The Open Evening is free of charge and un-ticketed and anyone wishing to play should write to music@canterbury-cathedral.org in advance.

Join the choir

If you know a boy in school year 2 or 3, or a girl in school year 6 or 7, who enjoys singing, please visit <https://www.canterbury-cathedral.org/music/join-the-choir/> or email music@canterbury-cathedral.org to learn more about becoming a chorister here.

Enquiries are warmly welcomed at any time, and it is possible to meet children and their parents for a conversation, and for informal pre-auditions.

More information about the Cathedral's musicians can be found at <https://www.canterbury-cathedral.org/music/>

David Newsholme
Director of Music

SERVICES & MUSIC LIST

1 Saturday

8.00am **Holy Communion** *Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt*

9.15am **Morning Prayer** *Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt*

5.30pm **Evensong** *Quire*

sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks (Decani I verse)

Smith, Responses

Psalms 6-8

Murrill in E

Purcell, Thy word is a lantern

Hymn 313 (omit v. 3) For Mary, Mother of our Lord (St Botolph)

2 Sunday

THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE (CANDLEMAS)

8.00am **Holy Communion (BCP)** *Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt*

9.15am **Morning Prayer** *Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt*

10.30am **Children's Church** *Community Studio*

joining in the Eucharist in time for Communion

11.00am **Eucharist and Procession**

with Christingles and the Blessing of Candles *Quire*

sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks

Byrd, Mass for five voices

Psalm 24

Preacher: The Reverend Carl Turner, Rector, St Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue, New York City

Byrd, Senex puerum portabat, a4

Byrd, Nunc dimittis (Short service)

Hymns 110 Hail to the Lord who comes (Old 120th); 315 Sing we of the blessed Mother (Abbot's Leigh); 113 When candles are lighted on Candlemas Day (Lourdes); 27 Colours of day dawn into the mind (Light up the fire)

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5 Wednesday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
12.30pm	Holy Communion	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
5.30pm	Evensong with Commissioning of Diocesan LGBTQIA+ Chaplain & Team	<i>Quire</i>

sung by girl choristers
plainchant, Responses
Psalm 29
plainchant, Magnificat
Roxanna Panufnik, Ubi caritas
Hymns For everyone born, a place at the table; 365 Let us
build a house where love can dwell (Two Oaks)

6 Thursday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
5.30pm	Evening Prayer with Silence	<i>Western Crypt</i>

7 Friday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
5.30pm	Evensong	<i>Quire</i>

sung by Lay Clerks (Cantoris I Verse)
Grayston Ives, Responses
Psalm 37.1-22
Grayston Ives, Magdalen College service
Grayston Ives, In pace
Hymn 14ii Eternal light, shine in my heart (Herongate)

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8 Saturday

8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
9.15am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
5.30pm	Evensong	<i>Quire</i>

sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks
Cecilia McDowall, Responses
Psalms 41-43
Howells, St Paul's service
Stanford, O for a closer walk with God
Hymn 710 Light's abode, celestial Salem (Regent Square)

9 Sunday

The Fourth Sunday before Lent (Fifth Sunday after Epiphany)

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
9.15am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
10.30am	Children's Church	<i>Community Studio</i>

joining in the Eucharist in time for Communion

11.00am	Eucharist	<i>Quire</i>
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sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks
Jonathan Dove, Missa brevis
Psalm 138
Preacher: The Reverend Dr E L Pennington, Canon Missioner
Anna Lapwood, O nata lux
Hymns 507 We have a gospel to proclaim (Fulda); Come to
God's table, for all is prepared (Slane); 510 Will you come and
follow me (Kelvingrove)

5.30pm	Evensong	<i>Quire</i>
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sung by girl choristers and Lay Clerks
Wesley, arr. Hunt, Responses
Psalm 2
Howells, New College service
Gibbons, O clap your hands together
Hymn 792 The God of love my shepherd is (University)

7.30pm	King's School Evensong	<i>Quire</i>
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10 Monday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
12.30pm	Taizé Prayer	<i>Western Crypt</i>
5.30pm	Evensong	<i>Quire</i>

sung by girl choristers and Lay Clerks
Wesley, arr. Hunt, Responses
Psalms 53-55
Weelkes, Short service
I. Holst, A hymne to Christ
Hymn 730 My God, I love thee; not because (St Francis Xavier)

11 Tuesday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
5.30pm	Evensong	<i>Quire</i>

sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks
Cecilia McDowall, Responses
Psalms 59-61
Tomkins, First service
Farrant, Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake
Hymn 751 O love divine, how sweet thou art! (Cornwall)

12 Wednesday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Martyrdom</i>
8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>Our Lady Martyrdom</i>
12.30pm	Holy Communion	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
5.30pm	Civic Evensong	<i>Quire</i>

sung by girl choristers
plainchant, Responses
Psalm 67
Christopher Robinson, Worcester service
Hildegard von Bingen, O virtus sapientiae
Hymns 650 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father (Faithfulness); 601 Blessèd Assurance (Blessed Assurance)

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13 Thursday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Martyrdom</i>
8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>St John the Evangelist, South-East Transept</i>
5.30pm	Evening Prayer with Silence	<i>Western Crypt</i>

14 Friday

	Cyril and Methodius, Missionaries to the Slavs, 869 and 885	
7.30am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Martyrdom</i>
8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>St Gregory, South-East Transept</i>
5.30pm	Evensong	<i>Quire</i>
	<i>sung by Lay Clerks (Decani II Verse)</i>	
	Anthony Piccolo, Responses	
	Psalm 74	
	Byrd, Fauxbourdons	
	West, Comfort the soul of thy servant	
	Hymn 25 We praise you, Father, for your gift (Gonfalon Royal)	

15 Saturday

8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>Our Lady Martyrdom</i>
9.15am	Morning Prayer	<i>Jesus Chapel, Crypt</i>
5.30pm	Evensong	<i>Quire</i>
	<i>sung by the Plaxtol Scholars</i>	
	Sumsion, Responses	
	Psalm 78.1-13	
	Stanford in F	
	Bruckner, Os iusti	
	Hymn 812 Through all the changing scenes of life (Wiltshire)	

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- 16 Sunday** **The Third Sunday before Lent (Septuagesima)**
- 8.00am** **Holy Communion** (BCP) *Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt*
- 9.15am** **Morning Prayer** *Jesus Chapel, Crypt*
- 11.00am** **Eucharist** *Quire*
- sung by the Plaxtol Scholars*
- Stanford in C
- Psalm 1
- Preacher: The Dean
- Tallis, If ye love me
- Hymns 586 All praise to Christ, our Lord and king divine (Engelberg); 422 Alleluia, sing to Jesus! (Hyfrydol); 602 Blest are the pure in heart (Franconia)
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- 5.30pm** **Evensong with the Cathedral Company of Change Ringers and Admission of Officers** *Quire*
- sung by the Plaxtol Scholars*
- Palestrina, O Domine Iesu Christe
- Sumsion, Responses
- Psalm 6
- Stainer in E-flat
- Philip Stopford, The Beatitudes
- AMR496 Unchanging God, who livest (Belfry Praise)
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- 17 Monday** Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda, Martyr, 1977
- 7.30am** **Morning Prayer** *Our Lady Martyrdom*
- 8.00am** **Holy Communion** *Saints and Martyrs of Our Own Time, Corona*
- 5.30pm** **Evensong** *Quire*
- sung by St Paul's, Canterbury*
- Humphrey Clucas, Responses
- Psalm 89.1-9
- Ireland in F
- Howells, Like as the hart
- Hymn 608 Christ is our corner-stone (Harewood)

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18 Tuesday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Martyrdom</i>
8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>St Gabriel, Crypt</i>
5.30pm	Evensong	<i>Quire</i>

sung by the Gundulf Consort
Sunsion, Responses
Psalm 93
Brewer in E-flat
Wood, Glorious and powerful God
Hymn 627 Father most holy, merciful and loving (Iste confessor)

19 Wednesday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Martyrdom</i>
8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>Nave Altar</i>
12.30pm	Holy Communion	<i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i>
5.30pm	Evensong	<i>Quire</i>

sung by the Gundulf Consort
Sunsion, Responses
Psalm 100
Howells in G
Bryan Kelly, He is the way
Hymn 695 Jesus, these eyes have never seen (Nun danket all')

20 Thursday

7.30am	Morning Prayer	<i>Our Lady Martyrdom</i>
8.00am	Holy Communion	<i>St Martin, North-East Transept</i>
5.30pm	Evening Prayer with Silence	<i>Western Crypt</i>

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21 Friday

7.30am

Morning Prayer

Our Lady Martyrdom

8.00am

Holy Communion

St Nicholas, Crypt

5.30pm

Evensong

Quire

sung by St John's, Barham

Sunsion, Responses

Psalm 106.1-12

Wood in D

Barry Rose, Morning glory, starlit sky

Hymn 635 For the healing of the nations (Alleluia dulce carmen)

22 Saturday

8.00am

Holy Communion

Holy Innocents, Crypt

9.15am

Morning Prayer

Jesus Chapel, Crypt

5.30pm

Evensong

Quire

sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks (Decani II verse)

Leighton, Responses

Psalm 108; 109

Noble in b

Bairstow, Save us, O Lord

Hymn 755 Oft in danger, oft in woe (University College)

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- 23 Sunday** **The Second Sunday before Lent (Sexagesima)**
Martyrs of Our Own Time (transferred from 16th February)
- 8.00am** **Holy Communion** (BCP) *Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt*
- 9.15am** **Morning Prayer** *Jesus Chapel, Crypt*
- 11.00am** **Eucharist** *Quire*
sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks
Haydn, Missa brevis Sancti Ioannis de Deo
Psalm 65
Preacher: The Archdeacon of Canterbury
Mozart, Ave verum corpus
Hymns 623 Eternal Father, strong to save (Melita); This is your body, for your people giv'n (Song 1); 476 Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go (Song 34 (Angels' Song))
- 5.30pm** **Evensong and Procession to the Chapel of Saints and Martyrs of Our Own Time** *Quire*
sung by Lay Clerks
Anthony Piccolo, Responses
Psalm 147.13-20
Mundy, Service in three parts
Bouznac, In pace, in idipsum
Hymn 296 For all the saints who from their labours rest (Sine Nomine)
- 24 Monday**
- 7.30am** **Morning Prayer** *Our Lady Martyrdom*
- 8.00am** **Holy Communion** *St Mary Magdalene, Crypt*
- 5.30pm** **Evensong** *Quire*
sung by girl choristers and Lay Clerks
Wesley, arr. Hunt, Responses
Psalm 119.1-32
June Nixon, First service
Howells, Like as the hart
Hymn 689ii Jesu, thou joy of loving hearts (Eisenach)

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| 25 | Tuesday | Ethelbert, King of Kent, 616 | |
| | 7.30am | Morning Prayer | <i>Our Lady Martyrdom</i> |
| | 8.00am | Holy Communion | <i>St Augustine, Nave</i> |
| | 5.30pm | Evensong | <i>Quire</i> |
| | | <i>sung by boy choristers and Lay Clerks</i> | |
| | | Leighton, Responses | |
| | | Psalm 119.73-104 | |
| | | Byrd, Second service | |
| | | Morley, Nolo mortem peccatoris | |
| | | Hymn 649 God of mercy, God of grace (Heathlands) | |
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| 26 | Wednesday | | |
| | 7.30am | Morning Prayer | <i>Our Lady Martyrdom</i> |
| | 8.00am | Holy Communion | <i>St Stephen, North-East Transept</i> |
| | 12.30pm | Holy Communion | <i>Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt</i> |
| | 5.30pm | Evensong | <i>Quire</i> |
| | | <i>sung by girl choristers</i> | |
| | | plainchant, Responses | |
| | | Psalm 119.145-160 | |
| | | Sumsion in G, a2 | |
| | | Purcell, Evening hymn | |
| | | Hymn 698i King of glory, King of peace (Gwalchmai) | |
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| 27 | Thursday | George Herbert, Priest, Poet, 1633 | |
| | 7.30am | Morning Prayer | <i>Our Lady Martyrdom</i> |
| | 8.00am | Holy Communion | <i>St Anselm, South Quire Aisle</i> |
| | 11.00am | Consecration of the Bishops of Buckingham, Reading, Aston, and Europe | <i>Nave</i> |
| | 2.30pm | Consecration of the Bishop of Richborough | <i>Quire</i> |
| | 5.30pm | Evening Prayer with Silence | <i>Western Crypt</i> |

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28 **Friday**

7.30am Morning Prayer

Our Lady Martyrdom

8.00am Holy Communion *Saints & Martyrs of Our Own Time, Corona*

5.30pm Evensong *Quire*

sung by Lay Clerks (Cantoris II Verse)

Andrew Millington, Responses

Psalm 136.1-18, 26-27

Howells in E

Wood, Great Lord of Lords

Hymn 16 God, that madest earth and heaven (Ar hyd y nos)