

Services & Music List

Canterbury Cathedral
December 2021

WELCOME

A message from the Dean

A warm welcome to the worship of Canterbury Cathedral! The month of December takes us through the season of Advent and there is much music associated with that season of preparation. At the same time the Christmas Carol Services of many schools and different organisations take place as school terms draw to a close. Hopefully this year we shall be able to gather in a much better way than last year and to enjoy singing our carols in anticipation of Christmas. The month will draw to a close with the celebration of Christmas itself. At Canterbury also we have the added worship of the Feast of St Thomas of Canterbury on 29 December which gives a special Canterbury climax to our worship before 2022 begins.

We very much hope that you will enjoy the many different services either by coming to the Cathedral or joining us online.

We wish you all a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Robert Willis,
Dean of Canterbury

Visiting Choirs

Caritas Chamber Choir

Caritas is a Kent-based chamber choir, passionate about raising money for charities through singing, and performing to the highest level both in the UK and throughout Europe. The choir performs music from all periods and holds an annual Competition for Emerging Composers. The Founder and Music Director is Benedict Preece.

St Stephen's, Canterbury

St Stephen's Church Choir draws singers from across Canterbury who enjoy singing a wide range of sacred music to a high standard. The choir sings two choral services each Sunday and also enjoys the opportunity to sing regularly in Canterbury Cathedral and elsewhere, including cathedrals in Rochester, Chelmsford, Salisbury, Chester, and Rheims in recent years. St Stephen's Church Choir is directed by Stephen Barker.

Schola Liturgica

Schola Liturgica was founded to promote Anglican church music and liturgy in The Netherlands and Belgium. The choir has toured many British and Irish cathedrals, churches and abbeys to sing the daily services during the holidays. The singers come from all over The Netherlands. Geke Bruining-Visser is the director of the choir and the organist is Mattijs de Vreugd.

Harp music, 17-24 December

We are delighted that, starting on 17 December on days leading up to Christmas, Mary Morley will play music on the harp before and after Evensong. As well as being a wonderful harpist, Mary is acting House Parent to the boy choristers at Choir House.

Join the Cathedral Choir

If you know a boy in school year 2, 3 or 4, or a girl in school year 6 or 7, who enjoys singing, please 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, with information about applying to join the choirs, can be found at www.canterbury-cathedral.org/worship/choir

David Newsholme
Director of Music

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 (Matins) 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. The Cathedral's principle act of worship every week is the 11.00am Sunday Choral Eucharist.

Regular Worship

Daily Morning Prayer	7.30am	(Monday-Friday)
	9.15am	(Saturday, Sunday, Bank Holidays)
Daily Eucharist	8.00am	(On Sundays this is BCP Holy Communion)
Lunchtime Eucharist	12.30pm	(Wednesdays and Feast Days only)
Daily Choral Evensong*	5.30pm	

Sunday Choral Eucharist* 11.00am

Daily Morning Prayer is in the chapel of **Our Lady Martyrdom** for Mondays to Fridays, and in the **Jesus Chapel** at weekends and bank holidays.

The daily 8.00am Eucharist is celebrated in the chapel of **Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt on a Sunday**, and in the chapels listed overleaf on the weekdays of the month.

The Lunchtime Eucharist is celebrated in the Chapel of **Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt**.

All Choral Services, unless otherwise indicated on the list below, are held in the **Quire**.

Full details of additional special services that are open to members of the public are provided in the pages that follow.

Sunday Choral Eucharist Preachers for December

Sunday 5 December:	The Reverend Dr J Arnold
Sunday 12 December:	The Dean
Sunday 19 December:	The Reverend A P Dodd, Vice Dean
Sunday 26 December:	The Reverend Dr T J N Naish, Vice Dean

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Live-streamed worship

The starred services above will be livestreamed 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 (max.kramer@canterbury-cathedral.org). To watch these services and our prayers from home online (including the Dean's daily Morning Prayer) visit www.canterbury-cathedral.org

Sacred Space

Students and young adults meet in the Crypt at 7.00pm on Wednesdays every week in university term time for a time of music, reflection, and discussion followed by food and the chance to get to know one another. For more information contact the Precentor: max.kramer@canterbury-cathedral.org

The Julian Silent Prayer Meeting

If you are drawn to silent prayer, do come and join our monthly Julian Meeting, which is held from 6.30pm to 7.00pm in the Chapel of Our Lady Undercroft. The dates for this month and next are

Wednesday 8 December

Thursday 6 January

Meetings gather at the south door of the Cathedral after Evensong, and then we go down into the Crypt. A sentence or meditation is read followed by half an hour's silent prayer. For further information please contact Canon Emma: emma.pennington@canterbury-cathedral.org

Advent Study Group 2021

The Cathedral's Advent Study Group will be meeting at 4.00-5.15pm on Tuesdays in Advent (7, 14, and 21 December).

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Chapels for the daily 8.00am Eucharist – December 2021

1	Wednesday	St Martin, North-East Transept (<i>obit of Archbishop Archibald Tait</i>)
2	Thursday	St Gregory, South-East Transept
3	Friday	Our Lady Martyrdom
4	Saturday	Holy Innocents, Crypt
5	Sunday	Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
6	Monday	St Nicholas, Crypt (<i>for St Nicholas</i>)
7	Tuesday	Jesus Chapel, Crypt
8	Wednesday	Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
9	Thursday	St Stephen, North-East Transept
10	Friday	Our Lady Martyrdom
11	Saturday	Saints and Martyrs of Our Own Time, Corona
12	Sunday	Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
13	Monday	St John the Evangelist, South-East Transept
14	Tuesday	Holy Innocents, Crypt
15	Wednesday	St Nicholas, Crypt
16	Thursday	Jesus Chapel, Crypt
17	Friday	Our Lady Martyrdom
18	Saturday	St Martin, North-East Transept
19	Sunday	Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
20	Monday	St Stephen, North-East Transept
21	Tuesday	St Gregory, South-East Transept
22	Wednesday	Saints and Martyrs of Our Own Time, Corona (<i>obit of Archbishop Frederick Temple</i>)
23	Thursday	St Mary Magdalene, Crypt
24	Friday	Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
25	Saturday	High Altar
26	Sunday	Our Lady Undercroft, Crypt
27	Monday	St John the Evangelist, South-East Transept (<i>for St John</i>)
28	Tuesday	Holy Innocents, Crypt (<i>for Holy Innocents</i>)
29	Wednesday	Altar of the Swordpoint, Martyrdom (<i>for St Thomas of Canterbury</i>)
30	Thursday	Jesus Chapel, Crypt
31	Friday	Our Lady Martyrdom

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In addition to the Cathedral's regular worship as described above, the Cathedral hosts a number of special services which all are very welcome to attend.

December Special Services

2	Thursday	11.00am	Mothers' Union Advent Service
5	Sunday	4.30pm	Said Evening Prayer
		5.30pm	St Nicholas Family Service
8	Wednesday	6.30pm	Julian Silent Prayer Meeting
11	Saturday	3.15pm	Said Evening Prayer (in place of Evensong)
19	Sunday	5.30pm	Choral Evensong with Carols
21	Tuesday	7.00pm	Friends' Carol Service
23	Thursday	4.30pm	Said Evening Prayer
		7.30pm	Cathedral Carol Service
24	Friday	11.00am	Crib Service
		3.00pm	Cathedral Carol Service
		5.00pm	Choral Evensong
25	Saturday	8.00am	Holy Communion
		9.15am	Choral Matins
		11.00am	Sung Eucharist
		3.00pm	Choral Evensong
27	Monday	12.30pm	Said Eucharist for St John the Evangelist
28	Tuesday	12.30pm	Said Eucharist for Holy Innocents
		3.00pm	Christingle Service
29	Wednesday	12.30pm	Said Eucharist for St Thomas of Canterbury
		3.00pm	Evensong and Procession

We very much hope that in the range of worship we offer you find yourself drawn nearer to the love of the living God.

Max Kramer
Precentor

1 Wednesday**5.30****Evening prayer** *said, with organ music*

Hymn 57: Ye servants of the Lord (Narenza)

2 Thursday**5.30****Evensong** *sung by the boy choristers*

Responses, plainchant

Psalm 12

Bairstow in E flat

Warlock, Adam lay y'bounden

Hymn 25: We praise you, Father (Gonfalon Royal)

3 Friday**5.30****Evening prayer** *said, with organ music*

Hymn 21: O strength and stay (Strength and Stay)

4 Saturday**5.30****Evensong** *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*

Responses, Rose

Psalms 22, 23

Noble in b

Palestrina, Canite tuba

Hymn 54: Wake, O wake! With tidings thrilling (Wachet auf)

Organ voluntary: Duruflé, Prélude, from Suite op. 5

- 5 **Sunday** The second Sunday of Advent
11.00 **Eucharist** *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*
 Byrd, Mass for five voices
 Ledger, Advent Calendar
 Benedictus
 Hymns 38: Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding (Merton); 39:
 Hills of the North, rejoice (Little Cornard); 36: Hark the glad
 sound! the Saviour comes (Bristol)
 Organ voluntary: Heiler, Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland
- 5.30** **St Nicholas Family Service** *sung by the girl choristers and
 local school children*
- 6 **Monday** Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, c. 326
5.30 **Evensong** *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*
 Responses, Rose
 Psalms 32-34
 Noble in b
 Byrd, Vigilate
 Hymn 75: Long ago, prophets knew (Personent Hodie)
- 7 **Tuesday** Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, Teacher, 397
5.30 **Evensong** *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*
 Responses, Rose
 Psalm 37
 Dyson in F
 Villette, Hymne à la Vierge
 Hymn 313: For Mary, Mother of our Lord (St Botolph)

- 8 **Wednesday** The Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
5.30 **Evensong** *sung by the Lay Clerks*
Responses, Ives
Psalms 42, 43
Batten, Short service
Biebl, Ave Maria
Hymn 315: Sing we of the blessed Mother (Abbot's Leigh)
- 9 **Thursday**
5.30 **Evensong** *sung by the boy choristers*
Responses, plainchant
Psalm 47
Sumsion in G
Stanford, A song of peace
Hymn 47: People, look east to see at last (Besançon carol)
- 10 **Friday** Ember Day
5.30 **Evensong** *sung by the Lay Clerks*
Responses, Ives
Psalms 53, 54
Ives, Westminster service
Walker, I will lift up mine eyes
Hymn 15: Glory to thee, my God (Tallis's Canon)
- 11 **Saturday** Ember Day
4.30 **Said Evening prayer** (*Eastern Crypt*)

- 12 **Sunday**
11.00 The third Sunday of Advent
Eucharist *sung by the boys and Lay Clerks*
Langlais, Messe solennelle
Kerensa Briggs, A tender shoot
Psalm 146.4-10
Hymns 46: On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry (Winchester New); 769: Rejoice! The Lord is King (Gopsal); 30: Come, thou long-expected Jesus (Cross of Jesus)
Organ voluntary: Langlais, Fête
- 5.30 **Evensong** *sung by the girl choristers and Lay Clerks*
Responses, Wesley
Psalm 50.1-6
Bairstow in G
Manz, E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come
Hymn 45: O come, O come, Emmanuel (Veni Emmanuel)
Organ voluntary: Messiaen, Les enfants de Dieu
- 13 **Monday**
5.30 Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse, 304
Evensong *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*
Responses, Smith
Psalms 69, 70
Ireland in F
Gibbons, This is the record of John
Hymn 23: Sun of my soul, thou Saviour dear (Abends)
- 14 **Tuesday**
5.30 John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591
Evensong *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*
Responses, Smith
Psalms 73, 74
Ayleward, Short service
Trad., arr. Vaughan Williams, The truth from above
Hymn 816i: Thy kingdom come, O Lord (St Cecilia)

15 Wednesday

5.30 Evensong *sung by the Lay Clerks*
Responses, Millington
Psalm 78.1-17, 66-73
Tallis, Short service
Du Caurroy, Christe qui lux es et dies
Hymn 52: The people that in darkness sat (Dundee)

16 Thursday

5.30 Evensong *sung by the boy choristers*
Responses, plainchant
Psalm 85
Harris in A
Greene, The sun shall be no more
Hymn 51: The Lord will come (St Stephen Newington)

17 Friday

5.30 Evensong *sung by the Lay Clerks*
Responses, Millington
Psalm 89.1-19
Antiphon: O Sapientia
Tone ii solemn, and Howells in E
Tallis, Audivi media nocte
Hymn 37: Hark what a sound (Highwood)

18 Saturday

5.30 Evensong
Responses, Tomkins
Psalms 93, 94
Antiphon: O Adonai
Tone ii solemn, and Howells, Gloucester service
Howells, A spotless rose
Hymn 32: Come, thou Redeemer (Puer nobis nascitur)

- 19 Sunday**
11.00 The fourth Sunday of Advent
Eucharist
 Ives, Missa brevis
 Tavener, In you, O woman full of grace
 Psalm 80.1-8
 Hymns 316: The God whom earth and sea and sky (Puer Nobis Nascitur); 41: Lo, he comes with clouds descending (Helmsley); 50: The advent of our King (St Thomas)
 Organ voluntary: Mendelssohn, Allegro con brio, Sonata no. 4
- 5.30** **Evensong with Carols** *sung by the girl choristers and Lay Clerks*
 Responses, Wesley
 Psalm 123
 Antiphon: O Radix Jesse
 Tone ii solemn, and Stanford in C
 Christmas carols
- 20 Monday**
5.30 **Evensong** *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*
 Responses, Tomkins
 Psalm 104
 Antiphon: O clavis David
 Tone ii solemn, and Howells, Gloucester service
 Ord, Adam lay y'bounden
 Hymn 34: Earth was waiting, spent and restless (Picardy)
- 21 Tuesday**
5.30 **Evensong** *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*
 Responses, Tomkins
 Psalm 106
 Antiphon: O Oriens
 Tone ii solemn, and Weelkes, Short service
 Wise, Prepare ye the way of the Lord
 Hymn 55: When the King shall come (St John Damascene)

22 Wednesday

5.30 Evensong *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*
Responses, Tomkins
Psalm 108, 109
Antiphon: O Rex Gentium
Tone ii solemn and Stanford in G
Michael Praetorius, Es ist ein Ros entsprungen
Hymn 33i: Creator of the starry height (Conditor alme)

23 Thursday

7.30 Christmas Carol Service i

24 Friday

**3.00 Christmas Eve
Christmas Carol Service ii**

5.00 Evensong *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*
Responses, Leighton
Psalm 85
Antiphon: O Virgo Virginum
Tone ii solemn, and Darke in a
Trad., arr. Higginbottom, Rocking carol
Hymn 89i: While shepherds watched (Winchester Old)

- 25 Saturday** **CHRISTMAS DAY**
- 9.15** **Matins** *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*
Sweelinck, Hodie Christus natus est
Responses, Leighton
Psalms 110, 117
Stanford in C
Trad., arr. Pearsall, In dulci jubilo
Hymn 61: Christians, awake! salute the happy morn
(Yorkshire)
Organ voluntary: Bach, In dulci jubilo, BWV 729
- 11.00** **Eucharist** *sung by the boy choristers, girl choristers, and Lay Clerks*
Rheinberger, Mass in E flat
Psalm 4
Hymns 78: O come, all ye faithful (Adeste Fideles); 83: See, amid the winter's snow (Humility); 79: O little town of Bethlehem (Forest Green); 66: Hark! the herald angels sing (Mendelssohn)
Organ voluntary: Widor, Finale, Symphony no. 6
- 3.00** **Evensong** *sung by the boy choristers and Lay Clerks*
Warlock, Benedicamus Domino
Responses, Leighton
Psalm 8
Dyson in D
Christmas carols
Organ voluntary: Guilmant, Grand choeur in D

- 26 Sunday**
11.00 **Stephen, Deacon, First Martyr**
Eucharist *sung by Caritas Chamber Choir*
Mozart, Spatzenmesse
Cattley, What child is this
Psalm 119.161-168
Hymns 85: The Angel Gabriel from heaven came (Gabriel's
Message); 776: Sing alleluia forth ye saints on high (Martins);
72: Joy to the world, the Lord is come (Antioch)
- 5.30** **Evensong with Carols** *sung by Caritas Chamber Choir*
Poulenc, Hodie Christus natus est
Responses, Rose
Psalm 57
Sumsion in D
Stopford, Lully, Lulla, Lullay
- 27 Monday**
5.30 **John, Apostle and Evangelist**
Evensong *sung by Caritas Chamber Choir*
Trad., arr. Preece, Ding dong! Merrily on high
Responses, Rose
Psalm 97
Gibbons, Short service
Poston, Jesus Christ the apple tree
Hymn 609: Christ is the world's light (Christe sanctorum)
- 28 Tuesday**
5.30 **The Holy Innocents**
Evensong *sung by St Stephen's, Canterbury*
Trad., arr. Shaw, Coventry Carol
Responses, Ayleward
Psalm 138
Brewer in D
Cornish, arr. Rutter, Sans Day Carol
Hymn 71: Jesus Chris the Lord is born (Puer nobis nascitur)

- 29 **Wednesday** **The Martyrdom of Thomas of Canterbury, 1170**
3.00 **Evensong and Procession** *sung by the Lay Clerks*
Responses, plainchant
Psalms 61
Canticles, plainchant
Palestrina, Opem nobis, O Thoma
- 30 **Thursday**
5.30 **Evensong** *sung by Schola Liturgica*
Responses, Grote
Psalm 148
Ireland in F
Shaw, The snow lies thick
Hymn 83: See, amid the winter's snow (Humility)
- 31 **Friday**
5.30 **Evensong** *sung by Schola Liturgica*
Responses, Grote
Psalm 150
Statham in e
Finissy, Telling
Hymn 70: It came upon the midnight clear (Noel)