# SOUTHWARK + CATHEDRAL +

# **EUCHARIST**

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
SUNDAY 14 JULY 2024
9.00AM



#### WELCOME TO SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

#### A MEMBER OF THE



#### **ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

Please ensure that all electronic devices are switched to silent.

#### **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Photography and video recording of the Choir is not permitted.

You are welcome to take photographs of the Cathedral but please do not take any photographs or videos during the service.

#### **HEARING LOOP**

Please switch your device to 'T'.

#### **POSTURE**

The instructions in this booklet are not prescriptive. Please sit if that is more appropriate for you.

#### **COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS**

During the service, a collection will be taken for the maintenance, mission and worship of the Cathedral.

**Cash donations** may be placed in the baskets brought around by the stewards.

If you are a UK taxpayer we would be grateful if, before the service begins, you would complete the yellow envelope provided, since this enables us to claim a further 25% from the Inland Revenue.

**Contactless donations** can be made by tapping the terminal provided by the stewards. This is set at £10 but the stewards would be happy to alter this amount for you.



Alternatively, either before or after the service, there are several donation points in the Cathedral where you can make your donation, or you can simply scan the QR code, or text SOUTHWARK (Amount) to 70085 (one standard rate message is also charged). Thank you very much for your generous support of the Cathedral.

You can also support the Cathedral by buying your books from the ethical online bookseller <u>bookshop.org</u> and designating Southwark Cathedral shop for the 30% of purchase price donation they offer us.

Please stand as the President, The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark, enters.

## THE GATHERING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you.

All and also with you.

The President welcomes the congregation and introduces the celebration.

## THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

Silence is kept.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.

# THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

ΑII

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

# THE FIRST READING

#### Amos 7.7-15

## Read by the Duty Verger

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Amos.

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said,

'See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said.

"Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land."

And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.'

Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

# THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

#### Psalm 85.8-13

The response is:

# The Lord speaks peace to his people.

I will listen to what the Lord God will say, for he shall speak peace to his people and to the faithful, that they turn not again to folly.

Truly, his salvation is near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land. **R** 

Mercy and truth are met together, righteousness and peace have kissed each other; Truth shall spring up from the earth and righteousness look down from heaven. **R** 

The Lord will indeed give all that is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness shall go before him and direct his steps in the way. **R** 

#### THE SECOND READING

#### **Ephesians 1.3-14**

## Read by Matthew Peck

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

Blessèd be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

This is the word of the Lord.

#### All Thanks be to God.

# THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord,

I know them and they follow me.

#### All Alleluia!

## THE GOSPEL

#### Mark 6.14-29

The Lord be with you

## All and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

## All Glory to you, O Lord.

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptiser has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.' But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the baptiser.' Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.' The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

# All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

# THE SERMON

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark

## THE CREED

#### Please stand

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is,

seen and unseen.

Amen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

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# THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ let us pray to the Father.

Please be seated or kneel.

The prayers are led by Nigel Paine

These responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy,

All hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end:

Merciful Father.

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

# THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand.

## THE PEACE

Jesus said: 'Love one another.

As I have loved you, so you are to love one another.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Bread and wine are presented at the Altar. A collection is taken (cash or contactless as detailed on page 2). Please use this QR code or the link to donate online.

https://bit.ly/3T6o2tL



## THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Pour upon the poverty of our love, and the weakness of our praise, the transforming fire of your presence.

All Amen.

# THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word, through whom you have created all things; who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh; as your Son, born of the blessèd Virgin, he lived on earth and went about among us; he opened wide his arms for us on the cross; he put an end to death by dying for us; and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life; so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessèd Virgin Mary and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

#### All Amen.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us so we pray.

All
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

## **AGNUS DEI**

All Lamb of God

you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessèd are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Please be seated. If you wish to receive Holy Communion or a blessing, please follow the directions of the Stewards. If you wish to receive from the chalice, please go to the point of administration after receiving the host. Please do not dip the host into the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing, please bow your head.

Members of all Christian churches are welcome to receive Communion. Whatever your faith tradition or background, you are most welcome to draw near for a blessing.

#### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Let us pray.

#### Silence is kept.

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

#### All Amen.

#### All Father of all.

we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord.

#### THE NOTICES

Please be seated.

#### THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

#### Please stand.

The Lord be with you.

## All And also with you.

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

#### All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

## All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please leave the Cathedral by the North West doors and the Millennium Courtyard. Please consider supporting us by giving using the contactless donation points if you have not set up a regular payment. Thank you for joining us. We look forward to welcoming you back.

# PRAYER LIST

#### **THE SICK**

Catherine, Princess of Wales, Nigel S, Charlie P, Debbie S, Elisa L, Norma AW, Harriet KD, Loraine G, Tim D, Ben A, Pam H, Paul D, Anita H, John R, Penelope, June B, Peter, Sarah R, Maurice D, Sheena, Courtenay, Lorrie P, Andrew V, Barry H, Carol F, Michael O, Olivia S, Tony C, Tara, Steve B, Hannah T, Helen S, Elizabeth H, Dinah K, Dan F, Dick T, Peter B, Jean P, Eve M, Pam M, Patricia N, Sally P

#### THE DEPARTED

Jean Clark, Bill Ritson, John Smith, Karen Hollowell, Jim Butler

#### YEAR'S MIND

Eileen Weston, Christopher Ogilvie Jones, Graham Smith, David Freeman

#### **CLERGY PREACHING AWAY**

MorningSub Dean (St Mary, Newington), Treasurer (St Leonard, Streatham)AfternoonThe Dean (St Anne, Wandsworth), Precentor (St Mary, Battersea)

# **NOTICES**

## **CATHEDRAL LISTENING TEAM**

Would you like to talk to someone confidentially? Is something/one on your heart? The Cathedral Listening team are volunteers, who sit in the Retrochoir behind the High Altar after the Choral Eucharist on a Sunday, ready to listen to anyone who would like to talk in confidence. They are available from after the service until 1.00pm. If you would like to talk to a Cathedral Listener, please approach them directly or sit nearby if they are already occupied.

## A SAFE CHURCH

Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor, is Chapter Lead for Safeguarding. Any issues relating to the safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults should be directed to the Cathedral Safeguarding Officers in the first instance:

Cherry James <a href="mailto:cherry.james@southwark.anglican.org">cherry.james@southwark.anglican.org</a>
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Concerns can be brought to any member of the clergy.

## **CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE**

Children and young people are an important part of our Cathedral family and play a vital role in our life together. We would love to encourage your children to join one of our Sunday groups for young people.

#### CRÈCHE

During the 11.00am Sunday Eucharist, crèche facilities are available in the Chapter Room for accompanied children under 4 and runs through the summer holidays.

Junior Xpress and Youth Xpress are taking a summer break from next Sunday.

# **GIVING TO THE CATHEDRAL**

At the Annual Parochial Church meeting we launched the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) as a new way of giving to the Cathedral on a regular basis. We encourage everyone to move to this improved system. Visit <a href="https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/how-it-works/">https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/how-it-works/</a> or speak to Canon Michael Rawson for more information.

To sign up you will need your personal bank account details; the name of our parish: **Southwark Cathedral**; the PGS code for our parish: **370637001**; whether you are eligible for Gift Aid.

# READERS, INTERCEDERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Please give your availability for August-October 2024 by Wednesday 17 July here: <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/yWh4Tk285m">https://forms.office.com/e/yWh4Tk285m</a> and remember to click "submit" at the end!

If you don't already read, lead prayers, or give the chalice and would like to explore this, please contact Fr Thomas at <a href="mailto:thomas.sharp@southwark.anglican.org">thomas.sharp@southwark.anglican.org</a>

## FRIENDS FROM ROUEN CATHEDRAL

The Cathedral will be welcoming visitors from our sister Cathedral in Rouen over the weekend of 25-27 October. We would welcome the participation of members of the congregation, and especially of French speakers, for all or part of the programme of events. If you are interested, please reserve the dates in your diary.

# THE BIG CATHEDRAL KNIT: DONATIONS OF YARN NEEDED

#### **SATURDAY 17 AUGUST**

The Cathedral, together with Brixton-based social enterprise Craft Forward, will be hosting The Big Knit where blanket squares will be knitted to be assembled into blankets for the homeless of London. Please donate unwanted yarn to a member of Cathedral staff. You can register for the event on the <u>Cathedral Eventbrite</u>.

# ARE YOU NEW TO THE CATHEDRAL?

We would love to get to know you, so please complete a Newcomer form, available from the stewards or contact the Sub Dean <a href="michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org">michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org</a>

# THE ENGLISH SONATA #Stanford100

On Mondays in July we celebrate the anniversaries of Bairstow, Harwood and Stanford with five recitals focusing on iconic sonatas from the English organ school. Recitals begin at the usual time of 1.20pm and are free to attend.

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Sonata No. 3 'Britannica' • Charles Villiers Stanford

**22 July Daniel Cook** (Director of Music, Durham Cathedral)

Sonata in C minor • Percy Whitlock

**29 July** Francesca Massey (International concert organist)

Sonata No. 2 • Herbert Howells

Recitals then recommence on Monday 2 September with a recital given by Simon Hogan.

#### WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY AT ST HUGH'S

## THURSDAYS, 7.30PM

All are welcome to weekly Bible Study at St Hugh's, round the corner from the cathedral at SE1 3PT, on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm. Come to as many sessions as you would like. https://sthughsbermondsey.org.uk/bible-study/

## MISSION ALLOCATION

We are at the time of year when we seek suggestions from you as to which charities we should support in the coming year. The Mission Allocation Group selects ten charities from the suggestions we receive and recommends them to Chapter. Depending on the level of planned giving in the previous year, each charity will receive a gift in the region of £2,400. This can make a big difference to a small charity. Please fill in the suggestion form by following the link below or by picking up a paper copy from the stewards.

https://forms.office.com/e/Z2Zn4FK28h

Please fill in your form by 25 August.

#### **EXPERIENCE THE ORTHODOX TRADITION**

#### SATURDAY 3 AUGUST 10.00AM — 5.00PM

Join us in partnership with the Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies for a day of discovery. There will be opportunities to hear from speakers and to visit stalls across the day in this celebration of the Orthodox Church. The day will end with a service of Vespers sung by the Mosaic Choir.

#### THREADS THROUGH CREATION

#### SATURDAY 20 JULY — MONDAY 26 AUGUST

A spectacular sequence of twelve huge textile panels by Jacqui Parkinson. It's an exuberant retelling of the creation story in the book of Genesis, a retelling which many visitors will find both moving and breathtaking.

# SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL VISIT TO BERGEN, NORWAY

#### 20-22 SEPTEMBER 2024

You are warmly invited to join the Cathedral group visiting our friends at Bergen Cathedral in September. Most people are travelling on the Norwegian Airlines 11.00 flight from Gatwick on Friday and returning on the 19.00 flight on Sunday. Please book your own flights and we will travel into Bergen together. The weekend is a mixture of time spent with our hosts together with some free time. There is a range of hotels in the centre of Bergen to stay at or you can request to stay with a Norwegian parishioner. Please contact <a href="mailto:franceschiller@gmail.com">franceschiller@gmail.com</a> if you would like to come.

# **WORSHIP**

Services marked with an \* are livestreamed on the Cathedral's YouTube page: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@southwarkcathedral2224/streams">https://www.youtube.com/@southwarkcathedral2224/streams</a>

Services marked with a <sup>†</sup> are only available online.

Preachers are indicated in italics.

#### **SUNDAY 14 JULY**

#### THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark
3.00pm	Choral Evensong Caroline Clifford, Cathedral Reader
6.00pm	Compline <sup>†</sup>

## **MONDAY 15 — FRIDAY 19 JULY**

9.00am Morning Prayer*	
9.30am Eucharist (Tuesday only)	
12.30pm Midday Prayer	
with the Litany of Recond	<b>iliation</b> (Friday only)
12.45pm Eucharist	
4.00pm Evening Prayer or Choral	Evensong

#### **SATURDAY 20 JULY**

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist
4.00pm	Choral Evensong

## **SUNDAY 21 JULY**

## **MARY MAGDALENE & CROSSBONES**

8.30am	Morning Prayer*				
9.00am	Eucharist Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor				
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's				
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor				
12.40pm	Crossbones Service at Crossbones Graveyard (SE1 1TA)				
	(The procession leaves the Cathedral at 12.30pm)				
3.00pm	Choral Evensong The Rev'd Dr Thomas Sharp, Succentor				
6.00pm	Compline <sup>†</sup>				





Welcome to Southwark Cathedral. Set on the south bank of the River Thames in one of the most vibrant and diverse communities in London, this building has been a constant witness in a place of change.

The first church was built on this site around the year 606. First a convent, then a monastery, it became in 1106 the Augustinian Priory of St Mary Overie. With Westminster Abbey and St Bartholomew the Great in Smithfield it is one of the three remaining great monastic churches of London. At the Reformation the Priory became a parish church and it remains so for the people of Bankside. In 1905, as south London was rapidly expanding, the church was consecrated as the cathedral for the new Diocese of Southwark.

As well as a place of constant witness to our faith in Jesus Christ, this church has a momentous and proud history and has had links with many famous and influential characters including St Thomas Becket, Geoffrey Chaucer, William Shakespeare and Charles Dickens.

In the 20<sup>th</sup> century this cathedral was at the heart of the new movement in theology termed 'South Bank Religion'. This movement asked challenging questions of people about faith in the modern age which continue to be explored at Southwark Cathedral which describes itself as 'inclusive: faithful: radical'.

Whatever has brought you here today, you are most welcome. Become part of the life here if you can; it will change your life as you encounter with us our living God.

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