

SOUTHWARK
◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

CHORAL EUCHARIST

MATTHEW THE APOSTLE

SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2025

11.00AM

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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.

LIVESTREAMING

Please note that this service is livestreamed. If you would prefer not to appear in the livestream, please sit in the North Transept.

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 HM Revenue & Customs.

Contactless donations can be made by selecting your donation amount and tapping the terminal provided by the stewards.



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 bookshop.org and designating Southwark Cathedral shop for the 30% of purchase price donation they offer us.

CHORAL EUCHARIST

PRESIDENT

Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor



DEACON

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



SUBDEACON & PREACHER

Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer



CHOIR

The Cathedral Choir
directed by **Helen Smee**



SETTING

Missa brevis 'Awake my soul'
Judith Bingham (b. 1952)

Please stand as the Procession enters.

THE ENTRANCE HYMN

NEH 197



For all the Saints who from their labours rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confest.
Thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest.
Alleluya! Alleluya!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;
Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light.
Alleluya! Alleluya!

O blest communion! fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluya! Alleluya!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluya! Alleluya!

The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest:
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.
Alleluya! Alleluya!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The Saints triumphant rise in bright array:
The King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluya! Alleluya!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluya! Alleluya!

TUNE: SINE NOMINE

R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

TEXT:

W. Walsham How (1823-1897)

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.

Members of Junior Xpress come forward for a blessing before departing for their worship and activities.

THE PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses,
let us also lay aside every weight
and the sin that clings so closely,
looking to Jesus in penitence and faith.

Silence is kept.

We are often slow to follow the example of Christ.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

We often fail to be known as Christ's disciples.
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

We often fail to walk the way of the cross.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

THE ABSOLUTION

May God our Father forgive you your sins,
and bring you to the fellowship of his table
with his saints for ever.

All Amen.

Please be seated when the President sits. The Choir sings:

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.

O Almighty God,
whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector
to be an apostle and evangelist:
give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain
and the possessive love of riches
that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ,
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

Proverbs 3.13-18

Read by Harry Grayson

A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

Happy are those who find wisdom, and those who get understanding,
for her income is better than silver, and her revenue better than gold.
She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her.

Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honour.

Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.

She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called happy.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 119.65-72

The response is:



You have dealt graciously with your servant,
according to your word O Lord.
O teach me true understanding and knowledge,
for I have trusted in your commandments. **R**

Before I was afflicted I went astray,
but now I keep your word.

You are gracious and do good;

O Lord teach me your statutes. **R**



The proud have smeared me with lies,
 but I will keep your commandments with my whole heart.
 Their heart has become gross with fat,
 but my delight is in your law. **R**

It is good for me that I have been afflicted,
 that I may learn your statutes.
 The law of your mouth is dearer to me
 than a hoard of gold and silver. **R**

THE SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4.1-6

Read by **Dandison Allen-Thomas**

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand and turn to face the Gospel as the Procession moves into the Nave.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Their voice has gone out to the ends of the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 9.9-13

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him.

And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer

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.**

**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.**

Amen.

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 **Sandra Elsom***

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

May the God of peace sanctify you:
may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness
that you may be blameless before him
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with his saints.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

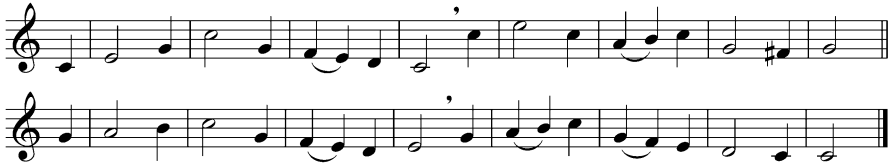
During the Hymn, bread and wine are presented at the Altar. A collection is taken (cash or contactless as detailed on page 2). Please use this QR code or the link to donate online.

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THE OFFERTORY HYMN

CP 223



Lo, round the throne, a glorious band,
the saints in countless myriads stand,
of every tongue redeemed to God,
arrayed in garments washed in blood.

Through tribulation great they came;
they bore the cross, despised the shame;
from all their labours now they rest,
in God's eternal glory blest.

They see their Saviour face to face,
and sing the triumphs of his grace;
him day and night they ceaseless praise,
to him the loud thanksgiving raise:

'Worthy the Lamb, for sinners slain,
through endless years to live and reign;
thou hast redeemed us by thy blood,
and made us kings and priests to God.'

O may we tread the sacred road
that saints and holy martyrs trod;
wage to the end the glorious strife,
and win, like them, a crown of life.

TUNE: DEUS TUORUM MILITUM

Grenoble church melody

TEXT:

Rowland Hill (1744-1833) et al.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessèd be God,
by whose grace creation is renewed,
by whose love heaven is opened,
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.

All Blessèd be God for ever.

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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

We rejoice in the glorious splendour of your majesty
for you have given us a share with Matthew
in the inheritance of the saints in light.

In the darkness of this passing age
they proclaim the glory of your Kingdom.
Chosen as lights in the world,
they surround our steps as we journey on
towards the city of eternal light
where they sing the everlasting song of triumph.

In communion with angels and archangels
and all who have served you on earth
and worship you now in heaven,
we raise our voices to proclaim your glory,
for ever praising you and singing:

The Choir sings:

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.

The President continues:

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:
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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:

All

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with the Blessèd Virgin Mary,
Matthew, and all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us so we pray.

Please pray in whichever language you feel most comfortable.

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.	Baba wa... Notre Père... 天におられる私たちの父よ... Nna anyị... Fader vår... Pai nosso... हे हमारे स्वर्गबासी पिता... Padre nuestro... 我們在天上的父... Отец наш... 하늘에 계신 우리 아버지... Πάτερ ἡμῶν... اے ہمارے باپ
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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.**

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. Receiving Communion in one kind is still receiving Communion in full. 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 come forward for a blessing.

During the distribution of Communion, the Choir sings:

AGNUS DEI

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.

Followed by:

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM

Justorum animae • Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Justorum animae in manu
Dei sunt, et non tanget illos
tormentum mortis. Visi sunt
oculis insipientium mori, illi
autem sunt in pace.

The souls of the righteous are in the
hand of God, and the torment of
death shall not touch them. In the
sight of the unwise they seemed to
die; but they are in peace.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

God of mercy and compassion,
we have shared the joy of salvation
that Matthew knew when Jesus called him.
Renew our calling to proclaim the one
who came not to call the righteous but sinners to salvation,
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

THE NOTICES

Please be seated.

THE BLESSING

Please stand.

**All The Lord be with you
and also with you.**

May God,
who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints,
pour upon you the riches of his grace.
Amen.

May he give you joy in their fellowship
and a share in their praises.
Amen.

May he strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness
and to come to the full radiance of glory.
Amen.

**All And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.**

THE FINAL HYMN

CP 230



Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
raise the glad strain, Alleluia!
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,
virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:

Refrain

*Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

O higher than the cherubim,
more glorious than the seraphim,
lead their praises, Alleluia!
Thou bearer of th' eternal Word,
most gracious, magnify the Lord:

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
all saints triumphant, raise the song:

Refrain

O friends, in gladness let us sing,
supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One:

Refrain

Refrain

TUNE: LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Melody from an Easter hymn
in *Geistliche Kirchengesang* Cologne 1623

TEXT:

Athelstan Riley (1858-1945)

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

VOLUNTARY

Incantation pour un Jour Saint • Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

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.

◆ NOTICES ◆

WORSHIP

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

Services marked with a † are only available online.

Preachers are indicated in italics.

SUNDAY 21 SEPTEMBER • MATTHEW

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>The Rev'd Delorine Green</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong with Presentation of the Lancelot Andrewes Medal <i>The Bishop of Southwark, The Rt Rev'd Christopher Chessun</i>
6.00pm	Compline†

MONDAY 22 — FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist (Tuesday only)
12.30pm	Midday Prayer <i>with The Litany of Reconciliation</i> (Friday only)
12.45pm	Eucharist
5.30pm	Choral Evensong (Mon, Tue, Weds, Fri) or Evening Prayer (Thu)

SATURDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist
4.00pm	Evening Prayer

SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER • MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>The Rev'd Delorine Green</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>The Rt Rev'd Michael Marshall</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Canon Jeremy Clark-King, Treasurer</i>
6.00pm	Compline†

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.

JUNIOR XPRESS

Junior Xpress is for children in Reception to Year 5, gathering each week in term time in the Cathedral and after a prayer and blessing will go for worship and activities before rejoining the rest of the congregation for the Lord's Prayer and Holy Communion. Children are warmly invited to join Junior Xpress, especially if this is their first time. More details can be obtained from the Sub Dean:

michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org

YOUTH XPRESS

Young people in Years 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are invited to join Youth Xpress for discussion and debate around Christian themes. Breakfast is provided. We meet one Sunday every month at 10.45am in the Cathedral Library. **The next session is on Sunday 19 October.**

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.

GIVING TO THE CATHEDRAL

We are encouraging everyone to join the Parish Giving Scheme. If you need any help signing up online or if you would prefer to have a paper copy of the application form please speak with our wardens, Linda and Kristin or contact Canon Michael Rawson.

The Cathedral is keen to change to a more ethical and environmentally friendly bank and the move from a large number of standing orders to one monthly transfer from the Parish Giving Scheme makes this aspiration achievable.

You can sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/bdzdpuhp>. You will need your personal bank account details; the name of our parish: **Southwark Cathedral**; the PGS code for our parish: **370637001**; and whether you are eligible for Gift Aid.

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 cherry.james@southwark.anglican.org

Helen Quintrell hmqmc3@gmail.com

Jill Tilley jill.tilley@southwark.anglican.org

Concerns can be brought to any member of the clergy.

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 michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org

THE FRIENDS OF SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

FRIENDS' CÉILIDH AT THE CATHEDRAL, FRIDAY 17 OCTOBER 2025

The Ceilidh takes place on Friday 17 October. Joining us will be The Ceilidh Tree providing live music and helpful instruction as we dance in the beautiful Cathedral. Reduced price tickets are available via Ticket Tailor.

PILGRIMAGE TO WINCHESTER

The pilgrimage continues and the group walk together on the third Saturday of each month. All tickets can be purchased via the Friends' pages on Eventbrite.

VISIT TO LINDISFARNE

We are planning a Spring weekend away to visit Lindisfarne from 30 April to 3 May. If you are interested in joining please contact Kate in the Friends office for more information.

BECOME A FRIEND

Still thinking of joining us? We'd love to welcome you. The Friends play a vital part in contributing to the future of the Cathedral and its mission and membership costs from £25 a year. [Join the Friends today!](#)

CONTACT FRIENDS' OFFICE

You can email the Friends: Kate.dean@southwark.anglican.org, call 020 7367 3724 or post to:

The Friends of Southwark Cathedral
Southwark Cathedral
London Bridge
London, SE1 9DA

COMMUNITY OF THE CROSS OF NAILS GROUP

25 SEPTEMBER, 4.30-6.00PM, ZOOM

The Community of the Cross of Nails (CCN) group at Southwark Cathedral exists to raise awareness and to equip members of the cathedral community to be reconcilers and peace makers. One bi-product of reconciliation and peace making can be forgiveness. Our friends at the [Forgiveness Project](#) provide opportunities and resources for people to explore the complexities of forgiveness such as participative online gatherings (Forgiveness Cafe) which explore forgiveness in a communal, discussion-based setting. The next Forgiveness Cafe is on September 25th, online (Zoom) 4.30-6.00pm. To book, head to [The Forgiveness Project](#). See you there!

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL PODCAST

Hosted by members of the Southwark Cathedral team, each episode delves into an area of our mission and opens up a side of our work beyond the pulpit.

Listen to our latest episode here: <https://southwarkcathedralpodcast.podbean.com/>

ECUMENICAL PILGRIMAGE TO ROME & ASSISI

2-9 MARCH 2026

This Ecumenical Pilgrimage for the Diocese of Southwark and the Archdiocese of Southwark will be led by Bishop Christopher; Bishop Paul Hendricks, Auxiliary Bishop of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark; The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark; and Canon Michael Branch, Dean of St George's Cathedral, Southwark. Full details and booking information on our website:

<https://cathedral.southwark.anglican.org/worship-and-music/pilgrimage/southwark-ecumenical-pilgrimage-rome-and-assisi/>

FAC COMMITTEE

The Care of Cathedrals Measure requires the Fabric Advisory Committee to be an independent body whose role is to advise Chapter and determine Chapter's applications on the care, conservation, repair and development of the cathedral, its setting and any significant objects it holds. We are seeking new members for the new quinquennium, commencing in Spring 2026, in which period the Cathedral hopes to deliver significant and exciting projects in line with the new vision.

This is a voluntary role for 5 years. The committee meets at least four times a year on a weekday for 2 hours.

Please see the website for further details:

<https://cathedral.southwark.anglican.org/about-us/job-vacancies/>

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY AT ST HUGH'S

THURSDAYS, 7.30PM

The Thursday Bible Study at St Hugh's, Bermondsey SE1 3PT is inclusive, friendly and perfect for beginners or growing your confidence. Contact Bukky Omisakim for more information: <https://sthughsbermondsey.org.uk/bible-study/>

LIVING FAITHFULLY

The Autumn Living Faithfully programme is now available on our website.

ARTPEACE WORK FROM ZIMBABWE AVAILABLE IN THE CATHEDRAL SHOP

For almost 15 years Southwark Cathedral Shop has been selling artwork created by artists in the ArtPeace cooperative, based in Harare, Zimbabwe.

The skilled artists work with a variety of hard stones such as verdite and fruit springstone producing carvings which are beautiful and tactile, animals, people, religious objects, all inspired by their lives and the world around them.

Please take time to visit the shop and see the beautiful work by these artists and, if you are able, to purchase something. This is such a practical way of helping our sisters and brothers in Zimbabwe who continue to live under such challenging daily circumstances.

COMMUNITY OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, WANTAGE COME & SEE WEEKEND

SATURDAY 27 SEPTEMBER, 11.00AM – SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER, 2.00PM

A weekend to explore vocations and experience the life of the Community of St Mary the Virgin in Wantage, Oxfordshire, OX12 9AU.

"Pray with us. Sing with us. Eat with us. Chat with us. Look around. Open to any women wishing to explore Religious Life."

TOILET TWINNING

Thank you from the Mother's Union at the Cathedral and at St Hugh's. Your generosity at the last Mother's Union cake sale has enabled us to twin eight of our toilets with toilets in parts of the world where there is poor sanitation. These eight toilets will also help bring safe drinking water transforming the lives of families. Thank you all very much and you can find out more at www.toilettwinning.org

HARVEST THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS

As in previous years we will be supporting our friends at the Manna Centre for the homeless with our harvest offerings for the month of October. If you are able, they would be grateful of the goods below.

Follow the QR code or donate online at:

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/7580#!/DonationDetails>



MANNA DAY CENTRE



Harvest Festival list 2025

Needs in order of priority

(Most important items in bold type)

FOOD

Sugar
Tomatoes (Tinned)
Vegetables (Tinned)
Pasta
Rice
Pasta Sauces
Baked Beans
Meat (Tinned)
Corned beef
Chopped ham
Luncheon meats
Fish

Tinned Food

Soup
Stewed steak
Hot Dogs
Fruit
Rice pudding

Non-Tinned Food

Curry Sauces
Porridge oats
Breakfast cereals
Tomato sauce
Jelly
Cooking oil
Biscuits

DRINKS

Coffee
Dilutable drinks
Tea

TOILETRIES

Bodywash
Soap
Deodorants
Shaving Foam
Shampoo
Disposable razors
Toothpaste
Toothbrushes

MEN'S CLOTHING

Jeans (Waist 30-38)
Socks
Jogging bottoms
Trainers
Fleeces / Hoodies
T-shirts
Shoes
Underwear
Trousers (Waist 30-38)
Coats

MISCELLANEOUS

Toilet Rolls
Tea Mugs
Novels
Oyster cards
(Unregistered preferably)

LOWER THAN THE ANGELS

TUESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER, 7.00PM

To celebrate the paperback release of *Lower than the Angels: A History of Sex and Christianity*, acclaimed historian Diarmaid MacCulloch joins the Dean for a lively and thought-provoking conversation. Together, they'll explore 3,000 years of Christian encounters with sex, gender, and family — a story full of tension, transformation, and surprising twists.

Lower than the Angels delivers a bold and timely message: to truly understand Christianity, we must embrace its rich, often contradictory history in all its glorious complexity.

Tickets £8, available from [Eventbrite](#).

BISHOP MICHAEL MARSHALL

SUNDAY 28 SEPTEMBER, 11.00AM

We look forward to welcoming Bishop Michael Marshall as president and preacher at the 11.00am Choral Eucharist on Sunday 28 September as he celebrates his 50th Anniversary of Episcopal Ordination at Southwark Cathedral. Bishop Michael was Bishop of Woolwich from 1975-1984.

ORGAN RECITALS

MONDAYS, 1.20PM

Join us for our regular weekly organ recitals. Entrance is free.

22 September	Daniel Phillips	King's College School, Wimbledon
29 September	Yarno Missiaen	Belgium
6 October	James Gough	Southwark Cathedral
13 October	Simon Hogan	Southwark Cathedral
20 October	Katy Silverman	St Mary's Battersea
27 October	Peter Wright	formerly Southwark Cathedral
3 November	Jonathan Allsopp	Southwell Minster
10 November	Simon Hogan	Southwark Cathedral
17 November	Leander van den Bos	The Netherlands
24 November	Anthony Gritten	Royal Academy of Music

WHAT IS OURS TO DO?

RECONCILIATION IN EVERYDAY LIVING

MONDAY 13 OCTOBER, 6.15-8.00PM

This free event at Southwark Cathedral is being run in partnership with St Ethelburga's Centre for Reconciliation and Peace. You will discover practical ways of developing reconciliation in our everyday lives.

Guest speaker, Jo Berry CBE, founder of Bridge Builders for Peace will share her journey of reconciliation with Patrick Magee, convicted of planting the IRA bomb in 1984, which killed her father Sir Anthony Berry at the Brighton Conservative party conference.



Click the QR code to register at Eventbrite or follow the link below.

[Register here at Eventbrite.](#)

◆ PRAYER LIST ◆

THE SICK

Christopher KD, Dee Dee HS, Tom, Errol H, Sr Sue CSF, Millie K, Caroline C, Margaret DB, Sam J, Hugo S, Ann FO, Helen S, Dinah K, Pam M, Jean P, Sally P, Sarah R, John G, Roxanne W

THE DEPARTED

Barry Chorlton, Irene Greensted, Mark Smith, David Homewood, Salam Azank, Robyn Haley Percival, Dave Church, Julian Reindorp, Katharine, Duchess of Kent

YEAR'S MIND

Kevin Mann, Jean Freeman, Pamela Herbertson, Arthur Carew, John Lane, Barbara Hunt, Eugene Perry McIntosh

CLERGY AWAY

Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor (Christchurch, Clapham)

Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian (St Philip, Avondale Square)

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SOUTHWARK

◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

making space for love
with heart, mind, and soul

It is good to welcome you 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 ('over-the-river'). 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.

The Cathedral has a momentous and significant history and has had links with many famous and influential characters including St Thomas Becket, Geoffrey Chaucer, William Shakespeare and Charles Dickens. It has also been a Cathedral for those who feel on the edges of faith or society, our welcome reaching out to all people in their beautiful God-given diversity.

Here, our Christian faith is captured in our vision to 'make space for love: with heart, mind, and soul'. Faith requires our hearts to stand up for social justice, upholding integrity and kindness, and supporting the vulnerable and oppressed. It challenges our thinking, inviting our minds to be enquiring, honest, and generous. Faith also seeks to deepen our inner lives, with the arts and creativity, by sharing in the life of our community, and by learning the arts of prayer and attention. In Jesus Christ we see the human face of God, and our faith in him is our joy and our life.

We really hope you enjoy being here with us today and that we will see you again very soon.

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