

SOUTHWARK
◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

CHORAL REQUIEM EUCHARIST

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

SUNDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2025

10.55AM

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A MEMBER OF THE



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Photography and video recording of the Choir is not permitted.

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Please switch your device to 'T'.

POSTURE

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

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

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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.

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CHORAL EUCHARIST

PRESIDENT

Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor



DEACON

Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor



SUBDEACON & PREACHER

The Rev'd Michael Coren
Diocese of Niagara, Anglican Church of Canada



CHOIR

The Cathedral Choir
directed by Helen Smee



SETTING

Requiem in D minor, Op. 48
Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)



MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE

IX. Nimrod *from* Enigma Variations, Op. 36
Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

Please stand as the Procession enters. During the Introit & Kyrie, the Standards are presented and wreaths are laid.

THE INTROIT & KYRIE

Requiem aeternam dona eis,
Domine,
et lux perpetua luceat eis.
Te decet hymnus, Deus, in Sion,
et tibi reddetur votum in
Jerusalem.
Exaudi orationem meam;
ad te omnis caro veniet.

Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison.

Rest eternal grant to them,
O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.
To you, O God, praise is due in Sion,
and to you shall vows be paid in
Jerusalem.
Hear my prayer;
to you shall all flesh come.

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

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.

We are gathered together in the presence of Almighty God, to offer praise and worship to the one who saves us, our help in ages past, our strength in the present and our hope for years to come.

But today we remember in particular those who have lived and died in the service of others. We remember also all who suffer through war and are in need; and we ask for God's help and blessing that we may do his will, that the whole world may acknowledge him as Lord and King.

So, let us remember before God and commend to his sure keeping those who have died for their country in war; those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure; and all who have lived and died in the service of humankind.

THE LAST POST

Silence is kept.

Followed by:

REVEILLE

Then, the Choir sings:

THE ANTHEM

For the fallen • Douglas Guest (1916-1996)

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

Robert Laurence Binyon (1869-1943)

THE COLLECT FOR REMEMBRANCE

Almighty and eternal God,
from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted,
either by death or life:
hear our prayers and thanksgivings
for all whom we remember this day;
fulfil in them the purpose of your love;
and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The representatives of uniformed services return to their seats.

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

THE LITANY OF RECONCILIATION

As we prepare ourselves to celebrate these sacred mysteries, let us call to mind and confess to God the sins and shortcomings of the world, and our share in what is wrong. We pray using the words of the Litany of Reconciliation of the Community of the Cross of Nails, of which the Cathedral is part.

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

Silence is kept.

The hatred which divides nation from nation,
race from race, class from class,

All Father, forgive.

The covetous desires of people and nations
to possess what is not their own,

All Father, forgive.

The greed which exploits the work of human hands
and lays waste the earth,

All Father, forgive.

Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others,

All Father, forgive.

Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned,
the homeless, the refugee,

All Father, forgive.

The lust which dishonours the bodies
of men, women and children,

All Father, forgive.

The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves
and not in God,

All Father, forgive.

THE ABSOLUTION

Almighty God,
who in Jesus Christ has given us
a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,
forgive you your sins,
open your eyes to God's truth,
strengthen you to do God's will
and give you the joy of his kingdom,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Deacon says the conclusion of the Litany of Reconciliation.

Be kind to one another,
tender-hearted,
forgiving one another,
as God in Christ forgave you.

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

God, our refuge and strength,
bring near the day when wars shall cease
and poverty and pain shall end,
that earth may know the peace of heaven
through Jesus Christ 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

Job 19.23-27a

Read by Lt Cdr Francis Heritage

A reading from the Book of Job.

○ that my words were written down!
○ that they were inscribed in a book!
○ that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock for ever!
For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 17.1-8

The response is:



Hear my just cause, O Lord; consider my complaint;
listen to my prayer, which comes not from lying lips.
Let my vindication come forth from your presence;
let your eyes behold what is right. **R**

Weigh my heart, examine me by night,
refine me, and you will find no impurity in me.
My mouth does not trespass for earthly rewards;
I have heeded the words of your lips. **R**

My footsteps hold fast in the ways of your commandments;
my feet have not stumbled in your paths.
I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;
incline your ear to me, and listen to my words. **R**

Show me your marvellous loving-kindness,
O Saviour of those who take refuge at your right hand
from those who rise up against them.
Keep me as the apple of your eye;
hide me under the shadow of your wings. **R**

THE SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-end

Read by **Dandison Allen-Thomas**

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

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

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!

Blessèd are the peacemakers
for they shall be called children of God.

All Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

Luke 20.27-38

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
All Glory to you, O Lord.

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.'

Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev'd Michael Coren, Diocese of Niagara, Anglican Church of Canada

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 peace let us pray to the Lord.

Please be seated or kneel.

The prayers are led by Kristin Ruby

We pray for the leaders of the nations,
That they will listen and work for the wellbeing of those they serve
and work for peace.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

We pray for those who serve on behalf of the nation,
that they may have courage, discernment, and compassion.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

We pray for our enemies, and those who wish us harm,
that you will turn the hearts of all to kindness and friendship.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

We pray for the sick, wounded, and the captive,
the grieving and the homeless, and all those who care for them,
that in all their trials they may know your love and support.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

Most holy God and Father,
hear our prayers for all who strive for peace
and all who fight for justice.
Help us, who today remember the cost of war,
to work for a better tomorrow;
and, as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict,
bring us all, in the end, to the peace of your presence;
through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand.

THE PEACE

Jesus said, 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
I do not give to you as the world gives.'

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

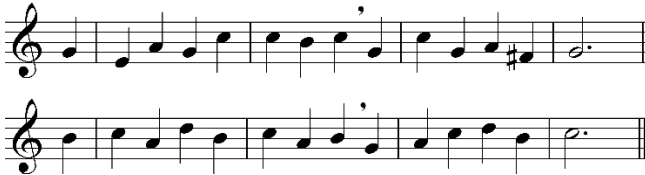
During the Hymn, bread and wine are presented at the Altar. A collection is taken (cash or contactless as detailed on page 2). Please use this QR code or the link to donate online.

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THE OFFERTORY HYMN

NEH 417



O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home;

Under the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.



Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
 Bears all its sons away;
 They fly forgotten, as a dream
 Dies at the opening day.

O God, our help in ages past,
 Our hope for years to come,
 Be thou our guard while troubles last,
 And our eternal home.

TUNE: ST ANNE

Melody and bass from
A Supplement to the New Version 1708
 probably supplied by William Croft (1678-1727)

TEXT:

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Look upon us in mercy not in judgement;
 draw us from hatred to love;
 make the frailty of our praise
 a dwelling place for your glory.

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.**

Blessèd are you, Lord of life,
creator of heaven and earth,
to you be glory and praise for ever.

For through his death on the cross,
your Son Jesus Christ has broken the power of evil,
and by his glorious resurrection
has opened for us the gate of life eternal.

In him you seek the lost, restoring those whose lives
have been shattered and torn apart.
In the fullness of time, he will gather all things to himself,
enfolding us and all who have died in war in his undying love.

And so we pray that we who have set our hope on Christ
may come to the peace of heaven,
there, with angels and archangels,
to sing your praise for ever:

The Choir sings:

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra
gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy
Lord God of Sabaoth.
Heaven and earth
are full of your glory.
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.

Christ is the bread of life:

**All When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

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 Blessed Virgin Mary
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 we look for the coming of the Kingdom,
let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Please pray in whichever language you feel most comfortable.

All	Our Father in heaven,	Baba wa...
	hallowed be your name,	Notre Père...
	your kingdom come,	天におられる私たちの父よ...
	your will be done,	Nna anyị...
	on earth as in heaven.	Fader vår...
	Give us today our daily bread,	Pai nosso...
	Forgive us our sins	हे हमारे स्वर्गबासी पिता...
	as we forgive those who sin against us.	Padre nuestro...
	Lead us not into temptation	我們在天上的父...
	but deliver us from evil.	Отче наш...
	For the kingdom, the power,	하늘에 계신 우리 아버지...
	and the glory are yours	Πάτερ ἡμῶν...
	now and for ever.	اے ہمارے باپ
	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.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

God's holy gifts
for God's holy people.

All **Jesus Christ is holy,**
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

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, the Choir sings:

AGNUS DEI & LUX AETERNA

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona eis requiem,
sempiternam requiem.

Lux aeterna luceat eis
Domine
cum sanctis tuis in aeternum
quia pius es.

Requiem aeternam dona eis,
Domine,
et lux perpetua luceat eis.

O Lamb of God,
that takest away the sins of the world,
grant them rest,
eternal rest.

May eternal light shine on them,
O Lord,
with thy saints for ever,
for thou art merciful.

Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Followed by:

IN PARADISUM

In paradisum deducant angeli
in tuo adventu suscipiant te
martyres
et perducant te in civitatem
sanctam, Jerusalem.
Chorus angelorum te suscipiat,
et cum Lazaro,
quondam paupere
aeternam habeas requiem.

Into paradise may the angels lead you,
at your arrival,
may the martyrs greet you
and lead you into the holy city,
Jerusalem.
May the chorus of angels receive you
and with Lazarus,
who once was poor,
may you have eternal rest.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

All Amen.

THE NOTICES

Please be seated.

THE ACT OF COMMITMENT

Please stand.

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Silence is kept.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

All We will.

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

All We will.

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

All We will.

**All Merciful God,
we offer to you the fears in us
that have not yet been cast out by love:
may we accept the hope you have placed in the hearts of all people,
and live lives of justice, courage and mercy;
through Jesus Christ our risen redeemer.
Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

God grant to the living grace,
to the departed rest,
to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth and all people,
unity, peace and concord,
and to us and all God's servants,
life everlasting;
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.

THE FINAL HYMN

NEH 333



All my hope on God is founded;
He doth still my trust renew.
Me through change and chance he guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown,
He alone
Calls my heart to be his own.

Human pride and earthly glory,
Sword and crown betray our trust;
What with care and toil is builded,
Tower and temple, fall to dust
But God's power,
Hour by hour,
Is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth,
Deep his wisdom, passing thought:
Splendour, light and life attend him,
Beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore
From his store
New-born worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th'Almighty giver
Bounteous gifts on us bestow;
His desire our soul delighteth,
Pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand
At his hand;
Joy doth wait on his command.

Still from earth to God eternal
 Sacrifice of praise be done,
 High above all praises praising
 For the gift of Christ his Son.
 Christ doth call
 One and all:
 Ye who follow shall not fall.

TUNE: MICHAEL

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

TEXT:

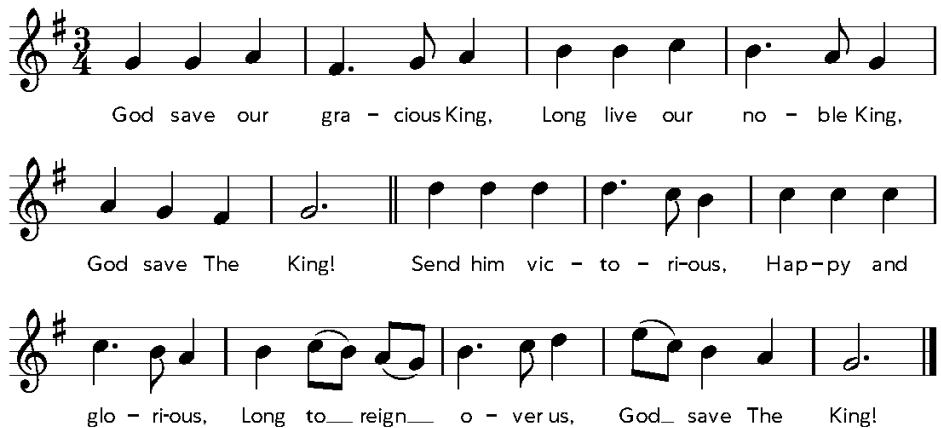
Robert Bridges (1844-1930)
 based on the German of
 J. Neander (1650-1680)

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM



God save our gra - cious King, Long live our no - ble King,
 God save The King! Send him vic - to - rious, Hap - py and
 glo - rious, Long to reign o - ver us, God save The King!

VOLUNTARY

Fugue in E flat, BWV 552ii • J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

*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 9 NOVEMBER • REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>The Rev'd Michael Coren, Anglican Diocese of Niagara, Canada</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>The Rev'd Delorine Green</i>
10.55am	Choral Eucharist with Act of Remembrance* <i>The Rev'd Michael Coren, Anglican Diocese of Niagara, Canada</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Canon Kathryn Fleming, Precentor</i>
6.00pm	Compline†

MONDAY 10 – FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist (Tuesday only)
10.55am	Act of Remembrance for Armistice Day (Tuesday only)
12.30pm	Midday Prayer <i>with The Litany of Reconciliation</i> (Friday only)
12.45pm	Eucharist
5.30pm	Choral Evensong (Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri) Evening Prayer (Wed)

SATURDAY 15 NOVEMBER

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

SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER • SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>The Rev'd Delorine Green</i>
10.55am	Choral Eucharist with Act of Remembrance* <i>Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark</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 Youth Xpress is on 23 November.

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 many 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

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/>

15th ANNUAL ROBES SLEEP OUT

FRIDAY 21 NOVEMBER, 7.00PM

This year will be the 15th Annual Robes SleepOut here at the Cathedral!

Please hold the date – this is one week earlier than usual, so please make a note.

You can make a big impact by sponsoring our Dean, Sub Dean and Junior & Youth Xpress:



[The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley,](#)
[Dean of Southwark](#)



[Canon Michael Rawson,](#)
[Sub Dean & Pastor](#)



[Junior / Youth Xpress](#)

Also please:

- **Sign up to sleep out** and get sponsors to donate on your behalf: <https://robes.org.uk/sleepout-robes/>
- **Volunteer to help** at the SleepOut – please reach out to Kristin Ruby (klruby2006@yahoo.com) or Maggie Still (smeetowers@gmail.com).

THE FRIENDS OF SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

PILGRIMAGE TO WINCHESTER

We are now on a winter break from the monthly pilgrimage. We'll be starting again in March from Four Marks on the last few stages of our pilgrimage to Winchester.

WREATH-MAKING WORKSHOP

SATURDAY 29 NOVEMBER, 10.30AM-1.30PM

For the first time the Friends will be running a Wreath Making workshop led by our amazing flower arranging lead, Patricia Ellis. You can book your tickets via this link on Ticket Tailor. Tickets are strictly limited and further information is also available via this link

<https://buytickets.at/thefriendsofsouthwarkcathedral/1932761>

POP-UP PRESERVES STALL

SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER, 9.30AM-12.45PM

Once again the Friends will be running a pop-up stall selling various flavours of marmalade and jam, together with chutneys and other homemade goodies. A great opportunity to stock your cupboards for the festive season.

ADVENT TEA

SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER, 4.45PM

Members of the Friends and their guests are invited to join us for Advent tea before enjoying the Advent Procession. Tickets are available on Eventbrite.

AN EVENING WITH THE DEAN – DISCS FOR A DESERT ISLAND

TUESDAY 16 DECEMBER, 6.15PM

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley will be in conversation with Michelle Lovric as he explores his essential music choices and other essential items when swept away to a desert island. Festive drinks will be served on arrival. Tickets available on Eventbrite.

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 missions. 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

ANNUAL LECTURE

FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER, 6.30PM

Members of the congregation are invited to join the College of Canons for Evensong on Friday 14th November at 5.30pm, followed by the Annual Lecture at 6.30pm. This will be given by Bijan Omrani, the author of the recent '*God Is an Englishman: Christianity and the Creation of England*', which has received very positive reviews. His book explores the profound influence of Christianity in shaping England's identity, politics, and culture. From the Romano-British period through the Anglo-Saxon conversion and beyond, Omrani traces how Christian thought fundamentally shaped the institutions and character of what would become England. Weaving together historical research, archaeological evidence, and literary analysis, Omrani presents a compelling narrative of how religious belief served as the foundation upon which English identity was built. More may be found about Omrani here: <https://www.bijanomrani.com/> Please RSVP to Rosie Ward if you intend to come along: rosie.ward@southwark.anglican.org by **10 November**.

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER

On this year's Safeguarding Sunday, we will introduce Neil Morter, our new Cathedral Safeguarding Officer, and commission our volunteer Safeguarding reps during the 11.00am service. 2026 will be a big year for Safeguarding here in the Cathedral, and there will be a short presentation both between the services at 10.00am in the Library and after the 11.00am in the nave to begin to prepare us for this as a community. Please do aim to be here if you can.

LIVING FAITHFULLY: WHAT IS THE CAMINO?

SUNDAY 23 NOVEMBER, 9.45AM

Today the shrine of St James in Santiago attracts half a million pilgrims a year, rising from a mere 67 in 1972. It is said that walking the Camino changes you - it's a chance to find a new version of yourself. Neil Tryner thought it was just a walking route when he walked his first in 2015. Seven Camino journeys later he has changed his mind. Neil will share his journey, what has changed, what he left behind and rediscovered.

ROBES SHELTER VOLUNTEERS

Our Robes team will be hosting 20 guests one night a week from Friday 23 January providing food, welcome, laundry and hospitality for 12 weeks.

If you would like to join the team either on Friday evening, Friday night or Saturday morning please contact Neil Tryner, nptryner@gmail.com one of the team leaders who can explain what is involved.

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/>

A RETREAT ON THE ISLE OF IONA

7-12 SEPTEMBER 2026

The Dean will be leading a retreat on Iona next September entitled: **'Astonished by Love: with poetry as our guide'**. The retreat is shaped by four human themes - love of creation, love of justice, love of God, and love of love. We will encounter classic poets such as Hafiz, John Donne, George Herbert, WH Auden, Emily Dickinson, RS Thomas, and Seamus Heaney, and be introduced to more contemporary ones such as Raymond Antrobus, Jen Hadfield, Kei Miller, Zaffar Kunial, and Carol Ann Duffy. No prior knowledge of poems or poets is required.

For more information:

<https://www.stcolumba-hotel.co.uk/groups-retreats/mark-oakley>

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/>

ORGAN RECITALS

MONDAYS, 1.20PM

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

10 November	Simon Hogan	Southwark Cathedral
17 November	Leander van den Bos	The Netherlands
24 November	Anthony Gritten	Royal Academy of Music

CHANGE IN OUR COMMUNION STATIONS

Once the Subdeacon has communicated the Choir and anyone seated in the North Transept, that team will move to the Font – so if you are seated towards the back of the Cathedral, you may be invited to make your Communion there. We hope this will improve the flow of the service and will trial this until Christmas. We are grateful for your patience as we explore different options, and grateful to the stewards who enable all things to run smoothly.

ADVENT LEARNING OPPORTUNITY: O ANTIPHONS

SUNDAYS 14 & 21 DECEMBER, 9.45AM

Please join us for one or both of these Advent sessions on the O Antiphons. The O Antiphons accompany the Magnificat during the last days of Advent. Come along for a session on the "traditional Os" on the 14th and/or a more contemporary interpretation on the 21st. More details to come.

PRUNELLA SCALES (1932-2025)

We are saddened by the news of the death of Prunella Scales who was a regular and committed worshipper at the Cathedral over many years. May she rest in the peace and love of the risen Christ. The Sub Dean will officiate at a private family funeral.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

SUNDAY 9 NOVEMBER

Our guest preacher at the Eucharists today is **The Rev'd Michael Coren**. Michael lives in Toronto and is an Anglican priest, columnist and author. His recent autobiography is *Heaping Coals: From Media Firebrand to Anglican Priest*, which Stephen Fry described as having 'page-turning verve'. We are pleased to have him with us today.

INCLUSIVE CHURCH OPEN LETTER IN RESPONSE TO LIVING IN LOVE AND FAITH

If you would like to make a response to the recent House of Bishops statement on Prayers of Love and Faith and clergy civil marriage you can sign an open letter at <https://www.inclusive-church.org/llf-open-letter/>

SILENT GROUP

The Silent Prayer Group meets on the 3rd Sunday of each month. The next meeting is on Sunday 16 November in the Gary Weston Library. We gather from 9.45 and the silent prayer session is from 10.00-10.30am. We always have some spare seats for latecomers. If you would like more information, please contact Linda Ridgers-Waite or Lizzie James.

MISSION ALLOCATION 2025

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 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.

[Mission Allocation Nomination Form](#)

Please return your form by Monday 1 December.

DOGS AT SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

From 14 November we will be welcoming well-behaved dogs and owners to the Cathedral following a policy being developed and approved by Chapter. We will review this in six months' time and Canon Michael Rawson will be pleased to hear any feedback during this time as well as requests for a copy of the policy. Owners are asked to respect the Cathedral as a place of worship and also as Hodge's home. Do please contact Michael if you have any questions.

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THE SICK

Christopher KD, Dee Dee HS, Tom, Errol H, Sr Sue CSF, Ida D, Caroline C, Jeremy B, Sam J, Hugo S, Marcia W, Julie R, Phyllida P, Santou BC, Catherine S, Justine M, Leo T, Pauline S, Francis, Larisa O, Maia, John L, George M, Helen S, Dinah K, Pam M, Jean P, Sally P, Sarah R, John G, Roxanne W, Elizabeth H

THE DEPARTED

David Homewood, Dave Church, Colin Andrews, Prunella Scales

YEAR'S MIND

Timothy West, Patrick Russell, Sylvia Paddy Hughes

CLERGY AWAY

The Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley, Dean of Southwark (Denver Cathedral, USA)

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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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