

SOUTHWARK
◆ CATHEDRAL ◆

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THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

SUNDAY 23 AUGUST 2026
9.00AM

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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.

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

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

Cash donations may be placed in the baskets provided.

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.

Please stand as the President, Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian, 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 Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly,
love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.
Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

May the Father of all mercies
cleanse us from our sins,
and restore us in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**All 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.

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of 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

Isaiah 51.1-6

Read by the Duty Verger

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness,
you that seek the LORD.
Look to the rock from which you were hewn,
and to the quarry from which you were dug.
Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah who bore you;
for he was but one when I called him,
but I blessed him and made him many.
For the LORD will comfort Zion;
he will comfort all her waste places,
and will make her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the LORD;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people,
and give heed to me, my nation;
for a teaching will go out from me,
and my justice for a light to the peoples.
I will bring near my deliverance swiftly,
my salvation has gone out
and my arms will rule the peoples;
the coastlands wait for me,
and for my arm they hope.
Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens will vanish like smoke,
the earth will wear out like a garment,
and those who live on it will die like gnats;
but my salvation will be for ever,
and my deliverance will never be ended.

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 138

The response is:

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart.

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart :
before the gods will I sing praise to you.

I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your name
because of your love and faithfulness :
for you have glorified your name and your word above all things. **R**

In the day that I called to you, you answered me :
you put new strength in my soul.

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord :
for they have heard the words of your mouth. **R**

They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
that great is the glory of the Lord.

Your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever :
forsake not the work of your hands. **R**

THE SECOND READING

Romans 12.1-8

Read by **Mark Harrington**

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening:
you have the words of eternal life.

All Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 16.13-20

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian

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 Sue Reardon Smith

These responses may be used:

All Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord, hear us.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

And at the end:

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



THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand.

THE PEACE

Once we were far off
but now in union with Christ Jesus,
we have been brought near
through the shedding of Christ's blood,
for he is our peace.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Bread and wine are presented at the Altar. We receive a collection at the end of the service, but you can also donate by following the QR code.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life
and the bread of heaven.

All **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

All The Lord be with you
 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 truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

From sunrise to sunset this day is holy,
for Christ has risen from the tomb
and scattered the darkness of death
with light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people,
unfolds for us your word,
and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread.

And though the night will overtake this day
you summon us to live in endless light,
the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord.
And so, with choirs of angels
and with all the heavenly host,
we proclaim your glory
and join their unending song of praise:

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.**

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 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 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... ОТЧЕ 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.
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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. 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.

God of all mercy,
in this Eucharist you have set aside our sins
and given us your healing:
grant that we who are made whole in Christ
may bring that healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.**

All Amen.

THE NOTICES

Please be seated.

THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Please stand.

The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

May the God of hope fill you
with all joy and peace in believing,
through the power of the Holy Spirit;
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.

Thank you for joining us. We look forward to seeing you again soon.



RETIRING COLLECTION

The stewards will be on hand to collect monetary donations, gift aid envelopes and contactless donations. Alternatively, you can donate by following the QR code.

◆ 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 23 AUGUST • THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>Mary O'Neill, LLM</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor</i>
6.00pm	Compline [†]

MONDAY 24 — FRIDAY 28 AUGUST

9.00am	Morning Prayer*
9.30am	Eucharist (Tuesday only)
12.30pm	Midday Prayer with the Litany of Reconciliation (Friday only)
12.45pm	Eucharist
4.00pm	Evening Prayer (Mon, Thu, Fri) or Choral Evensong (Tue, Wed)

SATURDAY 29 AUGUST

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

SUNDAY 30 AUGUST • THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.30am	Morning Prayer*
9.00am	Eucharist <i>Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor</i>
9.30am	Eucharist at St Hugh's <i>Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor</i>
11.00am	Choral Eucharist* <i>Canon Wendy Robins, Chancellor</i>
3.00pm	Choral Evensong <i>Canon Roxanne Eversley, Librarian</i>
6.00pm	Compline [†]

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 Officer (CSO) or Representatives (CSRs) in the first instance:

CSO **Neil Morter** neil.morter@southwark.anglican.org

CSRs **Cherry James** cherry.james@southwark.anglican.org

Jill Tilley jill.tilley@southwark.anglican.org

Russell Silverwood russell.silverwood@southwark.anglican.org

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.

JUNIOR and YOUTH XPRESS are on their summer break and resume again on Sunday 13 September.

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.

GIFT AID ON CONTACTLESS

During the collection, our stewards will have offered you a basket or a contactless device. If you gave your collection by contactless, did you know that you can gift aid your donation? To gift aid your donations simply donate one week on the fixed giving points as you came in, perhaps make a small donation one of these devices and it will ask you to enter your details for gift aid and the system will automatically apply gift aid on any future donation with the same card.

THE FRIENDS OF SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL

The Spring edition of the Friends newsletter is available on the Cathedral website.

SAVE THE DATE, CÈILIDH IN THE CATHEDRAL, FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER

After the success of last year we will be holding our Ceilidh again this year. Tickets will go on sale in the summer but please keep the date and share with your friends.

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

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, Maggie 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.

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY AT ST HUGH'S

RETURNING ON THURSDAY 11 SEPTEMBER, 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/>

PRAYING FOR A NEW BISHOP OF SOUTHWARK

Bishop Christopher has now retired and work is progressing on the discernment process for the appointment of a bishop to succeed him and to build on all that Bishop Christopher has achieved. This will be a particular focus at Evensong on 13 September.

Please join in the Diocese's prayer:

**God of all times and places,
send us a Bishop who will lead us faithfully
through days of rejoicing
and nights of challenge,
with prayer and Scripture,
with love and laughter,
with bread and wine.
Send your Holy Spirit
to guide those entrusted with this process.
May they recognise the person of your choice,
with ears that are open
and hearts that are wise.
Make us thankful for all that has gone before,
ready and hopeful for all that lies ahead,
led by a Bishop whose ministry is a blessing
to everyone in Southwark Diocese,
as we hear the good news of Jesus
and delight in the love of God.
Amen.**

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL PODCAST

EPISODE 23 • JOHN-FRANCIS FRIENDSHIP ON ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

In this episode of the Southwark Cathedral Podcast, John-Francis Friendship joins the Dean to explore the enduring appeal of St Francis of Assisi, 800 years after his death. Drawing on his new book, *A Saint for All Seasons*, and his own 25 years within the Franciscan tradition, John-Francis reflects on what first drew him to Francis and why this much-loved saint still speaks so powerfully to the modern world. From radical poverty to care for creation, this conversation considers the challenge and inspiration of Francis's vision. It also explores some of the stories and symbols that have shaped his legacy, and separates the saint himself from some of the myths that have grown around him.

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VACANCY FOR YOUTH XPRESS LEADERS

We are looking for volunteer leaders for Youth Xpress, our programme for young people in Year 6 - Year 11 (ages 10/11 to 15/16). Youth Xpress meets once a month in term-time at the same time as the 11.00am service, and discusses a broad range of topics and issues within a Christian context in an informal setting. Volunteers would be expected to commit to one Sunday a term (so maximum of three across the year) and work with the other leader to prepare the session and then lead it.

Find out more from the Sub Dean michael.rawson@southwark.anglican.org

Please apply to Cathedral.Volunteers@southwark.anglican.org

VISIT FROM ROUEN CATHEDRAL

FRIDAY 23 — SUNDAY 25 OCTOBER 2026

The Cathedral Unity Group is looking forward to hosting visitors from our twinned Cathedral in Rouen over the weekend of 23-25 October. We are hoping that some members of the congregation might be willing to offer hospitality by providing accommodation for our guests. Over the years many friendships have been made and sustained in this way. The Unity Group hosts visits from Rouen and Bergen Cathedrals every other year, so in addition to requesting offers of accommodation on this occasion, we would like to build up a bank of parishioners who would like to help with this in the future.

If you are interested supporting our ecumenical relationships in this way, please could you speak to Frances Hiller or any other member of the Unity Group, or else email franceschiller@gmail.com

USING A DEVICE TO READ THE SERVICE SHEET

As you came into church, one of our stewards will have asked you if you wanted to take the service sheet on your phone. By reading the service sheet in this way you are helping us each week reduce our paper use and our printing costs. Thank you for playing your part. Every copy we don't have to print saves us a couple of pounds and also helps us become more sustainable by using less paper. We will always have paper copies for those who prefer it, but if you can think about switching to using your device, we would be grateful.

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

MOTHERS' UNION NEW BANNER APPEAL

Members of the Mothers' Union are very grateful for the overwhelming generosity of the congregation, in response to the appeal for a new banner. The amount raised to date is £4099 and we have raised the deposit, thus ensuring that the banner can be ordered once the design is approved. The balance of £1714 is now in our sights and it does seem achievable. As well as thanking the congregation we would like to thank Canon Michael for his hard work and support, Eric Collins, Neil Tryner and Ted Halshaw, the Cathedral CFO. We consider ourselves blessed to be surrounded by generous and supportive people. Thank you everyone and we hope to see you at our next fundraising event, which is the cake sale on 6 September after the 11.00am Eucharist.



Donations can still be made using this QR code:

MOTHERS' UNION 150TH ANNIVERSARY DISPLAY

Please do take time to enjoy the Mothers' Union 150th Anniversary display in the Retrochoir.

ENGLISH CATHEDRALS EXHIBITION

21 JULY – 31 AUGUST

The Peter Marlow Foundation exhibition, 'The English Cathedral' featuring Peter Marlow's photographs of the naves of each of England's 42 Anglican cathedrals, will be on display in Southwark Cathedral until the end of August.

In 2008 Peter Marlow was commissioned by Royal Mail on the 300-year anniversary of the completion of St Paul's Cathedral to photograph six cathedrals. These were to be issued as commemorative stamps.

Peter was inspired to continue this pilgrimage and capture all 42 cathedrals of the Church of England using only natural light. This formed an ethereal collection of images, comparing and contrasting the architectural nuances of the Anglican Cathedrals.

ORGAN RECITALS

MONDAYS, 1.20PM, FREE ENTRY

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| 7 September | Norman Harper (formerly St George's RC Cathedral, Southwark) |
| 14 September | Ben Sheen (Jesus College, Cambridge) |
| 21 September | Michael Heighway (Westminster School) |
| 28 September | Simon Hogan (Organist, Southwark Cathedral) |

PROJECTS IN OUR LINK DIOCESE OF MASVINGO, ZIMBABWE

It was great to see Bishop Osiward and his wife, Jane, from our Link Diocese in Masvingo, Zimbabwe, in the Cathedral in July for Bishop Christopher's farewell and again for the 11.00am Choral Eucharist the following day.

On Sunday 2 August we had a meeting of our Link Group to distribute the money that we have raised for projects since the Bishop's visit in April. So, if you have not already done so please consider giving what you can to help with the projects. The Cathedral soup kitchen offers hot meals to those in need and this costs just £72 per annum for one person: might you be able to help with the cost of this? Or the schools supplementary feeding programme costs just £20 to feed a child for an academic year. Might you be able to help with this?

If you are able to give please use the QR code here →

Could you please also indicate which project the money that you are giving to is to go towards.

You can do this by emailing Canon Wendy on wendy.robins@southwark.anglican.org and she will make sure that the Finance team make sure that the money is directed in this way.



We would also like to encourage regular donations from members of the congregation so that we can give regular amounts of money to the Diocese of Masvingo for budget support.

Please also be in touch with Canon Wendy or any member of the Link Group if you would like any further information. Thank you.

GENERAL SYNOD 2026 ELECTIONS: COULD YOU STAND?

The Diocese of Southwark is encouraging clergy and lay people to consider standing in the General Synod 2026 elections. General Synod is the national assembly of the Church of England, helping shape legislation, worship, policy and the national budget. Members serve until 2031 and can represent their parish, community and diocese, contribute to national debates and help shape the Church's future. They particularly welcome candidates from underrepresented backgrounds. The voluntary role involves two five-day meetings each year, with expenses covered.

Nominations close 7 September 2026. Find out more on the Diocese of Southwark General Synod Elections webpage by scanning the QR code →





Summer Organ Festival

Join us for a summer of organ music as we host five organ recitals on the renowned T.C Lewis organ of Southwark Cathedral.

3 August | Zuzana Ferjenčíkova (Paris)

10 August | Colin Walsh (Lincoln)

17 August | Simon Hogan (Southwark)

24 August | Martin Schmeding (Germany)

31 August | Jean-Baptiste Monnot (France)

Tickets from £5 available on Eventbrite



LANCELOT 400

Lancelot 400 marks the 400th anniversary of the death of Bishop Lancelot Andrewes with a weekend of worship, music, talks, tours and exhibitions at Southwark Cathedral.

Andrewes was Bishop of Winchester from 1619 and became closely associated with Southwark, where he died in 1626. He is the only Bishop of Winchester buried in Southwark Cathedral. A brilliant scholar, linguist and preacher, he was also one of the translators of the King James Bible. His sermons and writings continued to influence figures including T. S. Eliot, and his legacy remains significant in Anglican worship, theology and English literature.

Join us as we celebrate the life and enduring legacy of one of the Church of England's greatest scholars, in the place where he is laid to rest. Tickets available on Eventbrite.



SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

ALL DAY EXHIBITION FROM LAMBETH PALACE LIBRARY

Discover a display of facsimile manuscripts and documents relating to Andrewes and his life.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL WALKING TOUR: LANCELOT ANDREWES' LONDON 10.30AM-12.00PM

Explore landmarks connected with Andrewes' childhood, priesthood and time as a bishop on a guided walk through the City of London. Please note this involves long periods of standing. Tickets from £10 via Eventbrite.

CATHEDRAL GUIDED TOUR: LANCELOT ANDREWES SPECIAL 11.00AM-12.00PM

Discover Southwark Cathedral's connections with Andrewes as part of the Lancelot 400 celebrations. Tickets from £7 via Eventbrite.

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER EUCHARIST 12.30PM

Celebrate Holy Communion following the Book of Common Prayer, including one of Andrewes' own sermons.

TALK BY ROWAN WILLIAMS RELEASING THE SPIRIT: LANCELOT ANDREWES AND THE POETICS OF PREACHING 2.00PM-3.30PM

Former Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams explores Andrewes' life, faith and distinctive approach to preaching. Free, but pre-booking is recommended via Eventbrite.

CHORAL EVENSONG 4.00PM

SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

ALL DAY EXHIBITION FROM LAMBETH PALACE LIBRARY

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CHORAL EUCHARIST

11.00AM

The Very Rev'd David Hoyle, Dean of Westminster, will preach. The service will include the first performance of a newly commissioned hymn by Malcolm Guite, written for the anniversary.

FESTAL CHORAL EVENSONG

3.00PM

The Cathedral Choir is joined by the Choir of Pembroke College, Cambridge, where Andrewes was Master, for a special service.

◆ PRAYER LIST ◆

THE SICK

Michael W, Dee Dee HS, Sylvie A, Rob B, Gus B, Julie A, Justine M, Sarah M, Andy B, Jack C, Tom D, Madeleine L, Cyril B, Andrew C, Judy, Tom J, Carla S, Bryan S, Susan P, Margaret B, Eden, Lizzie-Ann, Antony Z, Charlie R, Mary H, Frank C, Adrian C, Jean P, Pam M, Shireen, Dinah K, Sarah R, Sally P, Sam J, Elizabeth H, Christopher KD, Santou BC, Caroline C, Paul DF, Franki G, Frances G

THE DEPARTED

Sue Blenkinsop, Allan Sandlin, Matthew Samuel Mwenda, Susan Andrew, Jason Arday

YEAR'S MIND

Michael Mark Feldman, Joe Temple, George Pace, Howard Bradshaw, Ian Andrew Hughes, John Kenneth Horan, Anthony Casey, Christopher Standing

CLERGY PREACHING AWAY

Canon Michael Rawson, Sub Dean & Pastor (St Faith, North Dulwich)

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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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