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Christ the King

WELCOME TO BRISTOL CATHEDRAL

Whether this is your first time visiting the Cathedral, or whether you are a regular worshipper here, you are most welcome.

If you would prefer to remain **spatially distanced and masked**, please make your way to the **North Transept**, where a space has been retained. A steward or welcomer can help you find this area if you are unsure where to go.

If you are new to the Cathedral, please do say hello over a cup of coffee after the service.

The 10.00am Eucharist service can be followed in the **green booklet**; this week's readings, hymn numbers, and propers (other prayers) can be found in the **Sunday Sheet**; and the hymns can be found in the **hymn book**.

This week's services can be found on the Services + Music List on our website, and our Eucharist is broadcast on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

TODAY

COMMUNITY LUNCH Today, after the 10.00am Eucharist, there will be another opportunity to lunch together with our second Community Lunch since before the pandemic. The cost is £8.50 per head, and a few tickets remain available via our Eventbrite page: bristolcathedral.eventbrite.com.

AN ADVENT COURSE God the same, yesterday, today and tomorrow This four-session Advent Course for the Cathedral community begins today and runs through advent, exploring key themes in the Old Testament: Covenant, Journey, Justice and Prophecy. There will be several groups, both face-to-face and online, on different days of the week and at different times of the day. For more information, please email Minty Hull, spirituality@bristol-cathedral.co.uk.

THIS WEEK

CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS SHOP The Cathedral Christmas Shop is a collaboration between Bristol Cathedral, *Bristol Pop Up Shop* and the *Independent Design Collective*. Showcasing the work of local artists, together with a range of festive favourites and stocking fillers, the Cathedral Christmas Shop is a place in the heart of the city to shop locally this Christmas.

The shop is open daily until Christmas Eve. (Please check the website for opening times each day.) If you would like to volunteer to help run the shop, please email visitorexperience@bristol-cathedral.co.uk

LUNCHTIME RECITALS Our lunchtime recital series continues on Tuesday, 23 November, with a recital by Paul Walton (organ). Full details are now available on our What's On page, and on a flyer you can pick up in the Cathedral.

NIC HARRIS ORDINATION The Cathedral Curate, Nic Harris, will be ordained Deacon at 6.00pm on Thursday 25 November. Nic was unable to be ordained in July owing to family commitments. We keep her and her family in our prayers as she begins this new stage in her ministry. All are welcome to attend. We are grateful to the Cathedral Consort for singing at this service.

ADVENT QUIET DAY: POETIC RESPONSES TO MARY You are invited to join us for an Advent Quiet Day at the Cathedral on Saturday 27 November, from 8.45am until 3.00pm. There will be four talks led by the Revd Dr Hester Jones, followed by space for prayer and reflection during which there will be various focal points for prayer in the Cathedral chapels, silent space in the Eastern Lady Chapel, creative activity in the Chapter House, and a breakout room for anyone who would like the opportunity to share with others. Hot drinks available but please do bring your own lunch. Booking via bristolcathedral.eventbrite.com.

SUNDAY MORNING BROADCASTING Advent Sunday will be the last Sunday service that will be broadcast on our social media channels (further lockdowns notwithstanding). The pandemic has brought new challenges and new opportunities for mission beyond the building. We look forward to seeing in person all those who have engaged with us online, as you visit us and discover the exciting programme of services, concerts, and events that we have coming up this Advent and Christmas. We will continue to offer daily Morning Prayer each weekday at 8.30am.

COMING SOON

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS Full details of the services, concerts, and events offered during Advent and for Christmas are available on our website. The first special service of Advent is the **Advent Procession on Sunday 28 November**, at 6.00pm. This beautiful service begins in darkness and as the Procession moves around the building, the light gradually grows until the whole Cathedral is full of light.

CONFIRMATIONS On Sunday 5 December, the 10.00am Eucharist includes baptisms and confirmations by the Bishop of Bristol. Our Children's Church will be operating a "stay and play" space, where parents with small children can escape.

THE PAUSE: A SPACE TO BREATHE On Wednesday 15 December at 7.00pm, join us midway through Advent, for reflection, prayer and contemporary worship, as we explore the theme of waiting. Booking via bristolcathedral.eventbrite.com.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT Very limited tickets remain for the Cathedral's premier Christmas concert! On Friday 17 and Saturday 18 December, at 7.30pm, join the Cathedral Choir, together with John Telfer (BBC's The Archers) for an evening of Christmas music, seasonal readings, and a chance for audience participation in some festive favourites. Tickets are available via the Cathedral's Eventbrite page. (There are no additional Eventbrite fees.) bristolcathedral.eventbrite.com.

GENERAL

COVID-19 TESTING AND COLDS As Winter is fast approaching we would like to ask everyone visiting the Cathedral to make use of the free Lateral Flow Test kits available from the NHS or Bristol City Council. Regular testing is one of the best ways to stop the spread of the virus, along with hand washing, ensuring spaces are well ventilated, and wearing masks where there isn't adequate ventilation. Please consider testing twice a week to help to keep each other safe. Test Kits can be ordered online (gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests) or collected from locations around the city (bristol.gov.uk/coronavirus/guide-to-rapid-testing).

We also ask you to stay at home if you are suffering from a heavy cold; please only come back to the Cathedral once you are feeling better – even if you do not have the three well-known symptoms of Covid-19. We are very grateful for your help.

BRISTOL CHURCHES WINTER NIGHT SHELTER (BCWNS) – We are pleased to be supporting the Night Shelter again this year and the great news is that the project has been extended. This year, the Cathedral will be supporting Phase One (1 November to 20 December 2021) and Phase Three (14 February to 31 March 2022). The shelter is unable to run at the Cathedral so guests will be staying in a B&B with volunteers providing their meals. Although the overhead costs of the project have already been met, our Social Committee would usually cover the cost of food in the weeks that the Cathedral volunteers are cooking. As there has been no opportunity to raise funds this year and we are helping out for 14 weeks rather than seven, perhaps you might like to contribute what you might have donated through Lent lunches, or other social gatherings? Donations of up to 12 small bottles of hand gel, shower gel (unisex), toothpaste, and men's deodorant would be very welcome. Please hand any donations to the Vergers marked "for Chrissie". Please mark monetary donations "night shelter" and send them by post to the Cathedral c/o Chrissie Graham, Abbey Gatehouse, College Green, Bristol BS1 5TJ, or by bank transfer: *Bank details: Sort Code: 56-00-05, Account Number: 00011355 Bank: Natwest, Reference 'Night Shelter'*. Thank you.

ARE YOU ABLE TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE NIGHT SHELTER? We currently have some gaps in the rota for phase one and are looking for volunteers who may be able to help. We also don't have anyone on our reserve list to be able to call on if any of the volunteers fall ill or can't do their allotted shift. We are looking for volunteers to cover an evening shift on Monday 29 November 6.30pm to 10.00pm and reserves for all shifts from now until Monday 20 December 2021 – If you think you might be able to help please contact Chrissie on chrissie.graham@bristol-cathedral.co.uk

PARCELS FOR PRISONERS We are again supporting Christmas parcels for prisoners via the charity SixtyOne; contents are provided through donations, and hugely appreciated by prisoners at Leyhill with very few personal contacts. Cash marked 'Parcels for Prisoners' to Chrissie Graham at The Gatehouse very welcome, or payment by BACS transfer: Sort code: 56-00-05; a/c 00011355; natwest; ref. Prisoner Parcels. There will be an opportunity to help with wrapping and writing in the cathedral on Saturday 27 November from 10.00am to 1.00pm: contact charles.ross.1@btinternet.com. Our Social Fund has supported this enterprise before; lack of community lunches means that help isn't there at the moment. Charles sees first-hand how much pleasure is brought by the gifts and cards; he will give more details.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for	Amy, Anne, Barbara, Bob, Bunny, Clare, Di, Hilary, Jo Lily, Maria, Mary, Nathan, Sue	
RIP	Hetha; Audrey Torpy	
Year's Mind	John Bettley (24 th), Rosemary Holland (24 th), Migs Williamson (25 th), Hazel Conquest (26 th), Freddie Temple (26 th)	
CYCLES OF PRAYER		
	DIOCESAN	ANGLICAN
Sunday	All Saints, Oaksey	Bangladesh
Monday	Broad Blunsdon Benefice	Ibadan North (Nigeria)
Tuesday	Highworth with Sevenhampton and Inglesham and Hannington Benefice	Ibadan South (Nigeria)
Wednesday	Chippenham with Tytherton Lucas	Ibba (South Sudan)
Thursday	Christ Church Hengrove Benefice	Idah (Nigeria)
Friday	Christ Church, Swindon	Idaho
Saturday	Christ Church with Emmanuel Clifton	Ideato (Nigeria)
Porvoo	The Diocese of Dunblane in the Scottish Episcopal Church, and the Diocese of Porvoo in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Finland	