

Services and Music

November 2023



**BRISTOL
CATHEDRAL**

Here
with
you,
yesterday,
today,
and tomorrow

From the Minor Canon for Worship & Liturgy

Arriving at the start of November we enter that strange liturgical period where 'ordinary' time has almost run out, but we have yet to reach the season of Advent. This is a time for remembering the war dead, our departed loved ones, and the whole communion of saints that makes up the Church triumphant. The tone of our worship this month is sombre and dignified, and there are some fabulously moving pieces of music to help convey themes of life and death, light and darkness.

Do note that in preparation for the upcoming work on the Cathedral organ there will be scaffolding going up in the Quire from the beginning of the month which will impact on the location of some of our services, and events such as *Luxmuralis* and the UWE graduations will also affect where services are held during this time; do check the Services & Music List for further information.

Highlights for November include the All Souls' Requiem on Thursday 2 November, sung by the Cathedral Consort. Some Choral Evensongs during the university graduations and *Luxmuralis* will be held in the Lord Mayor's Chapel, the first time the Cathedral Choir has sung services in that place, so do go along and support our Choir. Sunday 12 November is Remembrance Sunday, including the traditional parade and silence at the Cenotaph and the Requiem Eucharist to commemorate those who have died in war; this year the Choir will sing Duruflé's *Requiem*. Please note that this is at the earlier time of 3.30pm. You are most welcome to attend these and all our services.

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Bristol Cathedral Choir

Bristol Cathedral Choir lies at the heart of the worshipping life of the Cathedral, sustaining a pattern of worship that reaches back nearly nine hundred years. Our choristers have the joy and privilege of enabling people to worship God through music and singing.

A choir has been singing on the site of the Cathedral since the Augustinian monastery was founded in 1140.

When the church formally became Bristol Cathedral in 1542 its statutes required that provision be made for the development and maintenance of the choir, whose role was to sing the praises of God.

The passing of the centuries has modified but not destroyed the pattern. The choir consists of around 28 choristers, all of whom are educated at Bristol Cathedral Choir School, 16 probationers, educated at Primary Schools across Bristol and the surrounding area, four university-age Choral Scholars, and six professional Lay Clerks.

Each year the Cathedral recruits four boys and four girls who are currently in Year 4 to become probationers when they reach Year 5.

If you are interested in finding out more about your child becoming a chorister, please contact the Music & Liturgy Officer, Tim Popple: tim.popple@bristol-cathedral.co.uk.

Services in Bristol Cathedral

Bible Translation

The Cathedral uses the NRSV Anglicised Edition translation of the bible for all services except BCP Holy Communion on Sundays. Reading selections are taken from the Common Worship Lectionary, with Evensong readings taken from the Pillar Lectionary.

Choir

Unless otherwise specified, all choral services are sung by the Cathedral Choir.

Communion

If it is your custom to receive communion in your own church, you are welcome to receive here, whatever your denomination. You may choose not to receive wine from the common cup, recognising that some people are still vulnerable. For the safety of all please do not intinct (dip the bread/host) into the chalice.

Feast Days Key

On each day there is an indication of whether it is a day of significance.

The different significances are indicated as follows:

- *Feria (no commemoration or otherwise)*
- *Commemoration*
- Lesser Festival
- Festival
- **PRINCIPAL FEAST**

For Festivals and Principal Feasts, (and the evening service the day before) the altar colours will reflect the occasion, and Festal Responses are said or sung at the close of the evening service.

Hymns

Hymns are taken from the *New English Hymnal*, except where it indicates “HPP”, which refers to the **blue Hymns for Prayer + Praise** used at Sunday Evensong.

Incense

On some feast days, incense is used during the service. This is indicated by the † symbol.

Live-Streaming

Weekday Morning Prayer is live streamed on our social media channels. These services are indicated with this symbol 📺.

Photography and Recording

No photography or recording of any other kind may take place during services, concerts, or rehearsals without the express permission of the Chapter.

Psalms

The traditional BCP Coverdale translation is used at Evening Prayer and Evensong. Common Worship translation is used at all other services. The congregation sit for the psalms, standing for “Glory be to the Father...” at the end of the last psalm.

Service Length

Said Morning Prayer lasts approximately 15 minutes.

Said Lunchtime Eucharist lasts approximately 30 minutes.

Evensong lasts around 40 minutes; Evening Prayer around 20 minutes.

BCP Communion lasts around 40 minutes.

The Eucharist on a Sunday lasts around one hour.

On a Sunday, Evensong lasts around one hour, incorporating a sermon.

Translations of Anthems not in English

Translations of weekday anthems sung in languages other than English can be found at the back of this booklet.

Service locations

Throughout this month, service locations will differ from the usual pattern. This is owing to a variety of reasons: the *Luxmuralis* light show; the UWE graduation ceremonies; and the scaffolding erection for the forthcoming organ restoration. Please check for the chapel or area within the Cathedral for any given service. Please note that a number of services will be taking place in the Lord Mayor’s Chapel across College Green.

Sunday 29 October

Last Sunday after Trinity

BCP 21st Sunday after Trinity

7.40am	Morning Prayer		NEWTON CHAPEL
8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)		QUIRE
	Preacher	Canon Neville Boundy	
10.00am	Cathedral Eucharist	<i>sung by the Melgás Consort</i>	NAVE
	Preacher	The Dean	
	Hymns	Entrance	335 Engelberg
		Offertory	376 Kingsfold
		Post Communion	305 Anima Christi
	Setting	Missa Assumpsit Jesus de Vivanco	
	Motet	Ave verum Bingham	
	Voluntary	Litanies Alain	
3.30pm	Choral Evensong	<i>sung by the Melgás Consort</i>	QUIRE
	Preacher	The Revd Canon Alice Kemp, Diocesan Disability Adviser	
	Responses	Smith	Psalms 119.89-104
	Canticles	Truro Service G. Jackson	Hymns
	Anthem	Hear my prayer, O Lord Purcell	349 Nativity
	Voluntary	Pièce héroïque Franck	253 Innsbruck

Monday 30 October

Verses / Decani

Martin Luther, Reformer, 1546

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer		QUIRE
12.30pm	Eucharist		ELDER LADY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Evening Prayer		SUB CROFT CHAPEL
	Psalms 144, 145		

Tuesday 31 October

Feria

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer		QUIRE
12.30pm	Eucharist		ELDER LADY CHAPEL
1.15pm	Lunchtime Recital	<i>piano</i>	NAVE
	Jusim Park		
5.15pm	First Choral Evensong	of All Saints' Day	THE LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
	<i>sung by the Lay Clerks</i>		
	Responses	Moore	Psalms 1, 5
	Canticles	First Service Moore	Hymn 196 Exultet Cor
	Anthem	The Communion of Saints Edwards	

Wednesday 1 November

ALL SAINTS' DAY

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	QUIRE
12.30pm	Eucharist	ELDER LADY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Evening Prayer Psalms 148, 150	SUB CROFT CHAPEL

Thursday 2 November

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	QUIRE
12.30pm	Eucharist	ELDER LADY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Evening Prayer Psalms 10, 11	SUB CROFT CHAPEL
6.00pm	Eucharist for All Souls <i>sung by the Consort</i> <i>Special Order of Service</i>	QUIRE
	Hymns	Entrance 381 Ewing
		Offertory 327 Ad perennis vitae fontem
		Post Communion 331 Eventide
	Setting	Mass à 4 Byrd
	Motet	Justorum animae Byrd
	Voluntary	Elegy Thalben-Ball

Friday 3 November

Richard Hooker, Priest, Anglican Apologist, Teacher of the Faith, 1600;
Martin of Porres, Friar, 1639

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	QUIRE
12.30pm	Eucharist	ELDER LADY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Lay Clerks</i>	THE LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
	Responses	<i>Harris</i> Psalm 17
	Canticles	Wood in E Hymn 223 Jesu redemptor omnium
	Anthem	Salve Regina Tye

A translation of the anthem is available on page 17

Saturday 4 November

Feria

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	QUIRE
12.30pm	Eucharist	ELDER LADY CHAPEL
3.30pm	Evening Prayer Psalms 20, 21	BERKELEY CHAPEL

Sunday 5 November

4th Sunday before Advent

BCP 22nd Sunday after Trinity

7.40am	Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NAVE
	Preacher Canon Nicola Stanley	
10.00am	Cathedral Eucharist	NAVE
	Preacher The Revd Dr Kathryn Goldsmith	
	Hymns Entrance 333 Michael	
	Offertory 307 Divine Mysteries	
	Post Communion 400 Aurelia [167]	
	Setting Missa Sancti Pauli Vann	
	Motet Ave verum corpus Elgar	
	Voluntary Toccata Alcock	
3.30pm	Choral Evensong	NAVE
	Preacher The Dean	
	Responses Radcliffe	Psalm 111
	Canticles Kelly in C	Hymns
	Anthem Greater love Ireland	256 HPP Eisenach
	Voluntary Prelude and Fugue in e Bruhns	247 HPP Cross of Jesus

Monday 6 November

Verses / Cantoris

Leonard, Hermit, 6th century; William Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury, Teacher of the Faith, 1944

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	ELDER LADY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong	NAVE
	Responses Radcliffe	Psalm 31.1-15
	Canticles Stanford in C	Hymn 404 (omit *) Iste Confessor (2)
	Anthem In pace Blitheman	

A translation of the anthem is available on page 16

Tuesday 7 November

Willibrord of York, Bishop, Apostle of Frisia, 739

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	EASTERN LADY CHAPEL
1.15pm	Lunchtime Recital organ	NAVE
	A farewell recital on the Cathedral Organ before it departs for its 18-month restoration, given by the Cathedral Organists	
5.15pm	Choral Evensong with the licensing of The Revd Mel Parkin	NAVE
	Special Order of Service	
	Responses Sumsion	Psalm 36
	Canticles Second Service Byrd	Hymns 431 Hereford
	Anthem Teach me, O Lord Byrd	376 Kingsfold

Wednesday 8 November

The Saints and Martyrs of England

8.15am	☪ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	NEWTON CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Boy Choristers</i>	NAVE
	Responses Noon	Psalm 40.1-13
	Canticles Long in F	Hymn 199 Westminster Abbey [205]
	Anthem And now another day is gone <i>Blake</i>	

Thursday 9 November

Margery Kempe, Mystic, c.1440

8.15am	☪ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	BERKELEY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Evening Prayer	NAVE
	Psalms 45, 46	

Friday 10 November

Leo the Great, Bishop of Rome, Teacher of the Faith, 461

8.15am	☪ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	EASTERN LADY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Lay Clerks</i>	NAVE
	Responses Carpenter	Psalm 51, 52
	Canticles Short Service <i>Batten</i>	Hymn 396 Dundee
	Anthem Let us now laud and praise <i>Mundy</i>	

Saturday 11 November

Martin, Bishop of Tours, c.397

8.15am	☪ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	EASTERN LADY CHAPEL
3.30pm	Dignity Memorial Service	NAVE
	<i>Special Order of Service</i>	
	Anthem Greater love <i>Ireland</i>	
	Ave verum corpus <i>Byrd</i>	

Sunday 12 November

3rd Sunday before Advent

BCP 23rd Sunday after Trinity

Remembrance Sunday

7.40am	Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NAVE
	Preacher <i>The Revd Nicola Harris</i>	
9.30am	Said Cathedral Eucharist with hymns	NAVE
	Hymns Entrance 492 King's Lynn	
		Offertory 494 Nun Danket [413]
		Post Communion I vow to thee my country
	Voluntary Prelude in c (BWV 546, i) J. S. Bach	
11.00am	Act of Remembrance	THE CENOTAPH
	<i>An Act of Remembrance will also take place in the Cathedral at the same time.</i>	
3.30pm	† Solemn Requiem Mass	NAVE
	Special Order of Service	
	Setting Requiem Duruflé	

Monday 13 November

Verses / Decani

Charles Simeon, Priest, Evangelical Divine, 1836

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	BERKELEY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong	NAVE
	Responses <i>Radcliffe</i>	Psalm 68.19-35 (omit 21-23)
	Canticles Second Service <i>Gibbons</i>	Hymn 432 (omit *) Regnator orbis
	Anthem Lord, for thy tender mercies' sake <i>Hilton</i>	

Tuesday 14 November

Samuel Seabury, first Anglican Bishop in North America, 1796

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	EASTERN LADY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong	NAVE
	Responses <i>Sumsion</i>	Psalm 72
	Canticles Wood in D	Hymn 426 Old 124 th
	Anthem O Lorde, the maker of al thing <i>Joubert</i>	

Wednesday 15 November

Feria

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	NEWTON CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Girl Choristers</i>	NAVE
	Responses <i>Nixon</i>	Psalms 77.1-9
	Canticles <i>Canterbury Service Moore</i>	Hymn 449 St Ethelwald
	Anthem <i>The Father's love Lole</i>	

Thursday 16 November

Margaret of Scotland, Philanthropist, Reformer of the Church, 1093;
Edmund Rich of Abingdon, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1240

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	BERKELEY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Evening Prayer	NAVE
	Psalms 80, 81	

Friday 17 November

Hugh, Bishop of Lincoln, 1200

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	EASTERN LADY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Lay Clerks</i>	NAVE
	Responses <i>Rose</i>	Psalms 88
	Canticles <i>Collegium Regale Clucas</i>	Hymn 221 Exultet caelum laudibus
	Anthem <i>Holy is the true light Harris</i>	

Saturday 18 November

Elizabeth of Hungary, Princess of Thuringia, Philanthropist, 1231

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	EASTERN LADY CHAPEL
3.30pm	Evening Prayer	BERKELEY CHAPEL
	Psalms 91, 92	

Sunday 19 November

2nd Sunday before Advent

BCP 24th Sunday after Trinity


7.40am	Morning Prayer		NEWTON CHAPEL
8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)		NAVE
	Preacher	<i>The Revd Paul Barrett</i>	
10.00am	Cathedral Eucharist	<i>sung by the Cathedral Consort</i>	NAVE
	Preacher	<i>The Revd Dr Carlton Turner,</i> <i>The Queen's Foundation</i>	
	Hymns	Entrance 495 Benson	
		Offertory 294 Saffron Walden	
		Post Communion 310 Offertorium	
	Setting	Collegium Regale <i>Howells</i>	
	Motet	Beati quorum via <i>Stanford</i>	
	Voluntary	Rhapsody No 3 <i>Howells</i>	
3.30pm	Choral Evensong	<i>sung by the Cathedral Consort</i>	NAVE
	Preacher	<i>Canon Jonnie Parkin</i>	
	Responses	<i>Sanders</i>	Psalm 89.20-36
	Canticles	<i>Dyson in F</i>	Hymns
	Anthem	<i>A Hymn for St Cecilia Howells</i>	260 HPP Mein' seel', O Gott
	Voluntary	<i>Concert Overture in c Hollins</i>	259 HPP Christe sanctorum

Monday 20 November

Verses / Cantoris

Edmund, King of the East Angles, Martyr, 870;


Priscilla Lydia Sellon, a Restorer of the Religious Life in the C of E, 1876

8.15am	 Morning Prayer		SUB CROFT CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist		LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong		LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
	Responses	<i>Radcliffe</i>	Psalm 103.1-10
	Canticles	<i>Purcell in B flat</i>	Hymn 218 Rex gloriose
	Anthem	<i>Thy word is a lantern Purcell</i>	

From today until Friday 24 November, UWE hold their graduation ceremonies in the Cathedral. General access is restricted to services only, which are held in the Sub Croft Chapel, accessible via the Cloisters Entrance. Evensong will be sung in the Lord Mayor's Chapel across College Green.

Tuesday 21 November

Feria

8.15am	 Morning Prayer		SUB CROFT CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist		LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong		LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
	Responses	<i>Sumsion</i>	Psalm 105.23-36
	Canticles	<i>Watson in E</i>	Hymn 463 Newington
	Anthem	<i>Ave Maris Stella Grieg</i>	

A translation of the anthem is available on page 16

Wednesday 22 November

Cecilia, Martyr at Rome, c.230

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	SUB CROFT CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Boy Choristers</i>	LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
	Responses <i>Fox</i>	Psalms 107.23-32
	Canticles <i>Sumption in G</i>	Hymn 225 Song 67
	Anthem <i>Gaudet in coelis Dering</i>	
	<i>A translation of the anthem is available on page 16</i>	

Thursday 23 November

Clement, Bishop of Rome, Martyr, c.100

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	SUB CROFT CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
5.15pm	Evening Prayer	SUB CROFT CHAPEL
	Psalms 112, 113	

Friday 24 November

Feria

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	SUB CROFT CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Lay Clerks</i>	LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
	Responses <i>Walker</i>	Psalms 118
	Canticles <i>Short Service (in the Dorian mode) Tallis</i>	Hymn 349 Nativity
	Anthem <i>Te lucis ante terminum Tallis</i>	
	<i>A translation of the anthem is available on page 17</i>	

Saturday 25 November

Catherine of Alexandria, Martyr, 4th century; Isaac Watts, Hymn Writer, 1748

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	SUB CROFT CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL
3.30pm	Evening Prayer	SUB CROFT CHAPEL
	Psalms 119.57-72	

Sunday 26 November

Christ the King

BCP Last Sunday after Trinity

7.40am	Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NAVE
	Preacher <i>Canon Jonnie Parkin</i>	
10.00am	Cathedral Eucharist	NAVE
	Preacher <i>The Revd Dr Kathryn Goldsmith</i>	
	Hymns	Entrance 252 Diademata
		Offertory 296 Bryn Calfarina
		Post Communion 388 Wareham [493]
	Setting	Missa Brevis <i>Berkeley</i>
	Motet	I will lift up mine eyes <i>Ledger</i>
	Voluntary	Finale (Symphonie 6) <i>Widor</i>
3.30pm	Choral Evensong	NAVE
	Preacher <i>The Revd Dr Minty Hull</i>	
	Responses <i>Sumsion</i>	Psalm 93
	Canticles	New College Service <i>Howells</i> Hymns
	Anthem	O pray for the peace of Jerusalem <i>Howells</i> 198 HPP Herr Jesu
	Voluntary	Psalm Prelude (Set 2, No 3) <i>Howells</i> 197 HPP Christus regnans

Monday 27 November

Verses / Decani

Feria

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	BERKELEY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Evening Prayer	NAVE
	Psalms 123, 124, 125	

Tuesday 28 November

Feria

8.15am	☞ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	EASTERN LADY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Evening Prayer	NAVE
	Psalms 134, 135	

Wednesday 29 November

Day of Intercession and Thanksgiving for the Missionary Work of the Church

8.15am	☪ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	NEWTON CHAPEL
5.15pm	First Evening Prayer of Andrew the Apostle Psalm 48	NAVE

Thursday 30 November

Andrew the Apostle

8.15am	☪ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	BERKELEY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Evening Prayer Psalms 87, 96	NAVE

Friday 1 December

Charles de Foucauld, Hermit in the Sahara, 1916

8.15am	☪ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	EASTERN LADY CHAPEL
5.15pm	Choral Evensong <i>sung by the Lay Clerks</i> Responses <i>Cleobury</i> Canticles <i>Verse Service Marson</i> Anthem <i>In the beginning, O Lord Locke</i>	NAVE Psalm 6 Hymn 393 Mannheim

Saturday 2 December

Feria

8.15am	☪ Morning Prayer	NEWTON CHAPEL
12.30pm	Eucharist	EASTERN LADY CHAPEL
3.30pm	Evening Prayer Psalms 12, 13	BERKELEY CHAPEL

Translations of Anthems not in English

AVE MARIS STELLA, Dei Mater alma,
atque semper Virgo felix Caeli Porta.
Solve vincla reis:
profer lumen caecis,
mala nostra pelle,
bona cuncta posce.
Vitam praesta puram,
iter para tutum,
ut videntes Jesum,
semper collaetemur.
Sit laus Deo Patri,
summo Christo decus,
Spiritui Sancto;
Tribus honor unus. Amen.

*Hail Star of the Sea, gentle Mother of God,
ever Virgin, and blessed Gate of Heaven.
Loose the chains of the captives,
give light to the blind,
banish our evil, and
require of us all that is good.
Grant us a holy life, and make our
journey safe;
so that we, beholding Jesus,
may always rejoice.
Praise and glory be to God the Father,
to the most-holy Christ,
and to the Holy Spirit;
the same honour to the Three. Amen.*
Vesper hymn, c 9th century

GAUDENT IN COELIS animae Sanctorum,
qui Christi vestigia sunt secuti:
et quia pro ejus amore
sanguinem suum fuderunt,
ideo cum Christo exsultant sine fine.
Sancti Dei omnes, orate pro nobis.
Alleluia.

*The souls of the saints rejoice in heaven,
they who have followed in the footsteps of Christ;
and because they shed
their blood for love of Him,
they rejoice with Christ without end.
All you saints of God, pray for us.
Alleluia.*

Magnificat antiphon at 2nd vespers for feasts of martyrs

IN PACE in idipsum dormiam et requiescam.
Si dederò somnum oculis meis:
et palpebris meis dormitacionem;
dormiam et requiescam.
Gloria Patri, et Filio,
et Spiritui Sancto.
In pace in idipsum dormiam et requiescam.

*In peace I will sleep and take my rest.
If I will allow my eyes to sleep:
and my eyelids to slumber;
I will sleep and take my rest.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
In peace I will sleep and take my rest.*
Psalms 4.8a, 132.4

SALVE REGINA, Mater misericordiae,
vita dulcedo et spes nostra, salve.
Ad te clamamus, exsules, filii Evae.
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes
in hac lacrimarum valle.
Eia ergo, Advocata nostra,
illos tuos misericordes oculos
ad nos converte. Et Jesum,
benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis post hoc exsilium ostende:
O clemens, O pia, O dulcis virgo Maria.

*Hail, Queen, Mother of mercy;
hail, our life, sweetness and hope.
We cry to you, exiled children of Eve.
We sigh to you, sorrowing and weeping
in this vale of tears.
Therefore, our advocate,
turn your merciful eyes towards us;
reveal to us Jesus,
the blessed fruit of your womb,
after this exile.
O merciful, O holy, O sweet Virgin Mary.*

TE LUCIS ANTE TERMINUM

rerum Creator poscimus:
ut solita clementia
sis praesul et custodia.
Procul recedant somnia
et noctium phantasmata;
hostemque nostrum comprime
ne polluantur corpora.
Praesta, Pater omnipotens,
per Jesum Christum Dominum
qui tecum in perpetuum
regnat cum Sancto Spiritu. Amen.

*Before the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray,
that with thy wonted favour thou
wouldst be our guard and keeper now.
From all ill dreams defend our eyes,
from nightly fears and fantasies;
tread under foot our ghostly foe,
that no pollution we may know.
O Father, that we ask be done,
through Jesus Christ thine only Son,
who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
doth live and reign eternally. Amen.*

Latin, translated by John Mason Neale 1818-66

Bristol Cathedral

The original foundation on this site was an abbey established in 1140. It was built just outside the original walls of Bristol on high ground overlooking the river. The new monastery was dedicated to St Augustine of Canterbury, but followed the rule of Augustine of Hippo, a Bishop from North Africa who established communities in which priests lived an ordered life, but one that was not detached from the needs of local people.

The architecture of the building was initially characterised by a particularly elaborate variety of the Romanesque style, with rounded arches and rich carvings that can still be seen in the Chapter House. However, between the 13th and early 16th centuries a sequence of rebuilding projects transformed the church into a Gothic one, with its familiar pointed arches. The most important of these was the unique and beautiful ‘hall church’ east end begun in 1298.

The nave of the church was in the middle of being rebuilt just when Henry VIII dissolved the country’s monasteries and confiscated their assets. However, Bristol was an important place – England’s second city – and in 1542 the truncated building, its building works abandoned, was designated the Cathedral of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, Bristol.

The people of Bristol themselves funded the rebuilding of the nave, from 1868. Like many other institutions in Bristol, these donations would have been substantially built on the legacy of trade in sugar, tobacco and cotton, which until earlier in the century had depended on the labour of enslaved Africans. We acknowledge and repent the human impact of this legacy, together with the experience of racism that flows from it, and are working to address it.

Monuments to the aristocrats and traders of Bristol are all around you, but also notice the stained-glass windows commemorating the sacrifice of ordinary volunteers during the Second World War, and remember the many unnamed artisans and craftspeople who shaped this building, and ordinary citizens buried in its vaults.

Cathedrals are places of prayer and welcome for everyone, and we seek to be a place of welcome for all, to be here for the people of Bristol and beyond.



Visit

Monday - Saturday 8.00am - 5.00pm

Sunday 8.00am - 3.00pm

*No charge for entry
but donations are gratefully received*



Daily Services

Monday - Saturday

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Lunchtime Eucharist

5.15pm Choral Evensong or Evening Prayer (3.30pm on Saturday)

Sunday

7.40am Morning Prayer

8.00am Holy Communion (*Book of Common Prayer*)

10.00am Cathedral Eucharist

3.30pm Choral Evensong

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