

# Welcome *from the Dean*

Whether you come to worship, learn, explore or find a moment of stillness in the heart of the city, you are most welcome. Whether it is your first visit, or your hundredth, there is always something new to discover – about this place, about Bristol, or even about yourself.

We begin with a special service marking the 80th anniversary of VE Day. A time to honour the courage and sacrifice of past generations, and to give thanks for the strength and solidarity that binds communities together. We hope that this act of remembrance and celebration will be felt across the city.

Inside the Cathedral things are changing! As the Organ Project progresses, the Quire has been revealed and we can see the glory of the organ case and the high altar again. In May, there is a unique opportunity to go behind the scenes with expert organ builders Harrison and Harrison, who will share the story of restoring the organ's voice.

Our Summer Concert, bringing together the Cathedral Choir and Bristol Ensemble, promises to be a stand-out moment among the many concerts and recitals through the season.

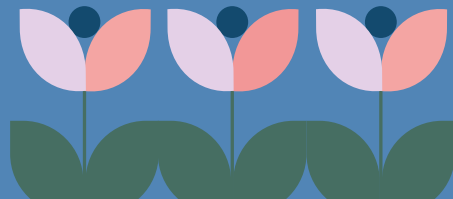


For families, there is so much to enjoy. From children's trails and creative sessions at Crafty Cathedral, to time in the garden and courtyard, where the welcome continues with refreshments from Pinkmans Café.

Whatever brings *you* through our doors this summer, we hope you will find a place of welcome, warmth, beauty, joy and belonging.

*Mandy*

The Very Rev'd Dr Mandy Ford,  
Dean of Bristol



## BRISTOL CATHEDRAL

Here with *You*  
yesterday, today  
and tomorrow



### Regular Services

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#### Morning Prayer

8.15am Monday-Saturday

#### Lunchtime Eucharist

12.30pm Monday-Saturday

#### Choral Evensong or Evening Prayer

5.15pm Weekdays

3.30pm Saturday

#### Sunday Services

7.40am Morning Prayer

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.00am Cathedral Eucharist

(with BriCKs in term time)

3.30pm Choral Evensong

Standing at the heart of Bristol's vibrant city centre, Bristol Cathedral is one of England's great medieval churches. For almost 900 years the building has been a place of sanctuary, prayer and music.

With a rich programme of services and events, historic architecture and a peaceful garden, Bristol Cathedral is a wonderful place to visit.

*We look forward to welcoming you.*



# Faith Highlights



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[bristol-cathedral.co.uk/whats-on](http://bristol-cathedral.co.uk/whats-on)

## Eucharist for Ascension Day

Thursday 29 May | 6.00pm

Join us for this festival Eucharist as we celebrate the ascension of Our Lord into heaven 40 days after his rising from the tomb at Easter. Sung by the Melgás Consort.

## Pentecost Eucharist

Sunday 8 June | 10.00am

This celebration of the Eucharist marks the Holy spirit descending on Jesus' disciples, 50 days after Easter, and focuses on the Holy Spirit's continuing empowering work among us today.



## Service of Remembrance *for those who have died affected by homelessness*

Wednesday 21 May | 2.00pm

A list of names of those who have died will be read out during the service and candles will be lit as an act of remembrance. All are welcome, including dogs. Refreshments will be available following the service.



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NAME TO BE  
REMEMBERED

## Trinity Sunday Eucharist

Sunday 15 June | 10.00am

Bristol Cathedral is formally known as The Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity. We celebrate Trinity Sunday, our Feast of Title, with a joyful Eucharist sung by the full Cathedral Choir. This will be followed by an instrumental recital given by the Cathedral Choristers, with a retiring collection going towards the Choir Tour Fund.



## Eucharist for Corpus Christi

Thursday 19 June | 6.00pm

Corpus Christi is the day when the Church celebrates the presence of Christ in the elements of bread and wine in the Eucharist and gives thanks for the institution of Holy Communion. The Eucharist is sung by the Cathedral Consort.

## Choral Evensong *attended by Bristol Cathedral Choral Alumni*

Saturday 12 July | 3.30pm

At this special Choral Evensong, we welcome back former choristers, consort members, scholars, and lay clerks to sing with us or just attend the service.

If you are a former singer, we'd love to hear from you and keep you up to date with future alumni events. Please email Tim Popple:  
[tim.popple@bristol-cathedral.co.uk](mailto:tim.popple@bristol-cathedral.co.uk)





## VE Day *Evensong Service*

Sunday 11 May | 3.30pm - 5.00pm

Join us at Bristol Cathedral for a special Evensong to commemorate the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe.

In the presence of His Majesty's Lord Lieutenant, Mrs Peaches Golding OBE CStJ, this reflective service honours the courage and sacrifice of those who served during the Second World War across the Nations and Commonwealth.

**There is no charge but  
booking is required.**



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## Witness the Organ Find Its *Voice*



A once-in-a-generation  
*experience* for music  
and history lovers.

Monday 19 May  
6.30pm – 7.30pm

Tickets:

Adults: £10.00

Child (16 and under): £5.00

Patrons: Free admission



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Step behind the scenes of the Organ Project as it enters its final voicing stage. Join Andrew Scott, Managing Director of Harrison & Harrison, for a fascinating evening exploring how each of the organ's 3855 pipes are meticulously tuned to shape its unique sound.

Hear individual pipes come to life and get a rare preview of the organ's revival.



# Lunchtime Recitals

Recitals take place on  
Tuesdays and Saturdays  
from 1.15pm – 2.00pm

Join us for a range of  
wonderful musical  
performances that will elevate  
your lunchtime. In any given  
week, you could hear guitar,  
clarinet, piano, voice or more.

*There is no charge for entry,  
and everyone is welcome.*

## May

10

Emily Ringwood SOPRANO  
William Forrest PIANO

## June

10

Cathy Tsang FLUTE  
TBC PIANO

17

Wayne Wilkins CLARINET  
Josephine Reece PIANO

24

Ayoko Fujiki PIANO

## July

1

Michael  
Stembridge-Montavont PIANO

8

James Li VIOLIN

22

Faith Stonehewer PERCUSSION  
Giorgio Fabrizio DUO

27

Jaqueline Kroft PIANO

Faith Stonehewer



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# Richter & Vivaldi: *A Glorious Summer*

Thursday 12 June | 7.00pm – 9.00pm

For the first time ever, Bristol Cathedral Choir and the Bristol Ensemble join forces to present Vivaldi's iconic Gloria, alongside the enchanting Summer including Max Richter's breath-taking reimagining of The Four Seasons. This captivating evening is complemented by contemporary works from renowned composers Ola Gjeilo and Arvo Pärt. Look forward to a calm and relaxing summer's evening in the glorious acoustics of Bristol Cathedral.

*A spiritual  
journey  
through time  
and music.*



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Tickets:  
£19 - 32

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Thursday 24 July  
Thursday 31 July  
10.00am – 12.00pm

Get ready for fun and creative sessions this summer! Explore inspiring themes and make your very own craft to take home, all in the beautiful surroundings of your cathedral. There will be time to reflect, relax and let your imagination run wild!

## Summer Crafty Cathedral

All craft  
materials  
are provided.

There is no charge and booking is not required but we are grateful for any donation you are able to make.

## BrICKs

### Bristol Cathedral Kids

Children of all ages are invited to join us for prayers, bible readings, teaching, and fun activities in a safe, playful, and prayerful environment during the 10.00am Eucharist in term time.

## Family fun for *everyone*

Explore *your*  
Cathedral with  
a fun family  
activity trail





# Gromit UNLEASHED<sup>3</sup>

From **30 June to 31 August**, Bristol will be decorated with giant sculptures of Aardman's classic characters – each lovingly crafted by talented artists, and each with a story to tell. This year's trail celebrates storytelling and film, featuring Gromit, Wallace, Feathers McGraw, and newcomer Norbot in dazzling, movie-inspired designs.

Pick up a Trail Map from The Welcome Desk

Find out more:  
[gromitunleashed.org.uk](http://gromitunleashed.org.uk)



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Garden

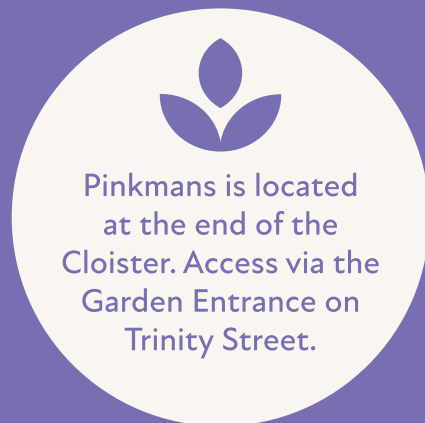
Relax in the sunny courtyard, tucked away from the bustle of the city.

Find sanctuary in our award-winning garden, lovingly tended by our dedicated volunteers.



Pinkmans

Enjoy fresh bakes, artisan coffee, and a delicious menu featuring seasonal salads, focaccia sandwiches, and sweet treats.



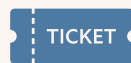
Pinkmans is located at the end of the Cloister. Access via the Garden Entrance on Trinity Street.



 **Opening Hours**  
Monday - Saturday  
8.30am - 4.00pm  
  
Sunday  
9.00am - 4.00pm



# Guided *Tours*



To book a tour please  
scan the QR codes or visit:  
[bristol-cathedral.co.uk](http://bristol-cathedral.co.uk)



All tours involve uneven floors and steps. If you have any accessibility requests or concerns and you would like to go on a tour, please contact [visitor.experience@bristol-cathedral.co.uk](mailto:visitor.experience@bristol-cathedral.co.uk) before booking your tickets.

## Cathedral Highlights Tours

*Available on various dates, please check the website for details.*

Embark on a captivating journey through 900 years of history, heritage, and stunning architecture with one of Bristol Cathedral's expert tour guides. A Highlights Tour offers an unparalleled opportunity to explore one of Bristol's most iconic and majestic landmarks.

Tours last 45 – 60 minutes and your guide will meet you inside the Cathedral at the Welcome Area.

### Booking is required:

£6.00 Adult  
£3.00 Child under 16

## Tower Tours

*Available on various dates, please check the website for details.*

Ascend the 172 steps of Bristol Cathedral's Tower on a guided tour that unveils the remarkable evolution of this architectural masterpiece and discover the engineering marvels that have shaped the Cathedral into the stunning structure it is today. Get up close to some of the world's finest medieval bells, hear captivating tales of Isambard Kingdom Brunel and delve into the mysteries of the original 12th century abbey.

### Booking is required:

£15.00 Adult  
£10.00 Child aged 12 - 18  
*Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult*

## Highlights Tour of The Lord Mayor's Chapel

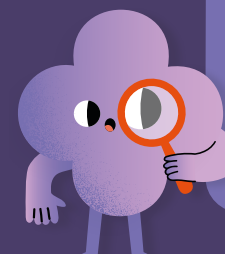
Discover a hidden piece of Bristol history in this truly remarkable medieval chapel which has been a place of sanctuary for 800 years. Located across College Green from the Cathedral, this remarkable building is the last surviving remnant of the Hospital of Saint Mark, built around 1230.

Originally linked to the Abbey of St Augustine - now known as Bristol Cathedral - the Chapel became the official place of worship for the Lord Mayor of Bristol in 1722, a tradition that continues to this day. Since 2023 Bristol Cathedral has cared for the Chapel.

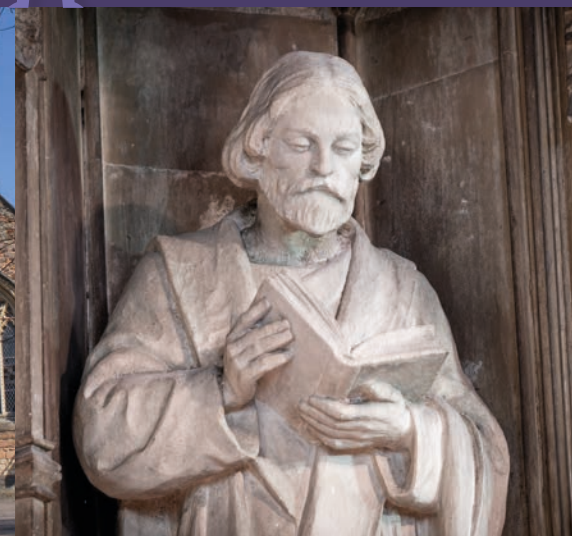
The tour lasts between 45 – 60 minutes, and your guide will meet you inside The Lord Mayor's Chapel.

### Booking is required:

£9.00 Adult  
£4.00 Child under 16  
*Please note that this price includes an annual pass for The Lord Mayor's Chapel. If you already have an annual pass, ticket prices are:*  
£6.00 Adult  
£3.00 Child



Take part in our fun *Spotters trail*. This trail is for anyone and everyone, but especially for young people and families who want to explore the Chapel in more detail and discover some hidden secrets!







## Taizé Trip

Saturday 19 July – Sunday 27 July  
Ages: 15 – 35

Escape to the heart of France for an enriching weeklong retreat where you'll forge lasting friendships and make unforgettable memories amidst the serene setting of Taizé, a renowned monastic community. Experience the beauty of simple living, soul-stirring worship, and an international faith community.



Travel, meals, and camping included in the price.



Group journey from Bristol Cathedral.



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## Songbirds

### BRISTOL CATHEDRAL

Bristol Cathedral's new junior choir for children in Years 3 and 4.

**Coming September 2025**

An exciting opportunity to join a new choir in Bristol Cathedral, learning to sing in a fun environment with unique opportunities to sing alongside the Cathedral Choir.



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## *Calling all Church choirs!*

### Come & Sing Choral Evensong

Saturday 14 June  
11.00am – 4.30pm

Would your choir like the unforgettable experience of singing Choral Evensong in the stunning setting of Bristol Cathedral? Join the Cathedral Choir and singers from across the Diocese for a special Come & Sing Choral Evensong. A wonderful opportunity to share in a rich choral tradition and celebrate the beauty of sacred music.



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## ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

Explore the impact of the trade of enslaved people on Bristol Cathedral's life, past and present. This exhibition presents extensive research and invites visitors to reflect on the past and engage in meaningful conversations about love and justice.

*There is no charge to visit the exhibition, and it is available during visiting hours.*



## Become a Here with You Patron and support 900 years of history at Bristol Cathedral.

By joining as a Patron, you will be supporting the Cathedral as a charity on its long-term journey and vision. Help us preserve this precious building, continue our choral and worship traditions, ensure the doors are open to the whole community and provide inspiring opportunities for young people.

Patrons have the opportunity to become closer to the work of the Cathedral and experience exclusive benefits.



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# Cathedral Calendar

## May

10	Lunchtime Recital	Emily Ringwood (Soprano) William Forrest (Piano)	1.15pm - 2.00pm	
11	Evensong with Civic Commemoration of VE Day	Marking the 80th anniversary of the end of WWII	3.30pm - 5.00pm	
19	Witness the Organ Find Its Voice	Discover the fascinating organ project and the art of voicing the pipes through engaging talks and live demonstrations.	6.30pm - 7.30pm	
21	Service of Remembrance of those who have died affected by homelessness	A tribute to loved ones who have died, with prayers, candles, music, and a reading of names.	2.00pm - 3.00pm	
29	Evensong for Ascension Day	A commemoration of the day Christ ascended into heaven, 40 days after Easter.	6.00pm - 7.15pm	

## June

7	Spies by Candlelight: Music from James Bond	Step into a thrilling candlelit performance by London Concertante.	7.30pm - 9.00pm	
8	Pentecost Eucharist	This Eucharist celebrates the Holy Spirit's descent, highlighting its ongoing work among us.	10.00am - 11.15am	

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Music	10	Lunchtime Recital	Cathy Tsang (Flute)	1.15pm - 2.00pm	
Music	12	Richter & Vivaldi: A Glorious Summer	A serene summer concert, featuring Vivaldi's <i>Gloria</i> and Richter's <i>Summer</i> performed by the Cathedral Choir and Bristol Ensemble.	7.00pm - 9.00pm	
Music	14	Come and Sing Choral Evensong	Church choirs from across the Diocese are invited to join in celebration of choral music.	11.00am - 4.30pm	
Services	15	Trinity Sunday Eucharist	A joyful feast day celebration of sung by the full Cathedral Choir.	10.00am - 11.15am	
Music	15	Chorister Instrumental Recital	An instrumental recital given by the Cathedral Choristers, with a retiring collection for the Choir Tour Fund.	11.30am - 12.30pm	
Music	17	Lunchtime Recital	Wayne Wilkins (Clarinet) Josephine Reece (Piano)	1.15pm - 2.00pm	
Services	19	Eucharist for Corpus Christi	The Feast of Corpus Christi is a celebration of Holy Communion - the body and blood of Christ.	6.00pm - 7.15pm	
Music	21	Kenneth Wilson Cello Recital	Kenneth Wilson performs as part of his musical pilgrimage to cathedrals across England.	2.00pm - 3.00pm	
Music	24	Lunchtime Recital	Ayoko Fujiki (Piano)	1.15pm - 2.00pm	

July					
Music	1	Lunchtime Recital	Michael Stembridge-Montavont (Piano)	1.15pm - 2.00pm	
Music	4	JOW in The Chapter House	James Gow (cello) and Pete Judge (trumpet), blend jazz, folk, and classical.	1.15pm - 2.00pm	
Music	8	Lunchtime Recital	James Li (Violin)	1.15pm - 2.00pm	
Services	12	Choral Evensong attended by Choir Alumni	We welcome back former choristers, consort members, scholars, and lay clerks, to sing with us.	3.30pm - 4.30pm	
Music	22	Lunchtime Recital	Faith Stonehewer & Giorgio Fabrizio (Percussion Duo)	1.15pm - 2.00pm	
Family	24	Crafty Cathedral	Explore inspiring themes and make your own craft to take home	10.00am - 12.00pm	
Events	29	Lunchtime Recital	Jaqueline Kroft (Piano)	1.15pm - 2.00pm	
Family	31	Crafty Cathedral	Explore inspiring themes and make your own craft to take home.	10.00am - 12.00pm	



# Planning *Your* Visit

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## Open to visitors



Monday-Saturday    Sunday  
8.00am - 5.00pm    8.00am - 3.00pm

We recommend visiting between 10.00am - 4.00pm and allowing at least an hour to explore. Please check the website for the latest information as opening times may occasionally change due to special services and events.

*Thank you.*

## Toilets



Female, male, accessible, gender neutral, and baby changing facilities are available. Please be aware there is no step free access to the toilets via the Nave.

Unfortunately, there are no storage facilities for holding baggage whilst visiting the Cathedral. You must keep your personal belongings with you always.



## School Visits

Bristol Cathedral offers a range of exciting, flexible and affordable learning packages for schools.



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[education@bristol-cathedral.co.uk](mailto:education@bristol-cathedral.co.uk)

## Cathedral Gift Shop

Find a unique gift or lasting keepsake, including beautiful repurposed wooden items such as lamp bases crafted from the Cathedral's historic organ.

The shop is open  
during visiting hours.



## Accessibility



As an ancient building, there are many steps around the Cathedral. Please check the accessibility section of our website for more information.



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## Photography



You are welcome to take photos during your visit, except during services, school events, concerts or when choirs are rehearsing.

For commercial photography or to use a tripod, please contact:  
0117 926 4879 or  
[reception@bristol-cathedral.co.uk](mailto:reception@bristol-cathedral.co.uk)

*All* are welcome at Bristol Cathedral. Admission to the Cathedral is by voluntary donation. The suggested donation is £5.00 which supports the life and work of *your* Cathedral.

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Bristol BS1 5TJ  
t: 0117 926 4879



Well-behaved dogs  
on leads are welcome.