

9.45am 27 July 2025

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST



WELCOME

ORDINARY TIME

In the Church year there are two periods known as *Ordinary Time*. The second period is that between the day after Pentecost until the day before Advent Sunday. The liturgical colour is green signifying life and growth in God. This provides an opportunity to reflect upon the Christian life of faith in the everyday – living out the life and love of Christ wherever we find ourselves.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All who are communicants are welcome to receive the bread and wine. There is no obligation to drink from the common cup. However, please do not dip your wafer in the wine. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please keep your hands at your sides. Gluten-free bread is available from the station on the left (north) side.

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PARTICIPATION IN THE SERVICE

We sing the hymns and the response to the Psalm and say together the words in **bold** type. Although posture is suggested please do whatever is most comfortable for you.

DO-IT-YOURSELF CRÈCHE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

There are toys available for under school-aged children in the baptistry during the morning Choral Eucharist. This can be found at the back of the Cathedral in the right hand side corner. Parents/carers are asked to remain with their children at all times and to keep the toys in the baptistry. If you need any help please ask one of the stewards on duty.

We also have activity bags available for children to use on weeks where there isn't Sunday School – please ask a steward to show you where they are.

MUSIC TODAY

We welcome and thank Luke Sprague for leading our worship today as cantor.

MASS SETTING

Short Mass in C Richard Terry (1864-1938)

PRESIDENT AND PREACHER

The president this morning is The Reverend Canon Duncan Myers and the preacher is The Reverend Canon Paul Thompson.

Stand THE GATHERING

HYMN



Jesus, where'er thy people meet, there they behold thy mercy-seat; where'er they seek thee thou art found, and every place is hallowed ground.

For thou, within no walls confined, inhabitest the humble mind; such ever bring thee when they come, and, going, take thee to their home.

Dear Shepherd of thy chosen few, thy former mercies here renew; here to our waiting hearts proclaim the sweetness of thy saving name.

Here may we prove the power of prayer to strengthen faith and sweeten care, to teach our faint desires to rise, and bring all heaven before our eyes.

Lord, we are few, but thou art near; nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear: O rend the heavens, come quickly down, and make a thousand hearts thine own.

Words: William Cowper (1731-1800)

Music: CP 492 Wareham, William Knapp (1698-1768)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

THE GREETING

The Lord be with you and also with you.

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

Deacon God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit. Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness, all slander and malice, and confess our sins to God our redeemer.

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

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Amen.

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam. Domine Deus, Rex coelestis. Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe. Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris: qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostrum; qui sedes ad dexteram Patris: miserere nobis. Ouoniam tu solus sanctus: tu solus Dominus: tu solus Altissimus. Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in Gloria Dei Patris, Amen.

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you. We give thanks to you for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King. God the Father almighty. Only Son of the Father, Jesus Christ. Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father: who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us; who takes away the sin of the world, receive our prayer; who sits at the right hand of the Father: have mercy upon us. For you alone are holy; 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.

A moment of silent prayer.

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through 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.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sit FIRST READING Genesis 18.20-32 read by Ann Bourne

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre and said, 'How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.' So the men turned from there, and went towards Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, 'Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in

it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?' And the Lord said, 'If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.' Abraham answered, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.' Again he spoke to him, 'Suppose forty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of forty I will not do it.' Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.' He answered, 'I will not do it, if I find thirty there.' He said, 'Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.' Then he said, 'Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.' He answered, 'For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.'

For the word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

PSALM 138

The choir sings the response through once, which the congregation then repeats. All join in the response during the psalm, as indicated.



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 :

you put new strength in my soul. Response All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord:

for they have heard the words of your mouth.

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

Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly:

as for the proud, he regards them from afar. Response

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you will preserve me: you will stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand will save me.

The Lord shall make good his purpose for me: your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever; forsake not the work of your hands. Response

Chant: George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

SECOND READING Colossians 2.6-19 read by Harriet Foges

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

For the word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

Stand GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Gospel Acclamation is played by the organist, sung by the choir, and then sung by everybody. As the procession passes, please turn to face the proclamation of the Gospel.



The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

To all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God.

Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL READING Luke 11.1-13

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke



Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON Canon Paul Thompson

Sit

Stand THE CREED

Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION led by Clare Chardin

The president invites everyone to pray, saying

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

Sit or kneel

The bidding and response are

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

In conclusion, the leader says

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

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand THE PEACE

Peace to you from God our heavenly Father. Peace from his Son Jesus Christ who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.

The peace of the triune God be always with you and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

HYMN



Prayer is the soul's sincere desire, uttered or unexpressed, the motion of a hidden fire that trembles in the breast.

Prayer is the simplest form of speech that infant lips can try,
Prayer the sublimest strains that reach the Majesty on high.

Prayer is the Christian's vital breath, the Christian's native air; their watchword at the gates of death; they enter heaven with prayer.

Prayer is the contrite sinner's voice, returning from their ways, while angels in their songs rejoice and cry, "Behold, they pray!"

The saints in prayer appear as one, in word and deed and mind; while with the Father and the Son sweet fellowship they find.

Nor prayer is made on earth alone: the Holy Spirit pleads, and Jesus on the eternal throne for sinners intercedes.

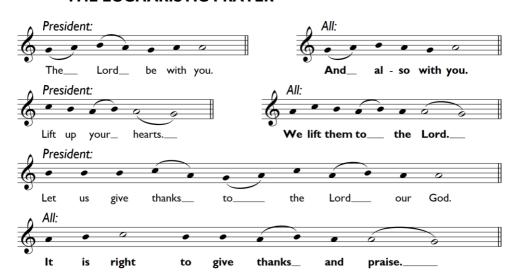
O Thou by whom we come to God, the Life, the Truth, the Way, the path of prayer thyself hast trod: Lord, teach us how to pray!

> Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854) Music: CP 561 Beatitudo, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

TAKING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, give us the bread of everlasting life, and make us branches of the true vine. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning, and formed us in your own image.

Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born of a woman and to die upon the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high.

Through him you have sent upon us your holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

Choir Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,

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

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis. Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Hosanna in the highest.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

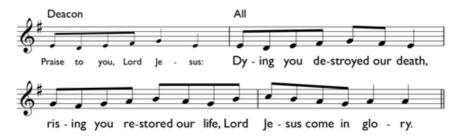
who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:

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.

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.



Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:



Sit or THE LORD'S PRAYER kneel

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith.

Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.

Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

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AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei, Lamb of God,

qui tollis peccata mundi, who takes away the sin of the world,

miserere nobis. have mercy on us.

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miserere nobis. have mercy on us.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

COMMUNION MOTET

O salutaris hostia,
Quae caeli pandis ostium:
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da robur, fer auxilium.

O saving victim who opens the gate of heaven, our foes press on from every side: give us strength, bring us aid.

Uni trinoque Domino sit sempiterna gloria, qui vitam sine termino nobis donet in patria. Amen.

To the Lord, three in one, be everlasting glory, who gives us everlasting life in his Kingdom. Amen.

Words: St Thomas Aquinas (1227-74)

Music: David Terry (b.1975) ?? Or Richard Terry

Stand PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

A moment of silent prayer.

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through 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.

Amen.

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.
Amen.

THE SENDING OUT

THE BLESSING

God the Father,

who first loved us and made us accepted in the beloved Son, bless you.

Amen.

God the Son,

who loved us and washed us from our sins in his own blood, bless you.

Amen.

God the Holy Spirit, who sheds abroad the love of God in our hearts, bless you.

Amen.

The blessing of the one true God, to whom be all love and all glory for time and for eternity, come down upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

HYMN

During the hymn the procession moves to the west end of the Cathedral. As the procession passes you, please turn and face west. This movement signals the turn of our attention to Christ in the world as the offering of our lives continues there.



Lord of lords and King eternal, down the years in wondrous ways you have blessed our land and guided, leading us through darkest days. For your rich and faithful mercies, Lord, accept our thankful praise.

Speak to us and every nation, bid our jarring discords cease; to the starving and the homeless bid us bring a full release; and on all this earth's sore turmoil breathe the healing of your peace. Love that binds us all together be upon the Church outpoured; shame our pride and quell our factions, smite them with your Spirit's sword; till the world, our love beholding, claims your power and calls you Lord.

Saviour, by your mighty Passion once you turned sheer loss to gain, wresting in your risen glory victory from your cross and pain; now O Saviour, dead and risen, in us triumph, live, and reign.

Words: Jack C. Winslow (1882-1974) Music: CP 357, St Helen, G.C. Martin (1844-1916)

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ, Amen.

We remain standing whilst the crucifer leads the choir along the south aisle into the south ambulatory, after which there are refreshments at the west end. You are welcome to listen to the voluntary or quietly make your way to the back of the Cathedral.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Allegro vivace from Symphonie 5 Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

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WHAT'S HAPPENING?

SERVICES TODAY (TRINITY 6)

7.30am Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) in the Lady Chapel9.45am Cathedral Eucharist sung by a cantor6pm Choral Evensong sung by a cantor

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel 8am Tuesday 8.30am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9am Saturday

Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel8.30am Tuesday9am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday9.30am Saturday

Evening Prayer

4pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 3 AUGUST

7.30am Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) in the Lady Chapel9.45am Cathedral Eucharist sung by a cantor6pm Choral Evensong sung by Godalming Minster Choir

PRAYER IN THE LADY CHAPEL

The Lady Chapel at the east end of the Cathedral is reserved for private prayer and you are welcome to use it for this purpose. Once a week on Fridays at 12.30pm the Day Chaplain will lead prayers in the Chapel for fifteen minutes and all are welcome.

READERS, INTERCESSORS AND LAY CHALICE ASSISTANTS

Periodically we run training for any who would like to volunteer to read a Bible lesson, write and lead the intercessory prayers or administer a chalice in a worship service.

The next training sessions will be held in the library at 11.15-12.30pm on:

Lesson readers: Next session will be in the autumn.

Intercessors: TODAY! Sunday 27 July

Lay chalice assistants: Sunday 5 October

We are particularly keen to widen the representation of those who fill these roles, so that we present as diverse a team as possible. If you are interested or would like any more information, please talk to or email Canon Rachel Young (rachel.young@guildford-cathedral.org). Thank you.

PORTRAIT OF DEAN DIANNA

There will be an unveiling of Dean Dianna's official portrait next Wednesday 30 July at 3pm in the Chapter House – Dianna and Martin will be joining us for the occasion. If you do intend to be there please let Matt O'Grady (dops@guildfordcathedral.org) know so that he can make catering arrangements. Thank you.

UKRAINIAN ICONS

We are looking forward to the two Ukrainian icons being installed into the Cathedral. The icon of Our Lady will be installed at evensong on Sunday 7 September which is the Eve of the Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary; and the icon of St Michael will be installed at the 9.45am service on the Sunday 28 September, the Eve of Michaelmas. There will be appropriate liturgical accompaniment to the installations and there will be a suite of resources to help people engage with them. I am looking forward to these additions to the cathedral and enabling people to access the depth of spirituality contained within icons. Dean Bob.

COFFEE AND CAKE WITH THE DEAN

Following on from the success of last time, Kate and I would like to invite all of the congregation to a repeat of the coffee and cake open house at our home, ADDRESS HERE......

All of you are invited to come along at any time between 10am-1pm on Saturday 2 August to come and share together in fellowship. It would be lovely to see you all if you are able to come. With every blessing, Dean Bob.

GILLY AND DUNCAN – LEAVING COLLECTION AND FAREWELL RECEPTION

As many of you know, Canons Gilly and Duncan Myers will soon be moving on to enjoy their retirement. If you would like to contribute to a leaving collection, please place your donation in an envelope marked Myers and hand it in to the Cathedral, or make a bank transfer Cathedral's account at Nat West using the details below:

Account Name: Guildford Cathedral
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Please do this by Monday 4 August.

We will be holding a farewell reception after the 9.45am Cathedral Eucharist on **Sunday 10 August**, with cake alongside the usual tea and coffee. It would be lovely to see as many people as possible to give Gilly and Duncan a memorable send-off.

VISION AND STRATEGY 2026-2030

Work has begun on developing our Vision and Strategy for 2026-2030. This September, we will launch a comprehensive consultation exercise where the voice of our cathedral community will be central to shaping our future direction. To support this process, there will be a congregational meeting after the 9.45am service on Sunday 14 September. This will be an opportunity to learn more about the Vision and Strategy development process and to ask any questions you may have. We are also forming a prayer group to surround this important work in prayer and are looking for volunteers who would like to support the process in this way. We look forward to your participation in this important and exciting journey as we plan together for the years ahead. Dean Bob.

FRIENDS OF GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL LUNCH CLUB

Good food, great company - everyone welcome!

Looking for a relaxed and friendly way to spend your Sunday lunchtime after church? Whether you come to the Cathedral Eucharist or attend another local service, why not join others for lunch at a nearby pub or restaurant? You don't need to be a member of The Friends of Guildford Cathedral – just come along and enjoy a meal with like-minded people. Whether you're on your own, with a partner, or bringing a friend, there's a seat for you. We hope to meet once a month, ideally on the first Sunday. If you are interested, please email: friends@guildford-cathedral.org

FOREIGN COINS AND BANKNOTES!

Your old and left over currency, both coins and notes, are of value to the Cathedral's Coins Scheme for converting to sterling for fundraising. We invite donations of the following: notes and coins in Euros, from any African country, Indian or Indonesian currency, US dollars, Singapore dollars, obsolete UK currency; Scandinavian currency; currency from Mexico and Chile - and from any other countries - is invited. Everything we receive is changed into sterling for Cathedral funds. Our total stands at £31, 240, and we are climbing! Donations large or small can be left in the Sacristy or Office. Thank you. John Mitchell.

CANON CHRIS - SUMMER LEAVE

Canon Chris Hollingshurst is now on leave, returning to work on Wednesday 30 July. Until that time, if you would like to a name included in the Cathedral's intercessions, please contact Canon Rachel Young via rachel.young@guildford-cathedral.org or on 07709 082999. For urgent pastoral concerns, please contact Canon Rachel, Canon Duncan Myers via duncan.myers@guildford-cathedral.org or on 07791418066, or the Dean, the Very Revd Bob Cooper, via dean@guildford-cathedral.org or on 07350 455769. Thank you.

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE TO TAIZÉ, FRANCE 16-24 AUGUST

This is a reminder of the joint Guildford/Oxford Dioceses pilgrimage to Taizé for young people 16+ and adults up to the age of 35. For further information please contact Canon Chris on chris.hollingshurst@guildford-cathedral.org or look at the pilgrimage flyer and leaflet, which you will find in the leaflets stand between the shop and Seasons Café.

VICTORY IN JAPAN DAY EVENSONG SUNDAY 17 AUGUST 6pm

The War is over. Victory in Japan Day and the 80th anniversary of the end of the Second World War will be commemorated at Evensong at Guildford Cathedral on Sunday 17 August, 6pm. Many sailors, soldiers and aviators from Surrey served in the Far East during the Second World War, including a local battalion of The East Surrey Regiment, who spent three and a half years in captivity, and No 615 (County of Surrey) Squadron, Royal Auxiliary Air Force, who served in Burma. Many paid the ultimate sacrifice. If you would like to commemorate this special event and ensure that VJ Day and the end of the Second World War is not forgotten, please come and join the community, Service personnel, veterans and cadets in commemorating this important event. Please use this link to help us to anticipate numbers attending: www.guildford-cathedral.org/events/boxoffice/856 Thank you.

AN EVENING OF GLAMOUR, GIVING & CELEBRATION Saturday 20 September 2025, 7pm to 11.30pm, Black Tie

Join us under the soaring nave of Guildford Cathedral for an unforgettable evening of elegance and purpose, raising vital funds for our work in education, outreach, worship and heritage.

Keynote Speaker: Sir Anthony Seldon

One of the UK's leading educational thinkers, Sir Anthony brings powerful insight into leadership, wellbeing, and the future of education. A prolific author and renowned headteacher, his vision is both inspiring and timely.

Evening Highlights

- Champagne reception in the stunning Cathedral Nave
- Three-course fine dining with seasonal, locally-sourced produce
- Live jazz-inspired performances throughout the evening
- Exclusive charity auction with unique prizes and experiences
- Bar open all evening with curated wines and spirits

Book Your Table

£1,750 for a table of 10, Individual tickets £175 each Spaces are limited — book by 24 July to secure your place.

Celebrate with us. Support our mission. Be part of something extraordinary. https://www.guildford-cathedral.org/events/boxoffice/825

SAFEGUARDING AT GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL

The Cathedral is committed to Safeguarding as an integral part of its ministry and mission, promoting a safer culture and the welfare of every child, young person and adult. As such, the Cathedral has robust policies, procedures and guidelines in place, to ensure good practice throughout the community. Chapter has overall responsibility for Safeguarding, and the Safeguarding Leadership Group reports to Chapter every month on the progress of our Safeguarding journey and any issues arising. The members of the Safeguarding Leadership Group are listed below and can be contacted at any time on any Safeguarding concern you may have about yourself or another member of the Cathedral Community.

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Reverend Canon Chris Hollingshurst (Chapter Safeguarding Representative) 07534 970127 chris.hollingshurst@guildford-cathedral.org

Katherine Dienes-Williams (Organist and Master of the Choristers)
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In addition to Cathedral contacts, a new online link is now available for anyone wishing to report a safeguarding concern to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. The link is available on the 'Report a concern' page of the Diocesan website and allows you to complete all the necessary details that will enable the DST to make an assessment, take any necessary action or give advice as quickly as possible. The teams remain available for calls and queries via our team number 01483 790739 and our email address — safeguarding@cofeguildford.org.uk