



GUILDFORD
CATHEDRAL

CHRIST THE KING NEWS SHEET

26 November 2023



SERVICE TIME CHANGES FROM SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER

From Sunday 3 December (Advent Sunday) the following services will be starting at an earlier time:

7.30am Morning Prayer on Sunday (**8am** BCP Eucharist as now)

8.30am Morning Prayer on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

9.00am Eucharist on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

SERVICES COMING UP...

SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER CHRISTINGLE

3.30pm in Seasons café

This is a family-friendly service for children and adults in the informal setting of our café, Seasons. You are welcome to join us to celebrate the theme of 'Light in the darkness' and to make a Christingle!

SUNDAY 17 DECEMBER

6pm A Service of Lessons and Carols (doors open at 5.30 p.m.)

SUNDAY 24 DECEMBER CHRISTMAS EVE

7.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) *in the Lady Chapel*

9.45am Cathedral Eucharist

4pm Journey to Bethlehem: a telling of the Nativity story

11pm First Choral Eucharist of Christmas

MONDAY 25 DECEMBER CHRISTMAS DAY

7.30am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) *in the Lady Chapel*

10am Christmas Day Choral Eucharist

4pm A Service of Lessons and Carols (*a repeat of Sunday 17 Dec*)

SATURDAY 6 JANUARY EPIPHANY

5.30pm Evening Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*

7pm Choral Eucharist *sung by The Whyte Effect*

SUNDAY 14 JANUARY

6pm Epiphany Service of Lessons and Carols

GUILDFORD TOWN CENTRE CHAPLAINCY (GTTC)

The GTTC is a charity established by Guildford churches to care for our town (gttc.org.uk) and runs Street Angels in the town centre, Community Angels and Volunteer Chaplains. There will be a Commissioning Service TODAY on Sunday 26 November at Guildford United Reformed Church at 5pm. This service is always a highlight of our year and a great opportunity to thank everyone, particularly the churches that make our work possible. There is parking at the back of the URC church and light refreshments will be served afterwards.

ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN DURING WORSHIP

We are looking for volunteers to help in the provision of activities for children during worship on a Sunday morning and also at Cathedral Tots, which meets on the first Wednesday morning of each month. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact our Family Engagement Office Rachel Johnson (FamilyEngagement@guildford-cathedral.org). All who volunteer for work with children are required to engage with the Safer Recruitment process, which includes undertaking safeguarding training and an enhanced DBS check.

SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER FOOD BANK COLLECTION

The next foodbank collection will be after the 9.45am Eucharist on Sunday 3 December. The foodbank has asked for: tins of tomatoes, tins of spaghetti hoops, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, tins and boxes of biscuits. Thank you.

WEDNESDAY 6 DECEMBER CATHEDRAL TOTS

The next Cathedral Tots will be on Wednesday 6 December at 10am. Cathedral Tots is an informal service for toddlers and pre-schoolers which takes place on the first Wednesday of each month at 10am. Each session of Cathedral Tots includes activities, a faith-themed story or Bible story, a prayer, songs, and craft. There is plenty of opportunity for

fellowship as children take part in the craft activities. Cathedral Tots is a free activity, with a welcoming and relaxed community of parents/carers and young children. There is no requirement to book places for these services. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

SATURDAY 9 DECEMBER

7.30pm John Rutter's Christmas Celebration, a Festival of Carols and Christmas music. For tickets, please visit <https://www.guildford-cathedral.org/events/boxoffice/691> Hurry, they're going fast!

SATURDAY 16 DECEMBER

1pm, 3.15pm, 6.30pm 'The Snowman' Tour. For enquiries regarding tickets please email info@carrotproductions.com

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

We will be running some classes in the New Year for anyone who is interested in finding out more about the Christian faith with the aim of being baptised or confirmed. Confirmation is for those who were baptised as a baby or young child and would like to confirm their commitment to Jesus Christ. A service of baptism and confirmation will take place on Easter Eve, Saturday 30 March, at which the Bishop baptises and confirms. The classes will be arranged once we know how many are interested. Please contact Canon Rachel Young to register your interest (Rachel.young@guildford-cathedral.org).

CHORAL EUCHARIST IN TRADITIONAL LANGUAGE

The next service of Choral Eucharist in Traditional Language will be at 11.30am on Sunday 4 February.

GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL MUSIC PATRONS' SCHEME SUNDAY 14 JANUARY 2024

Many of you have supported our chorister sponsorship scheme over the years, and many also give to the Music Development Foundation, for which we have been very grateful. However, in the New Year we will be launching a new Music Patrons Scheme for those who would like to support all of the music of Guildford Cathedral in its entirety, from sheet music to musicians, and everything in between. You will be the first to hear about our choir and organists, their concerts and other events throughout the year, and there will be other members' benefits in store, too. If you are interested and would like to know more, please join us at a reception on Sunday 14 January 2024 in the nave, following the Epiphany Carol Service at 6pm, where we can tell you all about it. For more information please contact the Development Team, Nicola Pratt (headofdevelopment@guildford-cathedral.org) or Karen Taylor (fundraising.officer@guildford-cathedral.org).

THANK YOU!

The Friends of Guildford Cathedral wish to thank all who so generously contributed prizes for the Tombola at the Christmas Fair. We raised £1624 which is splendid! This could not have been achieved without the support from members of The Friends of Guildford Cathedral, Cathedral congregation, Cathedral Singers and many local businesses!