



*The Cathedral Church of*  
**SAINT PETER** *and*  
**THE HOLY AND INDIVISIBLE TRINITY**  
*Gloucester*

**Services and Music**  
*August 2025*

# Welcome

*'The voice of prayer is never silent,  
nor dies the strain of praise away.'*

For two millennia, Christians have been offering daily worship to God and since its foundation as a monastery in the eleventh century, there has been a daily rhythm of prayer in Gloucester Cathedral, which sustains our life and brings to God our own particular needs and the needs of the whole world. These services are just a small part of the eternal round of worship, which is never silent and will never die away.

## Regular Worship

At the heart of our life is the regular cycle of daily prayer. Each day begins with the peaceful, said service of Morning Prayer, as we offer the day and all that it will hold to God. Our working day pauses at 12.30 p.m. to the offering of the Eucharist, often called *Holy Communion*, in either the Thomas Chapel or the Lady Chapel. The day draws to a close with Choral Evensong, sung by one of our choirs or said Evening Prayer. Our principal act of worship is the 10.15 a.m. Choral Eucharist on Sundays.

*The Choral Eucharist on Sundays is live streamed on YouTube and Facebook. The cameras focus mainly on the clergy, choir and readers, but please alert one of the stewards if you do not wish to appear on camera.*

## Other Services

Morning Prayer on Sundays is said at 8.30 a.m. and the ancient office of Compline is said on Tuesdays at 8.30 p.m., both on Zoom. To join, email [reception@gloucestercathedral.org.uk](mailto:reception@gloucestercathedral.org.uk)

Prayers for Peace and Justice are said on the first Tuesday of each month in person in the Cathedral and on Zoom. If you would like to join by Zoom, email [reception@gloucestercathedral.org.uk](mailto:reception@gloucestercathedral.org.uk)

*Commemorations in blue denote those with a direct link  
to the Cathedral, the city and county, and the link Dioceses*

*All hymns are taken from 'Common Praise' unless otherwise stated  
(CW) – Common Worship: modern language  
(BCP) – Book of Common Prayer: traditional language*

# Music at Gloucester Cathedral

Music has been at the heart of Gloucester Cathedral's worship for almost 1,000 years and today we have an international reputation for offering the finest music to the glory of God and for the enrichment of our worship. Music has the ability to transform and connect people through prayer and praise and we strive to promote a greater appreciation of its value by bringing people together to share in stimulating musical experiences.

The Cathedral has five choirs which sing regularly:

**The Boy and Girl Choristers** are separate choirs, which join together for large occasions. Choristers join from the age of six and receive an outstanding musical education in their time here. They are educated at The King's School, Gloucester and enjoy an attractive Choral Scholarship for the duration of their choristership. They sing most of the services at the Cathedral, along with our Lay Clerks (professional adult singers).

**The Junior Choir** is a voluntary choir of around 50 children in years two to five, which meets weekly for a singing rehearsal. They also perform in services and concerts, most notably in our Family Eucharist, once a month.

**The St Benedict Singers** was formed in September 2019. The choir is an intermediate step between the Junior Choir and Trinity Singers, with the aim of further developing the musicianship of young people. Young people can join the Middle Choir from school year 6 and will leave at the end of school year 9, when they will be encouraged to progress into the Cathedral Youth Choir. The choir regularly joins with the Youth Choir for services and Evensongs, helping to ease the transition between the choirs. The choir also often combines with the choristers and Youth Choir for major cathedral concerts. From January 2026, the St Benedict Singers will sing Evensong every Saturday.

**The Trinity Singers** is one of the best of its kind in the country. Founded in 1999, it is made up of talented young singers in School Years 10 to 13, from schools and colleges all around Gloucestershire, who perform to a very high standard. This choir sings Evensong every Thursday and for various special occasions throughout the year.

For more information email [choirs@gloucestercathedral.org.uk](mailto:choirs@gloucestercathedral.org.uk)

## FRIDAY 1 AUGUST

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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## SATURDAY 2 AUGUST

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Sebroke Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1630	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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## SUNDAY 3 AUGUST

## 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

0800	<b>Eucharist (BCP)</b>	<i>Memorial Chapel</i>
0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Zoom</i>
1015	<b>Sung Eucharist (CW)</b> <i>Sung by Deryck Webb</i> Setting: <i>Richard Jeffrey-Grey, Mass for Solo Voice and Organ</i> Hymns: 250, 448, 482, 437 Sermon: The Canon Precentor	<i>Nave</i>
1500	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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## MONDAY 4 AUGUST *Jean-Baptiste Vianney, cure d'Ars, spiritual guide, 1859*

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

**TUESDAY 5 AUGUST***Oswald, king, martyr, 642*

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1200	<b>Prayers for Peace and Justice</b>	<i>Chapel of St John the Baptist</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
2000	<b>Compline</b>	<i>Zoom</i>

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**WEDNESDAY 6 AUGUST****TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD**

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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**THURSDAY 7 AUGUST***John Mason Neale, priest, hymn writer, 1866*

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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**FRIDAY 8 AUGUST***Dominic, priest, founder of the Order of Preachers, 1221*

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Choral Evensong (BCP)</b>	<i>Quire</i>
	<i>Sung by the Senior Choir of St James the Greater, Leicester</i>	
	Responses: <i>Smith</i>	
	Psalm: 22	
	Canticles: <i>Stanford</i> in C	
	Anthem: <i>Simon Mold</i> , O God of hosts, the mighty Lord	

**SATURDAY 9 AUGUST**

Mary Sumner, founder of the Mothers' Union, 1921

- 0830    **Morning Prayer (CW)**    *Sebroke Chapel*
- 1230    **Eucharist (CW)**    *Thomas Chapel*
- 1630    **Choral Evensong (BCP)**    *Quire*  
*Sung by the Senior Choir of St James the Greater, Leicester*  
Introit:    *Bob Chilcott, God so loved the world*  
Responses: *Smith*  
Psalm:    24  
Canticles: *Murrill in E*  
Anthem:    *Bainton, And I saw a new heaven*  
Hymn:    14
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**SUNDAY 10 AUGUST****8<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

- 0800    **Eucharist (BCP)**    *Chapel of St Andrew*
- 0830    **Morning Prayer (CW)**    *Zoom*
- 1015    **Choral Eucharist (CW)**    *Quire*  
*Sung by the Senior Choir of St James the Greater, Leicester*  
Setting:    *Darke in F*  
Hymns:    492, 40, 390, 608  
Sermon:    The Cathedral Curate  
Motet:    *Philip Stopford, Do not be afraid*  
Voluntary: *Baptiste, Offertoire in B minor, op. 450, no. 2*
- 1630    **Choral Evensong (BCP)**    *Quire*  
*Sung by the Senior Choir of St James the Greater, Leicester*  
Introit:    *Batten, O sing joyfully*  
Responses: *Michael Rule*  
Psalm:    108  
Canticles: *Dyson in D*  
Anthem:    *S. S. Wesley, Blessed be the God and Father*  
Sermon:    The Canon Precentor  
Hymn:    139  
Voluntary: *Smart, March in G*

**MONDAY 11 AUGUST**

Clare of Assisi, founder of the Poor Clares, 1253  
*John Henry Newman, priest, 1890*  
*Herbert Whitton Sumsion CBE,*  
*Organist of Gloucester Cathedral 1928-1967, d. 1995*

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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**TUESDAY 12 AUGUST**

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
2000	<b>Compline</b>	<i>Zoom</i>

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**WEDNESDAY 13 AUGUST**

Jeremy Taylor, bishop, teacher of the faith, 1667  
*Florence Nightingale, nurse, social reformer, 1910*  
*Octavia Hill, social reformer, 1912*

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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**THURSDAY 14 AUGUST**

*Maximilian Kolbe, friar, martyr, 1941*

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

**FRIDAY 15 AUGUST****THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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**SATURDAY 16 AUGUST**

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1630	<b>Choral Evensong (BCP)</b>	<i>Quire</i>
	<i>Sung by the Vespere Singers (Netherlands)</i>	
	Responses: <i>Smith</i>	
	Psalm: 46	
	Canticles: <i>Brewer in D</i>	
	Anthem: <i>Bullock, Give us the wings of faith</i>	
	Hymn: 154 omitting *verses	



**SUNDAY 17 AUGUST****9<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

0800	<b>Eucharist (BCP)</b>	<i>Chapel of St John the Baptist</i>
0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Zoom</i>
1015	<b>Choral Eucharist (CW)</b> <i>Sung by the Vespere Singers (Netherlands)</i> Setting: <i>Oliver Tarney, Missa brevis</i> Hymns: 558, 191, 383, 612 Sermon: The Canon Chancellor Motet: <i>Sarah Quartel, God with me</i>	<i>Quire</i>
1500	<b>Choral Evensong (BCP)</b> <i>Sung by the Vespere Singers (Netherlands)</i> Introit: <i>Sarah Quartel, God with me</i> Responses: <i>Oliver Tarney</i> Psalm: 119 vv. 17-32 Canticles: <i>Coleridge-Taylor in F</i> Anthem: <i>Vaughan Williams, Let all the world in every corner sing</i> Sermon: The Succentor Hymn: 72	<i>Quire</i>

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**MONDAY 18 AUGUST**

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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**TUESDAY 19 AUGUST**

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
2000	<b>Compline</b>	<i>Zoom</i>

## WEDNESDAY 20 AUGUST

Bernard, abbot, teacher of the faith, 1153  
*William and Catherine Booth, founders of  
the Salvation Army, 1912, 1890*

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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## THURSDAY 21 AUGUST

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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## FRIDAY 22 AUGUST

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Choral Evensong (BCP)</b>	<i>Quire</i>
	<i>Sung by the choir of Hatfield College Choir, Durham University</i>	
	Responses: <i>Leighton</i>	
	Psalm: 38	
	Canticles: <i>Howells, Gloucester Service</i>	
	Anthem: <i>Balfour Gardiner, Evening Hymn</i>	

## SATURDAY 23 AUGUST

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Sebroke Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1630	<b>Choral Evensong (BCP)</b> <i>Sung by Poscimur</i>	<i>Quire</i>
	Introit: Goss, These are they which follow the Lamb	
	Responses: Sanders	
	Psalm: 66	
	Canticles: Wood in G	
	Anthem: Hurford, Litany to the Holy Spirit	
	Hymn: 22	

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## SUNDAY 24 AUGUST

## 10<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

0800	<b>Eucharist (BCP)</b>	<i>Chapel of St Paul</i>
0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Zoom</i>
1015	<b>Choral Eucharist (CW)</b> <i>Sung by Poscimur</i>	<i>Nave</i>
	Setting: Stanford in B flat	
	Hymns: 555, 348 t.6ii, A&M437ii, 475	
	Sermon: The City Rector	
	Motet: Franck, Panis angelicus	
1500	<b>Choral Evensong (BCP)</b> <i>Sung by Poscimur</i>	<i>Quire</i>
	Introit: Mudd, Let thy merciful ears	
	Responses: Sanders	
	Psalm: 91	
	Canticles: Stanford in A	
	Anthem: Elgar, The spirit of the Lord (from <i>The Apostles</i> )	
	Sermon: The Canon Precentor	
	Hymn: 219	

**MONDAY 25 AUGUST****BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE***(transferred from 24 August)*

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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**TUESDAY 26 AUGUST**

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
2000	<b>Compline</b>	<i>Zoom</i>

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**WEDNESDAY 27 AUGUST**

Monica, mother of Augustine of Hippo, 387

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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**THURSDAY 28 AUGUST**

Augustine, bishop, teacher of the faith, 430

*William Hine, Organist of Gloucester Cathedral 1710-1730, d. 1730*

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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**FRIDAY 29 AUGUST**

Beheading of John the Baptist

*Charles Lee Williams, Organist of Gloucester Cathedral 1882-1897, d. 1935*

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1730	<b>Evening Prayer (BCP)</b>	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

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**SATURDAY 30 AUGUST**

John Bunyan, spiritual writer, 1688

0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Sebroke Chapel</i>
1230	<b>Eucharist (CW)</b>	<i>Thomas Chapel</i>
1630	<b>Choral Evensong (BCP)</b>	<i>Quire</i>
	<i>Sung by the choir of St Michael and All Angels, Oxford</i>	
	Introit:	<i>Tallis, O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit</i>
	Responses:	<i>Smith</i>
	Psalm:	84
	Canticles:	<i>Gibbons, Short Service</i>
	Anthem:	<i>Byrd, Praise our Lord, all ye Gentiles</i>
	Hymn:	20

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**SUNDAY 31 AUGUST****11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

0800	<b>Eucharist (BCP)</b>	<i>Chapel of St Paul</i>
0830	<b>Morning Prayer (CW)</b>	<i>Zoom</i>
1015	<b>Choral Eucharist (CW)</b> <i>Sung by the choir of St Michael and All Angels, Oxford</i> Setting: <i>Byrd, Mass for four voices</i> Hymns: 394 t.346, 314, 591 Sermon: The Canon Precentor Motet: <i>Tallis, O sacrum convivium</i> Voluntary: <i>Karg-Elert, Nun danket alle Gott, op. 65 no. 59</i>	<i>Nave</i>
1500	<b>Choral Evensong (BCP)</b> <i>Sung by the choir of St Michael and All Angels, Oxford</i> Introit: <i>Gibbons, Almighty and everlasting God</i> Responses: <i>Smith</i> Psalm: 119 vv. 81-96 Canticles: <i>Howells, Gloucester Service</i> Anthem: <i>Victoria, Ave Maria</i> Sermon: The Cathedral Curate Hymn: 435	<i>Quire</i>

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