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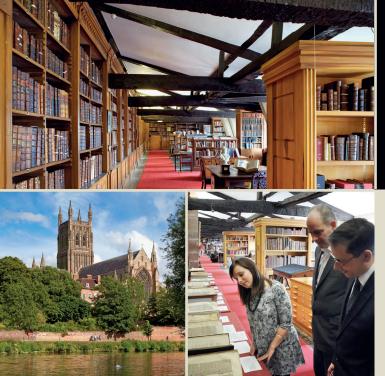


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# The Library has been an integral part of the life of Worcester Cathedral from the earliest years of its history.

The Library also houses a significant collection of music and at the heart of our Library are the medieval manuscripts. The earliest of these date from the 10th Century and many still have their original bindings. These manuscripts are generally academic "schools" books, which were produced in the monastery or collected by the monks. They were used by them in their studies at the University of Oxford from the thirteenth century onwards. The subjects covered include theology, physics and mathematics, astronomy, medicine and law.

The Library also houses a significant collection of music books, including works by Thomas Tomkins, who was organist here 1596-1646, Henry Purcell, George Frederick Handel and Sir Edward Elgar, as well as the mediaeval music collection. Of great significance are the Worcester Antiphoner and Worcester Fragments.

The Library is used by scholars from universities and other institutions throughout the world. We welcome those who wish to carry out research and we also encourage public interest in the Library's treasures.





## The Library's Needs

Through the dedication of previous and present generations, much has been achieved both in cataloguing and conservation. But more remains to be done. The cataloguing of the Cathedral's archives is an on-going project. It builds on Professor Rodney Thomson's internationally important catalogue and description of the medieval manuscripts published in 2001.

A programme of cleaning and refurbishing the printed books is continuing and it is vital not only that this should be carried through to its conclusion but also that many books which require the skills of a professional book conservator can be repaired.

# The Adopt-A-Book Programme

The calls on the Cathedral's resources are extensive and therefore, to secure the future of the Library, there is a need to increase its endowment, with the object of making it financially self-supporting. The Adopt-A-Book programme provides the means to this end.



# How You Can Help

All those with the interest of the Library at heart are invited to adopt a book by making a donation:

A donation from £25 adopts a book printed after 1700

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**A donation from £100** adopts a book printed from 1501-1600

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Donations may be gift aided for UK taxpayers. Please contact us if you are interested in leaving a legacy to the Library.

# A Lasting Memorial

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For further details on all events connected with the Library, please contact:

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