



# WORCESTER CATHEDRAL

## Services and Music February 2025

Six degrees of separation is the idea that all people are six or fewer social connections away from each other. On first consideration this seems a remarkable fact and yet, as we know from conversations and experience, it becomes clear quite quickly that this is exactly the case: connections, whether through family, friendship, career, hobby, interest or location make for a wonderful web of relationships and networks. Add in to this faith and the community of the Church and we have a very small world.

When I was at theological college a former archbishop of Uganda, Rwanda and Burundi had retired locally and was often present in the community. Among his many stories was his fond recollection of the martyr Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda, who was killed in 1977. His love for a friend, colleague and brother in the faith was absorbing and found its expression in the poignancy of the Eucharist celebrated on the memorial of his death on 17<sup>th</sup> February each year.

As we remember his witness in the course of this month, we too are united with him and all saints and martyrs of our own time. Degrees of separation are replaced by bonds of faith and love as we remember our sisters and brothers suffering, yet witnessing to the risen glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Stephen Edwards

Dean:

Canon Precentor:

Director of Music:

Stephen Edwards

John Paul Hoskins

Samuel Hudson

All choral services are sung by the cathedral choir unless otherwise stated.



# January/February 2025

## Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 119.153-end  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)  
1.00 pm **Holy Communion**  
5.30 pm **Evensong** (Upper voices) Responses: Plainsong  
Evening Service *Geoffrey Burgon* Psalm 136  
And now another day is gone *Leonard Blake*

VERSE: CANTORIS

## Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> **Charles, King and Martyr, 1649**

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 143, 146  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)  
12.15 pm **Lunchtime Recital** Anna Holmes (violin)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Maxim*  
Fauxbourdon service *Percy Whitlock* Psalms 138, 140, 141  
Call to remembrance *Richard Farrant*

## Friday 31<sup>st</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 142, 144  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)  
11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
2.30 pm **King's St Alban's Pre-Prep Christingle Service**  
5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Radcliffe*  
Evening Service in F *George Dyson* Psalm 145  
Almighty and everlasting God *Orlando Gibbons*

## Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 147  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)  
2.00 pm **Baptism of Zadie Elizabeth Gorick**  
5.30 pm **Evensong attended by Worcestershire Organists' Association** (Lower voices) Responses: *Cleobury*  
Evening Service in D minor *Francis Jackson* Psalm 118  
Seek him that maketh the seven stars *Edward Elgar* Hymns 247, 341

# February 2025

In Residence: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins

## Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> **The Presentation of Christ in the Temple** **(Candlemas)**

*Day of music endowed by Angela Sutton.*

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 48, 146

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) *(with livestream)*

Preacher: The Revd Dr John Fitzmaurice

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** *(sung by the Youth Choir; with incense)*

Communion Service in B flat and F *Charles Villiers Stanford*

When Mary came to the temple *Disraeli Brown* Psalm 24.7-end

Preacher: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins

3.00 pm **Worship in the Garden**

*entering the garden through the 'deliveries' doorway outside the  
Edgar Tower Gate.*

4.00 pm **Evensong** *(sung by the Chamber Choir)*

Responses: Tomkins

Evening Service in E *Herbert Murrill*

Psalms 122, 132

Geistliches Lied *Johannes Brahms*

Hymns 156 (t. 288), 234ii

6.30 pm **Devotional Performance** *(sung by the Cathedral Choristers  
and Voluntary Choir)*

A Ceremony of Carols *Benjamin Britten*

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## Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> **Anskar, Archbishop, Missionary, 865**

*Day of music endowed by the late Rosalind, Lady Morrison.*

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 1, 2, 3

8.00 am **Holy Communion** *(with livestream)*

5.30 pm **Evensong**

Responses: Maxim

Evening Service in C *Charles Hylton Stewart*

Psalms 4, 7

The secret of Christ *Richard Shephard*

## Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 5, 6

8.00 am **Holy Communion** *(with livestream)*

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer**

Psalms 9, 10

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## Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 119.1-32  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)  
1.00 pm **Holy Communion**  
5.30 pm **Evensong** (*Upper voices*) Responses: *Nardone*  
Evening Service in F *Sydney Watson* Psalms 11, 12, 13  
I will sing of thy great mercies, O Lord *Felix Mendelssohn*

VERSE: DECANI

## Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 14, 15, 16  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)  
12.15 pm **Lunchtime Recital** Benjamin Nicholas (organ)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Maxim*  
Collegium Sancti Johannis Cantabrigiense *Herbert Howells* Psalm 18  
The Lord is my shepherd *Lennox Berkeley*

## Friday 7<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 17, 19  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)  
11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Smith*  
The Short Service *Richard Farrant* Psalm 22  
Lead, kindly light *John Rutter*  
7.30 pm **Concert** Let Me In Presents  
An evening of Radiohead

## Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 20, 21, 23  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Smith*  
Evening Service in F *John Ireland* Psalms 24, 25  
O Lorde, the maker of al thing *John Joubert* Hymns 342, 398 (t. 395)  
7.30 pm **Concert** Let Me In Presents  
An evening of Radiohead

# February 2025

In Residence: The Dean

## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> **The Fourth Sunday before Lent**

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 3, 4

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (*with livestream*)

Preacher: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist**

Communion Service in E *Harold Darke*

Psalm 138

The Call *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

4.00 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Maxim*

The Second Service *Kenneth Leighton*

Psalms 1, 2

Jubilate in C *Benjamin Britten*

Hymns 150ii, 103

6.30 pm **Evening Worship** (*sung by the Voluntary Choir*)

Let my prayer rise up *Joanna Forbes L'Estrange*

Lord of all hopefulness *Malcolm Archer*

Preacher: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

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## Monday 10<sup>th</sup>

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 27, 30

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)

5.30 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Smith*

The Fourth Service *Adrian Batten*

Psalms 26, 28, 29

Earth puts her colours by *Cheryl Frances-Hoad*

## Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 32, 36

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer**

Psalm 33

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## Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 34  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)  
1.00 pm **Holy Communion**  
5.30 pm **Evensong** (*Upper voices*) Responses: *Nardone*  
Evening Service in F *Kenneth Long* Psalm 119.33-56  
*Abide with me Johann Sebastian Bach*

VERSE: CANTORIS

## Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 37  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)  
12.15 pm **Lunchtime Recital** Ensembles from King's School, Worcester  
5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Clucas*  
*Fauxbourdon Service Healey Willan* Psalms 39, 40  
*Beati quorum via Charles Villiers Stanford*  
7.30 pm **Concert** Concerts by Candlelight  
*The Music of U2 by Candlelight*

## Friday 14<sup>th</sup>

### **Cyril and Methodius, Missionaries to the Slavs, 869 and 885**

*Day of music endowed by Michael Thomas.*

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 31  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)  
11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** (*Lower voices*) Responses: *Cleobury*  
*The Westminster Service Humphrey Clucas* Psalm 35  
*Oculi omnium Andrew Parnell*  
7.30 pm **Concert** Piccadilly Sinfonietta  
*Valentine's Moonlight Sonata by Candlelight*

## Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 41, 42, 43  
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)  
5.30 pm **Evensong** (*sung by Cappella Nova*) Responses: *Smith*  
*The Wells Service Malcolm Archer* Psalms 45, 46  
*Iustorum animae Charles Villiers Stanford* Hymns 367ii, 408i

# February 2025

In Residence: The Revd Canon Kimberly Bohan

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>**

**The Third Sunday before Lent**

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalm 7
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP) <i>(with livestream)</i>	Preacher: The Dean
10.30 am	<b>Sung Eucharist</b> <i>(sung by Capella Nova)</i>	
	Missa Brevis <i>Grayston Ives</i>	Psalm 1
	O nata lux <i>Thomas Tallis</i>	Preacher: The Dean
4.00 pm	<b>Evensong</b> <i>(sung by Capella Nova)</i>	Responses: <i>Smith</i>
	Evening Service in B flat <i>Charles Villiers Stanford</i>	Psalms 5, 6
	Like as the hart <i>Herbert Howells</i>	Hymns 54ii, 335

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**Monday 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda,  
Martyr, 1977**

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalm 44
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 47, 49

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>**

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 48, 52
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalm 50



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## Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 119.57-80
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>(with livestream)</i>	
1.00 pm	<b>Holy Communion</b>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 59, 60

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## Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 56, 57
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalms 61, 62, 64

## Friday 21<sup>st</sup>

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalms 51, 54
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>(with livestream)</i>	
11.30 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP)	
5.30 pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Psalm 38

## Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>

*Day of music endowed for the Very Revd Peter and Mrs Nancy Marshall.*

7.30 am	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Psalm 68
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>(with livestream)</i>	
5.30 pm	<b>Evensong</b> <i>(sung by the Leicester Church Music Consort)</i>	
	Evening Service in D Charles Wood	Responses: Sanders
	Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace Samuel Sebastian Wesley	
		Psalms 65, 66
		Hymns 500, 490



# February/March 2025

## Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 77
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 1.00 pm **Holy Communion**
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** (*Upper voices*) Responses: *Nardone*  
The Durham Service *Christopher Totney* Psalm 119.81-104  
I will worship *George Dyson*

VERSE: CANTORIS

## Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> **George Herbert, priest, poet, 1633**

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 78.1-39
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 12.15 pm **Lunchtime Recital** Jonathan Hope (organ)
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Clucas*  
Evening Service in E minor *Richard Drakeford* Psalms 123, 131  
I got me flowers *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

## Friday 28<sup>th</sup> **Oswald, Bishop of Worcester, 992**

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 34.1-8
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)
- 5.00 pm **Evening Prayer** Psalm 119.57-64
- 5.30 pm **Sung Eucharist** (*with incense*)  
Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo *Josef Haydn* Psalm 112.1-9  
O quam gloriosum *Tomas Luis de Victoria*  
Preacher: The Archdeacon of Dudley

## Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March **David, Bishop, Patron of Wales, c. 601**

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalms 76, 79
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (*with livestream*)
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Clucas*  
Jesus College Service *William Mathias* Psalms 81, 84  
Exsultate justi *Lodovico da Viadana* Hymns 245, 368
- 7.30 pm **Concert** Concerts by Candlelight  
The Music of David Bowie by Candlelight

# March 2025

In Residence: The Dean

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**The Sunday next before Lent**

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** Psalm 2

8.00 am **Holy Communion** (BCP) (*with livestream*)

Preacher: The Revd Dr John Fitzmaurice

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist**

Communion Service in G *Francis Jackson*

Psalm 99

Tantum ergo *Louis Vierne*

Preacher: The Revd Canon John Paul Hoskins

3.00 pm **Worship in the Garden**

*entering the garden through the 'deliveries' doorway outside the  
Edgar Tower Gate.*

4.00 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Sumsion*

Evening Service in G *Charles Villiers Stanford*

Psalm 89.1-19

Greater love hath no man *John Ireland*

Hymns 242, 390

6.30 pm **Evening Worship** (*sung by the Voluntary Choir*)

A Jubilant Song *Mary Lynn Lightfoot*

Antiphon *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

Preacher: The Dean

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