



WORCESTER CATHEDRAL

Services and Music December 2021

This Scheme covers the whole of the season of Advent and the first week or so of the season of Christmas. We wait with eager expectation of the Lord's advent, and then we celebrate with joy his holy nativity. Our Christian faith contradicts those world-weary words of Alexander Pope:

Hope springs eternal in the human breast:
Man never Is, but always To be blest.

Advent is the season of hope, the longing to be blessed; but Christmas is the season of blessing, the time we are blessed, not simply waiting to be blessed. And because the blessing of Christ's holy nativity is assured, the blessing is anticipated in Advent as well. May the blessing of the Advent season and the blessing of the Christmas season be with all who worship in the Cathedral at this holy time.

Peter Atkinson

Dean:
Director of Music:

Peter Atkinson
Samuel Hudson

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

November 2021

In Residence: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

Sunday 28th

ADVENT SUNDAY

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalm 44

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

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (with livestream)

Jackson - Missa Sanctae Margaretae

Psalm 25.1-9

Vaughan Williams - The Truth from Above

President and preacher: The Bishop of Dudley

4.00 pm **Evening Prayer**

Psalm 9

6.30 pm **The Advent Procession with Carols**

Jones - Advent responsory

Vaughan Williams - The Truth from Above

Briggs - A tender shoot

Handel - How beautiful are the feet

MacMillan - Canticle of Zechariah

Rutter - Hymn to the Creator of Light

Fleming - Kindle a light

Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

Monday 29th

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 1, 2, 3

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

5.30 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Hunt*

Dyson in F

Psalms 4, 7

Palestrina - Fuit homo missus a Deo

Hymn 2

Tuesday 30th

ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 47, 147.1-12

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

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer**

Psalms 87, 96

December 2021

Wednesday 1st December

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	<i>Psalm 119.1-32</i>
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
1.00 pm	Holy Communion	
5.30 pm	Evensong (<i>Upper voices</i>)	Responses: <i>Plainsong</i>
	<i>Moore - The Second Service</i>	<i>Psalms 11, 12, 13</i>
	<i>Handel - How beautiful are the feet</i>	<i>Hymn 2</i>

Thursday 2nd

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	<i>Psalms 14, 15, 16</i>
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
4.45 pm	Community Carol Service for the start of the Victorian Christmas Fayre	
5.30 pm	Evensong	Responses: <i>Rose</i>
	<i>Holman in F minor</i>	<i>Psalm 18</i>
	<i>Stainer - God so loved the world</i>	<i>Hymn 2</i>

VERSE: DECANI

Friday 3rd

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	<i>Psalms 17, 19</i>
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
11.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
5.30 pm	Evensong	Responses: <i>Hunt</i>
	<i>Woodside - Fauxbourdon Service</i>	<i>Psalm 22</i>
	<i>Fleming - Kindle a light</i>	<i>Hymn 2</i>

Saturday 4th

7.30 am	Morning Prayer	<i>Psalms 20, 21, 23</i>
8.00 am	Holy Communion (with livestream)	
5.30 pm	Evensong	Responses: <i>Rose</i>
	<i>Lucas - Penitential Canticles</i>	<i>Psalms 24, 25</i>
	<i>Archer - Creator of the stars of night</i>	<i>Hymns 2, 7</i>

December 2021

In Residence: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

Sunday 5th

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 80*

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

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (with livestream)

Byrd - Mass for five voices

MacMillan - Canticle of Zechariah

Rheinberger - Rorate coeli desuper

Preacher: The Revd Canon Hazel Charlton, Vicar of St Peter in Lapal
and Dean of Women's Ministry, Diocese of Worcester

4.00 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Hunt*

Walmisley in D minor

Psalms 75, 76

Mendelssohn - How lovely are the messengers

Hymns 6, 10

6.30 pm **Sung Eucharist** (*sung by the Voluntary Choir*)

MacMillan - Galloway Mass

Mathias - Lift up your heads, O ye gates

Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

Monday 6th

Nicholas, bishop of Myra, c. 326

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

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

5.30 pm **Evensong** Responses: *Rose*

Holmes - Fauxbourdon Service

Psalms 26, 28, 29

Purcell - Rejoice in the Lord alway

Hymn 1

Tuesday 7th

**Ambrose, bishop of Milan,
teacher of the Faith, 397**

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

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

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalm 33*

7.00 pm **King's Hawford Carol Service**

December 2021

Wednesday 8th

CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Ember Day

- 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: Plainsong*
Watson in F *Psalm 119.33-56*
Britten - There is no rose *Hymn 182*
- 7.00 pm **King's St Alban's Carol Service**

Thursday 9th

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalm 37*
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** *Responses: Rose*
Daniel Purcell in E minor *Psalms 39, 40*
Calkin - Hosanna to the Son of David *Hymn 1*

VERSE: CANTORIS

Friday 10th

Ember Day

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalm 31*
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)
- 5.30 pm **Evensong** *Responses: Radcliffe*
Darke in A minor *Psalm 35*
Beamish - In the stillness *Hymn 1*
- 7.30 pm **RGS The Grange Carol Service**

December 2021

Saturday 11th

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Ember Day

Psalms 41, 42, 43

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

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

Responses: *Clucas*

Byrd - Fauxbourdon Service

Psalms 46

Oxley - Rose Carol

Hymns 5, 16

7.30 pm **Concert**

Worcester Festival Choral Society

Handel - Messiah

In Residence: The Dean

Sunday 12th

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 12, 14

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

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (with livestream)

Bednall - Missa de Angelis

Psalms 146.4-end

Gibbons - This is the record of John

Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

4.00 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Radcliffe*

Tomkins - The Fifth Service

Psalms 50.1-6, 62

Byrd - Vigilate

Hymns 15, 499

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

Inwood - Come, light of the world

Wilby - Make me a light

Monday 13th

Lucy, martyr, 304

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 44

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

5.30 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Radcliffe*

Byrd - The Second Service

Psalms 47, 49

Shephard - Never weather-beaten sail

*Hymn 19 (omit *)*

December 2021

Tuesday 14th

Day of music endowed by John Wilderspin.

**John of the Cross, poet,
teacher of the faith, 1591**

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 48, 52*
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalm 50*
7.30 pm **King's School Carol Service**

Wednesday 15th

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalm 119.57-80*
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
1.00 pm **Holy Communion**
5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalms 59, 60, 67*
7.30 pm **Royal Grammar School Carol Service**

Thursday 16th

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 56, 57, 63*
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
5.30 pm **Evensong attended by Cathedral Volunteers** (Lower voices)
Moore - The First Service *Responses: Tallis*
Tallis - Audivi vocem de coelo *Psalms 61, 62, 64*
*Hymn 19 (omit *)*
7.30 pm **University of Worcester Carol Service**

VERSE: DECANI

Friday 17th

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 51, 54*
8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)
5.30 pm **Evensong** (Lower voices) *Responses: Tallis*
Lassus - Secundi et quinti toni *Psalm 38*
Handl - De coelo veniet *Hymn 19 (omit *)*

December 2021

Saturday 18th

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalm 68*

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

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalms 65, 66*

7.30 pm **Concert** The Choir of Worcester Cathedral
Tidings of Joy Worcester Festival Choral Society

Tickets available from

<https://www.worcestercathedral.co.uk/christmas2021>

In Residence: The Revd Canon Dr Stephen Edwards

Sunday 19th

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalm 144*

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

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

Haydn - Missa Rorate Coeli Desuper *Psalm 80.1-7*

Pärt - Bogoroditsye Dyevo Preacher: The Dean

3.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalms 123, 131*

4.00 pm **Voluntary Choir Carol Service**

Rütti - I wonder as I wander

Mathias - Lift up your heads, O ye gates

arr. Barnard - Gabriel the angel came

Rutter - Nativity Carol

Rutter - Shepherd's Pipe Carol

December 2021

Monday 20th

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 46, 95*
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalms 4, 9*
- 6.30 pm **Chamber Choir Carol Service**
Ord - Adam lay y-bounden
Vaughan Williams - The Truth from Above
Goldschmidt - A tender shoot
Darke - In the bleak midwinter
Victoria - O magnum mysterium
Stanford - Magnificat in G
arr. Shellard - Away in a manger
King - The Infant King
Oxley - Rose Carol

Tuesday 21st

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 121, 122, 123*
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalms 124, 125, 126, 127*
- 6.30 pm **Worcester News Carol Service**
arr. Chilcott - Sussex Carol
Praetorius arr. Sandström - Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen
Williamson - This Christmas Night
Allain - Balulalow
Rutter - All bells in paradise
Owens - The Holly and the Ivy
Ives - Susanni *Preacher: The Dean*

December 2021

Wednesday 22nd

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 124, 125, 126, 127*
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 1.00 pm **Holy Communion**
- 5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalms 24, 48*
- 6.30 pm **Cathedral Carol Service**
Free tickets available from
<https://www.worcestercathedral.co.uk/christmas2021>
Darke - In the bleak midwinter
Chilcott - Adam lay y-bounden
Causton - Cradle Song
Cleobury - Joys Seven
Rutter - Mary's Lullaby
Schutz - Der Engel sprach zu den Hirten
arr. Willcocks - Sussex Carol

Thursday 23rd

Day of music endowed by Judith Pearce.

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 128, 129, 130, 131*
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalms 89.1-36*
- 6.30 pm **Cathedral Carol Service**
Free tickets available from
<https://www.worcestercathedral.co.uk/christmas2021>
Music as for 22nd December.

VERSE: CANTORIS

December 2021

Friday 24th

Christmas Eve

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 45, 113*
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)
- 1.00 pm **Crib Service**
Free tickets available from
<https://www.worcestercathedral.co.uk/christmas2021>
- 3.00 pm **Crib Service**
Free tickets available from
<https://www.worcestercathedral.co.uk/christmas2021>
- 5.30 pm **Evening Prayer with Carols for Christmas Eve** (*sung by the Youth Choir and former members of the Cathedral Choir*)
arr. Nicholas - Infant holy, infant lowly *Psalm 85*
Magnificat: Ben Parry in G
Lauridsen - O magnum mysterium
arr. Ledger - Sussex Carol
- 11.30 pm **Midnight Eucharist**
Widor - Messe Solennelle *Psalm 96*
Todd - My Lord has come Preacher: The Dean

Saturday 25th

CHRISTMAS DAY

- 7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 110, 117*
- 8.00 am **Holy Communion** (with livestream)
- 10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (with livestream)
Wood - Ding! Dong! Merrily on high
Haydn - Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo *Psalm 98*
Pearsall - In dulci jubilo President and preacher: The Bishop
- 4.00 pm **Evensong with Carols** Responses: Rose
Wood - Ding! Dong! Merrily on high
Brewer in D *Psalm 8*
Cleobury - Joys Seven *Hymns 29, 28*

December 2021

In Residence: The Dean

Sunday 26th ST STEPHEN, DEACON, FIRST MARTYR

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 13, 31.1-8, 150*

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

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (with livestream)

Psalm 119.161-168

Preacher: The Revd Canon Doug Chaplin

4.00 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalms 57, 86*

Monday 27th ST JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 21, 147.13-21*

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

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalm 97*

Tuesday 28th THE HOLY INNOCENTS

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 36, 146*

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

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalms 123, 128*

Wednesday 29th Thomas Becket, archbishop of Canterbury, martyr, 1170

7.30 am **Morning Prayer** *Psalms 19, 20*

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

1.00 pm **Holy Communion**

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer** *Psalms 131, 132*

December 2021 / January 2022

In Residence: The Revd Dr Stephen Edwards

Thursday 30th

Day of music endowed by the David Willcocks Music Trust.

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 111, 112, 113

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

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer**

Psalms 65, 84

VERSE: DECANI

Friday 31st

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalm 102

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

11.30 am **Holy Communion** (BCP)

5.30 pm **Evening Prayer**

Psalms 90, 148

Saturday 1st January 2022 **NAMING AND CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS**

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalms 103, 150

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

5.30 pm **Evensong** (*sung by Sine Nomine*)

Responses: *Johnson Manning*

Noble in B minor

Psalm 115

Head - The little road to Bethlehem

Hymns 374, 467

January 2022

Sunday 2nd

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Services today sung by Sine Nomine.

7.30 am **Morning Prayer**

Psalm 87

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

10.30 am **Sung Eucharist** (with livestream)

Rheinberger - Cantus Missae

Psalm 147.12-end

Stopford - Lully, lulla, lullay

4.00 pm **Evensong**

Responses: *Johnson Manning*

Watson in E

Psalm 135

Sweelinck - Hodie Christus natus est

Hymns 472i, 258