

# The Sung Eucharist



**Sunday 28 November**  
**10.30 am**

First Sunday of Advent

Messe Solennelle

*Louis Vierne*

## **Welcome to Manchester Cathedral for this celebration of The Holy Eucharist**

Welcome to the Cathedral and Collegiate Church of St Mary, St Denys and St George in the heart of the City of Manchester. The building is the old mediaeval Parish Church of Manchester. King Henry V first granted it Collegiate status in 1421 and it became Manchester's Cathedral on the creation of the Diocese of Manchester in 1847. It is believed that there has been a church on or near this site for over a thousand years.

### **The Sundays of Advent**

Advent is a season of expectation and preparation, as the Church prepares to celebrate the coming (*adventus*) of Christ in his incarnation, and also looks ahead to his final advent as judge at the end of time. The readings and services not only direct us towards Christ's birth, they also challenge the modern reluctance to confront the theme of divine judgement:

*“Every eye shall now behold him robed in dreadful majesty”*

*(Charles Wesley)*

The Four Last Things – Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell – have been traditional themes for Advent meditation. The characteristic note of Advent is therefore expectation and hope, rather than penitence, although the character of the season is easily coloured by an analogy with Lent.

The anticipation of Christmas under commercial pressure has also made it harder to sustain the appropriate sense of alert watchfulness, but the fundamental Advent prayer remains ‘Maranatha’ – ‘Our Lord, come’ (1 Corinthians 16.22).

Our Cathedral decorations are simple and purple is the traditional liturgical colour. In the northern hemisphere, the Advent season falls at the darkest time of the year, and the natural symbols of darkness and light are powerfully at work throughout Advent and Christmas.

The lighting of candles on an Advent wreath was imported into Britain from northern Europe in the nineteenth century, and is now a common practice. The Third Sunday of Advent was observed in medieval times as a splash of colour in the restrained atmosphere of Advent (*Gaudete* or ‘Rose Sunday’), and the last days of Advent were marked by the sequence of Great ‘O’ Antiphons, which continue to inspire modern Advent hymns and meditations.

## **Celebrating 600 years**

2021 is a special year for Manchester Cathedral as it marks the 600th anniversary of the granting of our first Royal charter establishing a collegiate church. Even in these uncertain times, an exciting programme of events for the whole family is planned and we hope to be able to share more details in due course.

### **Safeguarding**

Manchester Cathedral works hard to create safe environments where children and young people are protected and where all people, especially those who may be vulnerable for any reason, are able to worship and pursue their faith journey with encouragement and in safety. We follow the policies and procedures detailed within the Cathedral Safeguarding Handbook. We act promptly on any complaints made, and work in partnership with Manchester Diocese, the police and social care services whenever appropriate to do so. Details of our policy and how to voice a concern can be found on a dedicated page of our website and on the noticeboard at the south porch.

### **Live streaming**

Please note that most acts of worship in Manchester Cathedral are now live streamed. Although cameras are focused on those leading worship, please be aware that your image may be inadvertently captured and streamed. If you would like further information on the position of the camera at a particular act of worship, please ask Cathedral Staff upon arrival.

### **Gift Aid**

During the service there will be a collection for the mission and aims of the Cathedral. If you would like the Cathedral to reclaim the tax that you have paid on the donation, at no cost to yourself, please use the Gift Aid envelope that is with this order of service.

### **Hearing-loop**



The Cathedral has a hearing-loop.  
Please set your hearing aid to setting T.

### **Have you turned off your mobile phone?**

Please make sure that you have turned off your mobile phone and any other electronic equipment that might interrupt the service.

## **Visiting Manchester Cathedral from 19 July 2021**

For your personal safety, the Dean and Chapter strongly encourage you to continue to wear face masks and use the hand sanitisers provided when visiting the Cathedral.

### **Photography**

Please do not use cameras, photo-imaging devices or recording equipment during the service.

### **Welcome to the Cathedral**

We offer a very warm welcome to any who are visiting us today. If you would normally receive communion in your own church you are very welcome to do so here. If you do not receive communion please feel free to come up for a blessing instead. Just bow your head when you come up so the Eucharistic Minister will know.

### **Gluten Free Wafer**

If you require a gluten free communion wafer please inform a steward before the service. Please note that the wine may contain traces of gluten.

### **President**

Canon David Holgate

### **Preacher**

The Rev'd Steve Hilton

### **Musicians**

The Choir is conducted by Christopher Stokes,  
Organist and Master of the Choristers.

The organ is played by Geoffrey Woollatt, Sub-Organist.

**Large-print copies of this booklet are also available**

### **Music Before the Service**

Nun komm der Heiden Heiland

*F W Zachow (1663-1712)*

### **Welcome**

*The Canon in Residence, welcomes the congregation before the service*

### **The Gathering**

*Please stand*

## The Advent Prose is sung

sung by the Choir

*Drop down, ye heavens, from above,  
and let the skies pour down righteousness.*

Be not wroth very sore, O Lord,  
neither remember iniquity forever:  
Thy holy cities are a wilderness,  
Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation:  
our holy and beautiful house,  
where our fathers praised thee  
*Drop down, ye heavens, from above,  
and let the skies pour down righteousness.*

We have sinned and are as an unclean thing,  
And we all do fade as a leaf,  
and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away;  
thou hast hid thy face from us:  
and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities.  
*Drop down, ye heavens, from above,  
and let the skies pour down righteousness.*

Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord,  
and my servant whom I have chosen;  
that ye may know me and believe me:  
I, even I, am the Lord, and beside me there is no Saviour:  
and there is none that can deliver out of my hand.  
*Drop down, ye heavens, from above,  
and let the skies pour down righteousness.*

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people,  
my salvation shall not tarry:  
I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions:  
Fear not, for I will save thee:  
For I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel,  
thy Redeemer.  
*Drop down, ye heavens, from above,  
and let the skies pour down righteousness.*

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## The Processional Hymn

Lo! he comes with clouds descending,  
Once for favoured sinners slain;  
Thousand thousand saints attending  
Swell the triumph of his train:  
Alleluya!  
God appears, on earth to reign.

Every eye shall now behold him  
Robed in dreadful majesty;  
Those who set at nought and sold him,  
Pierced and nailed him to the tree,  
Deeply wailing  
Shall the true Messiah see.

Those dear tokens of his passion  
Still his dazzling body bears,  
Cause of endless exultation  
To his ransomed worshippers:  
With what rapture  
Gaze we on those glorious scars.

Yea, Amen! let all adore thee,  
High on thine eternal throne;  
Saviour, take the power and glory:  
Claim the kingdom for thine own:  
O come quickly!  
Alleluya! Come, Lord, come!

*Helmsley NEH 9*

*Melody noted by T Olivers (1725-99)*

*Included in Wesley's Select Hymns 1765*

*The congregation remains standing*

*The President may say*

President    In the name of the Father and of the Son  
                  and of the Holy Spirit.

All            **Amen.**

*Charles Wesley (1707-88†)*

## The Greeting

President Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you.

All **and also with you.**

## Lighting of the Candle in the Advent Wreath

*The first candle is lit and the following is said*

President God of Abraham and Sarah,  
and all the patriarchs of old,  
you are our Father too.  
Your love is revealed to us in Jesus Christ,  
Son of God and Son of David.  
Help us in preparing to celebrate his birth  
to make our hearts ready for your Holy Spirit  
to make his home among us.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ,  
the light who is coming into the world.  
**Amen.**

## Prayers of Penitence

Deacon When the Lord comes,  
he will bring to light things now hidden in darkness,  
and will disclose the purposes of the heart.  
Therefore in that light, we confess our sins.

*Silence is kept*

All **Lord God,  
we have sinned against you;  
we have done evil in your sight.  
We are sorry and repent.  
Have mercy on us according to your love.  
Wash away our wrongdoing  
and cleanse us from our sin.  
Renew a right spirit within us  
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

Choir      Kyrie eleison.                      *Lord, have mercy,*  
                  Christe eleison.                      *Christ, have mercy.*  
                  Kyrie eleison.                      *Lord have mercy.*

President    May the God of love  
                  bring you back to himself,  
                  forgive you your sins,  
                  and assure you of his eternal love  
                  in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All            **Amen.**

### **The Collect**

*The President introduces a period of silent prayer after which the Collect is said*

Almighty God,  
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness  
and to put on the armour of light,  
now in the time of this mortal life,  
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;  
that on the last day,  
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty  
to judge the living and the dead,  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

All            **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the readings and psalm*

### **The Liturgy of the Word**

#### **First Reading**

Jeremiah 33. 14-16

#### **A reading from Jeremiah**

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

*At the end the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 25. 1-9**

sung by the Choir

Unto thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee: O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.

For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed: but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.

Shew me thy ways, O Lord: and teach me thy paths.

Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me: for thou art the God of my salvation; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies: and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

O remember not the sins and offences of my youth: but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

Gracious and righteous is the Lord: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

Them that are meek shall he guide in judgement: and such as are gentle, them shall he learn his way.

All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth: unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

### **The Second Reading**

I Thessalonians 3. 9-end

#### **A reading from I Thessalonians**

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

*At the end the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## **The Gradual Hymn**

O come, O come, Emmanuel!  
Redeem thy captive Israel,  
That into exile drear is gone  
Far from the face of God's dear Son.  
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Wisdom from on high!  
Who madest all in earth and sky,  
Creating man from dust and clay:  
To us reveal salvation's way.

O come, O come, Adonai,  
Who in thy glorious majesty  
From Sinai's mountain, clothed with awe,  
Gavest thy folk the ancient law.

O come, thou Root of Jesse! draw  
The quarry from the lion's claw;  
From those dread caverns of the grave,  
From nether hell, thy people save.

O come, thou Lord of David's Key!  
The royal door fling wide and free;  
Safeguard for us the heavenward road,  
And bar the way to death's abode.

O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright!  
Pour on our souls thy healing light;  
Dispel the long night's lingering gloom,  
And pierce the shadows of the tomb.

O come, Desire of nations! show  
Thy kingly reign on earth below;  
Thou Corner-stone, uniting all,  
Restore the ruin of our fall.

*Yeni Emmanuel NEH 11*  
*Melody adapted from a French Missal by*  
*Thomas Helmore (1811-90)*

*Cologne 1710, based on the*  
*ancient Advent Antiphons*  
*Tr T A Lacey (1853-1931) and Editors*

## Gospel Reading

All turn to face the Gospel book. An acclamation heralds the Gospel reading

All



Cantor Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,  
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

All Sing **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Deacon Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.



Luke 21. 25-36

Jesus said, “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

*At the end of the reading*

Deacon This is the Gospel of the Lord



*Please be seated*

## **The Sermon**

The Rev'd Steve Hilton

*After the sermon silence is kept for reflection*

*Please stand with the president as we affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed*

## **The Creed**

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit  
and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic  
and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**

*Please be seated*

### **Prayers of Intercession**

*The following response maybe used after each prayer*

Minister     Maranatha!  
All            **Come, Lord Jesus.**

*At the end of the prayers*

Minister     Merciful Father,  
All            **accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

*Please stand*

### The Peace

President In the tender mercy of our God,  
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,  
to give light to those who dwell in darkness  
and in the shadow of death  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

All The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

### Preparation of the Table

#### The Offertory Hymn

Wake, O wake! with tidings thrilling  
The watchmen all the air are filling,  
Arise, Jerusalem, arise!  
Midnight strikes! no more delaying,  
'The hour has come!' we hear them saying.  
Where are ye all, ye virgins wise?  
The Bridegroom comes in sight,  
Raise high your torches bright!  
Alleluya!  
The wedding song  
Swells loud and strong:  
Go forth and join the festal throng.

Sion hears the watchmen shouting,  
Her heart leaps up with joy undoubting,  
She stands and waits with eager eyes;  
See her Friend from heaven descending,  
Adorned with truth and grace unending!  
Her light burns clear, her star doth rise.  
Now come, thou precious Crown,  
Lord Jesu, God's own Son!  
Hosanna!  
Let us prepare  
To follow there,  
Where in thy supper we may share.

Every soul in thee rejoices;  
From men and from angelic voices  
Be glory given to thee alone!  
Now the gates of pearl receive us,  
Thy presence never more shall leave us,  
We stand with Angels round thy throne.  
Earth cannot give below  
The bliss thou dost bestow.  
Alleluya!  
Grant us to raise,  
To length of days,  
The triumph-chorus of thy praise.

*Wachet Auf NEH 16*  
*Melody by Philipp Nicolai*  
*Harmony by J S Bach (1685-1750)*

*Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608)*  
*Tr F C Burkitt (1864-1935)*

President      As the grain once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.

All              **Amen.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

President Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

President It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise,  
almighty God and everlasting Father,  
through Jesus Christ your Son.  
For when he humbled himself to come among us  
in human flesh, he fulfilled the plan you formed before the  
foundation of the world to open for us the way of salvation.  
Confident that your promise will be fulfilled,  
we now watch for the day when Christ our Lord will come  
again in glory.  
And so we join our voices with angels and archangels  
and with all the company of heaven to proclaim your glory,  
for ever praising you and singing:

Choir	Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Osanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Osanna in excelsis.	<i>Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest</i>
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President Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

Deacon Great is the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.**

President And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once  
for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.  
As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
St Denys and St George and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;  
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

President   Awaiting his coming in glory, as our Saviour taught us,  
so we pray.

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

President   We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All         **Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## **The Giving of Communion**

President   God's Holy Gifts for God's Holy People!

All         **Jesus Christ is Holy, Jesus Christ is Lord  
To the glory of God the Father.**

## **Prayer for Spiritual Holy Communion**

I believe that you, O Jesus, are in the most holy Sacrament. I love you and desire you. Come into my heart. I embrace you. Never leave me. May the burning and most sweet power of your love, O Lord Jesus Christ, I beseech you, absorb my mind that I may die through love of your love, who were graciously pleased to die through love of my love.

*Prayer of St Francis*

*The President receives communion and then says:*

All           The body of Christ  
**Amen.**

All           The blood of Christ  
**Amen.**

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*During the administration of communion, the Choir sings the Agnus Dei and an anthem*

## **Agnus Dei**

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei,  
qui tollis peccata mundi,  
dona nobis pacem.

*O Lamb of God  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
grant us thy peace*

## **Anthem**

Audivi vocem de caelo venientem:  
venite omnes virgines sapientissime;  
oleum recondite in vasis vestris dum  
sponsus advenerit.  
Media nocte clamor factus est:  
ecce sponsus venit.

*I heard a voice coming from heaven:  
come all wisest virgins;  
fill your vessels with oil,  
for the bridegroom is coming.  
In the middle of the night there was a cry:  
behold the bridegroom comes.*

*Thomas Tallis (1505-85)*

*Jeremiah 40. 10  
Matthew 25. 6*

*Please stand if you are able as the President approaches the altar*

## Prayer after Communion

President O Lord our God,  
make us watchful and keep us faithful  
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;  
that, when he shall appear,  
he may not find us sleeping in sin  
but active in his service  
and joyful in his praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

All **Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out  
in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work  
to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

## Post-Communion Hymn

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,  
Born to set thy people free,  
From our fears and sins release us,  
Let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,  
Hope of all the earth thou art,  
Dear desire of every nation,  
Joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver,  
Born a child and yet a king,  
Born to reign in us for ever,  
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.

By thine own eternal Spirit,  
Rule in all our hearts alone;  
By thine all-sufficient merit  
Raise us to thy glorious throne.

Cross of Jesus NEH 3(i)  
John Stainer (1840-1901)

Charles Wesley (1707-88)

## The Blessing

President    May God the Father, judge all-merciful,  
                  make us worthy of a place in his kingdom.

All            **Amen.**

                  May God the Son, coming among us in power,  
                  reveal in our midst the promise of his glory.

All            **Amen.**

                  May God the Holy Spirit make us steadfast in faith,  
                  joyful in hope and constant in love.

All            **Amen.**

                  And the blessing of God almighty,  
                  the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
                  be among you and remain with you always.

All            **Amen.**

## The Dismissal

Deacon      Our Lord says, I am coming soon.

All            **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Deacon      May the Lord, when he comes,  
                  find us watching and waiting.

All            **Amen.**

Deacon      Go in the peace of Christ.

All            **Thanks be to God.**

## Music After the Service

Contrapunctus I, The Art of Fugue, BWV 1080i

J S Bach

*Please take this order of service away with you to reflect upon the music, readings and prayers, and as a reminder of your visit.*

*Refreshments are usually served after the service; everyone is invited to stay.*

## Safeguarding at Manchester Cathedral

The Church of England has commissioned an independent audit of all Church of England cathedrals, reviewing their arrangements for keeping people safe from harm and abuse. In today's modern world there is a risk that the occurrence of an audit can be mistakenly taken up on social media or the press as indicating the imminent revelation of an abuse scandal in a particular cathedral. This is not the case, however, and we want to provide clarity and reassurance that every cathedral in England is engaging with the audit process. The audit's purpose is to bring in 'fresh eyes' to proactively enable learning and improvement in how cathedrals individually, and collectively, keep people safe; it is not a response to something bad having happened here or elsewhere.

*'Cathedrals nationally are taking part in this exercise.'*

The Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE) has been appointed to conduct the safeguarding audits. Two SCIE auditors will be visiting Manchester Cathedral from **30 November to 2 December 2021**. The Chapter lead person for the audit will be Canon David Holgate.

As well as looking at our safeguarding files, our policies and training, they will also be meeting with a lot of our staff, key members of Chapter and the Dean. In addition, the auditors will be keen to hear from external agencies and perhaps from those directly involved in the heart of cathedral life, to hear about their understanding of keeping people safe in our cathedral, and to get their unique perspective on how we operate.

The auditors will be interested in asking questions such as:

- The general culture of the cathedral: are people treated with respect and care. Are there clear messages that bullying, mistreatment, abuse, and misuse of power are not tolerated?
- How the cathedral makes it known that they are there to help anyone who is being mistreated or abused in anyway, or has been in the past.
- People's awareness of the measures in place to make sure that people who pose a risk aren't in roles they shouldn't be.
- Do people know who to go to if they had concerns that someone was being hurt in some way, or that someone behaving inappropriately?
- Do people know what the process would be? How confident do they feel that their concerns would be, or have been, taken seriously?
- Do people see the cathedral taking on a role in helping people who, due to personal circumstances or crises, need help to keep safe?
- What helps and what gets in the way of the cathedral supporting people's welfare, preventing abuse and harm, and responding promptly and efficiently to concerns?

More information about our SCIE audit can be found on our website at <http://www.manchestercathedral.org/SCIE>.

*Stuart Shepherd, Cathedral Safeguarding Coordinator*

### **Welcome to the Cathedral**

We offer a very warm welcome to any who are visiting us today.

#### **Messiah (G F Handel) Saturday 11 December at 7.30pm**

For many, a performance of Handel's Messiah is an essential part of the pre-Christmas period.

In this concert, the second in what we intend to be a long-term collaboration, Manchester Cathedral in partnership with Manchester Baroque will once again perform Handel's Oratorio Messiah with a full orchestra and the Cathedral Choir.

Like all Manchester Baroque concerts, the performance will utilise original eighteenth century instruments or modern replicas, performed at the pitch and with the scale of ensemble that Handel himself might have recognised.

Tickets for this performance of Handel's Messiah at Manchester Cathedral are priced from £15 to £25 and are available from <https://tinyurl.com/2uemczhm>

#### **The Christmas Tree Lights Switch on Tuesday 30 November at 6.15 pm**

The Very Reverend Rogers Govender, Dean of Manchester warmly invites you to The Christmas Tree Lights Switch On by the Lord Mayor of Manchester, followed by light refreshments in the Cathedral Library. You are very welcome to join us for Choral Evensong in the Cathedral at 5.30pm before the lights switch on.

#### **Family Carols Concert - Saturday 18 December at 7.30pm**

Join Manchester Cathedral Voluntary Choir for this seasonal concert of Christmas Carols, with a mix both of old favourites and new musical interpretations.

Tickets are available from <https://tinyurl.com/35zyz63d>

#### **Choristers' Christmas Raffle 2021**

Following on from the huge success of 2019, the choristers have again organised a Christmas raffle. Prizes include an amazing Christmas hamper and other festive delights. Proceeds from the raffle will go towards the Choristers' Fund, which supports musical and social activities for the children throughout the year.

Raffle tickets cost £1 each, or £5 for a book, and the winning ticket will be drawn during the week before Christmas. The children would be delighted to sell you a ticket (or two) between now and Christmas - if you would like to enter the draw, please speak to a chorister parent or one of the senior choristers after the service. Thank you!

## **Advent Conversations 2021**

*Welcoming Jesus,*

*Welcoming one another*

*And welcoming one another back.*

Last year the pandemic meant that we were not able to gather in person for our usual Advent Conversations. This year, on the four Sundays of Advent we would like to focus on enjoying one another in person over a light meal, starting at 12.00 in the Regiment Chapel.

Rather than have an educational course, we would like to get to know one another better and encourage one another in faith. To give a focus to our fellowship, we would like to invite people to tell one another about how people celebrate Christmas in other parts of the world. The conversations will be led by the canon in residence on each Sunday.

We hope that many will join in. If you are able to take part, please:

- sign your name on the sheet at the back of the church, so we know how many lunches to order;
- indicate if you would like to share a little about how Christmas is celebrated in a part of the world that you know. Say which continent and country. Please consider bringing along something to show others and talk about (a card, ornament, garment or object). We will then try and focus on a particular region of the world on each of the four Sundays (28 Nov and 5, 12 and 19 Dec).

### **BSL Interpreted Christingle Service**

Sunday 12 December at 3.30pm

St Matthew's Stretford

Chester Road, Stretford, Manchester. M32 8HF

All Welcome!

## **Manchester Cathedral – A History of the Collegiate Church and Cathedral, 1621 to the Present**

It's been a long time in the making, a few days ago, people gathered in Manchester Cathedral to celebrate the launch of the first comprehensive study of the history of the Cathedral, its place at the heart of the world's first industrial city, and the people that made it. Founded as a Collegiate Church by Henry V in 1421, it has survived the Reformation, the Industrial Revolution, civil war, the Oxford Movement, two World Wars, an IRA attack, a very active post-industrial party-loving city, and more recently, the Arena terrorist attack. The book, published by Manchester University Press, has been described as "a history of the English church in miniature" and was made possible by the Friends of Manchester Cathedral and the patronage of its sponsor, Marion McClintock, MBE, Honorary Archivist and Honorary Fellow at the University of Lancaster. It has been edited by Professor Jeremy Gregory, Professor of History and Christianity at Nottingham University, with contributions from a wide range of experts, who have explored the cathedral's history, its people, its architecture, its art, its monuments, its music and its stained glass. To purchase your copy please email Mr Anthony O'Connor, [Anthony.O'Connor@manchestercathedral.org](mailto:Anthony.O'Connor@manchestercathedral.org)



**Weekly Notices**  
**28 November 2021**  
**Upcoming Special Events and Services**

**Sunday 28 November - Advent Sunday**

5.30pm           Advent Procession

**Monday 29 November**

9am               Morning Prayer

1.10pm           Holy Eucharist - not live-streamed

5.30pm           Choral Evensong

**Tuesday 30 November**

9am               Morning Prayer

1.10pm           Holy Eucharist - not live-streamed

5.30pm           Choral Evensong

6.15pm           Lighting of the Christmas Tree

**Wednesday 1 December**

9am               Morning Prayer

1.10pm           Holy Eucharist - not live-streamed

5.30pm           Choral Evensong

**Thursday 2 December**

9am               Morning Prayer

1.10pm           Holy Eucharist - not live-streamed

5.30pm           Choral Evensong

**Friday 3 December**

9am               Morning Prayer

1.10pm           Holy Eucharist - not live-streamed

4.30pm           Evening Prayer

**Saturday 4 December**

9am               Morning Prayer followed by Holy Communion

4.30pm           Evening Prayer

**Sunday 5 December - The Second Sunday of Advent**

9am               Matins

10.30am          Sung Eucharist

5.30pm           Choral Evensong

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## **Giving to Manchester Cathedral**

### **Do you attend the cathedral regularly? If so would you help us?**

*We would be delighted if would you consider joining our planned giving scheme? We do all the work but your contribution would really help us plan for the future.*

### **Are you a U.K. Tax payer?**

#### ***Making the most of your giving***

There are three very simple ways of maximising your giving to Manchester Cathedral. If you are a UK tax-payer, please do consider one of the following so that we can reclaim the tax that you have already paid on your gift: an extra £2.50 per £10 to the Cathedral, at no extra cost to you.

#### ***Using the green Gift Aid envelopes***

These can be used for any gift, large or small. It is essential, however, that the envelope is dated and properly endorsed with your name and address, otherwise the tax cannot be reclaimed.

#### ***Gift Aided planned giving***

This is the recommended route for regular members of the congregation. There is no weekly filling-in to be done, as with the green envelopes, since each individual has a supply of their own envelope, or you can pay by regular standing order. For further details please contact Diane Johnston or any of the stewards or wardens.

#### ***Contactless donations now accepted***

Contactless giving is a quick and easy way to make a donation to support your Cathedral. Visitors can now donate £3, £5 or £10 from any contactless Visa or MasterCard credit/debit card or via ApplePay Samsung and Android Pay.

#### ***Are you a non U.K. Tax payer?***

You can still donate by putting your donation in the collection plate at services or in the donation boxes.

#### ***Please consider leaving a gift in your will***

If you wish to pledge continued support to the Cathedral, you might want to consider leaving a gift in your will. If this is something you would like to do, please contact a member of the Clergy team or Anthony O'Connor, Director of Fundraising.

Thank you.

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**Thank you for visiting us today**

It would be very helpful to us if you could please complete this form

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First Time Visitor	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would like a home visit	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would like information on how to join the Cathedral Electoral Roll	<input type="checkbox"/>
Returning visitor	<input type="checkbox"/>	New to the area	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would like to know more about being a Christian	<input type="checkbox"/>
I'm interested in becoming a 'Friend of Manchester Cathedral'					<input type="checkbox"/>

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