

## Little Germany

As we make our way to Bradford Cathedral, we will pass through Little Germany, an area closely associated with German Jewish textile merchants who came to Bradford in the 19th century. There will be a short pause here for information about Bradford's Jewish history and heritage.

### 2:45pm: Bradford Cathedral

1 Stott Hill,  
Bradford, BD1 4EH



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This ancient site on the hillside has been a place of Christian worship for nearly 1400 years, achieving Cathedral status in 1919. The present church dates from 1458 but includes elements from a previous 13th century church and even older fragments. It tells two stories: the Christian story, dating back to the seventh century, and the story of Bradford. Tucked away in the centre of the city, in its peaceful garden setting, it is a jewel worth discovering. It is also alive with music, the arts, education and hospitality. Its community expresses a vibrant faith and active service, arising from the prayer and worship that are at the heart of Christian life.

### How much does it cost?

There are no entry charges: the Faith Trail is free.

### Is the walk accessible?

The Faith Trail is just a one mile stroll down Leeds Road in Bradford city centre with one quite steep (down) hill section. Accessible toilets are available at the venues.

Please note that accompanying guides cannot take responsibility for the safety of visitors between venues. They will take the route judged to be the safest but walkers must use their own care and discretion at all times. Under 18's must be accompanied by an adult.

## Dress Code

We ask that visitors wear modest clothing and remove shoes at the masjid, temple and gurdwara. A headscarf is needed at the gurdwara - do bring your own; but if not, there are a number of spares available to borrow at the entrance.

## What is the Bradford Faith Trail?

Ever wondered what's in a church, masjid, mandir or gurdwara? The Bradford Faith Trail offers a unique opportunity to discover a little bit about Muslim, Hindu, Sikh and Christian (Roman Catholic and Church of England) faith buildings, about the faiths within and how they link into Bradford's local community culture and faith heritage.

## Where do you visit on the Faith Trail?

The Bradford Faith Trail takes in five fascinating places of worship as detailed in this leaflet. You can visit as many places of worship as you like - each place of worship will be open for set times and you will be shown round by experienced guides who are there to answer your questions, and to make your visit more informative and enjoyable. You will then be accompanied to the next venue.

## When does the Faith Trail take place?

The Faith Trail normally takes place on the first Saturday of the month from March-October and can be walked on foot in a day. The whole trail starts at 10am at St Peter's Catholic Church and finishes at approx 3:45pm at Bradford Cathedral.

### How do I book a place on the Bradford Faith Trail?

Booking is essential. If you would like more information or to book a place please e-mail [faithtrail@bradfordcathedral.org](mailto:faithtrail@bradfordcathedral.org) as the first contact, or call 01274 77 77 20.

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BRADFORD FAITH TRAIL

Celebrating 15 years

First Saturday of the month  
March - October



As seen on BBC's Sunday Morning Live

All welcome | free entry

**10am: St. Peter's Catholic Church**  
651 Leeds Road, Bradford, BD3 8EL

St Peter's traces its roots back to the One Church established by Jesus in the 1st century AD. Christianity came to Britain during its Roman occupation almost two thousand years ago, and to Bradford as early as the 7th century. There have been Christians living and praying here ever since. The Reformation in the 16th century tragically divided the church; and the ancestors of those now worshipping at St Peter's became known as 'Roman Catholics' to distinguish them from the 'Church of England'. Its history, like that of the whole Faith Trail, is that of peoples continuously on the move. All visitors are most welcome.



The Faith Trail is run in association with the West Yorkshire Police.



**11:15am: Abu Bakar Masjid**  
38 Steadman Terrace, Bradford, BD3 9NB

Abu Bakar Masjid originated in a local terraced house around 40 years ago, but our community realised that we had an ever growing population of worshippers and worked hard to raise over a million pounds to create a brand new purpose-built Masjid into which we moved in 2000. The Masjid has a regular congregation of around three hundred worshippers, increasing to over two thousand for the main prayer of the week on Fridays. We also have regular education programmes, some aimed specifically at our young people, with all speeches and presentations in English.



**12:15pm: Shree Lakshmi Narayan Hindu Temple**  
321-341 Leeds Road, Bradford BD3 9LS

Opened by the Queen in 2007, the Shree Lakshmi Narayan Temple in Bradford was built using Yorkshire stone. The white marble in the Shrine room was taken from the same quarry as the Taj Mahal's. The temple houses the main Shrine room, a day centre for the elderly, classrooms, communal kitchen and dining facilities, offices and an apartment for the resident priest and his family. The shrine was carved by expert stone masons who were flown in from India to undertake this major project, although the builders and architects used were local. The congregation that prays here comes from all over the North of England.



**1:15pm: Guru Gobind Singh Ji Gurdwara**  
Off Leeds Road, Bradford, BD3 9JN

Guru Gobind Singh Gurdwara Sahib Ji , Gobind Marg is the first purpose-built Gurdwara in Bradford & the UK and was opened for service on 29th March 1964. The Gurdwara (meaning the house of God) is the Sikh place of spiritual worship and a religious cultural learning centre for the young as well as the old. Detailed guidance is given in the Holy Sikh Scripture called Guru Granth Sahib, which is treated like a living Guru, about how to conduct one's life so that peace & salvation can be obtained. Sikhism is monotheistic believing in 'One God'. Remembering the name of the creator at all times, honest living and sharing with the needy are the basic tenets.



A langar (vegetarian lunch) is provided by members of the Sikh community. Visitors who wish to make a donation to the gurdwara can do so through the collection box at the front of the Diwan (main worship) hall, which we will be visiting before the langar.

**#BradfordFaithTrail**