

Events & What's On

January - April 2025

Creativity Under Pressure

Arts and culture are at their most powerful and meaningful when they flow from the crucibles of life.

Join us for a series of events and exhibitions as part of this themed season, including **Gideon: a play with music** in April

Pages 4-6



Gideon
a play with music

FREE
Admission
to the Cathedral

Regular Opening Times

Our regular opening times are Monday - Saturday, 10am - 4pm, and for prayer and services (please see below). Entry to Bradford Cathedral is free, but donations are welcomed. Please visit our website for all the latest times and for any changes.

Booking Information

There are four easy ways to book your tickets with us...

 [bradfordcathedral.org.uk/
featured-events](http://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/featured-events)

 01274 77 77 20 Mon-Fri 9am-2:45pm

 info@bradfordcathedral.org

 1 Stott Hill, Bradford, BD1 4EH
Mon-Fri 9am-2:45pm. We can take cash or card payments



Regular Cathedral Services

Join us for our regular Cathedral services. Choral services will be said during choir vacation. Please visit our website for the most up to date details.

Sundays

8am - Holy Communion (BCP)
Join us for breakfast on the
first Sunday of the month

10:30am - Choral Eucharist
(also streamed online)

3:30pm - Choral Evensong

*All information is correct at the time
of printing, but may be subject to
change without notice. Additional
events and services may be added at
short notice.*

*Please visit our website for the latest
information, and for any additional events.*

The photos and logos used in this booklet are provided by Bradford Cathedral or our event partners. Every effort has been made to obtain the necessary permissions with reference to copyright material. We apologise for any omissions in this respect and will be pleased to correct any omissions on our online version.

Monday - Saturday

9am - Morning Prayer (online)
12noon - Midday Prayer (in person)
5:30pm - Evening Prayer (online)

Monday + Tuesday

5:30pm - Choral Evensong (in person)

Wednesdays

8:15am - Holy Communion
10:15am - Holy Communion

Thursdays

6:15pm - Chorister Compline

This season's programme highlights

Sunday 5th January	Epiphany	10
Monday 13th January	Monday Fellowship	14
Saturday 18th January	Historical Pilgrimage: Son et Lumiere	05
Sunday 19th January	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	10
Sunday 26th January	Holocaust Memorial Day	05
Saturday 1st February	Blaise Wool Festival at Bradford Industrial Museum	05
Saturday 1st February	Ecclesiastical Textiles' Tours	05
Sunday 2nd February	Candlemas	10
Friday 7th February	Country by Candlelight	09
Saturday 8th February	Visiting Choir: Bowdon Parish Church	07
Sunday 9th February	Bradford & District Legal Service	10
	Healing Eucharist	11
Monday 10th February	Beacon of Hope (<i>until Tuesday 4th March</i>)	06
	Monday Fellowship	14
	Beacon of Hope (Launch Event)	06
Sunday 16th February	Visiting Choir: Great St Mary's, Cambridge	07
Tuesday 18th February	February Half-Term Family Activities	13
Wednesday 26th February	Beacon of Hope (Presentation Event)	06
Friday 28th February	80s Anthems by Candlelight	09
Saturday 1st March	Bradford Faith Trail	14
Wednesday 5th March	Ash Wednesday	11
	Lent Begins	11
Friday 7th March	World Day of Prayer service	11
Monday 10th March	Monday Fellowship	14
Wednesday 19th March	ANIC Conference	07
Friday 21st March	ANIC Conference	07
Saturday 22nd March	Morris & Co. Stained Glass Window Tours	06
Saturday 29th March	U2 by Candlelight	09
Sunday 30th March	Mothering Sunday	11
Wednesday 2nd April	Gideon: a play with music (<i>until Saturday 5th April</i>)	06
Saturday 5th April	Bradford Faith Trail	14
Tuesday 8th April	Easter Holiday Family Activities	13
Sunday 13th April	Palm Sunday	12
	Holy Week	12
Monday 14th April	Monday Fellowship	14
Thursday 17th April	Maundy Thursday	12
Friday 18th April	Good Friday	12
Saturday 19th April	Holy Saturday	12
Sunday 20th April	Easter Sunday	12
Saturday 26th April	Taylor Swift by Candlelight	09
Wednesday 30th April	Re:Imagine Intercultural Conversation	06
Wednesdays	Wednesday@One Organ Recitals	08

More events may be added during these season.
Please visit our website for any updates.

Creativity Under Pressure

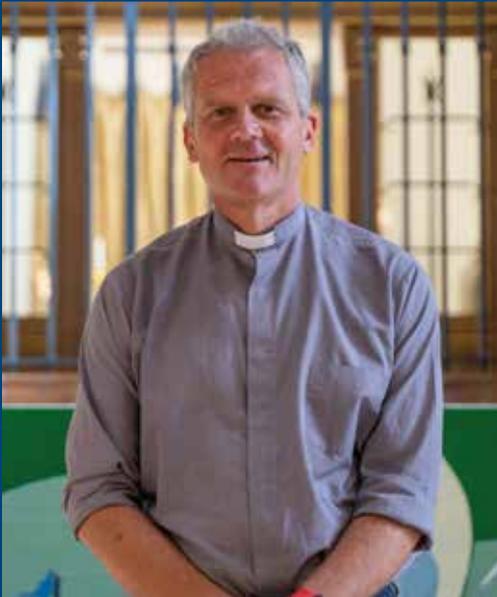
January - April 2025



During the UK City of Culture year we will be running three seasons of events, each under a different theme: Creativity Under Pressure (Jan - Apr); Weaving Stories (May - Sep); and Global Connections (Sep - Dec).

Creativity Under Pressure

Arts and culture are at their most powerful and meaningful when they flow from the crucibles of life. At times of upheaval, trauma and change, artists, poets, musicians rise up to express in new creative ways the unchanging, universal truths of humanity. It is under pressure that the arts become their most prophetic pointing us to new possibilities, hidden hope and wells of strength. This season we will be presenting exhibitions, performances and events that inspire us to explore why this is and how we can engage with it.



Join us this season at Bradford Cathedral as we explore art's profound power to reveal resilience and hope.

Highlights include *Beacon of Hope*, an exhibition by Carlton Bolling students sharing perspectives from Bradford's intercultural landscape; *Gideon*, a moving performance on the enduring impact of art amidst oppression; and the start of our *Re:Imagine* series, designed to spark bold ideas, this season on intercultural conversation. Don't miss our WednesdayOne organ recitals either as we hear *Music in Times of War*.

Each event is an invitation to discover how creativity and innovation emerge from times of pressure.

The Very Revd Andy Bowerman,
Dean of Bradford



Historical Pilgrimage: Son et Lumiere

 Saturday 18th January
 4:30pm / 7pm  £12

Bradford Cathedral invites you to join us for an evening pilgrimage around this sacred space, where Christians have worshipped for almost 1400 years. As we travel together around the building, the story of Bradford and its cathedral will unfold in words and music.



Holocaust Memorial Service

 Sunday 26th January  3:30pm

This Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) marks the 80th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest Nazi concentration camp complex, and the 30th anniversary of the genocide in Bosnia. All are invited to mark the occasion at a special service of Choral Evensong, led by the clergy and choir of the Cathedral.



Blaise Wool Festival at Bradford Industrial Museum

 Saturday 1st February
 11am - 4pm  Free Entry

Bradford Cathedral is supporting this event and will have a stall at the Industrial Museum, advertising our textile-related events and giving information about our Bishop Blaise "connections".



Ecclesiastical Textiles' Tours

 Saturday 1st February
 11:30am, 1:30pm  £7

Join us as we tour the Cathedral, seeing these stunning textiles in situ, some of which are rarely on display - and hearing the fascinating stories behind them.

Light refreshments will be available after the tours.



Beacon of Hope

 Mon 10th Feb - Tue 4th Mar
 10am - 4pm  Free entry

Exhibition of work from Carlton Bolling School, inviting us to see them as they see themselves.

- Launch event: 10th Feb at 3:45am
- Presentation event: 26th Feb at 2:45pm



Morris & Co. Stained Glass Window Tours

 Saturday 22nd March
 11:30am / 1:30pm  £7

On 24th March it will be 191 years since the birth of William Morris. To celebrate the life and work of this remarkable man, join us for a special Morris & Co. stained glass window tour of Bradford Cathedral.



Gideon: a play with music

 Wed 2nd - Sat 5th April
 7:45pm (All dates), 5pm (Sat Matinée)
 £10 (£8 concessions)

Gideon Klein was a bright young composer murdered by the Nazis. Amid hate, war, and propaganda, should your music play on no matter what the cost? This play challenges audiences to engage deeply with history and find hidden hope as we confront upheaval in our own world.



Re:Imagine Intercultural Conversation

 Wednesday 30th April
 7:30pm  £20 (limited spaces)

As we celebrate our city's rich and diverse culture, these gatherings will invite all to contribute to the entrepreneurial spirit that has defined Bradford's resilience and ingenuity. Each event will be unique, yet all will feature one common theme: innovative ideas to shape a sustainable and inclusive future for everyone.

Conference



Anglican Network of Intercultural Churches Conference

 Wed 19th, Fri 21st March
 7:30pm (Wed), 9:30am (Fri)

As part of the annual intercultural churches conference, we will welcome people for worship to celebrate the diversity of God's people.

Weaving Stories May – September

Looking for more about our textiles?

As part of our major project for City of Culture 2025, we will be helping people to explore the rich heritage of Bradford through the historic threads of the wool trade that go back to our foundations 1,400 years ago and bind our global city together. We will host demonstrations, offer tours around our many links with the wool trade and present art exhibitions on the theme of our woolen history.



[bradfordcathedral.org.uk/
bradford-2025](http://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/bradford-2025)

Music



Visiting Choir: Bowdon Parish Church

 Saturday 8th February
 5:30pm  Free entry

Bowdon Parish Church Choir is a mixed-voice choir of all ages that leads weekly Eucharist and Evensong services, a monthly full Choral Evensong and occasional Choral Matins at St Mary's Church, Bowdon in Greater Manchester.



Visiting Choir: Great St Mary's, Cambridge

 Sunday 16th February
 10:30am  Free entry

The University Church of the City of Cambridge. The choir is made up of children and youths drawn from local schools who join together with adult volunteers. The choir is directed by Bradford Cathedral's former Director of Music, Alexander Berry.

Wednesday@One Organ Recitals Spring 2025

Our weekly organ recital series showcases top-class performers playing beautiful music from across the centuries in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

The season is themed around
Music in Times of War.

Admission is free
Buffet Lunch (£4) at 12:30pm
Recitals at 1pm

8th Jan - Michael Haynes (Hexham Abbey)
15th Jan - Oliver Waterer (Selby Abbey)
22nd Jan - Emma Gibbins (Chelmsford Cathedral)
29th Jan - David Cowen (Leicester Cathedral)

5th Feb - John Hosking (Blackburn Cathedral)
12th Feb - Anthony Gray (St Wilfrid, Harrogate)

26th Feb - Will Campbell (Bradford Cathedral)

5th Mar - Pete Gunstone (Bradford Cathedral)
12th Mar - James Davy (Chelmsford)
19th Mar - Graham Thorpe (Bradford Cathedral)
26th Mar - Mark Brafield (Concert Organist)

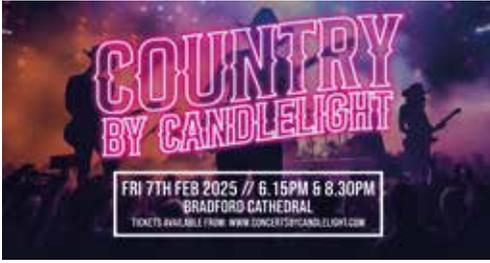
2nd Apr - Victoria Ulriksen (Ukraine)
9th Apr - Alex Binns (Derby Cathedral)
16th Apr - Lee Ward (Fulneck School)

There is also a Retiring Collection
towards the costs of the recitals.

Read weekly interviews
with the organists at
[bradfordcathedral.org.uk/
organ-recitals](http://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/organ-recitals)



Concerts by Candlelight



Country by Candlelight

- 📅 Friday 7th February
- 🕒 6:15pm / 8:30pm 🗳️ Various
- 👤 Concerts by Candlelight

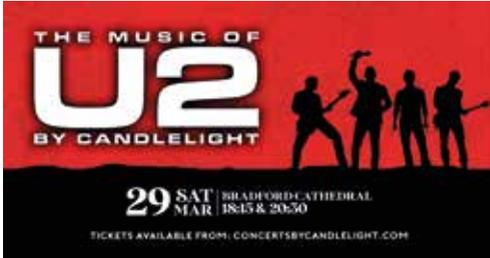
Calling all country music fans... we've got a show guaranteed to heal your *Achy Breaky Heart!* *Country By Candlelight* is finally here, so it's time to 'pour yourself a cup of ambition' and get ready to dance the night away!



80s Anthems by Candlelight

- 📅 Friday 28th February
- 🕒 6:15pm / 8:30pm 🗳️ Various
- 👤 Concerts by Candlelight

Calling 80s music fans "Everywhere"... this is your show! *80s Anthems By Candlelight* is here, serving up the biggest and best rock anthems, power ballads and pop classics of the decade, LIVE!



U2 by Candlelight

- 📅 Friday 29th March
- 🕒 6:15pm / 8:30pm 🗳️ Various
- 👤 Concerts by Candlelight

Calling all U2 super fans... we've found exactly what you're looking for! *The Music Of U2 By Candlelight* is finally here and it's guaranteed to be an *Unforgettable Fire!*



Taylor Swift by Candlelight

- 📅 Saturday 26th April
- 🕒 6:15pm / 8:30pm 🗳️ Various
- 👤 Concerts by Candlelight

Calling all Swifties and super fans ... *The Music Of Taylor Swift By Candlelight* is finally here and guaranteed to be a *Fairytale!* So, it's time to *Shake It Off* at the night of your *Wildest Dreams!*

For most of our concerts we offer a variety of alcoholic and non-alcoholic refreshments, and snacks, and accept card and cash. Please see our online listings for further details.

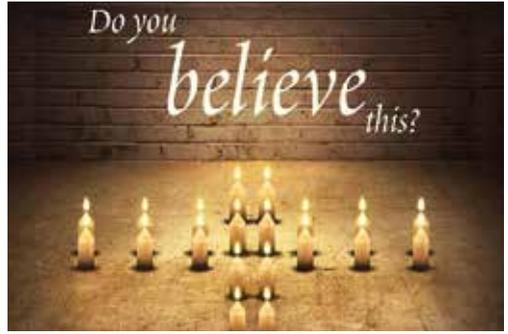


Epiphany

📅 Sunday 5th January

Epiphany is the second festival of the Church's season of Christmas. In this festival, Christians celebrate the drawing of the nations to worship the Christ child. You are invited to join us to worship at:

- 8am: Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10:30am: Choral Eucharist



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity service

📅 Sunday 19th January ⌚ 6pm

2025 marks 1,700 years since the Council of Nicaea, which led to the formulation of the Nicene Creed. We will reflect on the story of Martha's confession of faith in Jesus and his question to Martha: "Do you believe this?".



Candlemas

📅 Sunday 2nd February ⌚ 10:30am

Candlemas is the third and final festival of the Church's season of Christmas. In this festival, Christians celebrate that Jesus came to save not just his own people, but the whole world. *It will be followed by a Come and Sing event.*



Bradford & District Legal Service

📅 Sunday 9th February ⌚ 11am

Join us for the Bradford & District Legal Service 2025, with the Rt Revd Smitha Prasadam preaching for Racial Justice Sunday. Please be seated by 10:45am.

Worship



Healing Eucharist

📅 Sunday 9th February ⌚ 3:30pm

Jesus' ministry of healing continues through the Church today. All are welcome to join us for a service of Choral Eucharist, during which there will be the opportunity to receive prayer for healing, for yourself or for someone else, including anointing with oil.



World Day of Prayer service

📅 Friday 7th March ⌚ 2pm

Each one of us was made with care and love by God. When we receive this profound truth, it changes how we see ourselves and others, and changes our relationships. This service will invite us to notice things that we often take for granted.



Ash Wednesday

📅 Wednesday 5th March

"Remember that you are dust". Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent with an opportunity to embrace both our finitude and the mercy and power of God. Join us for reflective worship at:

- 8:15am: Holy Communion
- 10:15am: Holy Communion
- 7pm: The Liturgy of Ash Wednesday



Mothering Sunday

📅 Sunday 30th March

Historically, Mothering Sunday was a day for all Christians to visit the "mother" church of their area. You are welcome to join us for that reason, or simply to celebrate the gift of motherhood in all its forms. Services will be held at 8am, 10:30am and 3:30pm.



Holy Week & Easter

We are delighted to welcome the Rt. Revd. Jo Bailey-Wells, Bishop for Episcopal Ministry in, and Deputy Secretary-General of, the Anglican Communion, as our Holy Week Preacher.

Bishop Jo will lead our reflections on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday, drawing on stories and insights from the lives of our sisters and brothers in Christ across the world.



Palm Sunday | 13th April 2025

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

10:30am: The Liturgy of Palm Sunday:
Choral Eucharist with the Commemoration
of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem

This year's *Come and Sing* will be announced soon



Maundy Thursday | 17th April 2025

7pm: The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday:
Choral Eucharist with The Washing of Feet,
and The Stripping of the Altars, followed by
The Watch from c. 8:45pm until midnight

Good Friday | 18th April 2025

12noon: Preaching the Cross

1:30pm: The Liturgy of Good Friday: a service of
devotion around the cross



Holy Saturday | 19th April 2025

7pm: The Easter Liturgy: Choral Eucharist,
preceded by the Vigil and the Service of the Light,
and including Holy Baptism and the Renewal of
Baptismal Vows. The Bishop of Leeds, the Rt. Revd.
Nick Baines will lead the service and preach



Easter Sunday | 20th April 2025

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

10:30am: Choral Eucharist

3:30pm: Choral Evensong

For more information, please visit
bradfordcathedral.org.uk/worship

Family Activities



February Half-Term Family Activities

 Tuesday 18th February

 10am-12noon, 1-3pm  Free entry

Join us for more free family activities, as we welcome the spring with some lovely craft activities involving nature, flowers and woodland creatures and we celebrate being part of Bradford 2025.

At both events there will be colouring, quizzes and family-friendly guided tours at 11am and 2pm. You are also welcome to visit the Cathedral with your family and do your own self-guided tour. All are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Booking is essential to avoid disappointment.



Easter Holiday Family Activities

 Tuesday 8th April

 10am-12noon, 1-3pm  Free entry

Join us for more free family activities during the Easter holiday, with crafts, colouring, trails, quizzes and fun for all the family.



Become a Patron of Bradford Cathedral

It costs over £2,850 a day to maintain the wonderful heritage building that is Bradford Cathedral; to run our music, education and arts programmes; and continue to be open every day as a place of welcome to all.

Help us continue our work by becoming a Patron of Bradford Cathedral.

Patron Levels

Individuals

£250, £500 or £1,000 annually
by one off payment
or monthly direct debit

Corporates

£500 annually by
one off payment

For more information contact

bradfordcathedral.org.uk/patrons

or info@bradfordcathedral.org

or pick up a leaflet when visiting the cathedral

Regular Events

BRADFORD FAITH TRAIL
Celebrating fifteen years

Monday
Fellowship

 First Saturday of each month
(March - October)
 10am  Free entry

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.

The new season starts on Saturday 1st March, and meets at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Leeds Road.

The trail includes langar (communal vegetarian lunch at the gurdwara), and finishes at Bradford Cathedral around 3:15pm.

Booking is essential. If you would like more information or to book a place please e-mail faithtrail@bradfordcathedral.org or call 01274 77 77 20.

 Second Monday of each month
 2pm  Free entry

A series of thought-provoking talks on a wide range of subjects. Spend a few hours once a month in the company of others, listening to interesting and informative talks on a wide range of topics. New faces and old friends are very welcome, whether you come once for a particular talk or whether you come every month.

Monday 13th January
Topic TBC

Monday 10th February
Canon Ned Lunn - "Arts in Cathedrals"

Monday 10th March
Topic TBC

Monday 14th April
Revd Duncan Milwain -
Holy Week reflection

Please visit bradfordcathedral.org.uk/monday-fellowship for the full programme.

Leave your reviews

Have you visited Bradford Cathedral recently for an event or service, or as a visitor?

If so, we'd like to invite you to leave a review about your time here on Facebook, TripAdvisor, Google, Trustpilot, or Yell. Just search for 'Bradford Cathedral'.

You can also scan the QR code here to leave us a review on TripAdvisor.



Share Your Photos



  
@BfdCathedral

You can share your thoughts and photos of us on social media. Photography is welcome at Bradford Cathedral during our visiting hours and at certain events. Please speak to a member of the team about photography when you arrive. If you share any images on social media, please tag us in and use #BradfordCathedral.



You can also join our Camera Club on Facebook to share your favourite images. Please visit fb.com/groups/360860015676214 for more information.

Guided Tours



We offer group tours on Mon-Thurs during the Cathedral's opening hours, subject to diary availability. To avoid disappointment, booking well in advance is recommended. To book please e-mail maggie.myers@bradfordcathedral.org. For our general tour there is a suggested donation of £5 per person from those who can afford it.

There is also the option of a stained glass window or ecclesiastical textiles' tour of Bradford Cathedral. The cost of the specialist tours is £5 per person.

Life Events



We offer the possibility of supporting you and arranging significant life events for you and your family including Baptisms, Weddings, Blessings, Funerals and Spiritual Support. For all enquiries please e-mail the office on info@bradfordcathedral.org or phone 01274 77 77 20.

Pilgrimage



If you are visiting the Cathedral on foot or by bike - including as part of the Cathedrals Cycle Route - don't forget to see one of our staff to get your Pilgrim Passport stamped and stickered - or buy your Passport from our shop and start your pilgrimage journey! For more information, please visit bradfordcathedral.org.uk/pilgrimages.



Find us on



How to find us

We are within easy walking distance of Bradford city centre, local bus stops, and the Bradford Interchange and Forster Square train stations. There are three entrances into the Cathedral, from Stott Hill (accessible entrance), Church Bank and via the State Gate steps.

Local parking is available at The Broadway Bradford shopping centre every day from 6am until 1am, accessed via Hall Ings (BD1 1JR).

To find out more, to check our current opening times, and to see a map, please visit our website at bradfordcathedral.org.uk/plan-your-visit

Accessibility

If you have any questions about accessibility or if you require any assistance when getting to our events, please contact us using the details below.

Support the Cathedral

It costs over £2,850 each day to run the Cathedral and we are very reliant on the kindness and generosity of our congregation and public donations to help us continue our work. You can donate online at bradfordcathedral.org.uk or by contacting us by phone or e-mail.

Booking the Cathedral

You can also book Bradford Cathedral for your events, meetings, conferences, concerts and much more - visit our website for full details.



Weaving Jesus into the rich fabric of the city and beyond

✚ Bradford Cathedral, 1 Stott Hill, Bradford, BD1 4EH

☎ 01274 77 77 20 ✉ info@bradfordcathedral.org 🌐 bradfordcathedral.org.uk

📱📺📷📺📺📺 @BfdCathedral 🔍 Bradford Cathedral 🗣️ #BradfordCathedral