



The Liturgy of the Feast of Pentecost Sunday, 19th May, 2024 10.30am

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The Gathering

Organ Voluntary

Welcome and Notices

The Revd Duncan Milwain, Assistant Curate

Processional Hymn

We stand

Come down, O love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardour glowing; O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing. O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round, the while my path illuming. Let holy charity mine outward vesture be, and lowliness become mine inner clothing: true lowliness of heart. which takes the humbler part, and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing. And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace, till he become the place wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

> Words: Bianco Da Siena (d. 1434), tr. R. F. Littledale (1833-90) Music: 'Down Ampney', R. V. Williams (1872-1958) CP 175 i

The Greeting

The Revd Duncan Milwain

President In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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

Alleluia. Christ is risen. **He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Introduction

President Jesus Christ, whom we worship,
is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord
and we have walked with him through his journey of love.
We have faced the agony of his suffering and death on a cross.
We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death.
We have enjoyed his risen presence with us
and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread.
We have seen his return to the throne
before which every knee shall bow
and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord.
And now, with the followers of his own time,
we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people,
through whom we make Christ known to the world.

Responsory

President As we wait in silence, fill us with your Spirit.

As we listen to your word, fill us with your Spirit.

As we worship you in majesty, fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your refreshing, fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your renewing, fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your equipping, fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your empowering, fill us with your Spirit.

Silence is kept for a moment and then we sit.

The Pentecost Reading

Ashritha Santosh

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' ¹³But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning.

¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet loel: ¹⁷"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood. before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Acts 2.1-21

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

Gloria in Excelsis

We stand.

Choir Gloria in excelsis Deo,

et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam. Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dominus tu solus altissimus, Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord, thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Music: 'Missa Brevis', Neil Cox (b. 1955)

The Collect

President Let us pray that the Spirit will work through our lives to bring Christ to the world.

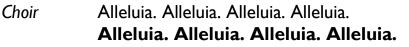
Silence is kept.

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

We remain standing.

The Liturgy of the Word





Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

The Gospel Reading

The Revd Nathaniel Osunwa

²⁶ When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, Deacon the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. ⁴But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. 'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

¹²'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The organ plays in response to the gospel reading.

Sermon

The Revd Canon Ned Lunn, Canon for Intercultural Mission and the Arts

Following an opening prayer, we sit.

The sermon will be followed by a time of silence.

Affirmation of Faith

We stand.

President Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

cf Ephesians 3

We sit.

Prayers of Intercession

The Revd Mary Fisher

We pray for God to fill us with his Spirit. Generous God, we thank you for the *power* of your Holy Spirit. We ask that we may be strengthened to serve you better. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the *wisdom* of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to make us wise to understand your will. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the *peace* of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to keep us confident of your love wherever you call us. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit.** We thank you for the *healing* of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to bring reconciliation and wholeness where there is division, sickness and sorrow. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the *gifts* of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to equip us for the work which you have given us. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the *fruit* of your Holy Spirit. We ask you to reveal in our lives the love of Jesus. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit.**

We thank you for the *breath* of your Holy Spirit, given us by the risen Lord. We ask you to keep the whole Church, living and departed, in the joy of eternal life. Lord, come to bless us **and fill us with your Spirit.**

Generous God, you sent your Holy Spirit upon your Messiah at the river Jordan, and upon the disciples in the upper room: in your mercy fill us with your Spirit, **hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy for ever. Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

The Revd Pete Gunstone, Minor Canon for Worship and Nurture

We stand.

President God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia. *cf 2 Corinthians 1.22* 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.

Offertory Hymn

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned. How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place, he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace. No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him; be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

> Words & Music: David J Evans (b.1957) CP 383

Preparation of the Table

President Blessed be God, who feeds the hungry, who raises the poor, who fills our praise. Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord is here. His Spirit is with us.

> Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord. Prayer A

This day we give you thanks because in fulfilment of your promise you pour out your Spirit upon us, filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth, and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith. Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father, to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name, for ever praising you and singing:

Choir Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Music: 'Missa Brevis', Neil Cox (b. 1955)

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; 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.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

- Deacon Praise to you, Lord Jesus: Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life: Lord Jesus, come in glory.
- President Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

We sit or kneel in silence.

The Lord's Prayer

President Being made one by the power of the Spirit, 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.

Breaking of the Bread

President We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei

Choir 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.

> Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

> > Music: 'Missa Brevis', Neil Cox (b. 1955)

Prayer for Personal Renewal

The Oil of Chrism, which may be used for anointing those who come forward for prayer for personal renewal during the Giving of Communion is presented.

Deacon Oil for the renewal of God's people.

President Be with us, Spirit of God; nothing can separate us from your love.

Breathe on us, breath of God; fill us with your saving power.

Speak in us, wisdom of God; bring strength, healing, and peace.

Giving of Communion

President Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Please come forward to receive communion as directed by the stewards. Please indicate to those serving communion if you would like a gluten-free wafer. If you would like to receive a blessing rather than communion, please keep your hands down.

During communion, you are also invited to come to the Lady Chapel for anointing prayer for personal renewal. Please come to the Lady Chapel after you have received communion.

Communion Motet

Choir Listen sweet dove unto my song And spread thy golden wings in me; Hatching my tender heart so long Till it get wing and flie away with thee. Such glorious gifts thou didst bestow That the earth did like a heaven appear, The starres were coming down to know If they might mend their wages and serve here. The sunne which once did shine alone, Hung down his head and wisht for night When he beheld twelve sunnes for one Going about the world and giving light. Lord though we change thou art the same, The same sweet God of love and light; Restore this day for thy great name, Unto his ancient and miraculous right.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633) Music: Grayston Ives (b. 1948)

Silence is kept.

Prayer after Communion

The Revd Duncan Milwain

President Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We stand.

The Dismissal

Blessing of Light

The ministers gather around the Easter candle.

President Blessed are you, sovereign God, overflowing in love.
With Pentecost dawns the age of the Spirit.
Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer.
Strong and weak, women and men tell out your word; the young receive visions, the old receive dreams.
With the new wine of the Spirit they proclaim your reign of love.
Amid the birth pangs of the new creation the way of light is made known.
Source of freedom, giver of life, blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God for ever.

Hymn

During this hymn, the congregation's candles are lighted. As the choir and clergy process to the West End and the West Doors are opened, we turn to face them.

Come, Holy Spirit, come! Inflame our souls with love, transforming every heart and home with wisdom from above. O let us not despise the humble path Christ trod, but choose, to shame the worldly-wise, the foolishness of God.

Come with the gift to heal the wounds of guilt and fear, and to oppression's face reveal the kingdom drawing near. Where chaos longs to reign, descend, O holy Dove, and free us all to work again the miracles of love.

Spirit of truth, arise; inspire the prophet's voice:
expose to scorn the tyrant's lies, and bid the poor rejoice.
O Spirit, clear our sight, all prejudice remove,
and help us to discern the right, and covet only love.

Give us the tongues to speak, in every time and place, to rich and poor, to strong and weak, the word of love and grace. Enable us to hear the words that others bring, interpreting with open ear the special song they sing.

Come, Holy Spirit, dance within our hearts today,
our earthbound spirits to entrance, our mortal fears allay.
And teach us to desire, all others things above,
that self-consuming holy fire, the perfect gift of love!

> Words: based on 1st Corinthians 12, Michael Forster (b. 1946) Music: 'Diademata', G. J. Elvey (1816-93 CP 179

Commission

Sisters and brothers, for fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us.

As part of God's Church here in Bradford, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be your guide?

By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love? We will.

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need?

We will.

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God? We will.

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places? We will.

The Conclusion

President The Lord is here. His Spirit is with us.

Today we have remembered the coming of God's power on the disciples and we invite that same Spirit to drive us out into the wild places of the world.

The Dismissal

President May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into you the life he gives. Amen. May the Spirit,

who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord. **Amen.**

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ. **Amen.**

The **Blessing**

The Revd Pete Gunstone

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

Deacon Filled with the Spirit's power, go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Organ Voluntary

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BRADFORD CATHEDRAL DIARY

The flowers this week are given by Brian Walker in loving memory of his wife Mary

TODAY	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
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Sunday 19 th May	10.30am	Choral Eucharist & Children's Space
	2–4pm	Pentecost Praise (City Park, see note)
	3.30pm	Choral Evensong
THIS WEEK	9 am	Morning Prayer (also online)
Monday-Saturday	l2noon	Midday Prayer
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer (online only)
Monday 20 th	5.30pm	Choral Evensong
Tuesday 21 st	I 0am	Secondary School Educational Visit
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong
	7.30pm	The Bible Course
Wednesday 22 nd	8.15am	Holy Communion (St Aidan's Chapel)
	10.15am	Holy Communion (St Aidan's Chapel)
	lpm	Organ Recital (see note)
	4.30pm	Grace Notes
	7.30pm	Welcome Evening (Deanery, see note)
Friday 24 th	7.30pm	Leeds Minster Bell Ringers
NEXT SUNDAY	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Sunday 26 th	10:30am	Choral Eucharist
	3.30pm	Choral Evensong
	6.30pm	An International Pentecost

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY@ONE ORGAN RECITALS The next concert will be by Graham Thorpe (Bradford). The recital, at 1pm, will be preceded by a buffet lunch (\pounds 4) at 12.30pm. Details: https://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/organ-recitals.

PENTECOST PRAISE Today from 2-4pm in City Park. On the day of Pentecost, the disciples witnessed to the crowds at the heart of Jerusalem. Pentecost Praise offers us an opportunity to gather for public worship and witness with Christians from across Bradford at the heart of our city. There will be various activities for all ages from 2pm and a Unity Service at 3.15pm. Bring a friend and bring garden/camping chair if you'd like something to sit on.

WELCOME EVENING on Wednesday 22nd May at 7.30pm in the Deanery (I Cathedral Close). A chance to meet the team and to find out how to take your place amongst us in our community. Please speak to Canon Ned for more information and to let him know you're coming so we can cater for you. ned.lunn@bradfordcathedral.org

MEAT LOAF BY CANDLELIGHT Saturday 25th May at 7.30pm. Join us for an incredible night of Meat Loaf Anthems, performed in the beautiful Bradford Cathedral by candlelight. To book tickets for this event go to https://www.tickettailor.com/events/kindadustyltd/1068008

BANK HOLIDAY OPENING We will trial being open on Bank Holiday Monday 27th May, from 10am - 4pm. Please do spread the word!

BRADFORD FAITH TRAIL Saturday 1st June. The Bradford Faith Trail takes in five fascinating places of worship, starting at 10am at St Peter's Roman Catholic Church at the top of Leeds Road and finishing at approximately 3:45pm at Bradford Cathedral. Booking is essential. For more information or to book a place please e-mail education@bradfordcathedral.org as the first contact, or call 01274 77 77 20. Booking closes on the Wednesday before each Faith Trail date.

TREE OF LIFE Friday 7th June at 7.30pm with Emma Johnson, clarinet, and The Orchestra for the Environment. Information & tickets: visit https://tree-of-life-bradford.eventbrite.co.uk

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION Do you sense a nudge from God to make an act of commitment in your following Jesus Christ? On Sunday, 16th June, Bishop Toby will be leading a service in which there will be opportunities for baptism (committing one's life to following Jesus Christ), confirmation (renewal of baptismal vows, followed by the bishop laying their hands on your head and asking God's Holy Spirit to give you the strength and commitment to live God's way for the rest of your life), and reception into the Church of England (renewal of baptismal vows followed by a formal welcome from the bishop and a special prayer). If you sense God's nudge in your life to take one of these steps, please speak to one of the clergy. If you have been baptised or confirmed in another Christian denomination, please note that we recognise this, but are happy to speak with you about how you might be able to make some sort of renewed act of commitment.

ORDINATION OF PRIESTS (Bradford Episcopal Area) Saturday 22nd June at 3pm. Curates from across the Bradford Episcopal Area, who have completed a year of being a Deacon, will gather in the cathedral to be ordained Priest by the Rt Revd Toby Howarth, Area Bishop of Bradford. Want to know more about what a priest is, does and looks like? Come along or watch the livestream.

ACT SHAKESPEARE PRESENTS 'THE COMEDY OF ERRORS'. ACT returns to the Cathedral on the 17th, 19th and 20th July to perform 'The Comedy of Errors'. More details and tickets: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/act-shakespeare-the-comedy-of-errors-3206759

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO TAIZÉ, FRANCE This summer, the Rt Revd Smitha Prasadam, Bishop of Huddersfield, will be leading a pilgrimage for young people and adults to Taizé, from Saturday 17th August to Monday 26th August. Bishop Smitha writes: "Taizé is an inspirational pilgrimage of trust, gathering people from all over the world. Simplicity and joy of heart define Taizé, and it has been the place where many have found or deepened their faith and prayer life, explored vocation, and committed their lives to Christ. Its songs and prayers continue to inspire worship worldwide. I do hope you can join this pilgrimage and look forward to welcoming you. For further information, please contact taize@holynativity.co.uk or speak to Revd Pete.

AN EVENING WITH PHILIPPA HANNA Friday 20th September at 7.30pm. Stained Glass Stories Live combines worship, testimony and storytelling and is perfect for all stages of the faith journey. For information and booking, please see https://philippa-hanna-bradford.eventbrite.co.uk/

BLACK DYKE & CATHEDRAL CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT Saturday 21st December. For information and booking, please see https://black-dyke-band.eventbrite.co.uk/

NOTICES

JOIN US Whether you've been coming for some time or you are new with us today, if you would like to explore becoming part of our community then please complete a welcome card that are available at the back of the Cathedral.

GET INVOLVED We are looking for people to serve in several ministries across our community, including with our children and to operate the livestream during our 10:30am Sunday Service. Please speak to a member of the clergy team or to one of our stewards if you want to know more.

SERMONS Listen back to most Bradford Cathedral sermons! New sermons are added each week, typically on a Monday morning. Listen back via: https://soundcloud.com/bfdcathedral

WHAT'S ON BOOKLET Paper copies available in the Cathedral, Tourist Information, and The Broadway. Online copies available via: bradfordcathedral.org.uk/featured-events

CATHEDRAL FLOWERS Would you like to sponsor a flower arrangement, perhaps in memory of someone or to celebrate a special day? There are still some dates available throughout 2024. See sign up list at the back of the Cathedral. For further information, contact Pat Anderson, Ann Hayward or the Cathedral Office 01274 777720 flowers@bradfordcathedral.org

NATIONAL WALKING MONTH May is National Walking Month, and there are various pilgrimages to and from Bradford Cathedral. Details can be found at bradfordcathedral.org.uk/pilgrimages, and copies of the 'Yorkshire Heritage Way' book are available to buy from our shop.

LOCAL ARTISTS ON CITY PARK BIG SCREEN. The work of past artists to be shown on the Big Screen in Centenary Square in Bradford throughout May and June will again showcase the marvellous legacy left behind by artists who were born, or lived, in the Bradford District. One artist showcased is Louisa Frances Pesel, whose altar cloth is on display here in the Cathedral Chapter House. The Past Bradford District Artists presentation will be shown daily at 12:30pm on the Big Screen until the end of June.

ANNUAL REPORT 2023 You can view / download a copy of our latest Annual Report at https://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/2024/05/01/annual-report-2023/

FAIRTRADE CAMPAIGNER OF THE MONTH As Fairtrade's logo marks its 30th year of use in the UK, Fairtrade Foundation has been celebrating all who have raised awareness for the cause, and in April, Bradford Cathedral was recognised as the Campaigner of the Month. You can find out more on the news page of our website.

NO MOW MAY Bradford Cathedral is once more supporting the annual No Mow May, by not having the grass outside the de Lacy Centre cut for this month. No Mow May is Plantlife's annual campaign calling all garden owners and green space managers not to mow during May – liberating your lawns and providing a space for nature. You can find out more - and join the movement - on the Plantlife website or by visiting the news page of our website.

CHILDRENS SPACE Due to half-term, there will be not be a session on Sunday 2nd June. Childrens Space resumes on June 9th. The last session before finishing for the summer break is on Sunday July 21st **APCM – Appointment of Church Wardens.** Monica Slocombe and Jenny Price were once again appointed as Church Wardens for the coming year. This will be Monicas last year as Warden and members of the congregation are encouraged to consider acting as Deputy to experience first-hand the tasks Monica & Jenny undertake with a view to standing for election in 2025. If you are interested, please speak to Monica.