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Welcome, particularly if you are visiting or with us for the first time. If you are, please do introduce yourself to a steward or member of the clergy.

Sunday 16th November 2025

The Second Sunday before Advent

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10:30am	Choral Eucharist (CW, also livestreamed)
<i>President</i>	Revd Duncan Milwain, Assistant Curate
<i>Preacher</i>	The Very Revd Andy Bowerman, Dean of Bradford
<i>Reading</i>	2 Thessalonians 3.6-13 (NT pp.204)
<i>Gospel</i>	Luke 21.5-19 (NT p.81)
<i>Music</i>	Stanford in B flat, Aston Author of Life Divine, Stanford Verdun from Organ Sonata No. 2, Hymns: 2, 427, 609
3:30pm	Choral Evensong (BCP)
	Byrd Responses, Psalm 97, Murrill in E, Stanford Jubilate in B-flat, Hymns: 606 (vv. 1-2, 4, 6), 396, Stanford Postlude in D Minor

COLLECT Heavenly Father whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FLOWERS this week are given by Christine and Philip Gibson remembering Christine's parents Marjorie and Alfred Robinson.

THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICE includes the baptism of Rowan Harry Clement Milwain and the reaffirmation of vows of baptism of Ashritha Santosh. Please pray for them and their families.

Weaving Jesus into the rich fabric of the city and beyond

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THIS WEEK

Monday-Saturday	9am	Morning Prayer (online)
	10am-4pm	Open with <i>Weaving Stories</i> and <i>From Rubble Reborn</i>
	12noon	Midday Prayer (Lady Chapel)
	5:30pm	Choral Evensong (Mon-Tue) (Quire/online) Evening Prayer (Wed-Sat) (online)
Monday	1pm-3pm	Sixth form college educational visit
Tuesday	10am-4pm	Cathedral closed
Wednesday	8:15am	Holy Communion (CW, St Aidan's Chapel)
	10:15am	Holy Communion (CW, St Aidan's Chapel)
	1pm	Wednesday@One Organ Recital
Friday	7:30pm	Re:Imagine Global Peace
Saturday	7:30pm	Adele – The Candlelight Concert
Sunday	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10:30am	Choral Eucharist
	11:45am	Just a Minute
	3:30pm	Choral Evensong (BCP)

NOTICES

PASTORAL SUPPORT At the cathedral we care about you and are always ready to offer you pastoral care. If you have any pastoral concerns or want to share prayer requests, speak to one of the clergy or send an e-mail to clergy@bradfordcathedral.org in the first instance.

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE The Community Committee is a valuable link between our Clergy and Chapter and the congregation. Community Committee members wear blue lanyards to make them more identifiable to the congregation. Please feel free to chat to them and ask any questions you may have.

16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM As part of Bradford Cathedral's ongoing commitment to safeguarding and community wellbeing, we are supporting the *16 Days of Activism* campaign from 25th November to the 10th December. Learn more at <https://www.unwomen.org/en/get-involved/16-days-of-activism>

WHAT'S ON BOOKLET You can pick this up from the Cathedral and around the city, or view it online at <https://www.bradfordcathedral.org.uk/featured-events>

SERVICES AND MUSIC LIST You can now view the Sep - Dec 2025 list at <https://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/music>

PRAYERS FOR OUR LIFE TOGETHER Prayer is at the heart of what we do both in our services and personally. During this time of change at the cathedral community, we invite you to join us in prayer weekly from Advent Sunday 30th November 9.30–10.15am in St Aidan's Chapel, and Thursdays 5.30–6pm online during evening prayer. (Zoom link can be found on cathedral website).

IN MEMORY OF BORI BENKO: CONTINUING HER LEGACY As we mark the fourth anniversary of Bori's death, her family wanted us as a community to be aware of the **Bori Benko Foundation for Children** set up to honour her memory and her unwavering passion for inclusive education for children with special needs and disabilities. The weblink for the Foundation is <https://benkoborialapitvany.hu/en/>

ANTIQUES ROADSHOW A Bradford Cathedral altar frontal was featured on Antiques Roadshow last Sunday, 9th November, and can be viewed on iPlayer. The segment is around 30 minutes into the broadcast and features Maggie Myers, our Director of Education and Visitors, talking about the piece.

FORTHCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

WEAVING STORIES You are invited to come and weave on our loom! Weaving Stories is an exciting art and heritage project as part of our contribution to the UK City of Culture, with funding from the National Lottery Heritage Fund. Find out more at <https://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/2025/05/12/places-of-worship-in-yorkshire-hit-the-national-lottery-jackpot/>

FROM RUBBLE REBORN Monday 20th October to Friday 28th November. In response to Jyoti Sahi's *Dalit Madonna*, this evocative sculpture invites reflection on birth, hope and humanity across borders. A baby emerges from rubble – fragile, sacred, universal. Who do the hands belong to? Encounter this work in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit as part of our Global Connections season.

ORGAN RECITALS The free Wednesday@One organ recitals this week continues the theme of 'Global Connections'. Our organist this week will be William Campbell, our Assistant Director of Music. The recitals are preceded with a buffet lunch at 12:30pm (£5). See <https://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/organ-recitals> for the full line-up.

RE:IMAGINE GLOBAL PEACE Friday 21st November, 7:30pm. Join David Porter, a leading figure in the Good Friday Agreement, in conversation with Kersten England CBE over food as we explore diplomacy in a fragmented world. How can we reimagine global peace amidst rising polarisation? Together, we'll uncover bold and creative ways to build trust and connection – locally and globally – for a more peaceful, shared future.

ADELE XPERIENCE Saturday 22nd November, 7:30pm. This concert promises an intimate, atmospheric ambiance that brings you closer to the music, with candles casting a warm glow. From Set Fire to the Rain & Make You Feel my Love to Someone Like You & I Drink Wine, the amazing live band and vocalist will capture Adele's powerful ballads and heartfelt lyrics, taking you on an emotional journey.

CAROLS OF THE 7 HILLS 27th November to 6th December. This Advent, Bradford's story is brought to life in six local venues, with a mystery at its heart. Written and directed by top creatives and featuring local talent, each night is unique. A perfect "invite-a-friend" opportunity, with follow-up Advent reflections available. Find a venue near you! Tickets available by visiting:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/o/119937177171>

NADIA EIDE Friday 28th November, 7pm. Chart topping soprano and star of The Voice UK, Nadia Eide, presents a spectacular Christmas concert for all ages. Singing festive favourites and classic songs, this show is sure to bring the Christmas joy! Features a special guest choir. All ages welcome.

ADVENT PROCESSION Sunday 30th November, 6pm. Advent is a season of expectation, of Jesus' first coming as a baby and of his anticipated second coming to make all things well. Join us for this atmospheric service in which that story is told through movement and music, from darkness to light.

ADVENT GROUP Wednesdays 3rd, 10th and 17th December, 2pm-3.30pm, in 2 Cathedral Close. This will be an opportunity to take some time away from the business of festive preparations and gather to prepare spiritually for Christmas as we read Scripture together, reflect and pray. Everyone is welcome and your presence will be appreciated! Let Henriette Howarth know if you are planning to come.
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THE CHRISTMAS ORCHESTRA Thursday 4th December, 7pm and 9:30pm. The Christmas Orchestra is back! After a wonderful run of sold out shows in 2024 we are excited to bring you more shows and locations in 2025. Get ready to discover the magic of the festive season with our unique concert experience.

G4 CHRISTMAS Friday 5th December, 7:30pm. Ignite your Christmas spirit with a sprinkling of G4's yuletide magic. Nourish your soul with their extraordinary and unique renditions of traditional carols, sacred contemplations, classical favourites and modern festive hits including *Silent Night*, *O Holy Night*, *All I Want for Christmas*, *Walking in the Air*, *When a Child is Born* and *The 12 Days of Christmas*.

INTERNATIONAL CHRISTMAS Sunday 7th December, 6-8pm at the Cathedral. This will be an informal, joyful Christmas celebration with food, music and worship from around the world. Everyone is welcome. Please let Henriette Howarth 07701 097881 or Jane Anikpe 07903 291662 know that you are planning to come and whether you can contribute to the food and worship so we will have a wonderful variety!