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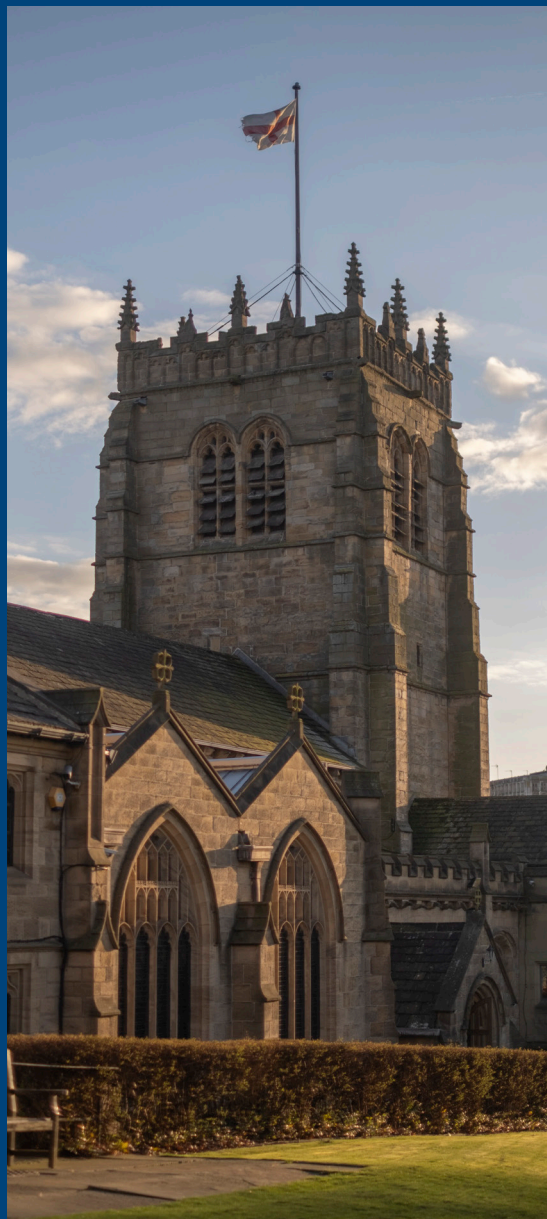
**Events &
What's On**

January - April 2026

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Welcome to Bradford Cathedral



Welcome to Bradford Cathedral!

Bradford Cathedral is open to everyone – whether for a service, an event or if you come to discover our history and heritage. We wish to serve you in any way we can, whatever your background, faith or spiritual beliefs. As we seek to weave Jesus into rich fabric of this city and beyond.

Maybe this guide will prompt you to join us in person, whether that's to discover more about the Bradford stories within our walls; to light a candle and to pray, or to join us for worship. You'd be most welcome.

Perhaps we will see you at one of our many events and exhibitions. Whatever the reason, we'd love to share Bradford Cathedral with you soon.

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"Weaving Jesus into the rich fabric of the city and beyond"

What's On this Season

Bradford Cathedral is a gathering place where the city's stories, cultures, and hopes are woven together: a space where faith, heritage, creativity, and shared purpose meet in conversation. Everything we do grows from our identity as local yet global, rooted yet evolving, open and welcoming to all.

Throughout 2026 we'll be exploring three themes: **Borders and Belonging, Transcendence and Technology, and Soil and Spirit.**

Borders and Belonging delves into migration, identity, and home through exhibitions, music, and storytelling that reflect the many threads of Bradford's life. **Transcendence and Technology** invites reflection on how artificial intelligence and digital innovation are reshaping what it means to be human and how creativity and ethics can guide us through change.

Our major conversation this season comes in April with **Re:Imagine: Environmental Conversation**, bringing together artists, thinkers, and community voices to explore how change begins close to home. Part of our **Soil and Spirit** theme, it encourages us to rediscover hope in our relationship with the natural world. Instead of fear or despair, we look for the joy, imagination, and collaboration that grow from caring for creation.

We invite you to join us, take part, and help us continue weaving a story of hope for our city, our planet, and all who share it.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's business.

Bradford Cathedral is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of its ministry and mission, promoting a safer culture and the welfare of every child, young person and adult. This commitment is shared by our staff and volunteers.

As such, the Cathedral has robust policies, procedures and guidelines in place, to ensure good practice throughout its activities.

To view our policies and commitments and for details of how to report a concern, please visit:

bradfordcathedral.org.uk/safeguarding/

Re:Imagine



Headline Event this Season

Re:Imagine Environmental Conversation

In a world facing environmental anxiety and technological transformation, what does it mean to live hopefully and responsibly in our place? See event details on page 12.

Special Services

The Cathedral hosts a number of special services throughout the year and you are welcome to join us.

Sun 18th Jan	Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	6pm	p7
Sun 1st Feb	Candlemas Carol Service	5pm	p8
Sun 8th Feb	Bradford & District Legal Service	11am	p8
Wed 18th Feb	Liturgy of Ash Wednesday	7pm	
Sun 22nd Feb	Choral Evensong with Installation of Canons	3:30pm	
Fri 6th Mar	Women's Day of Prayer Service	2pm	p10
Sun 29th Mar	Palm Sunday	10:30am	p13
Thur 2nd Apr	Maundy Thursday	7pm	p13
Fri 3rd Apr	Good Friday	12pm	p13
Sat 4th Apr	Holy Saturday	7pm	p13
Sun 5th Apr	Easter Sunday	10:30am	p13

Regular Services

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

Monday - Saturday

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

Monday + Tuesday

5:30pm - Choral Evensong

Wednesdays

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

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

For more information about our services please visit:
bradfordcathedral.org.uk/worship-music/worship/

Music and Arts

Bradford Cathedral has a vibrant programme of concerts and recitals, and is host to a range of exhibitions and cultural events that explore our themes for the year.

Weekly	Wednesday@One Organ Recitals	1pm	p15
Sat 17th Jan	Candlelight by Fever	6:30pm	p6
Thur 22nd Jan	The World Reimagined		p6
Sat 14th Feb	The Best of Bridgerton by Mystery Ensemble	7pm	p8
Sat 7th Mar	Be a Chorister	10am	p10
Weds 11th Mar	Riding Lights - Night Falls	7:30pm	p10
Sat 21st Mar	Pink Floyd's Wish You Were Here & Dark Side of the Moon	7pm	p10
Sun 29th Mar	Bradford Cathedral Choir: Messiah - G F Handel	7pm	p11
Sat 18th Apr	Hayao Miyazaki's Dreams by Mystery Ensemble	7pm	p12
Fri 24th Apr	Re:Imagine Environmental Conversation- Headline Event	7:30pm	p12

Tours, Talks and Meetings

We have a busy schedule of tours, talks and group meetings that you can join to explore our community, history, or themes for the year.

Monthly	Monday Fellowship	2pm	p14
Biweekly	Cathedral Stitches	1pm	p16
Monthly	Bradford Faith Trail	10am	p14
Weekly	Alpha	7pm	p6
Sat 24th Jan	Ecclesiastical Textiles' Tours	11am/1pm	p7
Sat 31st Jan	"After Dark" Visits	4:30pm/7pm	p7
Tues 17th Feb	February Half Term Family Activities	10am/1pm	p9
Sat 21st Feb	The World Reimagined Family Activities	11am	p9
Sat 28th Feb	Lent Retreat with Bishop Toby	10am	p9
Sat 28th Mar	William Morris & Co. Stained Glass Tours	11am/1pm	p11
Tues 7th Apr	Easter Holidays' Family Activities	10am/1pm	p12

To book tickets to our events:

 bradfordcathedral.org.uk/whats-on/featured-events/

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Candlelight by Fever

Sat 17th Jan | 6:30pm / 8:30pm | Ticketed

Experience the magic of live music by candlelight. Fever's Candlelight Concerts bring world-class musicians to breathtaking venues, illuminated by thousands of flickering candles. From classical masterpieces to modern hits, immerse yourself in an unforgettable, multi-sensory performance that blends beauty, emotion, and atmosphere like never before.



The World Reimagined

Thurs 22nd Jan - Thurs 26th Feb

Exhibiting During Opening Hours | Free Entry

This unique exhibition features a stunning collection of globe sculptures, each painted by Black British, Caribbean and U.K. artists. These vibrant works of art showcase their exceptional talent whilst serving as a powerful medium to narrate compelling stories of resilience, creativity, and progress.

Try Alpha

Curious About Faith? Try Alpha

Try Alpha at Bradford Cathedral
from January 13th 2026

Tuesdays at 7pm

Interested?

Email alpha@bradfordcathedral.org



Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Sun 18th Jan | 6pm

Bradford Cathedral invites all to gather across traditions and cultures in a spirit of shared hope. Inspired by the ancient faith of Armenia, we celebrate one body and one Spirit; rooted, open, and creative in weaving God's unity into our diverse world.



Ecclesiastical Textiles' Tours

Sat 24th Jan | 11am / 1pm | Ticketed | £7

Bradford Cathedral is fortunate enough to have in its collection a number of beautiful, intricate and historically significant ecclesiastical textiles. Join us as we tour the Cathedral, seeing these stunning textiles in situ – some of which are rarely on display, and one of which has recently been featured on *Antiques Roadshow*.



Bradford Cathedral “After Dark” Visits

Sat 31st Jan | 4:30pm / 7pm | Ticketed | £10

Experience Bradford Cathedral after dark, with key features illuminated by candles and coloured light. There will be an introductory short talk about the building from our historian, who will also be on hand throughout the experience to answer any questions. You will then be free to self-tour the building at your own pace, experiencing it as never before.

Not suitable for young children, those with impaired vision or mobility, due to steps, uneven surfaces and limited lighting.

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Candlemas Carol Service

Sun 1st Feb | 5pm

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.

Bradford & District Legal Service

Sun 8th Feb | 11am

Join us for the Bradford & District Legal Service 2025. Please be seated by 10:45am.


The Best of Bridgerton by Mystery Ensemble

Sat 14th Feb | 7pm | Ticketed | From £25

A live concert inspired by the world's most beloved high-society drama. Step into the glittering world of balls, secrets, and string quartets with The Best of Bridgerton - a concert that brings the orchestral heart of the hit Netflix series to life!

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Please note that some tickets are hosted by external event partners.





February Half Term Family Activities

Tues 17th Feb | 10am and 1pm | Ticketed | Free

Join us for more free family activities during the half term holiday, as we welcome the spring with some lovely craft activities involving flowers and woodland creatures. There will also be colouring, quizzes and trails for children of all ages to enjoy and the opportunity to take part in a family-friendly guided tour of the Cathedral at 11.30am or 2.30pm, for those who are curious to know more about this beautiful and historic building- the oldest building in Bradford!

Join us for fun, facts, crafting and investigating!

Places are free but booking is essential. Children must be accompanied by an adult.



The World Reimagined Family Activities

Sat 21st Feb | 11am | Ticketed | Free

Free family activities revolving around The World Reimagined, our winter exhibition, filled with joyous performances and activities such as face painting, craft making and music workshops.



Lent Retreat with Bishop Toby

Sat 28th Feb | 10am | Ticketed | Free

Lent is a time to follow Jesus more closely in our world today and to prepare our hearts and minds for Good Friday and Easter. This retreat will offer opportunities to reflect, pray, be silent and connect with others.



Women's Day of Prayer Service

Sat 6th March | 2pm | Free Entry

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.



Be a Chorister

Sat 7th March | 10am | Free Entry

Come along to Bradford Cathedral to see what it's like to become a chorister! You'll get to meet the current choristers, sing with them too, and hear our magnificent Cathedral organ. Email geoffrey.woollatt@bradfordcathedral.org if you're interested or have any questions.



Riding Lights - Night Falls

Weds 11th March | 7:30pm | Ticketed | From £10

As two believers in hiding await the execution of the Messiah a strange hope emerges. They are in the house of Lazarus, and under his roof, the impossible has already occurred... Night Falls is a dynamic retelling of the Easter story, blending powerful drama with space for reflection and worship.



Pink Floyd's Wish You Were Here & Dark Side of the Moon

Sat 21st March | 7:30pm | Ticketed | From £21

Everything Under The Sun bring their live celebration of the music of Pink Floyd to Bradford Cathedral. This will be a 2 hour show that features bespoke video content accompanying the seven-piece band (featuring the Cathedral organ).

March



William Morris & Co. Stained Glass Tours

Sat 28th March | 11am / 1pm Ticketed | £7

There are wonderful examples of Morris & Co. glass in Bradford Cathedral and in March it will be 192 years since the birth of this remarkable man. To celebrate his life and work, join us for a special Morris & Co. stained glass window tour of Bradford Cathedral.



Bradford Cathedral Choir: Messiah - G F Handel

Sun 29th March | 7pm | Ticketed | From £20

Handel's Messiah is a famous Baroque oratorio. This large-scale work is divided into three parts: the prophecies and birth of the Messiah, Christ's suffering and resurrection, and the Day of Judgment. While often associated with Christmas, the oratorio's narrative covers the Christian Lent and Easter stories and includes the iconic "Hallelujah" chorus.

Enrol your child to

BECOME A CHORISTER

at Bradford Cathedral

Do you know a child aged
7-10 who likes singing?

We are looking out for new choristers! Our choristers sing for the weekly services and have opportunities to sing in concerts, or for TV and Radio. They also go on trips and tours, and receive a free, first class musical education.



We are looking for children aged 7-10 who enjoy singing, no experience necessary.

Interested? Get in contact with Geoffrey Woollatt, our Director of Music, on geoffrey.woollatt@bradfordcathedral.org. For more information follow the QR code to our webpage.





Easter Holidays' Family Activities

Tues 7th April | 10am and 1pm | Ticketed | Free

Have you run out of things to do in the school holidays? What about a visit to Bradford Cathedral this Easter?

There will be a range of crafts, colouring and quizzes on offer to suit all ages, with lots of Easter and spring-related activities and the opportunity to take part in a family-friendly guided tour of the Cathedral at 11.30am or 2.30pm, for those who are curious to know more about this beautiful and historic building- the oldest building in Bradford!

Places are free but booking is essential. Children must be accompanied by an adult.



Hayao Miyazaki's Dreams by Mystery Ensemble

Sat 18th April | 7pm | Ticketed | From £25

The Miyazaki Dreams concert is an immersion in the fabulous atmosphere of the anime of the world-famous Japanese director and Oscar winner Hayao Miyazaki. The evening programme includes renowned works composed by ingenious Joe Hisaishi!



Re:Imagine Environmental Conversation

Fri 24th April | 7:30pm | Ticketed

Join Sophie Vipond, Director of External Affairs at the Climate Commission, alongside a poet, a scientist, and an artist, as we explore how change begins close to home. Through conversation, story, and creativity, we'll ask how faith, science, and imagination can weave a more sustainable and joy-filled future for Bradford and beyond.



Holy Week & Easter

This Holy Week, the story of Christ is woven through the life of our city once more. Beginning with Handel's Messiah and unfolding through a week of storytelling, reflection, and song, we journey together through darkness and dawn. In the meeting of many voices and cultures, discover the thread of hope that binds us: the living story that still weaves the world anew.

Palm Sunday | 29th March

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

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

7pm: Bradford Cathedral Choir: Messiah - G F Handel

Evensong | 30th and 31st March

5:30pm: Join the adults of the Cathedral Choir as they sing Thomas Tallis's setting of the Lamentations of the Prophet Jeremiah during Evensong on Monday and Tuesday of Holy Week

Maundy Thursday | 2nd April

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 | 3rd April

12noon: Preaching the Cross

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

Holy Saturday | 4th April

1pm: Messy Easter

7pm: The Easter Liturgy: Choral Eucharist, preceded by the Vigil and the Service of the Light

Easter Sunday | 5th April

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

10:30am: Choral Eucharist. The Rt Revd Toby Howarth, Acting Bishop of Leeds, will be celebrating with us

3:30pm: Choral Evensong

BRADFORD FAITH TRAIL

Celebrating fifteen years

First Saturday of every month | 10am |
Ticketed | 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 7th 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 (preferred) or call 01274 77 77 20.



Monday Fellowship

Second Monday of every month | 2pm |
Free entry | de Lacy Centre

A series of thought-provoking talks on a wide range of subjects. All are welcome.

Are you free on Monday afternoons? Would you like to spend a few hours once a month in the company of others, listening to interesting and informative talks on a wide range of topics?

Why not join us for Monday Fellowship. New faces and old friends are very welcome, whether you come once for a particular talk or whether you come every month.

Topics January - April

12th Jan | Derek Barker:
The Light of Heaven- English Stained Glass

9th February | Revd Henriette Howarth:
A Dutch Priest in Bradford

9th March | Revd Duncan Milwain:
Lenten Reflection

13th April | Cal Bailey:
"Marriage, Money and Climate Change – Reflections on visiting a Christian Aid project in rural Bangladesh"

For more information call
01274 77 77 20 or email
education@bradfordcathedral.org

Regular Events



Wednesdays@One Organ Recitals Spring 2026

From Weds 7th Jan | 1pm | Free entry

Our weekly organ recital series showcases top-class performers playing beautiful music from across the centuries in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. This season, we are **celebrating 100 years since the birth of Queen Elizabeth II.**

Buffet lunch at 12:30pm £5
Programme for the season £2

7th Jan- Ed Jones (Freelance Organist)
14th Jan- Chris Strange (Peterborough Cathedral)
21st Jan- John Robinson (Blackburn Cathedral)
28th Jan - Matthew Collins (Howden Minster)

4th Feb - Kumi Choi (Basel, Switzerland)
11th Feb - William Campbell (Bradford Cathedral)
25th Feb - Aaran Fleet (Cathedral of the Isle Man)

4th Mar - Euan Goodwin (Freelance Organist)
11th Mar- Christopher Stokes (Manchester Cathedral)

18th Mar - Scott Senogles (Pontefract)
25th Mar - Geoffrey Woollatt (Bradford Cathedral)

Summer Season- celebrating 250 Years since American Declaration of Independence

22nd Apr - Gordon Stewart (Concert Organist)
29th Apr - William Campbell (Bradford Cathedral)

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Friends

Join The Friends of Bradford Cathedral, an independent charity that works to:

- Care for the Cathedral and its upkeep
- Bring like minded supporters together in fellowship
- Raise funds to support Cathedral projects, education, and community

Friends regularly join together at the Cathedral, and £15 annual membership includes invitations to special outings and social events.

Stitchers

The Friends are currently leading the Stitching the Cathedral project that is working on kneelers and cushions for the Lady Chapel and the Sanctuary. They have already completed kneelers for the High Altar and for St Aidan's Chapel. Hundreds of people from all walks of life have joined the regular crew who have woven thousand of hours of fellowship, companionship and prayer into this element of Polly Meynell's vision for the Sanctuary of the Cathedral.

The Cathedral Stitchers meet to work on the kneelers biweekly on Tuesdays at 1:30pm, and refreshments are provided.

To find out more please email Jane Thompson on
friends@bradfordcathedral.org





Patrons



Join us

Why not become a Patron today? You will play an important role in cherishing our beautiful Cathedral now, and helping to secure its future.

Join like-minded, passionate supporters at events in the Cathedral and at the Deanery, and enjoy special benefits throughout the year such as VIP receptions and special music events. Membership starts from just £20 per month.



The Gift of Giving - you can also make a gift of membership for a friend or loved one; they will receive full membership benefits all year round and be part of caring for a special building at the heart of Bradford's story. Speak to us today to find out more.



To find out more go to the Patrons page on our website at bradfordcathedral.org.uk/patrons or contact Liz Purchase on liz.purchase@bradfordcathedral.org or 01274 777720

Plan Your Visit

Bradford Cathedral welcomes visitors from all faiths and none, whether you're interested in history, prayer, architecture or art there is something here for you. Plan your visit and find out more about us below:

Regular Opening Times

Our regular opening times are Monday - Saturday, 10am - 4pm, and for prayer and services. Last entrance is 15 minutes before we close. We are only open on Sundays for services, though our entrances may be open at certain times for worshippers and for the choir to enter. Entry to Bradford Cathedral is free, but donations are welcomed. Please visit our website for any changes.

Get in Touch and Book

These details can be used to contact us, or to book your tickets at our events. Our office is open Mon-Thu 10am-2:45pm to receive calls or assist visitors in person with bookings or any other enquiries. We can take cash or card payments.

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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. The cost of a group guided tour is £5 per person.

There is also the option of a stained glass window, architecture or ecclesiastical textiles' tour of Bradford Cathedral. The cost of the specialist tours is £7 per person.

Photography

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.

Please note that we request that you don't take photographs or film during a service or activities involving children.

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.

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!

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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.

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