

## Weekly News Sheet

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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 4<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Epiphany Sunday

<b>8am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b>
<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Choral Eucharist (CW, also livestreamed)</b>
<i>President</i>	Revd Duncan Milwain, Assistant Curate
<i>Preacher</i>	The Very Revd Andy Bowerman, Dean of Bradford
<i>Reading</i>	Isaiah 60.1-6 (OT p.700)
<i>Gospel</i>	Matthew 2.1-12 (NT p.1)
<i>Music</i>	Croce Missa Prima sexti toni, <i>Cornelius/Atkins</i> The Three Kings, <i>Litaize</i> Epiphanie, Hymns: 89, 72, 91
<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer (online)</b>

**COLLECT** O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**FLOWERS** today are given by Monica Slocombe in loving memory of Rodney.

*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	Cathedral Open
	12noon	Midday Prayer (Lady Chapel)
	5:30pm	Choral Evensong (Mon-Tue) (Quire/online) Evening Prayer (Wed-Sat) (online)
Monday	1pm	Funeral – Sue Penfold
Tuesday	1pm	Stictching@Bradford Cathedral
Sunday	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10:30am	Choral Eucharist
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer (online)

## 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](mailto: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.

**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 on Sundays at 9.30–10.15am in St Aidan's Chapel, and Thursdays 5.30–6pm online during evening prayer.

**THE SEASON OF GIVING** We want to say a heartfelt thank you to all who donate, helping with the Cathedral's £2,800 per day upkeep costs. Could you too make a donation this Epiphany, become a Patron or a regular donor? To find out more about how to support, please contact Liz Purchase, Head of Fundraising, [liz.purchase@bradfordcathedral.org](mailto:liz.purchase@bradfordcathedral.org)

**SUE PENFOLD** The funeral will be held in Bradford Cathedral on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January at 1pm, followed by light refreshments; there will be a private committal at Shay Grange Crematorium afterwards.

**DEAN ANDY'S FAREWELL** Dean Andy's final service will be on January 18th 2026. After this there will be a lunch, speeches and presentations. Lunch will start at 12noon. If you are able to bring a cake or dessert for the farewell lunch, please let Angelique Glata ([angelique.glata@bradfordcathedral.org](mailto:angelique.glata@bradfordcathedral.org)) or the office know. The churchwardens, Jenny Price and Jackie Vickers, are organising a leaving gift for him and Ali. If you wish to make a contribution, you can use this QR code to do so, or else leave your gift in a sealed envelope with a churchwarden or Julie in the Cathedral office.



**JOIN US & GET INVOLVED** If you would like to explore becoming more involved in our community then please complete a welcome card that are available at the back of the Cathedral. We are looking for people to serve in several ministries although our churchwardens are especially looking for people to become stewards for refreshments, Sunday and other services and also events. Find out more from a member of clergy or one of the churchwardens, Jackie and Jenny. Please be aware that you will need to be safely recruited to all volunteer roles.

**FLOWER ROTA** Would you like to sponsor a flower arrangement, perhaps in memory of someone, to celebrate a special day or just to say thank you for something? If so, the new Flower Rota for 2026 is available and if you would like to sponsor a display, please put your name down on the list behind the sound desk at the back of the Cathedral against the date you would like. Enquiries about how to sponsor an arrangement and the donation towards the cost of the flowers should be made to either Pat Anderson, Ann Hayward, the Cathedral Office or email to [flowers@bradfordcathedral.org](mailto:flowers@bradfordcathedral.org). Thank you.

**GRACE NOTES** will be returning in January. This is our children's community choir, which will meet on Wednesday evenings from 4.30-5.30pm. As part of this, your child will receive free singing & musical tuition, become a more confident singer, and most importantly, will have lots of fun. If your child is interested please do get in contact with Geoffrey Woollatt on [geoffrey.woollatt@bradfordcathedral.org](mailto:geoffrey.woollatt@bradfordcathedral.org)

## FORTHCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

**WEDNESDAY@ONE ORGAN RECITALS SPRING 2026** From Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January, 1pm. This season, we are celebrating 100 years since the birth of Queen Elizabeth II, and our first recitalist will be Ed Jones. The recitals are preceded with a buffet lunch at 12:30pm (£5). See <https://bradfordcathedral.org.uk/organ-recitals> for the full line-up.

**THE WORLD REIMAGINED EXHIBITION** From Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January. This unique exhibition features a stunning collection of globe sculptures, each painted by Black British, Caribbean and U.K. artists in collaboration with local school children.

**TRY ALPHA** The Alpha course is for anyone who is curious about the Christian faith, and wants to explore the big questions of life with others. Bradford Cathedral is running the Alpha course for 8 weeks on Tuesday evenings, 7-8.30pm from the 20th January. Come along to the first session and see what you think. Invite a friend and bring them along too. Interested? Email [alpha@bradfordcathedral.org](mailto:alpha@bradfordcathedral.org)

**ECCLESIASTICAL TEXTILES' TOURS** Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January, 11am and 1pm. Tour Bradford Cathedral's stunning textiles' collection with our expert historian. Highlights include textiles by Morris & Co. and an altar frontal that was recently showcased on BBC One's Antiques Roadshow, designed by renowned Bradfordian embroiderer Louisa Pesel. Book at: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/bradford-cathedral-13158341111>

**CATHEDRAL AFTER DARK EXPERIENCE** Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January, 4:30pm and 7pm. You are invited to explore this stunning building by candlelight, with different areas illuminated by coloured light and sound. Come along to experience the building in a new way, learn its history, and get a glimpse of how it felt in the past. Book at: <https://after-dark.eventbrite.co.uk/>

**CANDLEMAS CAROL SERVICE** Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February, 5pm. Candlemas is the third and final festival of the Church's season of Christmas. In this festival, we celebrate that Jesus came to save not just his own people, but the whole world.

**HANDEL'S MESSIAH** Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March, 7pm. Experience possibly one of the most famous pieces of music ever written, presented by Bradford Cathedral's choir. It is commonly staged during the lead up to Christmas; however, the Ontario's narrative also covers the Lent and Easter stories. Join us for an epic performance complete with spectacular choral and orchestral music. Book at: <https://handels-messiah-bradford.eventbrite.co.uk>