Outside our usual pattern of

worship

SUNDAY BULLETIN

Sunday 2 November 2025

All Saints' and All Souls'

SERVICES TODAY:

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Celebrant &

Preacher:

The Right Reverend Tim Stevens

9.00 am All-Ages Eucharist

President & The Canon Precentor

Preacher: The Dean

10.30 am Festal Eucharist for All Saints' (L)

Choir: Adults of the Cathedral Choir

President: The Canon Precentor

Preacher: Caitlin Fitzjohn, Cathedral Reader Hymns: A&M 296 (vv.1,2,4,6,8), 683, 283

Setting: Mass for three voices William Byrd

Anthem: O quam gloriosum Thomas Luis de Victoria

Voluntary: Toccata and fugue in D minor BWV 565 1. S. Bach

3.30 pm Requiem Eucharist for All Souls' (L)

Choir: St Edmundsbury Singers and the Adults of the Cathedral Choir

Hymns: A&M 794i, 721ii

Setting: Requiem W. A. Mozart
Voluntary: Angel's Farewell Edward Elgar

SERVICES IN THE WEEK AHEAD:

Details of this week's services can be found on the Cathedral's website or on service booklets throughout the Cathedral, but please check as they may be subject to change: stedscathedral.org.

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NOTICES THIS WEEK:

Kagera Stall, Today, Sunday 2 November:

There will be a Kagera stall this Sunday after the 9.00 am and 10.30 am services. There will be craft work on sale produced in our Link Diocese in Tanzania. This year we have raised £1,203.24 towards the provision of water storage tanks. A large tank has recently been installed at a Special Needs Unit in a village Primary School which is transforming the physical care of the many children there. This is now the rainy season there and the water levels in the tanks will be replenished.

Remembering the Departed, Today, All Souls' Requiem Eucharist:

Our Sung Requiem Eucharist for All Souls' Day, where we give thanks for, and remember, departed loved ones, friends and family, is at 3.30 pm this Sunday (2 November), when the choir will sing Mozart's setting. The small card crosses, upon which you can write the names of departed loved ones you wish to remember at the service, are now available at the back of the Cathedral. Please bring them to the service to place on the cross.

First Tuesday Lunch, Tuesday 4 November:

First Tuesday lunch will be held in Pilgrims' Kitchen from 12.00 noon on 4 November. People buy their own lunch at the counter which is served at reserved tables. An opportunity to chat with others from the Cathedral community. Tea/coffee is provided.

Hymn Singalong, Tuesday 4 November at 2.00 pm:

Come along to St Edmundsbury Cathedral on Tuesday 4 November at 2.00 pm and join together to sing favourite hymns. This is a service for those living with dementia or similar conditions, and their carers. Refreshments will be served afterwards, to which you are very welcome.

Choral Matins for Remembrance Sunday, 9 November, 10.00 am:

On Remembrance Sunday, 9 November, everyone is welcome to the Cathedral's service of Choral Matins at the earlier time of 10.00 am. Please note that Angel Hill, Chequer Square and Crown Street will be closed for the town's Remembrance Sunday Parade from 10.00 am - 2.00 pm.

Baking for the Christmas Market:

November is here and it is less than four weeks to our Christmas Market. Please could members of the congregation think about baking some goodies sweet or savoury for our home produce stall. Whatever you like to eat we can sell! If you are not able to bake and would like to make a donation towards ingredients for us to bake, that will also be most welcome. If you are able to give us a session of help to serve on the stall we shall be very glad to hear from you. Please contact Christine Andrews 01284 723785.

Christmas with the Cathedral Choir, Saturday 13 December:

Tickets are now on sale for Christmas with the Cathedral Choir! Join the Cathedral Choir and the RAF Honington Voluntary Band for a festive evening of beautiful and uplifting Christmas music, with a chance to sing along in favourite audience carols. Book your tickets at: https://stedscathedral.org/events/christmas-with-the-cathedral-choir/.

Pastoral Support:

Cathedral Office.

If you or someone you know in the Cathedral community would like support, please do let us know. Visits to home or hospital can be arranged, with Communion if wanted. Contact either Canon Matthew Vernon or Pam Pitts on 01284 763020, email pastoral.coordinator@stedscathedral.org or leave a note in the Pastoral pigeonhole in the

An update from the Cathedral Gardeners:

We have had colourful floral displays in the Garden of Remembrance and in front of Pilgrims' Kitchen throughout the Summer. This has been achieved by the care of team members particularly during the two spells of drought when we were watering several times each week. The Herb Garden is looking particularly good at present with the dead blooms preserved — the monks would have used seeds as well as foliage for their potions. The Edmund Roses, benefiting from skillful pruning earlier in the year, have again bloomed spectacularly. Current plans for the Abbey Reborn project envisage the relocation of these roses and we have been working to ensure this is done appropriately, so that the roses survive into the future. In early Autumn last year we supplied bud wood to Trevor White Roses of Felthorpe near Norwich. After successful propagation their website shows the St Edmund's Rose under 'New Additions 2025'. We are currently planting for winter, wallflowers, pansies and violas.

NEXT SUNDAY, 2 November, Remembrance Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.00 am All-Ages Eucharist

10.00 am Choral Matins
3.30 pm Choral Evensong

The full version of the Sunday bulletin is available by email. If you are not receiving the bulletin this way and would like to, please email us at reception@stedscathedral.org. You can also use the QR code here to sign up via our website.





Sunday Bulletin: copy deadline is 12 noon every Wednesday.

Send items to liturgy.admin@stedscathedral.org

COLLECT

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

READINGS TODAY:

THE FIRST READING:

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Ephesians 1.11-end

THE GOSPEL READING:

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now,

for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

'But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.