

Wowed by Winter

at Manchester Cathedral

WINTER EVENTS 2017

Christmas concerts and services ! Messiah at Manchester Cathedral
Terrific Tuesdays Family Fun ! Medieval Mancunian: The Huntington Deeds
Hanging Ditch Wine Fair ! Manchester Camerata Up Close Hugo Ticciati
The Manchester Sleepout ! Christmas Arts and Crafts Fair ! FREE Saturday Coffee Concerts

I was visiting from Canada and just wandered in by chance. Surprised and delighted by the age of the church, its beauty and its very refreshing modern attitude.



Laurel – 23 – Canada

Thanks to this issue's cover star Laurel who was visiting from Canada and amazed by the beauty of the medieval quire and the stained glass windows.

You may be surprised to learn that 65% of visitors to Manchester Cathedral are from overseas.

Live locally and not yet set foot in the building? Check out this programme of winter events and see if we can wow you too.

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October events

Terrific Tuesday Busy Bees and Crafty Foxes Tuesday 24 October

10.30am–12.30pm and 2pm–3.30pm
FREE / Pre-booking available or just turn up

Can you spot our Manchester Bees that adorn many Cathedral corners? Or find a fox furnishing our medieval Quire? Join us as we discover the decorative details and get arty for another Terrific Tuesday.

FREE, family fun although donations are welcomed.

Pre-booking available on www.manchestercathedral.eventbrite.co.uk



Medieval Mancunian: The Huntington Deeds Thursday 26 October

2pm–4pm
FREE

Manchester Cathedral in partnership with Chetham's Library is delighted to present a rare chance to see Manchester's medieval 'Huntington deeds' and discover some of the unsung pioneers of the medieval town.

In 1422, John Huntington became the first warden of Manchester Cathedral and the deeds for his lands are held in the archives at Chetham's Library. They memorialise some of the forgotten people of medieval Manchester, but have never before been displayed.

There will be two chances to see the deeds, at 2pm and 3pm. Project Archivist Grace Timperley will be on hand to answer questions and point out the interesting features, such as the tiny wax seals used by medieval people to symbolise personal identity.

Crafts activities suitable for all ages will run from 2pm to 4pm with colouring, brass-rubbing and make-your-own seals.

The deeds are part of the Hulme Trust Archive, which is held at Chetham's Library. The Archive has been newly catalogued and the medieval deeds are being digitised for future readers and researchers. This event will be delivered by Chetham's Library in partnership with Manchester Cathedral.

Hanging Ditch Wine Fair Friday 27–Saturday 28 October

Friday 27 October: 6pm–9.30pm
Saturday 28 October: 1pm–3.30pm and 5pm–8.30pm
£20 / £25

This is the 10th anniversary of the event delivered by the Cathedral's wonderful Medieval Quarter neighbours at Hanging Ditch Wines and Vinoteca. Get your winter social season off to a scintillating start with an evening in the company of friends, tasting a selection of the best wines from across the globe. Wine tasting masterclasses and the opportunity to buy in a case of your favourite tippable for Christmas. Great company and great music set against the medieval splendour of Manchester Cathedral.

Tickets and information: www.hangingditch.com

Quantum Physics for the Inquiring

Sunday 29 October

2pm–3pm

FREE / Tickets not required

Beyond the surface of our everyday experience of the world there is a richness of reality that our senses cannot directly comprehend. Hidden layers of waves, particles, atoms, nuclei, protons and quarks- a spontaneous flow of life with a hint of even further depths on the microscopic scale. No special knowledge of science or maths needed to attend this lecture, just a curiosity in the working of the universe and a sense of wonder at our place within it.

This talk will be introduced by Raylia Chadwick and presented by Pauline Sometimes.

Raylia Chadwick MA (Lit) is a retired teacher, lecturer and writer, now Reader Emeritus at Manchester Cathedral and Diocesan Spiritual Director.

Pauline Sometimes studied physics, astrophysics and mathematics, and although now working as a software design consultant, she retains a deep interest in the workings of the universe.

Modern Slavery: Protecting Vulnerable People

Monday 30 October

2pm–4.30pm

FREE admission / Pre-booking available

Hosted by The Very Revd Rogers Govender, Dean of Manchester, 'Modern Slavery: Protecting Vulnerable People' is a multi-faith, multi-agency public event which aims to raise awareness of Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking in Greater Manchester and what is being done to tackle it. Guest speakers include Baroness Beverley Hughes (Deputy Mayor of Greater Manchester with responsibility for Policing and Crime), Paul Gerrard (Director of Ethics and Policy at the Co-Op) and Phill Clayton (Regional Manager, City Hearts). There will be face-to-face café conversations with agencies on the front line, informative displays, refreshments and entertainment.

This event has been organised by Manchester Cathedral and members of the 'Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Multi-faith Forum', in collaboration with Stop the Traffik and Greater Manchester Police Modern Slavery Unit. People of all faiths or none are very welcome to attend.

Tickets: www.modern-slavery-17.eventbrite.co.uk

Manchester Camerata presents

Upclose: Hugo Ticciati

Tuesday 31 October

7.30pm

www.manchestercamerata.co.uk



Manchester's Religious Sites and Symbolism

Wednesday 1 November

Regiment Chapel

2pm

FREE / Pre-booking available

To commemorate the 500th anniversary of the start of Martin Luther's Protestant revolution, New Manchester Walks' Ed Glinert delivers this talk on Manchester's religious sites and symbolism, explaining the origins of some of the city's best known buildings and revealing the hidden mystical patterns that govern them.

www.manchestercathedral.eventbrite.co.uk

Chetham's School of Music Lunchtime Concert

Thursday 2 November

1.10pm

Free / Tickets not required

Chetham's 'Music for a While' series profiles individual students from the School of Music as they perform with staff accompanists. Donations are welcome at the end of the concert to support the Booth Centre charity for people who are homeless in Manchester.

Durufié Requiem

A Eucharist for the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Thursday 2 November

5.30pm

FREE / Tickets not required

During the service there will be an opportunity to light a candle in memory of a loved one.

If you would like the names of those deceased to be included in the service, please email the full names of your friends or relatives to worship-music.admin@manchestercathedral.org

November events

'Was It for This the Clay Grew Tall?'

Saturday 4–Sunday 12 November

Regiment Chapel

10am–4pm

FREE / Tickets not required

The collection of artworks on display in the Cathedral's Regiment Chapel is taken from a major exhibition, 'Was It for This the Clay Grew Tall?' by Artist-in-Residence Stephen Raw and are part of the Cathedral's series of events in commemoration of World War One.

Stephen Raw was influenced not only by the work of the Great War poet *Wilfred Owen*, a serving member of the Manchester Regiment, who died in action one week before the signing of the Armistice, but also by Benjamin Britten's masterpiece, *War Requiem*. The third 'spirit' and major influence on this work as Raw attempts to make this language visible and examine his own personal response to war was *Stuart Trew*, the artist's grandfather, who had fought at Passchendaele and survived the slaughter.

www.stephenraw.com



The Manchester Sleepout

Friday 10 November

7pm–7am

Registration essential

Each year the Booth Centre invites people to take on the challenge of sleeping out to highlight some of the hardships that homeless people have to face every single night. Hundreds of people will be sleeping out on the Cathedral lawns for this great event and raising vital funds to help homeless people in our community. Participants must be over the age of 18 years.

www.boothcentre.org.uk/manchester-sleepou

Be a Chorister for a Day

Saturday 11 November

3pm

Free

Be a Chorister for a Day (BACFAD) returns to the Cathedral on Saturday 11 November 2017, at 3pm. All are welcome to attend. To book a place for BACFAD, please contact the Worship and Music Administrator on **0161 833 2220 (ext. 238)**

or email worship-music.admin@manchestercathedral.org

For more information on choristerships, please contact Christopher Stokes, Organist and Master of the Choristers on **0161 833 2220 (ext. 225)** or email christopher.stokes@manchestercathedral.org

Christmas Arts and Crafts Market

Friday 17 November and Saturday 18 November

10am–5pm

FREE / Tickets not required

This Christmas the Medieval Quarter welcomes back Manchester's world famous Christmas markets and plays host to the rather lovely ice rink. There will also be a not-to-be-missed Christmas Arts and Crafts market inside the Cathedral with some original hand crafted gifts on sale for the important individuals in your life.

Come on in out of the cold and support over 70 local makers and traders. Take the weight off your feet in the pop-up tea room. For those of you looking to make Christmas shopping even more of an event - there will be a Gin Society bar and Vintage DJ throwing out some tunes. Unmissable!

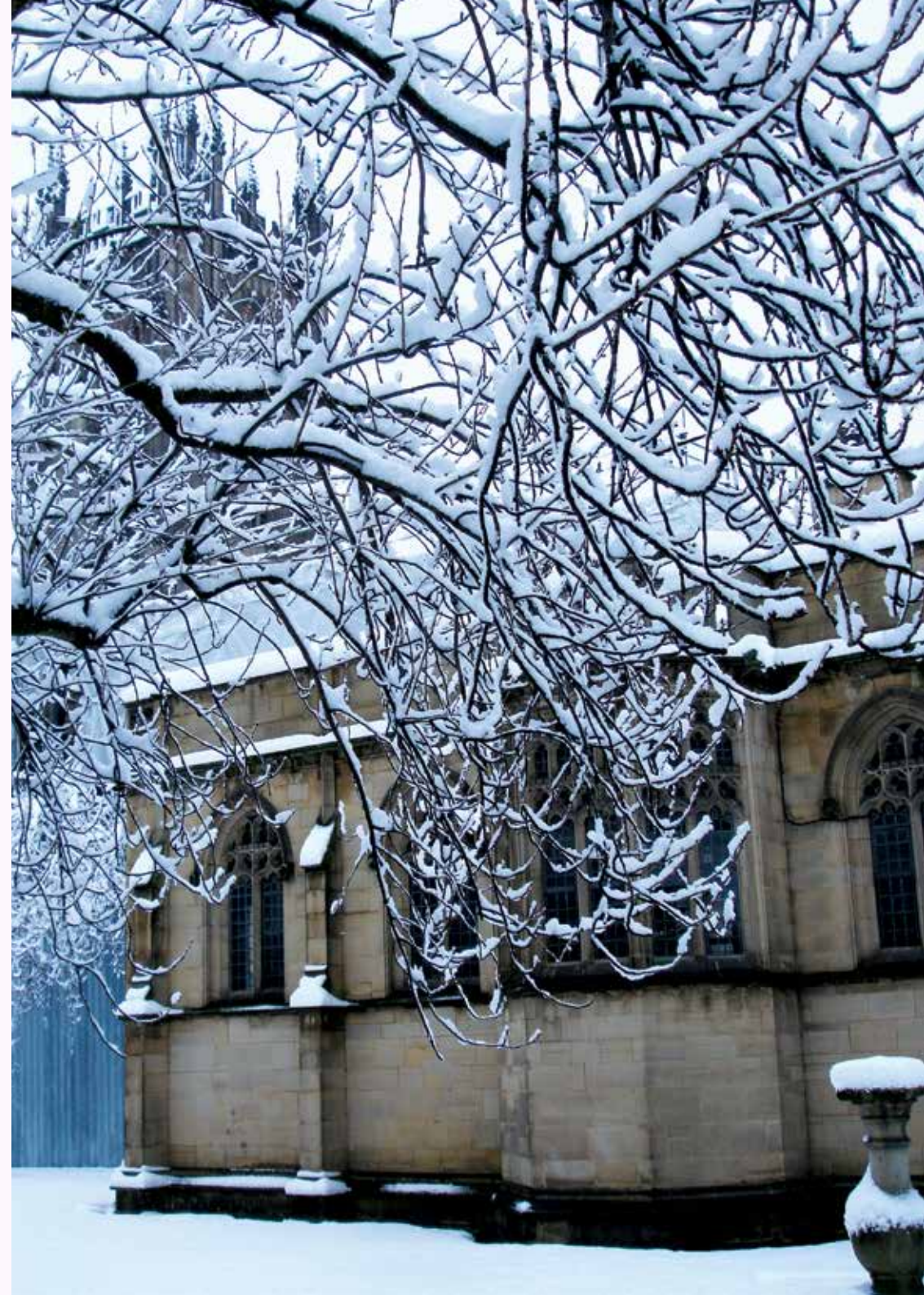




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Coffee Concert Carnelian Saxophone Quartet Saturday 25 November

11am
FREE / Tickets not required

Returning to the Cathedral is the Carnelian Saxophone Quartet, an innovative and dynamic ensemble based in Manchester. With new and exciting projects frequently arising, Carnelian have already amassed an impressive resume having performed at a number of venues around the country including The New Music North West Festival, the Annual ABRSM conference held in London and most recently the RNCM's 'Budafest.' The ensemble are also frequently coached by various world class musicians, including Julian Bliss, Rob Buckland and the Artvark Saxophone Quartet.

Talented musicians, a fantastic setting and friendly atmosphere, served up with coffee and cake. Donations politely requested to support Cathedral music.

Evensong at Manchester Cathedral Sunday 19 November

5.30pm–6.15pm
FREE / Tickets not required
Manchester Cathedral Voluntary Choir and Chester Cathedral Nave Choir

Chetham's School of Music Lunchtime Concert Thursday 23 November

1.10pm
FREE / Tickets not required

Chetham's 'Music for a While' series profiles individual students from the School of Music as they perform with staff accompanists. Donations are welcome at the end of the concert, to support the Booth Centre charity for people who are homeless in Manchester.



Christmas at the Cathedral

Cash for Kids Mission Christmas Drop off at Manchester Cathedral



10am–4pm

Last drop off date for toys Wednesday 13 December

Key 103's Cash for Kids Mission Christmas looks to brighten Christmas for the thousands of local children living in acute poverty by asking you to buy an extra present when doing your Christmas shopping. Last year, the support and generosity of Manchester people was overwhelming and helped us distribute £2,897,259 worth of toys and helped 61,873 children.

Cash for Kids is asking for your help again this year and are even more determined to help local children and ensure as many of them as possible in Greater Manchester wake up to a present this Christmas. Mission Christmas will NOT change the poverty statistics for our city, but it WILL make a difference to so many families on Christmas Day.

www.key103.co.uk/mission

Canon Wray's Sock Day Drop off 15 December 2017–21 January 2018

10am–4pm

The Canon Wray Sock Appeal is back and you can drop new pairs of socks right up until the official anniversary of this historic legacy on the 21 January. Manchester Cathedral can find a good home for any pairs of new, warm socks that people would like to donate or buy to support the Booth Centre in looking after those who find themselves homeless at the turn of the New Year.

Canon Cecil Wray was a very popular, if slightly eccentric, priest who died in 1866 after serving in this church for 56 years. He was a contemporary of Joshua Brookes and a rival to the claim of being the most prolific baptiser and 'marrier' in English history. Records show that he presided over 33,211 christenings 13,196 marriages and 9996 funerals as a result of the massive growth in population during the Industrial Revolution.

Canon Wray's 'Birthday Gift' is a fund he set up in 1866 for the provision of socks for the poor on the anniversary of his birthday. From now up until the 21 January we will be collecting socks, new pairs or any surplus pairs received over Christmas which we will then hand over to the Booth Centre for distribution.

Prevent Breast Cancer Christmas Celebration Friday 1 December

6.30pm

Tickets required

This spectacular evening at Manchester Cathedral is guaranteed to entertain the family and get everyone into the Christmas spirit, while raising crucial funds for Prevent Breast Cancer. The team is planning a fun packed night of festive entertainment in this beautiful cathedral setting.

The evening starts with a musical nativity play performed by local kids and follow this with choirs belting out Christmas classics alongside songs spanning every genre you can think of. You won't be able to resist joining in!

The event will feature our festive market place where you can pick up some unique Christmas gifts as you enjoy a mulled wine and some festive food delights.

www.preventbreastcancer.org.uk/events/christmas-celebration-2017

Henshaws Carols by Candlelight Saturday 2 December

7.30pm

Tickets required

Start your festive season with Henshaws 180 years celebration at Manchester Cathedral.

A merry, festive evening with performances from local choirs, bands and blind opera singer Denise Leigh and world renowned accordionist and pianist, Stefan Andrusyshyn. Mince pies, mulled wine, tea and coffee will be on offer to perfect your Christmas celebrations along with an opportunity to sing along with some of your favourite Christmas carols.

Every effort has been made to ensure that the venue and event is accessible for all.

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/carols-by-candlelight-2017-tickets-36893647894



Advent Procession

Sunday 3 December

5.30pm

FREE / Tickets not required

Join Manchester Cathedral Voluntary Choir for the annual Advent Procession.

Advent Labyrinth

Monday 4–Friday 9 December

9am–5pm

FREE / No tickets required

Take time to reflect this Advent by walking the Advent Labyrinth. As we think about the journey to the manger in Bethlehem, we can prepare to make our own journey towards Christmas to prepare for the birth of the Christ child in our own way.

Chetham's School of Music Lunchtime Concert

Thursday 7 December

1.10pm

FREE / Tickets not required

Chetham's 'Music for a While' series profiles individual students from the School of Music as they perform with staff accompanists. Donations are welcome at the end of the concert to support the Booth Centre charity for people who are homeless in Manchester.

Messiah

Saturday 9 December

7pm

Tickets required

This promises to be one of the stand-out highlights of the Christmas calendar in Manchester.

Manchester Baroque presents Messiah by G. F. Handel on Saturday 9 December 2017, performed by Manchester Cathedral Choir.

The performance will be conducted by Cathedral Sub-Organist, Geoffrey Woollatt, with Christopher Stokes on the new Stoller organ, built by Kenneth Tickell & Co.

www.mancathmessiah.eventbrite.co.uk

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Geoffrey Woollatt, Conductor

Christopher Stokes, Organ

Tickets £25 and £15

Available www.mancathmessiah.eventbrite.co.uk

Saturday 9 December 2017

7.00 pm *Please note the
early start time*

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Victoria Street, Manchester, M3 1SX
www.manchestercathedral.org

Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce Carol Concert

Tuesday 12 December

11.30am–1pm
Tickets required

Greater Manchester Chamber returns to Manchester Cathedral with yet another delightful seasonal concert. The Chamber fully endorses the charity work and outreach projects that the Cathedral undertakes and is delighted to support one of their key members at Christmas time and throughout the rest of the year. All welcome to attend and join the local business community.

Hugely popular event so book early to avoid disappointment.

www.gmchamber.co.uk

The Christie Charity Christmas Concert

Tuesday 12 December

7pm
Tickets required

Support the work of this incredible charity and make sure you do not miss this festive family night of carols set against the backdrop of Manchester Cathedral's medieval quire.

www.thechristienhsfoundation.nutickets.com

Alzheimers Society Carols at Christmas

Wednesday 13 December

7pm
Tickets required

Join the Alzheimers Society for a magical evening of carols, festive treats and a jolly good time all in support of the Alzheimers Society.

www.alzheimers.org.uk

Christmas Carol Sing-along

Saturday 16 December

12pm–1.30pm
FREE / Tickets not required

Take your stress levels down a notch or two, abandon the Christmas to-do list and drop in to sing some of the all-time favourite Christmas carols. Just turn up and stay as long as you like.

Everyone welcome!

Family Carols

Saturday 16 December

7.30pm
Tickets required

Join Manchester Cathedral Voluntary Choir for this concert of Christmas Carols, with a mix of both old and new music. The choir will perform traditional works, such as *Away In a Manger* and *We wish you a Merry Christmas*, and slightly more modern works including John Rutter's *Donkey Carol*.

The ticket price includes a glass of wine or soft drink and a mince pie.

www.familycarols2017.eventbrite.co.uk

Singing for Syrians

Tuesday 19 December

7pm
Tickets required

Raise your voices and get Manchester on the map as part of this year's national Singing for Syrians campaign which raises awareness and funds for those affected by the ongoing crisis in Syria. All money raised goes via the Hands Up Foundation to carefully selected aid projects inside Syria.

www.singingforsyrians.com

Christmas Carols in the City

Thursday 21 December

7.30pm

Tickets required

Royal Manchester Children's Hospital Charity proudly presents their fourth annual **Christmas Carols in the City** concert at Manchester Cathedral. The evening will be a Christmassy affair with readings from our Charity Patrons and festive sing along with performances from the choirs of Manchester High School for Girls, Manchester Grammar School and Parrs Wood High School Choir. Your support can help us ensure Royal Manchester Children's Hospital isn't just the largest children's hospital in the UK but also one of the very best.

www.rmchcharity.org.uk/events/christmas-carols-city

The Booth Centre Christmas Carol Service

Friday 22 December

2.30pm

FREE / Tickets not required

The Booth Centre brings about positive change in the lives of people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, and help them plan for and realize a better future.

Come along and celebrate with them with carols and refreshments served. All welcome.

A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Friday 22 December

7.30pm

FREE / pre-booking recommended

Everyone has heard of or seen the famous Nine Lessons and carols from King's College Cambridge on the TV each Christmas Eve. This is the Manchester version!

Our nationally renowned choir offer music alongside the Christmas readings to really set the Christmas celebrations going. The atmosphere is amazing and really captures the wonder of Christmas.

www.NineLessons2017.eventbrite.co.uk

Blessing of the Crib and Children's Nativity

Sunday 24 December

2pm

All welcome / Tickets not required

Come along Christmas Eve for the Blessing of the Crib and Children's Nativity service, when we will sing some of the country's favourite carols and the children will enact the Christmas story. Families are very welcome!

Midnight Mass

Sunday 24 December

11.30pm

All welcome / Tickets not required

Join us at 11.30pm on Christmas Eve for our traditional Midnight Mass. The Dean will preside and the Bishop of Bolton is our guest preacher.

(Please note that incense will be used during the service)

Christmas Day Eucharist

Monday 25 December

10.30am

All welcome / Tickets not required

Join us on Christmas Day for our Sung Eucharist sung by the Cathedral Choir and celebrate with us the nativity of Our Lord. The Bishop of Manchester will preside and the Dean will preach.

(Please note that incense will be used during the service)



January events

The Jewish Living Experience Exhibition Tuesday 16 January–Thursday 25 January 2018

Monday–Saturday 10am–4.30pm

Sunday 1pm–4pm

FREE / Tickets not required

The Jewish Living Experience is a mobile travelling exhibition. Aimed primarily at school groups it also enables visitors to gain an insight into Judaism as a living faith with a lifestyle that has been sustained for over 5,000 years.

Visitors are encouraged to explore the exhibition on their own, while trained guides are on hand to explain the topics and answer questions.

Cathedral: explored!

School groups, why not extend your visit to the Jewish Living Experience exhibition at Manchester Cathedral by booking a Cathedral:explored! trail?

Through this interactive trail pupils will discover the key features of the Cathedral and its rich symbolism, as well as considering aspects of Christian belief and practice. The trail can be tailored to meet the age, ability and interests of your group.

Time: 60 minutes. Suggested donation: £2 per pupil

Contact: pam.elliott@manchestercathedral.org /0161 817 4814

Chetham's School of Music Lunchtime Concert Thursday 18 January

1.10pm

FREE / Tickets not required

Chetham's 'Music for a While' series profiles individual students from the School of Music as they perform with staff accompanists. Donations are welcome at the end of the concert to support the Booth Centre charity for people who are homeless in Manchester.

Coffee Concert Harpist Elinor Nicholson Saturday 20 January

11am

FREE / Tickets not required

Elinor Nicholson is an award winning Scottish harpist whose recent successes include being named as a winner of the prestigious RNCM concerto competition resulting in a performance of Debussy's 'Dances' for harp and string orchestra in the 2017 RNCM string festival.

Elinor was also twice a finalist in the 2015 and 2016 RNCM Gold Medal Competition, the highest award that the college gives for performance.

Talented musicians, a fantastic setting and friendly atmosphere, served up with coffee and cake. Donations politely requested to support Cathedral music.



February events

Chetham's School of Music Lunchtime Concert Thursday 1 February

1.10pm
FREE / Tickets not required

Chetham's 'Music for a While' series profiles individual students from the School of Music as they perform with staff accompanists. Donations are welcome at the end of the concert to support the Booth Centre charity for people who are homeless in Manchester.

Candlemas Sung Eucharist and La Nativité by Olivier Messiaen Friday 2 February

5.30pm
All welcome / Tickets not required

Join us for the Candlemas Sung Eucharist sung by the Cathedral Choir, followed by La Nativité by Olivier Messiaen, performed on the Stoller Organ by Organist and Master of the Choristers, Christopher Stokes. The recital is expected to begin at approximately 6.45pm. This service replaces Evening Prayer.

Challenging Hate Forum Sunday 4 February

1pm–4pm
FREE

The Challenging Hate Forum, which meets monthly at Manchester Cathedral, is hosting a special public event to encourage community cohesion as part of Manchester's Hate Crime Awareness Week (Monday 5 – Sunday 11 February). This event is open to the public, entry is free and all are welcome.

Ticket details will be announced in the New Year.

Coffee Concert Saturday 17 February

11am
FREE / Tickets not required

These regular music concerts feature a range of exciting artists each month and regularly attract over 200 people. Come along and see what all the fuss is about. Free coffee and cake served at the end of the concert. Donations welcome.

Volunteer Recruitment Day Saturday 17 February

12pm–2pm
FREE / Tickets not required

This is one of the busiest and most exciting cathedrals in the country. We are looking for volunteers to come and join our friendly team. Find out more about the exciting roles available and how you can be part of this medieval gem in the heart of this great city. More information available in the New Year.

www.manchestercathedral.org

Terrific Tuesday Tuesday 20 February

10.30am–12.30pm and 2pm–3.30pm
FREE / Tickets not required

Come along to the Creation Station at Manchester Cathedral where there will be plenty of crafts and activities for families to enjoy. FREE, although donations are welcomed.

Can't make it? Discover the Cathedral with our FREE Explorer Trail available throughout the holidays (please ring to check availability if you are making a special journey).



Photo: Mark Barnes

Sparkling Prosecco Events at Manchester Cathedral Friday 23– Saturday 24 February

Friday	23 February	7pm–11pm
Saturday	24 February	12pm–4.30pm
Saturday	24 February	7pm–11pm

Tickets essential

A brand new event for the New Year is bubbling up at Manchester Cathedral.

Prosecco Events UK are delighted to present their 'Sparkling Prosecco Event', featuring unbridled pleasure in the form of more than 20 different types of Prosecco and a fabulous range of cocktails that will really rock your world!

Featuring live music, a DJ and great food, and with afternoon and evening sessions there will be time for everyone to experience the 'Sparkling Prosecco Event' phenomenon. **Your first glass of Prosecco is FREE and is served in your very own 'Sparkling Prosecco Event' glass.**

In addition, there will be a dedicated Gin bar with a selection of exciting gins and gin based cocktails.

Also featured will be a craft ale bar where you will find a selection of artisan ales – enough to tempt any ale enthusiasts palette.

www.proseccoeventsuk.com/manchester

Chetham's School of Music Lunchtime Concert Thursday 8 March

1.10pm
FREE / Tickets not required

Chetham's 'Music for a While' series profiles individual students from the School of Music as they perform with staff accompanists. Donations are welcome at the end of the concert, to support the Booth Centre charity for people who are homeless in Manchester.

DHP presents Jamie Lawson Friday 9 March

7.30pm
Tickets essential

Jamie Lawson is an English singer-songwriter and musician from Plymouth. He has attracted a huge amount of attention not least because he was the first artist to be signed by Ed Sheeran's new record label, Gingerbread Man Records. Come along and see what all the fuss is about.

www.alttickets.com/venue/manchester/manchester-cathedral

Leonard Bernstein Chichester Psalms Saturday 10 March

7.30pm
Tickets essential

Conductor **Jonathan Lo** Organ **Christopher Stokes**

This concert, in partnership with the Manchester Chamber Choir celebrates the installation of the magnificent Stoller organ.

Tickets essential: www.manchesterchamberchoir.org.uk

Turin Breaks Wednesday 21 March

7.30pm
Tickets essential

London 4-piece Turin Brakes have announced their eighth studio album 'Invisible Storm' released in January 2018 followed by a major UK tour.

One of the finest indie bands of the last decade Turin Brakes are a band that has weathered many Invisible Storms; sure of who they are and what they have set out to do, and know, that there's always a story left to tell.

March events



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Winter walks and tours

Manchester 1421

Henry V, King of England signed the charter granting permission to build a collegiate church on the site of the parish church of St Mary's. The church was established with a warden, eight fellows, four singing clerks and six choristers. The living quarters were on the site where Chetham's Library now stands. The church was dedicated to St Mary, St George and St Denys.

Manchester 1847

Queen Victoria is on the throne and the town is dominating the global cotton trade. There is a huge growth in population as people are drawn to the new factories and mills.

A new Church of England Diocese of Manchester is formed and the church is raised to cathedral status.

Manchester Cathedral 2017

This Grade 1 listed masterpiece has survived King Henry VIII's Reformation and an Elizabethan spy; heard one of the first public speeches to decry the world slave trade and lived the Industrial Revolution first hand. The stones of this church tell the story of its city. Join our knowledgeable guides to find out more about the Cathedral's fascinating history and some of the characters, dead and alive, who bring this historic building to life.

The Stoller Organ and new Hope Window are now in place and attracting visitors and interest from all over the world.

Daily tours:

We have regular taster tours of the Cathedral Monday to Saturday between 11am and 4pm.

These tours are free but we politely request donations.

Group bookings:

We also offer a wide range of general and in-depth themed private tours for groups and businesses of 10 people or more interested in visiting Manchester Cathedral.

- **General Cathedral Tour**
£5 (£3 concessions)
- **From Henry V to the Fun Lovin' Criminals**
£5 (£3 concessions)
- **Manchester Cathedral Decoded**
£5 (£3 concessions)
- **A Stroll around Medieval Manchester**
£8 (£5 concessions)

All groups must be pre-booked. We can tailor make one of the most exciting tour experiences in the city for you. If you are a local community group, organising a team away-day or have a specific art, history or photographic interest then ring up for an informal chat or to arrange a tailor-made tour.

Contact

visitors@manchestercathedral.org

Cathedral Services and Music

Alongside the many events at the Cathedral, three acts of worship take place every day as they have for centuries. Regardless of whether you are a person of faith or not you are most welcome to attend a service and come and enjoy the beauty and magnificence of the building. The Lady Chapel is reserved for quiet prayer or reflection. Please check the Cathedral website for the service times during school holidays.

Turning of the Leaves

The Turning of the Leaves ceremony takes place every alternate Wednesday at 12.45pm in the Regiment Chapel. A page is turned in the Book of Remembrance for the Duke of Lancaster Regiment and servicemen and women, who have died in service, are remembered.

Evensong at Manchester Cathedral From September Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday

5.30pm
FREE

Members of the public are more than welcome to attend the Evensong service which takes place in the Medieval Quire or just sit in the church and enjoy one of the 'not to be missed' musical performances in Manchester. The quality of the choir is recognised nationally with regular broadcasts on BBC Radio Three. The Cathedral is also fortunate to have the commitment and excellence of the members of the Voluntary Choir who sing at the Sunday Evensong service. We politely request that visitors do not walk around or take photographs during this service.

Choristerships

Each year we look to offer choristerships to four girls or boys aged between 8 and 10.

All of our choristers attend Chetham's School of Music and as such receive an excellent musical and general education there, in addition to the first-class musical training from the Cathedral's staff.

Potential Choristers do not need any prior experience to audition for the Choir. We are looking for children who enjoy singing, being part of a close-knit team and who, with their parents, can commit to a demanding but immensely rewarding schedule.

For an informal chat call Christopher Stokes on 0161 833 2220 (ext 225).

Manchester Children's Choir

Manchester Children's Choir is open to all boys and girls aged between 6 and 11, and is completely FREE! We are proud to follow in the footsteps of Sir Hamilton Harty's aim to make music accessible to children across Greater Manchester encouraging a varying repertoire from an early age. The choir runs on a Saturday morning from 10am–11am each week and is FREE to all members.

For more information, contact Geoffrey Woollatt on 0161 833 2220 (ext. 215) or email geoffrey.woollatt@manchestercathedral.org

Manchester Cathedral Music

Tweet us!

Did you know you can follow all the latest updates for the Cathedral's Music department on Twitter? Follow [@ManCathMusic](https://twitter.com/ManCathMusic) for Evensong music, BACFAD's, visiting choirs and much more! www.twitter.com/ManCathmusic

Further information

Hosting Events at Manchester Cathedral

Manchester Cathedral's medieval splendour offers one of the most atmospheric venues in the city to host your event. In addition, the beautifully refurbished meeting rooms in the Cathedral Visitor Centre are fully equipped to meet your business or conference needs with light, airy rooms overlooking the Cathedral.

For more information visit www.events.manchestercathedral.org or www.mvcv.org.uk

Education and Families at Manchester Cathedral

Manchester Cathedral offers a rich educational resource for schools and colleges. Trails, workshops and activities for children of all ages, backgrounds and abilities are designed and led by the Education Officer, who is an experienced teacher. Our educational trails include Exploring a Place of Worship, Signs and Symbols and Time-travelling. There are also combined visits with other places of worship. Visits can be tailored to students' needs and interests.

A free Explorer Trail Backpack, complete with activity sheet, binoculars and spyglasses is available to families to borrow during most holidays and weekends. Check our website for details of this and other special activities including brass rubbing and arts and craft activities for family and community groups.

Contact: pam.elliott@manchestercathedral.org

Volunteering at Manchester Cathedral

We could not offer the excellent level of welcome and hospitality without our fantastic team of dedicated volunteers. If you would like to join our team and have three hours each week to spare, we have roles in the following areas: welcoming, hospitality, event support and education.

Contact: visitors@manchestercathedral.org

Friends of Manchester Cathedral

The Friends' Association has been supporting the Dean and Chapter of Manchester Cathedral since 1937. New members are always welcome to join and take an active interest in the development of this ancient church. As well as supporting Cathedral life, members meet for social events and go on a number of trips throughout the year.

Pick up a leaflet from the Cathedral.

Membership Subscription Rates:

Individuals £25 per annum
Family £35 per annum

Cathedral Timeline

- 1086** Domesday Book 'the church of Saint Mary and the church of Saint Michael held one carucate in Manchester, free from all dues except tax.' First mention of St. Mary's Church thought to be on this site.
- 1235** "J. Decanus de Mamcestre" mentioned in Hollinworth's Mancuniesis as chaplain of Manchester at this date.
- 1421–22** The parish church becomes a Collegiate Foundation, granted a charter by King Henry V and dedicated to St Mary, St Denys and St George.
- 1545–47** Henry VIII undertakes an inventory of all the goods in the ancient churches. The College is dissolved and the Chantries discontinued.
- 1553** The College is re-established by Queen Mary I under the same terms as the first Charter.
- 1578–95** The Church receives its Third Charter from Queen Elizabeth I, the College is renamed Christ's College. Dr John Dee, Alchemist and sometime spy for Elizabeth I is appointed Warden.
- 1617** Humphrey Booth of Salford pays for a gallery in the south aisle. The Booth Centre supporting those in need has a close affiliation with the Cathedral to this day.
- 1636–49** King Charles I grants a Fourth Charter, but the church is ransacked in the Civil War.
- 1787** Thomas Clarkson delivers the first anti-slavery speech in modern history.
- 1847** The Diocese of Manchester is created and the church becomes the Cathedral church.
- 1904–36** Library Annex is built. Refectory and Choir School are built. The Derby Chapel is given over to the Manchester Regiment.
- 1940** A blitz during the Second World War destroys most of the north-east of the Cathedral and causes extensive damage to the rest of the building. Post-war restoration takes almost 20 years.
- 1976–95** The West Windows are replaced in stained glass by the artist Antony Hollaway.
- 1996** An IRA bomb explodes close to the Cathedral and causes further damage.
- 2001** The Cathedral Visitor Centre was opened in 2001 by HM Queen Elizabeth II.
- 2004** The Healing Window by Linda Walton is installed. The gift of Dr Anthony Enoch.
- 2013** Cathedral closes for new underfloor heating system and 'Pop-Up' Cathedral opens. November 2013 Cathedral re-opens with the installation ceremony of the new Bishop of Manchester, David Walker.
- 2016** Dedication of the Hope Window funded by The Oglesby Charitable Trust.
- 2017** New Stoller Organ installation complete.
- 2021** Manchester Cathedral celebrates the 600 year anniversary of the King Henry V Charter.

Manchester Cathedral

How to find us

Manchester Cathedral is open daily from
8.30am. General Admission is FREE.

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we would like to keep it that way. If you enjoy
your visit we would be delighted if you would
consider leaving a donation of £3 in one of the
donation boxes. Many thanks.

Visitor Centre

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This charming tea shop is one of the best
places in the city centre to pop in for lunch
or relax with friends over Afternoon Tea.
The café also stocks a selection of wines,
beers and spirits.

St Denys' Book & Gift Shop

Pop down to the brilliant book and gift shop,
where alongside the excellent selection of
theological and local history books you can
buy Cathedral souvenirs, postcards, gifts and
a range of greeting cards.

Hanging Bridge

Don't miss a visit to the original 15th-century
Hanging Bridge, listed as a Scheduled Ancient
Monument. It is a rare surviving example of a
medieval structure in the city centre and can
be seen at close quarters from inside St Denys'
Bookshop.

