



**NEWCASTLE
CATHEDRAL**

Events & Notices

3 May 2026

TODAY

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Annual Meeting: Thank you to all who attended, and congratulations to all those appointed at last week's meeting. **Wardens:** Heather, Giles, Catherine, Didier. **Assistant Wardens:** Vincent, Nneoma, Pamela, Lewis. **Sidespeople:** Judith, Leslie, Carol, Lesley, Helen, Michael, Rachel, Joe, Fallah, Carolyn, Holly, Jamie. **Deanery Synod Rep:** Rachel.

Electoral Roll Update: In accordance with the requirements of the Synodical Government Measure 1969 a revised Electoral Roll for 2025/2026 was prepared and is available for inspection in the Vestry. There were 77 names on the Roll (60 households) when prepared. Over the course of the year, this increased to 93 names and 73 households. If you are not on the electoral roll and you would like to be forms can be collected from the vestry.

Parking Permits: We have a limited number of parking permits which allows up to 4 hours parking on Sundays in City Council spaces to attend worship services. If you regularly attend a Sunday service and could make use of one of these permits, please email your request to office@newcastlecathedral.org.uk. The passes are valid until the end of the year, but we cannot order more once these are allocated. The permits cost £20 and the Cathedral is grateful as ever to those who're able to make a donation in lieu of receiving a permit. If you already have a permit

and no longer need this, please let us know so someone else can use it.

Today: Danish War Sailors' Memorial Service, 12:00 pm

This annual service, led by Newcastle's Danish community, marks Danish Liberation Day and celebrates the city's longstanding connection with Denmark. The international memorial honouring Danish merchant seamen – the 'war sailors' – was unveiled at Newcastle Cathedral in 1982. All are welcome to attend this service, during which wreaths are laid at the memorial following the Sunday Sung Eucharist. During the Second World War, nearly 6,000 Danish sailors served with the Allies, becoming Denmark's first freedom fighters. From 1940–45, Newcastle was their 'home town'. Each year, the Danish Church in Newcastle gathers here on the Sunday closest to 5 May, which is, of course, today.

Today: Choral Evensong with Commissioning of Parish Safeguarding Officers, 4:00 pm

Join us for this service of Choral Evensong as the Bishop of Newcastle commissions Parish Safeguarding Officers from across the Diocese of Newcastle. Parish Safeguarding Officers ensure that people, including church officers and volunteers, understand and implement safeguarding measures. They act as a key point of contact for concerns, working closely with clergy and the Diocesan Safeguarding Team, and help foster a culture of care and vigilance, making our places of worship inclusive and safe for all. You are warmly welcome to join us in celebrating and giving thanks for the dedication and commitment of Parish Safeguarding Officers across the Diocese.

Looking ahead

50 Faces of the Holy Land (Exhibition)

The '50 Faces of the Holy Land' project is a photographic exhibition, curated by Friends of the Holy Land, designed to highlight the lives of the Christian people in Israel and Palestine. The exhibition, featuring photos by Marcin Mazur, tells the stories of 50 people living in the Holy Land – Israeli and Palestinian, Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Samaritan, and Druze. Since its creation in 2017, it has been displayed in venues such as the Houses of Parliament and cathedrals and churches of different denominations across the UK, showcasing the resilience and faith of those living in the Holy Land.

To mark the '50 Faces of the Holy Land' exhibition's time in Newcastle, there will be a service of Choral Evensong at 5:30pm on Wednesday 6 May. We will pray for peace and reconciliation in the Holy Land, and the service will be followed by a Q&A with Brendan Metcalfe, CEO, Friends of the Holy Land. Drinks will be available.

Sung Eucharist for Ascension Day 14 May, 6:00 pm

Join us as we mark Ascension Day, featuring uplifting music from the Cathedral Choir and commemorating the moment when Jesus Christ was lifted into heaven following his resurrection. After rising on Easter Day, Jesus remained with his disciples for forty days, teaching and preparing them for what lay ahead. On the fortieth day, he promised that the Holy Spirit would come to them, before being "lifted up... out of their sight." The

Ascension marks a pivotal moment in the Christian story: as Christ's earthly ministry draws to a close, his followers are entrusted with sharing the good news of God's love with the world.

An evening service for Pentecost with laying on of hands for prayer, 24 May 4pm.

Join us for a service remembering the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church. During the service we will travel to different parts of the Cathedral as we are led through the journey of the Holy Spirit in creation, prophesied about, and poured out. One of the ways in which we experience the gift of the Holy Spirit is through prayer and the laying on of hands. This will be offered during the service, by the placing of hands on the heads of those who come forward, and a prayer said for Christ to bring wholeness of body, mind and spirit. As part of this service, we would like to hear from anyone who speaks a language other than English, and who would be willing to take part in the service, please speak to Ruth.

The Bible Course by the Bible Society. An 8 week course using videos, discussion and reflection to introduce an overview of the books of the bible, key themes, and life application. Monday evenings from 1st June – 20th July. Speak to Ruth.

'Theology &...' Cathedrals as the Original Resource Churches? – Afternoon talk by Lee, 7 May, 3:30 pm

Hosted by the Diocese of Newcastle's Continuing Ministerial Formation (CMF) group, this monthly seminar series meets on the first Thursday of each month to explore the fascinating and often unexpected intersections between theology and other disciplines. We look forward to spending

some time with Lee, hearing about running a cathedral in the 21st century and thinking about the implications of seeing these buildings as the original 'resource churches.'

From Anger to Action Wed 13 May, 2pm (online).

A workshop exploring how churches and community organisations can respond constructively to anger and fragmentation in our society. This seminar creates space for reflection, dialogue and learning, with a focus on faith rooted, community organising approaches to making change together. Speak to Zoe for more information: zoe.heming@newcastlecathedral.org.uk

Sung Eucharist for the Feast of Corpus Christi 4 June, 6:00 pm

Join us on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday – 60 days after the beginning of Easter – for the Feast of Corpus Christi, meaning 'Body of Christ'. On this day, we give thanks for the sacramental gifts of Christ's body and blood in Holy Communion. At the Last Supper, Jesus invited his disciples to remember him whenever they shared bread and wine together.

Exploring Faith Together, the group for 11-18 year olds meets again on 28th April, 4.30 – 5.15pm. Speak to Ruth for more details: ruth.hulse@newcastlecathedral.org.uk

Confirmation Service, 7 June.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in being Confirmed on 7th June, please get in touch with Ruth who would be very pleased to speak to you about it. Confirmation marks the point in the Christian journey at which you affirm for yourself the faith into which you have been baptised and your intention to live a life of faith. This affirmation is confirmed through prayer and the laying on of hands on the head, by the confirming bishop, as the Church asks God to give you power through the Holy Spirit to help you to live in the way of Jesus. If you haven't been baptised, don't worry! Baptism can take place at the same time, or beforehand.

ONGOING EVENTS

Organ Recital, Monday 4 May, 1:05pm This week's recital will be given by Matthew Kelley of Hexham Abbey. **Suggested donation £5.**

Services & Music for Week of 3 May

Sunday 3 May

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00	Eucharist	<i>St George's Chapel</i>
	<i>Book of Common Prayer</i>	
8:30	Morning Prayer	<i>St George's Chapel</i>
10:00	Sung Eucharist	<i>Nave</i>
	President: The Rev'd Canon Zoe Heming Preacher: The Venerable Catherine Sourbut Groves Mozart Sparrow Mass Rachmaninoff To Thee, O Lord	
12:00	Danish Sailors' Memorial Service	
4:00	Choral Evensong with Commissioning of Parish Safeguarding Officers	<i>Quire</i>
	<i>Park Responses</i> Psalm 121 Isaiah 61.1-3; Matthew 18.1-11 Walker <i>The St Martin's Service</i> Thomsett <i>In Manus Tuas</i> Thomsett <i>In Pace</i>	

Monday 4 May

English Saints and Martyrs of the Reformation

8:30	Morning Prayer	<i>St George's Chapel</i>
9:00	Eucharist	<i>St George's Chapel</i>
1:05	Organ Recital	<i>Nave</i>
	Matthew Kelley, Hexham Abbey	

Tuesday 5 May

8:15	Morning Prayer	<i>Crypt</i>
12:30	Eucharist	<i>Ascension Chapel</i>
5:30	Choral Evensong	<i>Quire</i>
	<i>Sumsion Responses</i> Psalms 27, 28, 29 Deut 17.8-end; 1 Peter 1.13-end <i>Sumsion Service in A</i> Hassler <i>Dixit Maria</i>	

Wednesday 6 May

8:15	Morning Prayer	<i>Crypt</i>
12:30	Eucharist	<i>Ascension Chapel</i>
5:30	Choral Evensong with 50 Faces Exhibition Launch	<i>Quire</i>
	<i>Plainsong Responses</i> Psalm 34 Deut 18.9-end; 1 Peter 2.1-10 <i>Marshall Service in C</i> Bach <i>My Heart Ever Faithful</i>	

Thursday 7 May

8:15	Morning Prayer	<i>Crypt</i>
12:30	Eucharist	<i>Ascension Chapel</i>
5:30	Choral Evensong	<i>Quire</i>
	<i>Plainsong Responses</i> Psalm 37.23-41 Deut 19; 1 Peter 2.11-end <i>Bairstow Service in Eb</i> Wesley <i>Love One Another</i>	

Friday 8 May

	<i>Julian of Norwich, Poet and Spiritual Writer</i>	
8:15	Morning Prayer	<i>Crypt</i>
12:30	Eucharist	<i>Ascension Chapel</i>
5.30	Evening Prayer	<i>Quire</i>
	Psalm 42 Deut 21.22-22.8; 1 Peter 3.1-12	

Saturday 2 May

8:30	Morning Prayer	<i>St George's Chapel</i>
9:00	Eucharist	<i>St George's Chapel</i>

Sunday 10 May

8:00	Eucharist	<i>St George's Chapel</i>
	<i>Book of Common Prayer</i>	
8:30	Morning Prayer	<i>St George's Chapel</i>
10:00	Sung Eucharist	<i>Nave</i>
	President: The Rev'd Canon Ruth Hulse Preacher: Cathedral Reader, Katherine Govier Tallis <i>Mass for Four Voices</i> Tallis <i>If Ye Love Me</i>	
4:00	Choral Evensong	<i>Nave</i>
	<i>Thomsett In Pace</i> <i>Park Responses</i> Psalm 53 Zechariah 4.1-10; Revelation 21.1-14 <i>Dyson Service in D</i> Mozart <i>The Coronation Credo</i> Hymn 346	

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Filming notice

Evening services and Sunday's 10am Eucharist are live streamed via YouTube. If you don't wish to appear, speak to one of our team.