

## Notices Sunday 10th August, 2025 Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to The Bridge church. If you are a visitor you can find out more about the life and ministry of the church by visiting our website [www.thebridgeredditch.co.uk](http://www.thebridgeredditch.co.uk)

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CATHEDRAL THIS SUMMER? FROM THE LIBRARY TO THE QUIRKY

Tours of the cathedral take place daily at 11am and 2.30pm. During the summer specialised tours also take place, focusing on a particular area, from Monumental Women, the Library, Music, the grounds, the Civil War and one specialising in all the 'Quirky Bits' - I wonder if it mentions the pink giraffe? These all start at 12.30pm on various dates in July and August.

Book through Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/worcester-cathedral-summer-2025-tours-4301653>

### SUMMER ACTIVITIES

A range of free activities for pre and first school children are available over the summer. Activities vary from day to day. Pop along, explore our amazing cathedral, visit the café, see what activities are on offer and enjoy some family fun. Donations are invited to cover the cost of the materials.

### PET BLESSING SERVICE

All creatures great and small are welcome at the cathedral for the Pet Blessing Service on Saturday 23rd August at 11am. The service will last for roughly 30 minutes. Visitors without pets are also welcome to attend.



### OUTDOOR WORSHIP

In addition to the regular worship events held inside the cathedral, events are also held in the Sacred Garden, accessed through a door next to the Elgar tower from College Green.

**WORSHIP IN THE GARDEN** is held at 3pm on the first Sunday of the month, allowing those attending to reflect on the changing seasons through liturgy.

**SACRED GARDEN** is held on the 3rd Sunday of the month and provides an opportunity for people to engage with their creator through guided activities - contemplation, art, forest craft or gardening. Contact Revd Dr Robin Parry for further details [RobinParry@worcestercathedral.org.uk](mailto:RobinParry@worcestercathedral.org.uk)

### CONCERTS BY CANDLELIGHT

On Saturday 20th September at 7.30pm, **London Concertante** present a sensational evening of some of the finest opera arias and overtures, including music from Puccini, Verdi, Rossini and Mozart.

Experience the thrill, drama and romance from some of opera's most beloved and immersive stories

Natalie Black will be singing some of **Adele's** greatest hits by candlelight on Friday 26th September.

Songs from **Whitney Houston** get an airing on Friday 3rd October. Seats for all these events can be booked through links found on the Cathedral website.

More exciting events are planned for the autumn. Keep an eye on the Cathedral website, so that you don't miss the opportunity to book tickets.

### Sunday 10th August

10.30am Holy Communion with  
Revd Trevor Lockwood  
Genesis 15:1-6,  
Psalm 33:12 - end.  
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-1  
Luke 12:32-40

### Collect for 8th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

### Alternative Prayer

Lord God,  
your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake; when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Sunday 15th August

10.30am Morning Worship with  
Revd Kay Dyer  
Jeremiah 23:23-29  
Psalm 82.  
Hebrews 11:29-12:2  
Luke 12:49-56

### Online Evening Prayer

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

### CONTACT DETAILS

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### DAVID CRUISE

The funeral of David Cruise, husband of Wendy Cruise, will be on Thursday 28th August at 1.15pm at Mount Carmel RC Church. Please remember Wendy and the family in your prayers.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

Events in the hall unless stated otherwise

### Tuesday 12th August

10.00am Exercise Class

### Thursday 14th August

10.00am Charity Shop & Café

1.30pm Crafty Thursday

7.30pm Kingfisher Quilters

### Friday 15th August

10.00am Charity Shop & Café

## AIN'T NO STOPPING US NOW!

The Charity Shop and Café plan to continue to run during the summer holidays, making it a great place to drop into on a Thursday or Friday morning, drop off your donations, enjoy a good chat whilst consuming delicious refreshments and browse our bargains.

## NEW PHONE NUMBER

The church office has a new phone number to replace the previous landline. The new number is **07547 222617** and is now operational. . Details overleaf.

## NEW WEST MIDLANDS DISTRICT

The Bridge is currently part of the Birmingham District of the Methodist Church. In a few months time the Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury and Birmingham districts will merge, creating a new West Midlands District. Please remember in your prayers all involved in the smooth transition and plans for the launch service at Central Hall in Walsall on Sat 30th Aug at 3pm.

### Prayer for Bishop Hugh

Gracious and loving God,  
through your Son Jesus Christ,  
the Good Shepherd,  
you have called us into the fellowship  
of your universal Church:  
we thank you for calling your servant Hugh  
to be Bishop of Worcester;  
sustain him by your love,  
strengthen him in faith  
encourage him in hope  
and grant him the needful gifts of grace;  
that through his ministry among us  
we may live and grow as Kingdom People  
sharing faith, hope and love in Jesus' name.  
**Amen**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tue 19 Aug 2.00pm

Wed 20 Aug 11.00am

Sat 23 Aug 11.00am

Thur 28 Aug 1.15pm

7.00pm

Sat 30 Aug 3.00pm

Wed 3 Sept 11.00am

Thur 11 Sept 11.30am

Tue 16 Sept 10.30am

Wed 17 Sept 11.00am

Sun 21st Sep 5.00pm

Wed 8 Oct 7.00pm

Thur 9 Oct 11.30am

Wed 15 Oct 11.00am

Tue 21 Oct 10.30am

Sun 9 Nov 5.00pm

Thur 13 Nov 11.30am

Tue 18 Nov 10.30am

Wed 19 Nov 11.00am

u3a Open Afternoon

Cleaning Party in Church

Pet Blessing Service Worcester Cathedral

Funeral of David Cruise at Mount Carmel

Rehearsal at Carrs Lane Meth Ch

West Midlands Circuit Launch Service  
at Central Hall in Walsall

Wandering & Wondering@Peckwood

Wardens & Stewards Meeting

Seeds & Saplings@Peckwood

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## DUST BUSTERS!

Our regular church cleaner will be unavailable for a few weeks so we will be having a volunteer working party on alternate Wednesdays for the next few weeks to keep the church and vestry clean. The next polishing party will be on Wed 20th August, between 11.00a.m. and 12.00 noon.

We will be vacuuming, sweeping, dusting and cleaning whatever needs cleaning! There is a list at the back of church to sign up. The more the merrier!

## OPEN HOUSE

U3A are holding an open afternoon on Tuesday 19th August in the hall. Come along and find out more. u3a is a registered charity with the aim of encouraging groups of people no longer in full-time work to come together and continue their enjoyment of learning subjects of interest to them. Redditch u3a has 26 interest groups and activities which hold monthly meetings at various venues throughout the town:

Topics covered include Ancient History \* Awesome Amblers \* Art Appreciation \* Book Group \* Coffee and Chat \* Computer Help Desk \* Computer Users \* Events and Outings \* Exploring Science \* Family History \* French Conversation \* Games and Puzzles \* Games Cafe \* Intermediate German \* Lunch Club \* Moving to Music \* Music in Our Time \* Philosophy \* Poetry \* Research Help Desk \* Roving Rambler \* Shakespeare \* Stitch and Chat \* New Members' meeting.

We are always happy to hear from anyone who has a particular interest they would like to see started. We hope you will come along and enjoy meeting the u3a Team!

For more information, visit our website, [redditch.u3asite.uk](http://redditch.u3asite.uk)

## SUPPORTING THE LIFE & MINISTRY OF THE BRIDGE

We realise that many of you will want to make a donation to the life and ministry of the church, but many of us do not carry cash. Good news there are other ways to give. You can scan the QR code or go to our website <https://www.thebridgeredditch.co.uk/> and click the link at the top of the home page which will provide details of the church bank account as below. The Bridge Church Sort code 40-43-54 Account 81604015 Please put ref as "QR (then your name or leave blank)".



If you would like your donation to go to any specific use, then please email our treasurer

[terry.bill@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:terry.bill@blueyonder.co.uk) and let him know. If you prefer more traditional methods of payments you are still able to make donations by cash or cheque.

Cash donations are particularly welcome as we can reclaim Gift Aid even if you are not a tax payer. For further information speak to our Treasurer, Terry Bill. Thank you for supporting the life and mission of The Bridge.