



St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton

This week's music and notices

Sunday 2nd November 2025 - All Saints and All Souls

11.15am Festal Eucharist in the Nave

6.30pm Choral Requiem in the Nave

The week ahead

*The church will normally be open for private prayer from 11.00am to 2.00pm
from Monday to Friday*

Tuesday 4th November

10.00am Pebbles

A free group for pre-school children and their parents/carers

Wednesday 5th November

5.15pm Choral Evensong in the Nave

Friday 7th November

12.30pm Said Eucharist (Common Worship) in the Memorial Chapel

Sunday 9th November -Third Sunday before Advent

11.15am Civic Service of Remembrance

6.30pm Choral Eucharist in the Nave

Sunday 2nd November 2025 - 11.15am

Choral Eucharist

Musical Setting

Collegium Regale - Darke

Introit Hymn

**1. Father, in whom thy saints are one,
Bought by the blood of thy dear Son,
We praise thee for thy hallowing grace
In those who now behold thy face.**

**2. For they have gained eternal rest,
And in the heavenly mansions blest
They dwell among the angelic throng,
And hear the one unending song.**

**3. The patriarchs and prophets old
The heavenly splendour now behold;
The Baptist, herald of thy Son,
Enjoys the fruit of labour done.**

**4. But first among the saintly band,
The Mother, at her Son's right hand,
Adores the Saviour's endless love,
In that eternal home above.**

**5. The Twelve now see the Father's face,
While all who've run their earthly race
In one glad company rejoice
To hear the heavenly bridegroom's voice.**

**6. Father of all, to thee we pray,
Keep us for ever in the way
That leads us to the heavenly rest
Among the glories of the blest.**

**7. To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
All worship, love and honour be,
Both now and in eternity. Amen.**

*Tune: Kent (NEH 196 (t. ii))
Words: G. B. Timms (1910-97)*

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. **Amen.**

First Reading

Ephesians 1. 11 - end

Gradual Hymn

**1. Let saints on earth in concert sing
With those whose work is done;
For all the servants of our King
In heaven and earth are one.**

**2. One family, we dwell in him,
One Church, above, beneath;
Though now divided by the stream,
The narrow stream of death.**

**3. One army of the living God,
To his command we bow;
Part of the host hath crossed the flood,
And part is crossing now.**

**4. E'en now to their eternal home
There pass some spirits blest,
While others to the margin come,
Waiting their call to rest.**

**5. Jesu, be thou our constant Guide;
Then, when the word is given,
Bid Jordan's narrow stream divide,
And bring us safe to heaven.**

*Tune: Dundee (NEH 396)
Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88)*

Gospel

Luke 6. 20 - 31

Offertory Hymn

**1. For all the Saints who from their labours rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confest,
Thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest.
Alleluya! Alleluya!**

**2. Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well fought fight;
Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light.
Alleluya! Alleluya!**

**3. O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the Saints who nobly fought of old,
And win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluya! Alleluya!**

**4. O blest communion! fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluya! Alleluya!**

**5. And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluya! Alleluya!**

**6. The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest:
Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.
Alleluya! Alleluya!**

**7. But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The Saints triumphant rise in bright array:
The King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluya! Alleluya!**

**8. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluya! Alleluya!**

*Tune: Sine Nomine (NEH 197)
Words: W. Walsham How (1823-97)*

Post Communion Motet Justorum animae - Stanford

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.**

Final Hymn

**1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright Seraphs, Cherubim and Thrones,
Raise the glad strain, Alleluya!
Cry out, Dominions, Princedoms, Powers,
Virtues, Archangels, Angels' choirs,
Alleluya! Alleluya! Alleluya! Alleluya!
Alleluya!**

**2. O higher than the Cherubim,
More glorious than the Seraphim,
Lead their praises, Alleluya!
Thou Bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord,
Alleluya! Alleluya! Alleluya! Alleluya!
Alleluya!**

**3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye Patriarchs and Prophets blest,
Alleluya! Alleluya!
Ye holy Twelve, ye Martyrs strong,
All Saints triumphant, raise the song
Alleluya! Alleluya! Alleluya! Alleluya!
Alleluya!**

**4. O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluya! Alleluya!
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One.
Alleluya! Alleluya! Alleluya! Alleluya!
Alleluya!**

*Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen (NEH 478)
Words: Athelstan Riley (1858-1945)*

Organ Voluntary

Choral Requiem - 6.30pm

Please see separate service sheet

Wednesday 5th November 2025 Choral Evensong - 5.15pm

Preces & Responses Brown

Evening Service in C minor Dyson

Psalms 111 & 112

Confitebor tibi

1: I will give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart : secretly among the faithful, and in the congregation.

2: The works of the Lord are great : sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

3: His work is worthy to be praised and had in honour : and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4: The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works : that they ought to be had in remembrance.

5: He hath given meat unto them that fear him : he shall ever be mindful of his covenant.

6: He hath shewed his people the power of his works : that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

7: The works of his hands are verity and judgement : all his commandments are true.

8: They stand fast for ever and ever : and are done in truth and equity.

9: He sent redemption unto his people : he hath commanded his covenant for ever; holy and reverend is his Name.

10: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom : a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; the praise of it endureth for ever.

1: Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord : he hath great delight in his commandments.

2: His seed shall be mighty upon earth : the generation of the faithful shall be blessed.

3: Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4: Unto the godly there ariseth up light in the darkness : he is merciful, loving, and righteous.

5: A good man is merciful, and lendeth : and will guide his words with discretion.

6: For he shall never be moved : and the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.

7: He will not be afraid of any evil tidings : for his heart standeth fast, and believeth in the Lord.

8: His heart is established, and will not shrink : until he see his desire upon his enemies.

9: He hath dispersed abroad, and given to the poor : and his righteousness remaineth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.

10: The ungodly shall see it, and it shall grieve him : he shall gnash with his teeth, and consume away; the desire of the ungodly shall perish.

First Lesson

Proverbs 3. 27 - end

Second Lesson

Matthew 18. 21 - end

Anthem

Day by day - How

Hymn

**1. Light of the lonely pilgrim's heart,
The star of the coming day,
Arise, and with thy morning beams
Chase all our griefs away.**

**2. Bid the whole earth, responsive now
To that bright world above,
Break forth in rapturous strains of joy
To celebrate thy love.**

**3. Thine was the cross, with all its fruits,
Of grace and peace divine;
And thine the crown of glory now,
The palm of victory thine.**

**4. See how thy fair creation groans,
The sky, the earth, the sea,
In unison with all our hearts,
And calls aloud for thee.**

**5. Come, blessed Lord, let every shore
And answering island sing
The praises of thy royal name,
And own thee as their king.**

*Tune: Rochester (NEH 399)
Words: Samuel Johnson (1822-82)*

Notices

Bible Readings for all services

References for the readings for all our services can be found in this booklet. If you wish to follow the readings, they are available online at bible.oremus.org (we use NRSV version), or perhaps consider bringing your own Bible. If you are reading this booklet online you are now able to click on the reading heading and this will take you directly to the Bible reading.

Visiting Priests at St Peter's

Our Presidents and Preachers for the next few Sundays will be:

2nd November	Choral Eucharist Choral Requiem	Very Rev Adrian Dorber Rev Paul Farthing
9th November	Civic Remembrance Service Choral Eucharist	Very Rev Adrian Dorber Rev Paul Farthing
16th November	Choral Eucharist Choral Evensong	Ven Canon Liz Jackson Lay led
23rd November	Choral Eucharist Choral Evensong	Rev Preb. Dr Sarah Schofield Rev Paul Farthing

All Souls - 2nd November at 6.30pm

We will be holding our All Souls service on 2nd November. If you would like us to remember a loved one, please add their name to the list at the back of church

Funeral for the late Gwen Harris

Gwen's funeral will take place at St Peter's on Tuesday 4th November at 1.00pm. All are welcome.

Civic Service of Remembrance - Sunday 9th November

On Sunday 9th November there will be no access to Wulfruna Street from 8.00am. Free parking will be available in the Civic Centre car park (entry via North Street). All are welcome to this service which will begin with the Drumhead Service in the Civic Square. There will be a Choral Eucharist at 6.30pm in the Nave.

Wolverhampton Chamber Choir Concert: 3pm, Saturday 8th November.

'For All the Saints' - Music spanning several centuries in the radiant acoustic of SS Peter and Paul, including Victoria's 'Missa O quam gloriosum' and Britten's 'Hymn to St Cecilia'. Free parking in the SS Peter and Paul carpark (51 North Street WV1 1RJ) by entering registration number on tablet in church on arrival. Tickets £15 (under 18s free) on the door or online by scanning the code.



SAVE THE DATE - UPCOMING EVENTS AND SERVICES

Fringe Arts Wolves - 28th/29th/30th November

The first Fringe Arts Wolves, an arts festival that blends contemporary culture with the spirit of the season.

Starting with a lantern parade which culminates in St Peter's Square, where light projections transform St Peter's Church into a living artwork. Continuing with multiple art exhibitions and much more. For full details please use the following link [**Fringe Art Wolves**](#)

Advent Carols - Sunday 30th November at 6.30pm

Replacing our service of Choral Evensong we have a traditional candlelit service of Advent Carols.

Christmas Fair - Saturday 6th December - 10.30am - 2.30pm

This is a major fund raiser for the Church and we would like to get as many people involved as possible. We will be holding a **meeting**, following Eucharist on **2nd November**, for anyone who is interested in running a stall. Donations such as Cakes, Bottles, Toys, Bric-a-Brac, Plants, Tombola, Books are needed and can be brought to church any time before the event. If you would like to run your own stall we will be offering tables for a one off fee of £10 or £20 per small or large table - you keep any profit.

Choir Concert - Saturday 6th December

Time and details to be confirmed.

Ex Cathedra - Christmas Music by Candlelight - Saturday 13th December at 7.00pm in St Peter's Church

Ex Catherdra return with a concert of both familiar melodies and wondrous discoveries to make you smile as well as reflect. Book now at [**www.excathedra.co.uk**](http://www.excathedra.co.uk)

Nine Lessons and Carols - Sunday 21st December at 6.30pm

The traditional service of readings and carols by candlelight.

Junior Church

Junior Church will take place on the following dates.

2nd November	16th November
30th November	14th December

Lunchtime Live!

These free Friday lunchtime recitals take place at 1.15pm on the following dates;

7th November	Toby Baker	Piano
14th November	Alex Wyatt	Piano
21st November	Jessica Johnson (former chorister)	Voice
28th November	Otium Saxophone Quartet	

South Door Access

Unfortunately, following the recent problem with the stonework, there will be no access to St Peter's through the South Porch for the foreseeable future to allow remedial works to take place.

We do however have temporary ramped access via the West door. Please ask if you need to use the ramp.

Church Website

Our church website is now back up and running. Details can be found at [**https://www.achurchnearyou.com/St-Peter-Wolverhampton**](https://www.achurchnearyou.com/St-Peter-Wolverhampton)

Pastoral support at St Peter's

There is a small team of volunteers to offer support to members of our church community in time of need. The volunteers are;

Kath Harrow	Di Polowyj	Michael Oginni
Akosua Ankrah		

Photography/Filming

Could we please ask that no photography or filming takes place during our services for safeguarding reasons.

Good Shepherd Food Donations

There is a box at the back of church for donations to the Good Shepherd Ministry. If you have any tins or dried goods please consider donating them. Men's toiletries are also on their shopping list, copies of which are available next to the box.

Friends of the Music

If you would like to help us continue our work in producing the choral musicians of the future, please consider either giving us a one-off donation or becoming a Friend. One-off donations can be made directly to our account via the details below, and if you wish to become a member of the Friends of the Music, please complete the form in the leaflets at the back of church and return it to the Parish Office.

Account Name: Friends of St Peter's Church Music

Sort Code: 30-99-83 Account Number: 02010234

Giving

General & Gift Aid Donations

Those who are UK taxpayers and who wish to make a donation are asked to use one of the small white envelopes which can be found by the doors and in the pews.

Please ensure that you fill in your details in ink on the front. This will enable HMRC to add 25% to your gift. If you would like to commit yourself to regular giving through our envelope scheme, please ask one of the stewards or churchwardens

Contactless Payments

A contactless machine for donations is at the back of church. It is possible to gift aid your donation by following the onscreen instructions (you only need do this once).

St Peter's welcomes donations via our 'Give a Little' page, by using the following link **St Peter's - Give a Little** or by scanning the QR code



Standing Orders

Perhaps the simplest way to give regularly is by Standing Order.

Please tell us so that we can do what's necessary to claim Gift Aid.

Please email us for our bank details.

Giving by Post

You are most welcome to send regular and one-off donations by posting a cheque (please see address below) but please do not send cash.

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