



St Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton

This week's music and notices

Sunday 4th October 2026 - Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity -

St Francis 800

11.15am Choral Eucharist in the Nave

4.00pm Choral Evensong - All Creatures of our God and King 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)*

Wednesday 7th October

5.15pm Choral Evensong in the Nave

Thursday 8th October

12.30pm Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel

Friday 9th October

1.15pm Lunchtime Live! Lily Rugg - Voice

Saturday 10th October

4.00pm Hope Remains - A service of hope and awareness for suicide prevention

**Sunday 11th October - Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity - Friends of the
Music Sunday**

11.15am Choral Eucharist in the Nave

6.30pm Choral Evensong in the Nave

Sunday 4th October 2026 - 11.15am

Choral Eucharist

Musical Setting

Communion Service for Unison Voices - Howells

Introit Hymn

**1. All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluya, alleluya!**

**Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam:
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya!**

**2. Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, Alleluya!**

**Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice
O praise him, O praise him,...**

**3. And all ye men of tender heart,
Forgiving other, take your part,
O sing ye, Alleluya
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear.
Praise God and on him cast your care:
O praise him, O praise him,...**

**4. Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship him in humbleness;
O praise him, Alleluya!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in One:
O praise him, O praise him,...**

Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen (NEH 263)

Words: St Francis of Assisi (1182-1226)

Tr. William Draper (1855-1933)

Collect

O God, you ever delight to reveal yourself to the childlike and lowly of heart: grant that, following the example of the blessed Francis, we may count the wisdom of this world as foolishness and know only Jesus Christ and him crucified, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

2 Corinthians 8. 8-15

Gradual Hymn

**1. Make me a channel of your peace:
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your healing power,
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.**

**2. Make me a channel of your peace:
where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
Where there is darkness, only light,
and where there's sadness, ever joy.**

**3. O, Spirit, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.**

**4. Make me a channel of your peace:
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving to all that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.**

*Tune: Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
St. Francis of Assisi Tr Sebastian Temple*

Gospel

Matthew 6. 25-34

Offertory Hymn

**1. All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.**

**2. Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings.
All things bright and beautiful....**

**3. The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning,
That brighten up the sky;
All things bright and beautiful....**

**4. The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one;
All things bright and beautiful....**

**5. The tall trees in the greenwood,
The meadows for our play,
The rushes by the water,
To gather every day;
All things bright and beautiful....**

**6. He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well.
All things bright and beautiful....**

*Tune: Royal Oak (NEH 264)
Words: Mrs C F Alexander (1818-95)*

Post Communion Motet My Eyes for Beauty Pine - Howells.

Post Communion Prayer

Merciful God, who gave such grace to your servant Francis that he served you with singleness of heart and loved you above all things: help us, whose communion with you has been renewed in this sacrament, to forsake all that holds us back from following Christ and to grow into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Final Hymn

**1. Now thank we all our God,
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.**

**2. O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.**

**3. All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The One eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore,
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore. Amen.**

*Tune: Nun Danket (NEH 413)
German, Martin Rinkart (1586-1649)*

Organ Voluntary

**All creatures of our God and King
800th Anniversary of Commemoration of St Francis
with our Pets - 4.00pm**

Please see separate Order of Service

Wednesday 7th October 2026

Preces & Responses

Archer

Cherubini Service

Wicks

Psalm 128 and 129

Psalm 128

1: Blessed are all those who fear the Lord, and walk in his ways.

2: You shall eat the fruit of the toil of your hands; it shall go well with you, and happy shall you be.

3: Your wife within your house shall be like a fruitful vine; your children round your table, like fresh olive branches.

4: Thus shall the one be blest who fears the Lord.

5: The Lord from out of Zion bless you, that you may see Jerusalem in prosperity all the days of your life.

6: May you see your children's children, and may there be peace upon Israel.

Psalm 129

1: 'Many a time have they fought against me from my youth,' may Israel now say;

2: 'Many a time have they fought against me from my youth, but they have not prevailed against me.'

3: The ploughers ploughed upon my back and made their furrows long.

4: But the righteous Lord has cut the cords of the wicked in pieces.

5: Let them be put to shame and turned backwards, as many as are enemies of Zion.

6: Let them be like grass upon the housetops, which withers before it can grow,

7: So that no reaper can fill his hand, nor a binder of sheaves his bosom;

8: And none who go by may say, 'The blessing of the Lord be upon you. We bless you in the name of the Lord.'

First Lesson

Hosea 14

Second Lesson

James 2. 14 - 26

Anthem

Day by day - How

Hymn

**1. Lord, teach us how to pray aright
With reverence and with fear;
Though dust and ashes in thy sight,
We may, we must draw near.**

**2. We perish if we cease from prayer;
O grant us power to pray;
And when to meet thee we prepare,
Lord, meet us by the way.**

**3. God of all grace, we come to thee
With broken contrite hearts;
Give, what thine eye delights to see,
Truth in the inward parts;**

**5. Patience to watch, and wait, and weep,
Though mercy long delay;
Courage our fainting souls to keep,
And trust thee though thou slay.**

**4. Faith in the only sacrifice
That can for sin atone,
To cast our hopes, to fix our eyes,
On Christ, on Christ alone;**

**6. Give these, and then thy will be done;
Thus, strengthened with all might,
We, through thy Spirit and thy Son,
Shall pray, and pray aright.**

*Tune: St Hugh (NEH 406)
Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854)*

Organ Voluntary

Notices

Prayers for the week

- Bishop Michael giving thanks for his ministry and service to the Diocese over the last decade. Praying for him and Julia as they left Lichfield and have now moved to Leicester
- Black History Month through October - remembering the stories that are called to be uncovered and shared as we celebrate the diversity of humanity and a continuing journey for full inclusion in our society of all people regardless of their ethnicity, race, orientation, background and gender
- The ministry of Aaron Humphriss who has begun as Rector's PA and Operations Manager - pray for new ways of working across the city and time to enable understanding and important decisions to be made in how the churches seek to work effectively together. Praying and giving thanks for his skills in how to develop solutions for the running of our two churches.
- St Peter's Collegiate Academy, here with us on Wednesday, as Year 7 begin a new year. For all the staff and students involved in celebrating and learning about the Christian Faith.
- The Ministry of 'Violet', a new organisation being setting up here in the city, that seeks to bring support and care for those living with mental health problems and especially for those contemplating suicide as well as survivors and families affected by this.

- Alison Bruton, as she prepares for her licensing next Sunday evening and for Archdeacon Liz, as she prepares to join us.

Image of the Week

Vision of St Francis – Juspere de Ribera – Prado Madrid

Vision of St Francis

As the World commemorates the 800th Anniversary of the death of St Francis this Sunday we give thanks for the special vision he received to rebuild the church through an understanding of God's presence and power being made through poverty in order to be rich. Think in your life about what makes you rich - is it a poverty of heart, spirit and mind that helps to achieve this?

St Francis 800

Sunday 4th October marks the 800th Anniversary of the death of St Francis in 1226. 800 years on, his legacy and life continue to inspire and guide millions of people living their daily lives through the world. There will be special services at 11.15am and **4pm**, which will be **All creatures of our God and King**, a Pet Service giving thanks for Francis' love of creation. Do join us for that celebration and bring your pets (or pictures or pet cuddly toys!)

Hope Remains - Saturday 10th October at 4pm

A service of hope and awareness for suicide prevention. We will be joined by the Mayor and the High Sheriff for this special occasion, as the charity Violet Project prepares to launch in the City to provide support and assistance to those considering taking their lives and who need first aid mental health assistance.

Quiz Night on Saturday 10th October at 6pm in St Peter's House.

Tickets are £10 per adult. Accompanied school aged children free. Hot dogs will be served but please bring your own drinks. If you would like to take part in the quiz please speak to Jonathan White or Deborah Castle

Friends of the Music Sunday - 11th October

On Sunday 11th October we will be welcoming Revd Ian Terry (Chair of Governors at St Regis and Former Rector of Bournemouth Town Centre Parish) as our preacher at 11.15am.

At 6.30pm we will be welcoming Ven Liz Jackson, our Archdeacon, at Choral Evensong for the licensing of Alison Bruton as Assistant Priest and welcoming Aaron and Pauline as new staff here at the church and at St Peter's Academy.

The Friends of St Peter's Music - Annual General Meeting

The Friends AGM will take place on Sunday 11th October after the 11.15 service. Nomination forms are available at the back of church.

Diocese of Lichfield Cultural Festival 2026

The diocese is holding a celebration of faith, culture and community on Saturday 17th October at Holy Trinity, Heath Town. The event will take place from 11.00am - 4.00pm. It is a free event but registration is required. Please see the flyers at the back of church which have the full details.

Saturday November 14th at 3pm in St Peter's Collegiate Church

'Of Birds, Bears and Butterflies' - A Choral Celebration of Creation.

Wolverhampton Chamber Choir in concert with children from local primary schools

Andrew Carter's *Benedicite* plus works including *Teddy Bear's Picnic*, *Colors of the wind* from *Pocohontas* and Rutter's *For the beauty of the earth*.

Tickets £15 (under 18s free) available on the door, from choir members or online by scanning the QR code.



Pilgrimage to the Holy Island of Patmos.

The Very Reverend Adrian Dorber, former Dean of Lichfield, and also known in this parish, is organising a pilgrimage to the Holy Island of Patmos. It's an opportunity to experience the Christian spirituality of this traditional Greek Island dominated by the 11th century fortified Greek Orthodox Monastery of St John, built over the cave where John recorded the visions that form the Book of Revelation. The dates are May 24th - 30th. Based on two sharing the price is £1500 single supplement £209 and includes BA return flights from London Gatwick to Kos, one night in Kos Town, 2hour ferry from Kos to Patmos, breakfast and one meal each day and a final dinner; daily worship and reflection, five nights in the Skala Hotel, entrance to the Cave of Revelation, the Monastery of St. John and the Convent of Evangelismos. a lovely local guide and daily input from Adrian Dorber. If you're interested please contact the tour operator at enquiries@jcjourneys.com www.jcjourneys.com 01886 812862. You can download an itinerary and booking form using those contact details. Places are limited so early booking is advised.

Friends of the Music of St Peter's Collegiate Church

The Friends of the Music support our Music Department, and a big part of this is helping fund the annual choir tour. Throughout the year they run a range of fundraising activities, see details below of our upcoming Quiz night. If you feel able to offer a little extra support, please use the QR code to donate via the Friends of St Peter's Music JustGiving page.



Junior Church

Junior Church is taking place on the following dates:

October 18th	November 15th	December 13th
	November 29th	

If you would like to help with Junior Church, please speak to Lindsay White.

Lunchtime Live!

The free Friday lunchtime recitals will return again on Friday September 11th at 1.15pm.

October 9th	Lily Rugg	Voice
October 16th	tbc	

Church Website

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

St Peter's Car Park

Whilst the barrier may be down, St Peter's congregation are allowed to park on Sunday mornings and evenings. A key pad has been installed to allow free exit if the barrier is down. The code is 2642. (This is strictly for use on Sundays only).

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

We ask that no photography or filming takes place during our services for safeguarding reasons.

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

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 to 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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