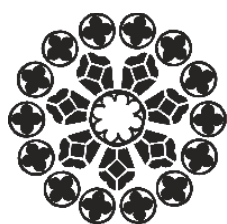


Sunday 23rd August 2026
12th Sunday after Trinity



Truro
Cathedral

sacred space, common ground

08:00 BCP Holy Communion

President: Revd Canon Keiren
Marwood

10:00 Sung Eucharist

President: Revd Jeff James
Preacher: Revd Jeff James

16:00 Choral Evensong

Preacher: Revd Prebend Gorran
Chapman

10.00am Hymns for this morning

205 Christ is made the sure foundation

484 The Church's one foundation

272 All for Jesus!

Music for the 10.00am Eucharist

Introit Verily, verily I say unto you

Missa Papae Marcelli

Motet O sacrum convivium

Tallis

Palestrina

Tallis

Collect: Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of 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.

First Reading – Isaiah 51. 1-6

Listen to me, you that pursue righteousness, you that seek the Lord.
Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were
dug. Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one

when I called him, but I blessed him and made him many. For the Lord will comfort Zion; he will comfort all her waste places, and will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope.

Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be for ever, and my deliverance will never be ended.

Psalm 138

Alan Rees

Response

v. 5b Great is the glo - ry, the glo - ry of the Lord.



I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods will I sing praise to you.
I will bow down towards your holy temple and praise your name,
because of your love and faithfulness;
for you have glorified your name
and your word above all things.
In the day that I called to you, you answered me;
You put new strength in my soul.
All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,
For they have heard the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
That great is the glory of the Lord.
Though the Lord be high, he watches over the lowly;
As for the proud, he regards them from afar.

Second Reading – Romans 12. 1–8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual

worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter; in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Gospel reading – Matthew 16. 13-20

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, ‘Who do people say that the Son of Man is?’ And they said, ‘Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ Simon Peter answered, ‘You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.’ And Jesus answered him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.’ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Post Communion Prayer

God of all mercy,
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins
and given us your healing:
grant that we who are made whole in Christ
may bring that healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Next Sunday, 30th August – 13th of Trinity

08:00	BCP Holy Communion	President: The Revd Canon Keiren Marwood
10:00	Choral Eucharist	President: Canon Sue Wallace Preacher: The Interim Dean
16:00	Choral Evensong	Preacher: Charles Howlett, Reader.

Visiting choirs:

It has been great having the Pilgrim Singers from Liverpool singing for us throughout the week. Today is their last day and as we say goodbye to them later, we thank them so much for their music and their fellowship.

We extend a very warm welcome to the Choir of St Peter's Church, Streatham who will be arriving tomorrow and singing our services this week.

This week we are praying for: Fiona Davie, Jill Staplehurst, Keith Halstead, Marc Gregory, Anne and David Hagan, Philip Sharpe, Stephen Martin. Mary Cockeram.

RIP: Iris Skelton.

The Chapter House Revival

We look forward to the Chapter House opening week commencing August 31st! Jess and Carolyn, our team leaders, continue to work hard on the preparatory work. Hopefully you've seen the beginnings of the new look and feel of the space. New equipment is arriving daily and the space is really coming to life! The old café furniture has now been mostly sold, with some chairs remaining, so if you know someone who may be interested, please let the team know.

We are currently recruiting hospitality and retail volunteers. Please contact Susie Merelie in the office for more information.

The Chapter House will offer a café space for 70, alongside a small shop area and exhibition displays. We're excited to welcome you again! If you would like to contribute towards the cost of this exciting and much-anticipated project, the easiest way to do so is by scanning the QR code or, alternatively, cheque donations can be sent to the cathedral office made payable to the Chapter of Truro Cathedral.



Accessible Entrance

The automatic doors are now installed. The construction team expect the work to be completed by the end of August, provided there were no more stonework delays. We are awaiting further updates from them.

Friends of Truro Cathedral
Wednesday 26th August - Coffee Morning 10 – 11.30
in the Cathedral Chapter House.

All very welcome.

Volunteer recruitment

Without the support of our dedicated volunteers, we would not be able to do all that we do. Volunteering at Truro Cathedral can involve many activities – come and be part of our amazing team! Volunteering post are open to everyone, and days/times can be arranged to suit you, whether you want to give a day a month or a couple of hours a week. Volunteering at the cathedral offers the opportunity to join a diverse team, be involved in a local community, to meet people and make new friends, to learn new skills and to spend time in a beautiful and historical building.

We are currently seeking various volunteer roles, these include: Welcomers, Guides, Honorary Vergers, Hospitality & Retail volunteers, Receptionists, Chaplains and Flower Guild members.

If you or someone you know may be interested in a volunteer role, please email Susie Merelie, Volunteer Manager – volunteering@trurocathedral.org.uk

Heritage and History Talks at Truro Cathedral -

Discover the rich history, architecture and people that have shaped Truro Cathedral and Cornwall's heritage. Our heritage and history talks bring together local historians and heritage experts for a programme of fascinating talks held throughout the year.

Whether you are a lifelong history enthusiast or simply curious to learn more, everyone is welcome.

Next talk: 18th September 2026 at 7pm, Assembly Room, Old Cathedral School

The Life and Works of John Loughborough Pearson (1817-97): A Talk by Patrick Newberry, MBE – Patrick is also a member of the Chapter of Truro Cathedral.

Tickets: available from Truro Cathedral website under 'What's on'.

Sunday refreshments:

Please note that while the Chapter House is undergoing its refurbishment, we are unable to serve coffee, but will continue to serve a selection of cold drinks and biscuits for you in the North Transept. It's an opportunity for us to meet together following the 10 am Eucharist and also offer hospitality to the visiting choirs.

Please join us – all welcome

Save the date, note from the Interim Dean. The next Congregation meeting is set for **Sunday 13th September at 11.30 am** following the Eucharist in the Chapter House.

Another ‘Save the date’ from Susie Merelie

The next lunch at the long table will be taking place in the cathedral on Sunday 20th September at 12pm – please save the date!

All are invited to this long table lunch where team members, volunteers, visitors, and congregation join together to share lunch.

The idea is that the cathedral provides the tables for a communal picnic lunch, and you bring your own lunch and enjoy meeting and chatting to other members of the Truro community whilst enjoying the sights and sounds of Truro Cathedral.

Thank you!

Bible Study at Truro Cathedral

The Bible Study Group meets in the Old Cathedral School on Thursday mornings at about 10.05 am after Morning Prayer. It looks prayerfully and carefully at the readings set for the following Sunday with a desire to know our Lord Jesus the Christ more clearly, follow him more nearly and love him more dearly.

Chairs

We have a batch of wooden chairs that are available for sale. These are surplus chairs that used to form part of the Nave seating. They are in a fair condition. If you would like to buy a chair for £25, or multiple chairs, before they are advertised elsewhere, please email info@trurocathedral.org.uk with how many you would like by the

31st August. Requests will be fulfilled on a first come first served basis from these emails only.

This Week.

<i>Monday 24 August</i> <i>St Bartholomew</i>	09.00	Holy Communion
	09.30	Morning Prayer
	16.00	Festal Evensong

<i>Tuesday 25 August</i>	09.00 Holy Communion 09.30 Morning Prayer 17.30 Choral Evensong
<i>Wednesday 26 August</i>	09.00 Holy Communion 09.30 Morning Prayer 17.30 Choral Evensong
<i>Thursday 27 August</i>	09.00 Holy Communion 09.30 Morning Prayer 12.10 Christian Meditation 13.10 Lunchtime Organ Concert – <i>Thomas Hawkes</i> 17.30 Choral Evensong
<i>Friday 28 August</i> <i>Augustine, Bishop, teacher of the faith</i>	09.00 Holy Communion 09.30 Morning Prayer 11.00 BCP Holy Communion 17.30 Choral Evensong
<i>Saturday 29 August</i>	09.00 Holy Communion 09.30 Morning Prayer 16.00 Evening Prayer

Please take this notice sheet away with you

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