



Visitor Information

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CATHEDRAL
ISLE OF MAN

Welcome to Cathedral Isle of Man

If you need a **large-print** hymn book or music edition please ask the welcomers.

Communion. If you are a practicing Christian of any denomination, and normally receive Communion in your home church, you are welcome to receive at the Lord's Altar.

Distribution of Communion: Congregants are advised to receive the host first from the President and then move to receive the chalice. The Welcomers will bring people up section by section and if you wish to stay seated in your place, we will come to you at the end of communion. If you do not wish to receive you are welcome to come for a blessing – indicating by holding your service book.

If you require a **gluten-free wafer**, or would like to receive communion seated, do let one of the stewards know. Because of cross contamination (for someone who is gluten free) we have taken the decision to ask that you **refrain from Intinction** (dipping) of the host into the chalice.

Refreshments will be served today after the service.

The **Toilet** facilities are through the Servery.

8.30am BCP Said Eucharist

10. 30am Cathedral Eucharist (Cantor)

Setting: Belmont Mass – *Walker*

Processional: **34** – On Jordan's Bank
the Baptist's cry

Gradual: **26** – Hark, a thrilling voice
is sounding

Offertory: **58** – Long ago, prophets knew

Anthem – To the Queen of heaven
- *Dunhill*

Final: **362** – Tell out my soul

Voluntary: Veni, Veni Emmanuel – *Harker*

3.30pm Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols (Full Choir)

See separate service sheet

Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Post Communion

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever **Amen**

The first reading from Zephaniah 3: 14 – end.

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion;
shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart,
O daughter Jerusalem!

The Lord has taken away the judgements
against you,

he has turned away your enemies.

The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your
midst;

you shall fear disaster no more.

On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

Do not fear, O Zion;

do not let your hands grow weak.

The Lord, your God, is in your midst,
a warrior who gives victory;

he will rejoice over you with gladness,

he will renew you in his love;

he will exult over you with loud singing
as on a day of festival.

I will remove disaster from you,
so that you will not bear reproach for it.

I will deal with all your oppressors
at that time.

And I will save the lame
and gather the outcast,

and I will change their shame into praise
and renown in all the earth.

At that time I will bring you home,
at the time when I gather you;

for I will make you renowned and praised
among all the peoples of the earth,
when I restore your fortunes
before your eyes, says the Lord.

A reading from the Gospel of Luke 3: 7 – 18.

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.'

And the crowds asked him, 'What then should we do?' In reply he said to them, 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.' Even tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, 'Teacher, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.' Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.'

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with^[e] the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

Notices:

Apologies

The clock chimes are currently awaiting repair.

Announcement

The Revd. Joanna Fisher will be joining The Cathedral Benefice from the start of Lent 2025 with specific responsibility for St John's

Prayer Ministry

We offer a ministry of Prayer after every 10.30am service, if you would like more details, please speak to Mary Biggart

Fairtrade

There will not be a Fairtrade stall over the next couple of months but you can contact Helen Parry to order items.

Big Table.

There will be no Big Table on the 23rd or 30th of December or 6th January 2025. Instead, there will be Coffee and Biscuits in the Cathedral on these two days from 12 Noon to 2.00pm.

Diocese of Jerusalem

There is a Retiring Collection through Advent for the Diocese of Jerusalem. This will help reconstruct social fabric in Gaza such as the Anglican hospital that serves all regardless of background. You can make a digital payment and we will give you a receipt, which you can insert into a Christmas card as a Gift.

Food Bank

Please consider if you can donate any items for the Cathedral food bank. Tinned Fish, meat, Fruit vegetables, and soup. Bags of Pasta, Rice, and Packets of Cereals.

Home Visits

We already visit a number of people to bring home communion, if there is anyone else that would appreciate this, please contact Revd Mark - 338738.

Bishops of Man and the Isles

The Names on the Cathedral Floor
Contentus 648 - The Welsh line of kings ruled in Man at this period.

FOR YOUR DIARY:

Wednesday 18th December: Thie dy Vea 2pm – 5pm. Rumours of Angels, an afternoon of advent music led by Judith Ley. Arrive at 2pm, collect a hot drink and cake, choose a spot in our cosy lounge, and drift into a blend of inspirational music. Numbers will be limited so please contact us to reserve your place. There's no charge - donations on the day are very welcome, but not essential.
welcome@retreathouse.im

Saturday 21st December – 4pm – 5pm. Advent reflection at the deanery. Week 4 of 4. Please let Mark know if you are coming.

Crib & Christingle Service at the Cathedral.

We will be making Christingles after the Sunday Eucharist on 22nd December – do join us.

Moon 2025

You may have seen Gaia at St Thomas' in Douglas earlier in the year. The sister artwork, The Moon, is coming to the Cathedral from 10th Feb-2nd March. There will be opportunities to act as welcomers and help with refreshments. You may have ideas as to how we can engage with different groups of people, to encourage them to come to visit - or for an event that could take place under The Moon. Ideas and offers of help, please, to Rosemary rosemary.clarke@googlemail.com

The Week Ahead

Monday to Saturday:

9.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Cathedral

Monday:

10.00am – 4.00pm Gardening Club

12noon – 2.00pm Big Table Café Christmas lunch

fully booked

Corrin Hall

Tuesday:

10.30am Executive Team

Deanery

Wednesday:

9.00am Said Eucharist

Cathedral

5:30pm Monastic Prayer

Corrin Hall

Friday:

7.30pm Bell ringing practice

Tower

Saturday:

4.00pm Advent reflections – week 4 of 4

Deanery

**Next Sunday 22nd December
4th Sunday in Advent**

8.30am BCP Said Eucharist

10.30am Choral Eucharist

3.30pm Monastic Evening Prayer

The QR Code below can be used for all purchases:
Refreshments, Gift Store, General Giving, Donations



Christmas Services:

Tuesday 24th December. Christmas Eve

5.00pm Crib and Christingle
11.30pm Midnight Mass with Bishop Tricia

Wednesday 25th December. Christmas Day

8.30am BCP Said Eucharist
10.30am Choral Eucharist with Bishop Tricia

Website: cathedral.im



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Christmas Gift Cards for Sale

For a unique Christmas present, for those family members who have fond memories of the Cathedral and who have everything £70 buys the name of a Bishop on the Cathedral floor. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity, once they are bought they are your piece of the Cathedral forever. There are beautiful card certificates for each one.

There are about 35 remaining.

There are also some parish names that have still not acquired an owner. These cost £150.

The list of names remaining is at the back of the Cathedral.

There are also Gift Cards for smaller items – LED light replacement £10.

Bank Details:

The Cathedral Quarter Trust

Sort Code: 55-91-00

A/C No. 12925802

PART-TIME CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER ST. GERMAN'S CATHEDRAL

15 hours weekly, worked flexibly

Base: Cathedral Office, Albany Road, Peel

Annual salary £10,000 - £12,000 (£25-30k FTE)

Details or enquiries from Dean Nigel Godfrey,

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Closing date for applications 10th January 2025.

Interviews during the week commencing 20th

January 2025