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Bradford Cathedral to hold a special address for Holocaust Memorial Day



Holocaust Memorial Day 2020
Stand Together

Holocaust Memorial Day 2020 marks 75 years since the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau.

Lilian Black, Chair of the Trustees of the Holocaust Survivors' Friendship Association and the Holocaust Exhibition and Learning Centre at Huddersfield University, will give the address.

Her late father, Eugene, was deported from his home in Hungary in 1944 and sent to Auschwitz-Birkenau. He lost most of his family to the Holocaust but survived concentration camps and forced labour to make a new life in the UK.

Lilian Black:

“The theme this year is **Stand Together** so I will speak about our family's experience of what happens when we don't stand together; about the Hungarian deportations to Auschwitz-Birkenau, life after liberation and making a new life.

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“The anniversary is important because it marks symbolically the beginning of the liberation of the camps and the awful revelations at first hand of the horrors which left all humanity with the challenge of wondering how such horrors were possible. These crimes against humanity were carried out by ordinary men and women in a terrible coalescing of conditions where genocide became part of a civilised society’s racial ‘rationale’ which allowed millions to be murdered systematically in a German Nazi state sponsored act over years across the whole of occupied Europe.

“[Through this address] my hope is for people to understand better the circumstances which led to the Holocaust and to see

the relevance for today and how every person can make a difference in their own lives and those of others and to have the courage to stand together.”

The Evensong and Address will take place from 4pm to 5:30pm on Sunday 26th January, with refreshments served afterwards. You can find out more and read our blog with Lilian Black at bradfordcathedral.org/whats-on/holocaust-memorial-day/

Holocaust Memorial Day takes place on Monday 27th January. More details can be found on the official website at hmd.org.uk.

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About Bradford Cathedral

Bradford Cathedral has been a place of worship in Bradford since the first millennium. It is the oldest building in the city and, alongside being a place of worship, hosts events, arts projects and much more.

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