

PRESS RELEASE

Bradford Cathedral announces changes to public worship; online services, videos and school resources available



The Chapter of the Cathedral has taken the decision to close Bradford Cathedral for congregational (public) worship.

The Sunday Eucharist service will continue to be streamed online via the cathedral's YouTube channel and the daily morning and evening prayer will be available online as well, Monday –

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Saturday 9am and 5:30pm, and Sunday at 3:30pm. Links to all these services are available via the Bradford Cathedral website, on the 'What's On' calendar.

The cathedral will continue to open from 2pm – 4pm Wednesday – Saturday for personal prayer, but this will be reviewed daily. Guidance for visitors to Bradford Cathedral is available online, and on site, for those coming to pray.

The Very Revd Jerry Lepine, Dean of Bradford, says:

“Given the context of the current situation, we believe that this is not only the most responsible decision but also the safest. Many churches and cathedrals have already done this.

“Hospitals, care homes, schools, supermarkets, those giving the vaccines and the bereaved have been in the news. Let us remember them particularly in our prayers and support them, and others that we know, in 'safe' ways.”

There are many activities, resources and videos available via the Bradford Cathedral website for those at home, including videos focusing on the heritage of the building, digital schools' resources covering a range of subjects for those studying at home, and a 360-degree tour of the cathedral.

You can watch previous services back and much more on YouTube. There is also an online course, for those looking to learn more about the Christian faith, which begins on Thursday 21st January 2021.

You can continue to contact Bradford Cathedral by e-mailing info@bradfordcathedral.org or leaving a message on 01274 77 77 20.

You can find out more about Bradford Cathedral, discover things to do at home, and all the latest guidance, at bradfordcathedral.org.

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Notes for Editors

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. In 2020 Bradford Cathedral won the gold award for 'Small Visitor Attraction of the Year' at the White Rose Awards.

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