

Events and training

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The spectacular music of Harry Potter

Gloucester Cathedral

2 February, 7.30pm to 9.30pm

Featuring music from the Harry Potter films – performed by the International Film Orchestra.

gloucestercathedral.org.uk/whats-on/the-spectacular-music-of-harry-potter

Gaia by Luke Jerram

Tewkesbury Abbey

2 to 20 February

Measuring seven metres in diameter, Gaia features 120dpi detailed NASA imagery of the Earth's surface. The artwork provides the opportunity to see our planet on this scale, floating in three-dimensions.

gloucester.anglican.org/gaia-exhibition-by-luke-jerram

Movement Worship night

St Lawrence Church, High Street, Bourton-on-the-Water, GL54 2AW

2 February, 7.30pm

Movement Worship nights are specifically designed for youth and young adults. Gathering together to meet with God in a dynamic environment with contemporary worship and life applicable teaching that is practical, relevant and useful. gloucester.anglican.org/movement-worship-night

Quiet Days for anyone in ministry

Brownhill Monastery, Brownhill Road, Stroud, GL6 8AL

27 February, 10am to 4pm

A gentle day of prayer and reflection. In the beautiful countryside of Stroud, enjoy a chance to stop, reflect and make space for God to speak.

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Unexpected youth club thriving in Gloucester

When Gloucester City deanery started focusing on new ways to engage with secondary-aged young people, they had no idea that within a year God would give them what they needed to start a thriving and expanding youth club.



At the start of 2023, Barrie Voyce, Senior Youth Connector for the Diocese of Gloucester, visited the deanery to help them think around ways to connect with youth and teenagers in their area. Together, they hit upon the idea of ensuring that the excellent relationships the church has with primary school children were not lost as they got older. The deanery decided to prioritise being there for the Year 6s as they dealt with all the challenges of transition and ensuring that they had a safe space to meet with their friends.

Inspired by this idea, the Revd Rachel Beck, Vicar of Gloucester St George's Tuffley, paid particular attention to a couple of Year 6 children who came along to their church's family drop-in and attended the summer holiday club.

Led by Laine Lewis, ordinand on placement, the church invited them back for games, chat and doughnuts on Monday evenings in September. The initial plan was to trial a group for four weeks, chat to the three or four children they'd invited and see if there was an appetite to meet more often going forward.

Barrie says, “What started out as a simple conversation with the deanery about connecting with teens in our parishes has grown into something much bigger. Showing these young people that the church cares about them and wants to provide for their needs has seen the group of young people grow and grow! It’s fascinating to see how God has worked through the personal invitation given to these children to speak to ever-growing numbers of young people.”

Every week, more and more 11–14-year-olds turned up – the original group inviting their friends and those inviting more. For an hour each Monday evening, the church hall is full of youth playing games, making things and chatting to the encouraged, if slightly surprised, volunteers.

Rachel says, “We’ve accidentally started a youth group! We are full of praise and thanksgiving to God for this, of course, and are very excited by it, whilst also having a few challenges and questions about how to sustain it and help the young people as they develop in faith.”

Read more: gloucester.anglican.org/unexpected-youth-club-thriving-in-gloucester

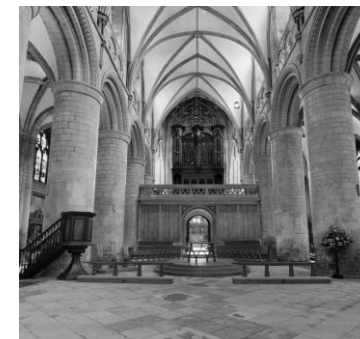
Archbishop of Canterbury to visit Diocese

This May, we will be welcoming the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, to our Diocese as part of the Big Mission Weekend in May. From Friday 24 to Sunday 26 May, the Archbishop will be visiting various locations across the Diocese followed by a special service in the Cathedral on the Sunday afternoon.

Read more: gloucester.anglican.org/the-big-mission-weekend-with-the-archbishop-of-canterbury-24-to-26-may-2024

Explore Gloucester Cathedral from anywhere in new virtual tour

Take a virtual tour of Gloucester Cathedral to explore its most-loved spaces and delve into its past in the more hidden areas.



Using modern technology, this new way of viewing the entire Cathedral has opened up this 1,000-year-old sacred space to everyone, anywhere in the world.

The virtual tour is available on the Cathedral’s website, allowing users to journey through almost every corner of this remarkable building. Take a look around the Nave, Quire and Lady Chapel before delving into other historic areas such as the medieval Library, iconic Tower and subterranean Crypt.

Crated by local company, Virtual360toursGlos, the virtual tour will allow everyone to navigate through these areas at their own pace, from wherever they are in the world.

Read more: gloucester.anglican.org/explore-gloucester-cathedral-from-anywhere-in-new-virtual-tour

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