



**Chester Cathedral Residency
Thursday 25 - Sunday 28 July 2024**

Travel and Parking

- The journey to Chester from Euston station takes around two hours. For some routes you need to change at Crewe.
- There is one parking space available on Abbey Square on Thursday and Friday, and four over the weekend. Please tell Veronica or Sylvia if you would like to use one of these spaces.
- For information about council run car parks see their [website](#) and for NCP car parks see their [website](#).
- The nearest car parks to the Cathedral are Delamere Street Car Park and New Chester Market Car Park. The nearest car parks to the Travelodge (Chester Central Bridge Street, address: Windsor House, Pepper Street, CH1 1DF) are the [NCP Pepper Street Car Park](#) and the [APCOA Parking in Pepper Street](#). Enquire at the reception desk of the hotel about a 50% refund for the cost of parking in the APCOA one.

Song School

- Our base at the Cathedral is in the Song School (marked 16 on the Cathedral Plan below). It is accessible from the Cathedral via a lift or stairs, or via stairs from the Abbey Square. We will let you know the key code for the door ASAP after arrival.
- We can leave our belongings in the Song School, and we will try to ensure this space is locked when we are not rehearsing. But we can't guarantee this so please don't leave valuable items in the Song School.
- There is space to change clothes in the Song School. Bring a coat hanger if you'd like to hang up your clothes during the day.
* Please bear in mind that we are rehearsing in the cathedral on Thursday afternoon, and ensure you have black trousers/skirt and white shirt to hand that day * (see below).
- There are toilets and a kitchen we can use to make refreshments.
- Please could some of you bring your own reusable travel cups in case there aren't enough mugs in the kitchen for us all!
- There is a refectory, "Café 1092", set in a thirteenth century monks' dining hall, which is open Mon – Sat between 9.30am – 4pm and on Sunday between 10.30am – 4pm.

Group meal

- The meal is at Carluccio's, 38 Bridge Street, CH1 1NQ on Thurs 25 July, 7.30pm.
- Any queries to Sylvia sylviajoanwalker@hotmail.com or Anna annadymond@hotmail.com

Information about Chester and Chester Cathedral

- For information about Chester see [The Official Tourism Site for Chester](#)
- For general information about the Cathedral [Home - Chester Cathedral](#)
- On Saturday there is the Midsummer Meeting at Chester Racecourse with the last

race at 5.50pm. So the restaurants/pubs are likely to be very busy that evening.

- There will be a guided tour of the ground floor of the cathedral for us on Friday 2-3pm. All are welcome to join this, including non-singing partners and friends! Meet at the back of the Nave by the West Steps. The Admissions team volunteers can direct you to the correct location.
- The Services should be live streamed (to be confirmed), and visible on the following address: [Chester Cathedral - YouTube](#)

Music

Friday Evensong 26 July 5.30pm

Responses - Joanna Forbes L'Estrange

Setting: Batten 4th Service

Anthem: Gibbons - O thou the central orb

Saturday Evensong 27 July 4.15pm

Responses - Joanna Forbes L'Estrange

Setting: Walmisely in D

Anthem: Battishill - O Lord look down from heaven

Sunday Eucharist Service 28 July 10.30am

Setting: Dove - Missa Brevis

Motet: Tallis - O Sacrum Convivium

Sunday Evensong 28 July 3pm

Responses - Joanna Forbes L'Estrange

Setting: Stanford in A

Anthem: Philip Moore - All Wisdom Cometh from the Lord

- We are printing hard copies for the Batten, Tallis and Gibbons, and booklets for the psalms and hymns. These are all yours to keep
- The Stanford, Walmisley and L'Estrange scores are on loan, and it's essential that you return these ones to us by Sunday after Choral Evensong so we can return the sets to Surbiton and Pimlico the following week. Please use a soft pencil for markings and remove the markings before return.
- Most of you have your own Battishill, Dove and Moore scores either by printing or buying through the choir for the Summer concert. If you have borrowed any of these (marked "TPC"), please return on Sunday.
- Also if you have borrowed folders, please return them to Veronica or Sylvia before you leave. Thank you.

Dress Code for Cathedral Services and rehearsals in the cathedral

This is a relevant extract from details provided for another cathedral: *"In the event that a choir is not robed, smart attire is necessary. Overall presentation is important and so we expect an appropriate standard of dress and reverence both inside and outside the Cathedral."*

All: TPC folder; smart black shoes; small black handbag (if carried); no perfume / cologne please (to avoid neighbouring singers having an allergic reaction)

- **Option 1** - Smart plain black knee-length skirt (flesh-coloured tights if worn) or smart black trousers (no leggings or denim); plain white (not cream) long-sleeved shirt with collar; black cardigan or jacket if needed.
- **Option 2** - Dark suit; long-sleeved white shirt (no braces); sober tie; black socks.

Rehearsals

- Most rehearsals are in the Song School.
 - When rehearsing in the Cathedral we are requested to walk into the Cathedral quietly as we would enter for a service, and to dress as we would for services (see above).
 - The schedule below may be adjusted once we start rehearsing.
 - Please bring all music to all rehearsals.
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Thursday 25 July

2.00 - 3.30: Rehearse in Song School

4.00 - 5.00: Rehearse in the Cathedral choir stalls, and practice processing

7.30: Group meal at Carluccio's, 38 Bridge Street, CH1 1NQ

Friday 26 July

9.00 - 1.00: Rehearse in Song School

2.00 - 3.00 Optional cathedral tour

3.00 - 4.00: Rehearse in Song School

4.30 - 5.20: Rehearse in the Cathedral choir stalls

5.20: Be ready in the Vestibule to process into Cathedral

5.30 - 6.30 (estimated): Evensong

6.30 - 7.30 (estimated): Drinks reception for TPC in the Song School, hosted by the clergy

Saturday 27 July

9.00 - 12.00: Rehearse in Song School

1.00 - 3.00: Rehearse in Song School

3.30 - 4.00: Rehearse in the Cathedral choir stalls

4.05: Be ready in the Vestibule to process into Cathedral

4.15 - 5.30 (estimated): Evensong with the Collation and Installation of The Revd Anthony Lees-Smith as Residentiary Canon

Evensong is followed by a reception for the congregation, and we are welcome to attend

Sunday 28 July

The song school will be open from 8.30 for you to leave your bags

9.30 - 10.15: Rehearse in the Cathedral nave stalls

10.20: Be ready in the Vestibule to process into Cathedral

10.30 - 11.30: Communion service

1.45 - 1.55: Photographs outside the Cathedral

2.00 - 2.50: Rehearse in the Cathedral choir stalls

2.55: Be ready in the Vestibule to process into the Cathedral

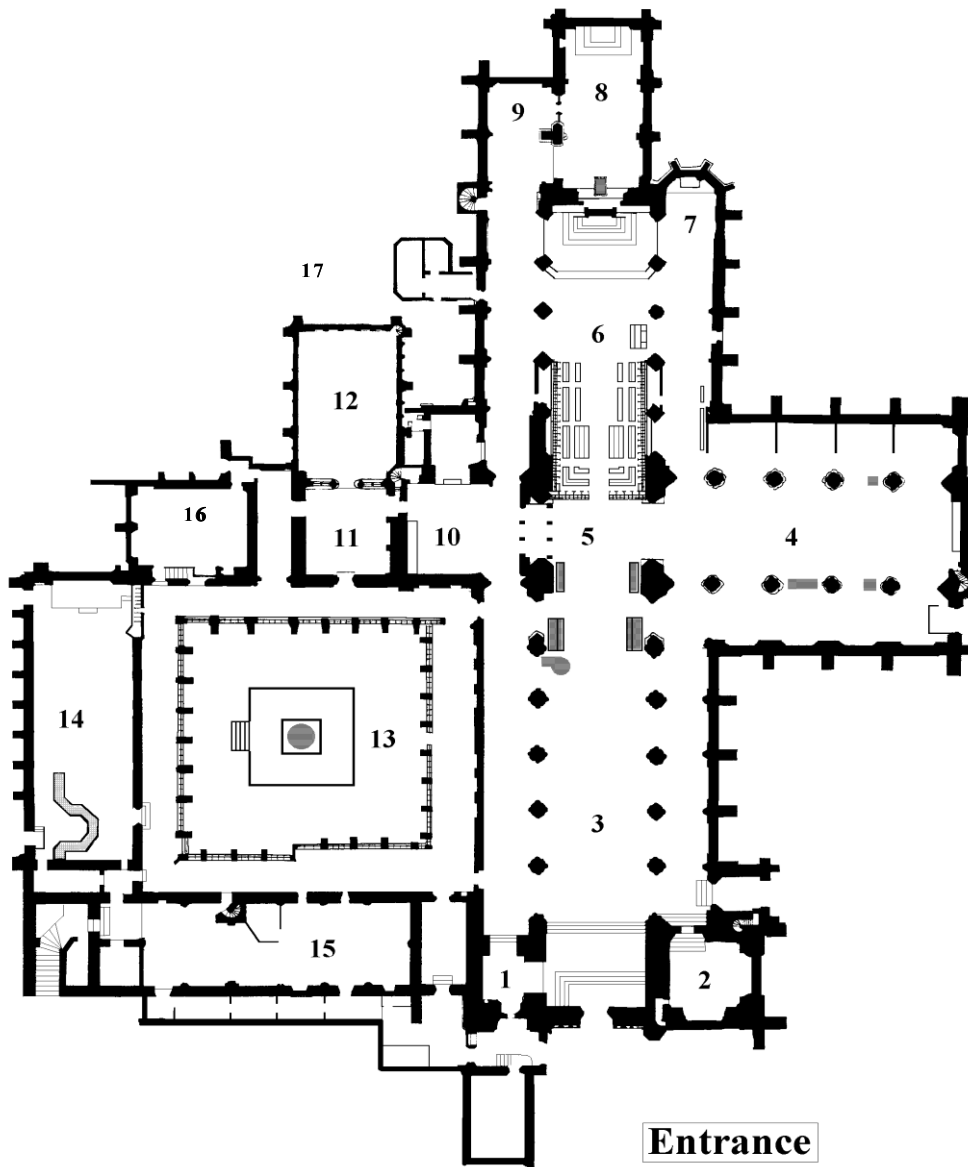
3.00 - 4.30(estimated): Evensong with installation of Canon Theologian and ten Lay Canons

4.35: Gather in the song school

We suggest you plan to leave after 5pm

Any questions, ask Veronica 07881 931459 Veronica.Tuffrey@blueyonder.co.uk

CATHEDRAL PLAN



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| 1. | The Baptistry | 2. | The Consistory Court | 3. | The Nave |
| 4. | The South Transept | 5. | The Tower Crossing | 6. | The Quire |
| 7. | St Erasmus Chapel | 8. | The Lady Chapel | 9. | St Werburgh's Chapel |
| 10. | The North Transept | 11. | The Vestibule | 12. | The Chapter House |
| 13. | Cloisters & Garth | 14. | The Refectory | 15. | The Undercroft |
| 16. | The Song School | 17. | Vestry | | |