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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday

- 09.15 Eucharist (*said in the Lady Chapel*)
- 11.15 Choral Eucharist / Choral Matins
- 15.15 Choral Evensong

Monday - Friday

- 09.00 Sung Matins (*during school term*)

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- 11.05 Eucharist (*said in the Lady Chapel on
Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saints' Days and Festivals*)
- 17.30 Choral Evensong / Evening Prayer

Saturday

- 11.05 Eucharist (*said in the Lady Chapel*)

A SHOT FROM THE CANON

Saint Paul urged the Colossians to seek the things that are above, where Christ is. What does this mean for us? The good news to keep firmly in mind is that we have been raised with Christ. This challenges us, though, to find space to welcome him into our lives. Christ calls us to see earthly things in perspective: we mustn't rely only on them. But rejecting the things that are below makes us morose: perspective and balance must play their part. Having things here below doesn't place us beyond God's all-embracing love and mercy that point us to heaven. CM

PRAYING WITH THE PREBEND

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is.
Colossians 3: 11

Almighty God,

Lift up our eyes to look past this world limits

to seek and find those things that are above;

Help us to hold all things in better balance,

that we may come at last to joys above,

to find and love your grace which has no limit;

made known in Jesus, Lord of earth and heaven. Amen.

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SEPTEMBER PREACHERS

September 4	The Revd S. E. Doogan	<i>Prebendary of Wicklow</i>
September 11	The Revd C. T. Kinahan	<i>Prebendary of Monmohenock</i>
September 18	The Revd P. Campion	<i>Precentor</i>
September 25	The Revd P. M. Willoughby	<i>Prebendary of Tymothan</i>

CONDOLENCES

Sincere condolences are expressed to a number of families who have been bereaved: Dr Michael Webb, and his family, on the death of his wife, Melissa; Philip Denner, and his family, and the wider family circle, on the death of Philip's wife, Christine; Gavan and Emer Woods, and family, on the death of Emer's father, Seamus Keogan, County Cavan; Penny McElwee and Mark Jackson, on the death of Mark's father, Derek, in London; to Mrs Florence Blennerhassett, and her family, on the death of her husband, Rowland, an ever willing volunteer in Saint Patrick's Cathedral; also to Mr Lyndon MacCann, S.C., and his partner Claire, and family, on the death of Lyndon's father, Norman. WE assure all who are bereaved of our thoughts and prayers.

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THE DEAN WRITES

Saturday 20th August 2022 marked, to the very day, the 125th anniversary of the first ringing of the original ten bells donated to the Cathedral tower by Edward Guinness, Lord Iveagh. Incidentally, they are believed to be the 10th heaviest peal of bells in the world.

The occasion was made all the more special by the fact that the anniversary occurred during National Heritage Week, when over the two Saturdays which bookended the week, tours of the ringing chamber were completely booked out. It was fitting that the historic moment was marked by the presence of members of the public who were invited into the tower to watch, and to learn from the Cathedral ringers the art of bell ringing, which is, of course, an important part of the rich heritage of the Cathedral.



The Dean, who welcomed all present, said it was most encouraging to see the degree of interest shown in this ancient art, particularly among young people.



He thanked the Cathedral ringers for their tremendous commitment, faithfulness and support in ringing on Sundays, and also in attending the weekly practices. Dean Morton wished a speedy recovery to the Captain of the Tower, Mr Derek McEndoo, who had suffered a bad fall, causing damage to his elbow, thus unfortunately rendering him unable to ring for the next few months. Derek's wife, Kathleen, kindly offered to bring to Derek the good wishes of all in attendance for a speedy recovery.

Records reveal that the condition of the bells deteriorated during the 1880s, to the extent that the ringing of bells became irregular. In fact, by 1890, the ringers considered that only five of the bells could be rung safely.

As Dr Kerry Houston points out in his chapter, 'Restoration and Consolidation: Music, 1865-1977', in 'Saint Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin: A History', Dean Henry Jellett responded to this and formed a committee in 1896 to 'consider the present condition and take steps to provide a new peal of bells'. Lord Iveagh then offered to have the bells examined, which was promptly followed by his hugely generous offer to provide a new peal of bells for the Cathedral. As Dr Houston writes: "The peal consisted of a ring of ten bells in C with an additional B flat bell for use in chiming. The contract for this new peal was placed with Taylor's of Loughborough the following year and the service of dedication of the new peal took place on 20 August 1897."



Richard Cherry, who later became Chief Justice of Ireland in 1913, was elected president of the society of amateur change ringers. He had also been the instructor but had to step down from these duties due to increasing professional demands. Gabriel Lindoff was appointed instructor in his stead, a post he held for the ensuing forty years. Two additional bells were donated by Richard Cherry in 1909 which made 'twelve bell' ringing possible at Saint Patrick's for the first time. Dr Houston further points out that, " a further treble bell was presented by Lady Seeds Kay in 1925 making possible a ring of ten bells in F."

Bells of Saint Patrick's Cathedral

Dedicated 20th. August 1897

NOTE	INSCRIPTIONS	TRANSLATIONS	DIAMETER	WEIGHT
E Treble	SURSUM CORDA.	LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS.	2 ft 5½ ins	7 cwt 0 q
D II	VENITE ADORAMUS ET PROCIDAMUS.	COME LET US WORSHIP AND FALL DOWN.	2 - 7½ - 8 - 0 -	
C III	TE LAUDAMUS.	WE PRAISE THEE.	2 - 10 - 9 - - -	
B IV	TIBI BENEDICIMUS.	WE BLESS THEE.	2 - 11 - 9 - 3 - -	
A V	TE ADORAMUS.	WE WORSHIP THEE.	3 - 2 - 11 - 0 - -	
G VI	TE GLORIFICAMUS.	WE GLORIFY THEE.	3 - 6 - 14 - 2 - 1 -	
F VII	PER SINGULOS DIES BENEDICIMUS TE.	DAY BY DAY WE MAGNIFY THEE.	3 - 11 - 18 - 3 - 22 -	
E VIII	OMNIS SPIRITUS LAUDET DOMINUM.	LET EVERYTHING THAT HATH BREATH PRAISE THE LORD.	4 - 1½ - 22 - 0 - 3 -	
D IX	GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO.	GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST.	4 - 7 - 29 - 3 - 7 -	
C Tenor	AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM.	TO THE GREATER GLORY OF GOD.	5 - 2 - 45 - 1 - 18 -	
B Flat	GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.		3 - 0½ - 9 - 3 - 17 -	

• This Peal of Bells was presented by EDWARD CECIL, BARON IVEAGH K.P. A.D. 1897. Henry Jellett, Dean.

G Treble	THE GIFT OF R.R. CHERRY 1909	2 - 3½ - 6 - 1 - 7 -
F 2	THE GIFT OF R.R. CHERRY 1909	2 - 5 - 6 - 2 - 13 -

These Two Trebles were presented by The Rt Hon. R.R. CHERRY P.C. A.D. 1909. J. H. Bernard, Dean.

A Treble	TO THE GLORY OF GOD.	2 - 2 - 15 - 0 - 0 -
	ERECTED A.D. 1925 BY HIS WIFE IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE OF ROBERT SEEDS J.P. LL.D. Q.C. QUEEN'S ADVOCATE GENERAL. — H. J. LAWLOR, DEAN.	204 - 2 - 6 -

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The anniversary, on 20 August 2022, was further marked by the ringing of eight of the ten bells for a period of seven to eight minutes, after which Dean Morton brought the proceedings to a close with the following prayer: “Grant, O Lord, that all who shall minister to thy service by the ringing of these bells may be filled with all reverence and Godly fear, and, ever mindful of the sacredness of Thy House, may put away from them all wandering thoughts, and continuing in holiness of life, may at the last stand with those who praise Thee evermore in the heavenly Jerusalem; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”

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SUNSHINE RADIO



Freda and The Dean, are pictured alongside Ed Finn of Sunshine Radio, who interviewed them both for his 'Talking Liberties' Podcast and his 'Travel Lounge' piece.

NEWS FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

After a lengthy break from touring because of the Pandemic, it was wonderful to finally be jetting off once again with the Cathedral Choir on tour. This summer it was the turn of the Cathedral Girls' Choir who were invited to participate in the Diocesan Jubilee Celebrations held in the magnificent UNESCO World Heritage Site that is Roskilde Cathedral in Denmark.

Our singers joined their voices with those of the Roskilde Cathedral Girls' Choir to perform 2 pieces, one a Te Deum written for them by Danish composer Merete Kuhlmann and the other a setting of Psalm 96 (O sing unto the Lord) composed by a former organ scholar of ours, Jack Oades at a special concert in the Cathedral. In addition to these, both choirs performed a set of their own including, for our part, arrangements of Saint Patrick's Breastplate, Down by the Salley Gardens and a beautiful setting of an old Gaelic Blessing by Michael Higgins.

We then joined forces with all 4 of Roskilde's Cathedral Choirs, some 90+ voices, for a Jubilee Service attended by the Queen of Denmark who was also celebrating her own Jubilee, albeit (numerically at least) a much smaller one. Protocol demands that no one may have their back to the Queen which meant that the singers couldn't remain in their usual spot in the chancel and instead had to sing from the lofty balconies that ran from one end of the Cathedral to the other, and quite a sight, and sound, it was!

The trip was a huge success, superb singing, wonderful weather and very welcoming hosts who we look forward to welcoming on home soil some point soon. None of this of course could have happened without the support of the Cathedral Community, so a big thank you to all of you who supported our 2022 Sponsor a Chorister campaign, as always your generosity was very much appreciated.

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MRS DOYLE



August 2022 marked the 20th anniversary of Mrs Freda Doyle's commencing work with the Welcome Team here at Saint Patrick's. To mark the occasion, Freda was presented with a bouquet of flowers on behalf of the cathedral by Mr Louis Parminter, while Mr Gavan Woods paid tribute to Freda for all of her efforts in ensuring that everyone who enters the cathedral receives such a warm welcome. He noted that she was in many ways the beating heart of the lay staff in Saint Patrick's, and thanked her for her work in welcoming and training our seasonal staff each year along with her excellent skills in flower arranging. A warm round of applause was given by Freda's colleagues present for all of her work and friendship over the years. LP

HERITAGE WEEK

Organ Recitals – Mr David Leigh and Mr David Adams

Our Rush Hour Recitals were a huge hit for Heritage Week! Each day was packed out with music enthusiasts, as well as curious locals and tourists. The Dean gave a short introduction to each piece, which gave just enough history and context for the attendees and added a lovely flow to the event. Thanks to our organists extraordinaire, David Leigh and David Adams, for their fantastic performances, and to the Dean for his research and information on each of the pieces performed by the organists. The recitals were greatly enjoyed by all who attended!



Panel Discussion – ‘The Church of Ireland in the Revolutionary Period’

This fascinating talk took place on the Tuesday of Heritage Week. The panel participants spoke about their research into the Church of Ireland community during the Revolutionary Period in Ireland, and there was plenty of lively discussion from the panel! Thanks to our fantastic participants – Dr Ian d’Alton, Dr Martin Maguire, Dr Ida Milne, and Professor Brian Walker, as well as the talented Donal Byrne for moderating. Afterwards, there was a wine, tea, and coffee reception, which was enjoyed by all who attended. Thanks must go to our caterers, With Taste, for their fantastic service on the night, as well as EntHire, who provided the wonderful bespoke furniture for the panel.



From L to R: Dr Brian Maguire; Dr Ida Milne; Prof. Brian Walker; Dr Ian d’Alton; Donal Byrne and the Dean.)

Arts Workshop – Mags Harnett

On Thursday of Heritage Week, the Cathedral held an arts workshop in the Lady Chapel with the wonderful artist, Mags Harnett.

Mags began the workshop by treating the participants to a history of the stained glass in the Lady Chapel, as well as some other fascinating information, such as how to read stained glass. Mags then encouraged everyone to create their own artworks inspired by the stained glass around them. The artworks created were as beautiful as they were unique! The night was greatly enjoyed by all who attended, and thanks must go to Mags for facilitating the workshop, Louise Donnelly for bringing the idea to fruition, and to Clark Brydon for assisting Mags on the night.



Belfry Tours - Vergers and bellringers

Our belfry tours proved to be very popular for Heritage Week! Guests were brought up into Minot's tour to learn all about the historic bells of the Cathedral. Thanks must be given to the Vergers for leading the groups, as well as the Cathedral bellringers, who gave a demonstration, as well as showing the guests how to ring the Cathedral's iconic bells themselves!

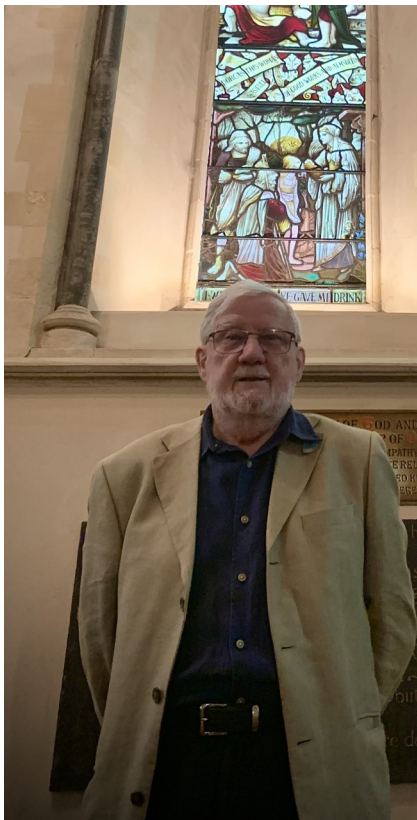
We had also a tile making workshop that Clark Brydon and Katherine McCormack presented one of the evening which was very well attended.

Heritage Week this year was a huge success and a big thank you to all who took part in the workshops, tours, recitals and helping to make everyone welcome at all of the events.



Past Lives

On Monday 15 August, Cathedral Board member and Chairman of the Friends of the Cathedral Albert Fenton gave a fascinating audience delightful insight into the many monuments of Saint Patrick's Cathedral. From the intricacies of the Boyle Monument to Swift's stone-carved reproving assessment of The Duke of Schomberg, Mr Fenton took a deep dive into the thoughts and processes behind the creation of such marvellous work and placed them in the context of the Cathedral's history. Works on paper were presented, too, and those who were unaware of Harry Clarke's illustrative creations for the Irish Memorial Records were astounded by fine art's presence at the home of Saint Patrick's epic story in Ireland. Overall, attendees were amazed and amused, and there was a general sense of wonder as the audience felt even more connected to the Cathedral than before.



THE ADMINISTRATOR WRITES

This year we undertook a qualitative study of our visitors. Our staff have gathered over a thousand responses and we hope to have the interim report very soon. This information will be vital to us as we plan ahead and consider pricing and improvements to the visitor offer for 2023 and beyond. Such data has proved central to securing grant support in the past for projects like the audio guides, which have proved to be such a success with our international visitors.

We are commencing various works which have been delayed due to covid, including the Dean's gift day projects. This year we intend to place the current west doors in storage and replace them with new doors, one of which will contain a pass door to allow easier access to our external toilets. We also plan to significantly upgrade the live streaming service through which so many attend our choral services. Particularly ambitious is the proposed project to conserve and repurpose the Deanery mews as a centre for community and education activities. This will bring a rather neglected part of the Deanery back into use and safeguard the mews, which is only partly used and somewhat dilapidated, for the future.

We continue our drive towards sustainability with a sustainability policy due to come before the Cathedral Board in the near future for adoption. This policy contains many ambitious targets focusing on reducing waste and carbon emissions and increasing biodiversity. As a prelude to this we are measuring our carbon emissions across our operation, including those which accrue to us through our visitor operations, so we can understand where the challenges lie and how best we can tackle them.

Sustainability is a core topic contained within our strategic plan and is now central to our approach to all our activities. Our strategic plan is available to view in the governance section of our website should you wish to learn more.

Finally I would like to welcome Clark Brydon, our new education officer and volunteer coordinator. He has hit the ground running and we wish him well in the years ahead. The post of community officer remains unfilled and we hope to recruit for this position in the autumn.

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SAFEGUARDING TRUST

The Safeguarding Handbook, as well as Safeguarding Trust, can be viewed on the Cathedral website. If you have a general enquiry or any concern relating to safeguarding at Saint Patrick's Cathedral please telephone the office on 01-453 9472. The Dedicated Liaison Person is Kelley Bermingham. If you recognise a safeguarding emergency in which a child or vulnerable adult is in danger, Tusla Child and Family Agency can be contacted on 01 856 6856.

WILL US WELL

When making, or amending, your Will please consider including a legacy bequest to the Cathedral. If you are interested in supporting us in this way, let your solicitor or Will-writer know that you wish to make provision for the Cathedral in your Will. For more information please contact the Cathedral Administrator, Mr Gavan Woods.

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