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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

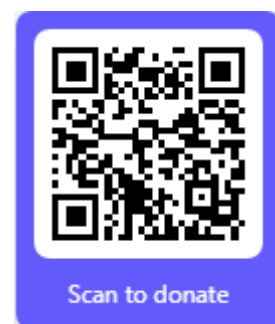
- 09.00 Sung Matins (*during school term*)
- 11.05 Eucharist (*said in the Lady Chapel on
Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saints' Days and Festivals*)
- 17.30 Choral Evensong / Evening Prayer

Saturday

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

THE DEAN'S GIFT DAY

The Dean's Gift Day took place on Saturday 17th June. The Dean was present in the Cathedral during the morning to receive donations. The Dean was extremely grateful to receive donations. The donation link is still open on the Cathedral website should anyone still wish to donate.



JULY PREACHERS

July 2	The Revd P. Thompson	<i>Prebendary of Donaghmore</i>
July 9	The Revd S. J. Yambasu	<i>Prebendary of Finglas</i>
July 16	The Revd M. Willoughby	<i>Prebendary of Tymothan</i>
July 23	The Very Revd N. J. Sloane	<i>Chancellor</i>
July 30	The Ven D. A. Pierpoint	<i>Treasurer</i>

AUGUST PREACHERS

August 6	The Most Revd M. G. St. A.	<i>Prebendary of Cualaun (Archbishop of Dublin)</i>
August 13	The Revd C. W. Mullen	<i>Prebendary of Rathmichael</i>
August 20	The Revd J. D. M. Clarke	<i>Precentor of Tipper</i>
August 27	The Revd P. K. McDowell	<i>Prebendary of Clonmethan</i>

RTÉ NATIONWIDE

The Cathedral has been selected to feature on RTÉ's Nationwide. The production team visited us over several days in June to film interviews and capture our stories – both past and present – including contributions from the Dean, Administrator, and representatives of the Chapter, and Music and Education Departments. This will be a wonderful opportunity to show a local, domestic audience what happens inside their National Cathedral.

The provisional transmission date is Wednesday 26th July at 19:00 on RTÉ One.



The Dean being interviewed by members of the RTÉ crew



Canon Jennifer McWhirter being interviewed by members of the RTE crew



Gavan Woods being interviewed by members of the RTE crew

VALEDICTORY DAY



Canon Mullen presents the choristers with their gifts

We bade a sad farewell to 5 leaving choristers at Evensong on Sunday 18th June. We wish them all the very best and hope they'll keep in touch, and more importantly, will keep singing .



The choristers

THE FRIENDS' FESTIVAL & GARDEN PARTY



The Dean of Ossory, the Very Reverend Stephen Farrell, was the preacher at the annual service of The Friends of Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 17th June. Dean Farrell, who commended the Friends for their care of the Cathedral, based his sermon on the concept that, in the offering of one's best, beauty and truth, in the discovery of God, do indeed belong together. "It is the Friends who understand this instinctively, who love the fibre of the building, who care deeply about the people, the history, the present and the future of the ancient temple which is in our care," he said.

The lesson readers were Irene Wilson Power and Ruth Thompson. Following Evensong, the Friends' garden party was held in the Deanery garden.

FRIENDS GARDEN PARTY





The Friends' Garden Party took place in splendid weather in the deanery garden. Friends were re-acquainted and new friendships made during the afternoon. Strawberries and cream were enjoyed by all.

HERITAGE WEEK 2023

12TH - 20TH AUGUST

This year's theme for Heritage Week invites us to explore the traditions and practices, knowledge, and skills passed down through generations and to celebrate Ireland's cultural, built, and natural heritage.

With that in mind, the Education Department has curated a suite of exciting events. Here's a quick look into just some of the highlights. Details are still to be confirmed, so please check the website for up-to-date information and booking information.

Belfry Tours (Both Saturdays; throughout the day)

Embark on an exclusive adventure that takes you to the heart of Saint Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, offering a rare opportunity to visit the tower and witness the awe-inspiring bells in action! Brace yourself for an unforgettable experience as you delve into the Bell Ringing Room, nestled within the iconic tower of this historic landmark.

Family Workshops (Both Saturdays; throughout the day)

Step into the enchanting world of the Middle Ages with our creative and hands-on medieval tile-making workshops, or celebrate the joys of creativity with a unique stained glass window! Join us for a captivating experience, where children will be immersed in the artistry of the Cathedral and have the opportunity to create their very own masterpieces to take home..

lunchtime Lectures (Weekdays at 13:15)

Join us for a selection of 45-minute talks at lunchtimes on a variety of subjects, including conservation work ongoing in the Cathedral, the appearance of the Cathedral through the generations as shown through art, the life of the daughters of the Earl of Cork, and much more.

Two o'clock Tours (Weekdays and Saturdays at 14:00)

Unveil the secrets held within the hallowed walls of this iconic Irish landmark, as our expert guide leads you on a captivating exploration of the Cathedral's rich living heritage. From the awe-inspiring architecture to the tales of saints and scholars, each step will transport you back in time, painting a vivid picture of Dublin's cultural tapestry. These tours are specifically for the local community and encourage those with little experience of the Cathedral to come in and discover our stories.

Mediaeval Workshops (Weekdays at 10:00)

Embark on a thrilling adventure back in time with our enchanting Medieval Workshop! Gather your family and join us for a day filled with discovery, creativity, and immersive hands-on activities that will transport you straight into the heart of the medieval era.

Music Workshop (Mon 14th Aug at 14:00)

Join us for an immersive family workshop based on the WOOFYT – Wooden One-octave Organ For Young Technologists – with the Cathedral’s own Judith Lyons on Monday 14th August! Judith will demonstrate to young music-lovers the techniques of music-making on a single instrument with as many as 20 players at the same time. She explains how music is made by creating and controlling air flow and pressure, find out how pumps and valves work on instruments like panpipes, organs and bagpipes. Develop teamwork, teaching skills and leadership ability.

The Knights of Saint Patrick (Mon 14th Aug at 18:30)

Join us for an illustrated talk by Cathedral Historian and Chairman of the Friends, Albert Fenton, as he recounts the chequered history of the Order of Saint Patrick on the 240th anniversary of their founding.

Art Workshop for Adults (Tues 15th Aug at 19:00)

Join us for an interactive evening of creation and conversation in our inspirational Lady Chapel! Award-winning artist and educator Mags Harnett guides guests through their creations based on the Cathedral’s magnificent stained glass. This is a practice-based workshop, where materials will be provided to those who have booked a ticket. This workshop is best suited to those over 18 years of age.

Organ Recital (Wed 16th Aug at 19:00)

Monuments & Music Tour (Thurs 17th Aug at 19:00)

Prepare for a truly enchanting experience as we invite you to join us on a captivating tour of the monumental treasures that grace Saint Patrick’s Cathedral, Dublin. Immerse yourself in the rich history and beauty of

extraordinary monuments, whilst being serenaded by the angelic voices of the Vicars Choral of the Cathedral Choir, performing music from the very era in which the monuments were made.

Organ Recital (Fri 18th Aug at 19:00)

Disney Spectacular (Sat 19th Aug at 13:00)

Get ready for a magical musical adventure as classical musician Judith Lyons takes to the stage in the beautiful Lady Chapel at Saint Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin for an interactive concert like no other! Join us for an hour filled with joy, laughter, and the unforgettable melodies of Disney and contemporary classics, as we celebrate Heritage Week in style.

An Evening of Music with the Vicars Choral (Sat 19th Aug at 19:30)

Experience an evening of extraordinary music, where the sacred meets the secular in a delightfully tongue-in-cheek way. Join us at Saint Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin for a captivating concert presented by the esteemed Vicars Choral of the Cathedral Choir – some of the best professional musicians in the country. In this relaxed and informal setting, prepare to be enchanted by a diverse repertoire that spans the realms of sacred hymns, secular melodies, and entertaining surprises through the centuries.

All events are free of charge. Donations towards the Cathedral will be encouraged.

For information about how to book, visit the Events page on the Cathedral website: <https://www.stpatrickscathedral.ie/events/?type=168>

If you have any questions about Heritage Week or would like to be involved, please get in touch with Clark Brydon: education@stpatrickscathedral.ie

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - SCHOOLS OFFICER

The Cathedral's Education Department are responsible for the design and delivery of an education programme to visiting schools/education groups, and we wish to recruit a Schools Officer. The free programme is utilised by approximately 5000 students each year and includes Primary schools, Secondary schools, Third level Colleges and community groups. The Education Department has two staff (including this position), but also utilises a panel of freelance facilitators in the delivery of education programmes. The Schools Officer will report to the Education Officer who will provide support and advice in the development of this aspect of the Education Department's work.

The School's Officer will manage all aspects of the provision of the schools programme. This will include, but may not be limited to:

Providing tours, workshops and other education sessions to visiting education groups.

Working with the Marketing Department to help grow the number of education groups visiting each year.

Dealing with all enquiries and/ or other administration relating visiting education groups.

Designing new education sessions which help to keep the education programme fresh and help to entice new schools to visit.

To manage the recruitment and training of education facilitators, both paid and voluntary to assist with the delivery of education sessions.

Creating drop in activities and/ or education sessions aimed at families for mid-term breaks and/or summer holidays

Any other work which the Education Officer deems necessary

The Schools Officer will have responsibility for developing, offering and ensuring the quality of education programmes to visiting schools, third level institutions, and community groups.

For an informal conversation about the role, please contact Clark Brydon (Education & Safeguarding Officer) at education@stppatrickscathedral.ie

A CANON IN RESIDENCE (AT THE GIFT SHOP)



Canon McWhirter's week of residence was full of work, both sides of the altar. And a wonderful addition to the retail team she was...

ORGAN SCHOLAR

This September we welcome Darrell Smith who will be joining us in the Music Department as our new organ scholar. Darrell studied piano at the Royal Welsh Academy of Music & Drama and has more recently been studying the organ with Derek Collins, Organist and Master of the Choristers at St. Columb's Cathedral in Derry. We very much look forward to Darrell joining us after the summer break.



SOPHIE'S WARRIORS FOR TEMPLE STREET

A coffee morning was held at the cathedral in aid of Temple Street Children's Hospital.





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LIVE STREAM SERVICES

A reminder that, if you are unable to attend worship in person, we invite you to tune in to our live stream online. The system has recently undergone some major upgrades and looks better than ever!

All our choral services are streamed online and can be enjoyed from wherever you are in the world.

Link: <http://stpatrickscathedral.ie/livestream>

If you have any questions or problems with the live stream, please contact Clark Brydon: education@stpatrickscathedral.ie

CDJB

VISIT BY NAVY VETERANS



Members of the Erskine Childers Branch of Naval Veterans who joined the Cobh Naval Branch on their visit to the Cathedral. Pictured is Ken Hartnett, himself a navy veteran, who welcomed them to the cathedral for their visit.

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 Clark Brydon. 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.

TEA/COFFEE ON EUCHARIST SUNDAYS

There has been an overwhelming response to the provision of tea/coffee and biscuits in the south transept following the Eucharist. At present we are appealing for volunteers to administer the refreshments. All that is required is for you to be there to assist with handing out the tea/coffee.

If you are interested in helping, please e-mail Ms Laura Coyle at the Welcome Desk, Supervisors@stpatrickscathedral.ie so that a rota can be drawn up. With grateful thanks.

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How many Vergers does it take to carry a table???

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