



RIPON CATHEDRAL

Patronal Eucharist

The Feast of
Peter the Apostle

Sunday 29th June 2025

Welcome to Ripon Cathedral

Welcome to Ripon Cathedral for this act of worship. Christian worship has taken place on this site since Wilfrid built the first church here in 672AD. The crypt of that original church still survives and is the oldest part of any English cathedral and regular prayer has taken place there for over 1350 years.

Built on the firm foundation of that heritage, the Cathedral today continues to proclaim the Christian faith, with daily prayer and active service in Jesus' name.

If you would like to find out more about how the cathedral community is seeking to grow God's Kingdom in this 21st century, please visit our website. Regular updates of all that we are involved in and our worship are posted on our Facebook page and we tweet regularly using "@riponcathedral".

Sitting, kneeling, standing

As human beings, we worship with our bodies as well as through our music and prayers. This order of service invites you to sit or stand as appropriate. Please see these as merely invitations and adopt the posture you find most comfortable.

Large print versions of the Order of Service are available. Please ask those who welcomed you if you would like one.



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Welcome to this Service

Welcome to this Patronal Eucharist as we celebrate the life and ministry of St. Peter the Apostle, as well as the life and mission of this cathedral.

Ripon Cathedral is well blessed in having two patron saints, St Peter and St Wilfrid. When Wilfrid first built his magnificent basilica on this site, the crypt of which still remains part of today's cathedral, he dedicated it to St Peter the Apostle. It was later, with the rebuilding of the church on this site, that its founding saint was also honoured as patron with Peter.

St Peter is presented in the gospels as the spokesperson of the disciples and possibly chief amongst them. He was the one who regularly spoke first in response to a question or statement of Jesus, often only to betray a lack of understanding or insight. He it was who, despite his earlier protestations, denied that he even knew Jesus at the time of the trial. Even so, it was Peter whom Jesus restored to grace after the resurrection, and who took the gospel as far as Rome, becoming its first bishop. It was just outside that imperial capital, near the cemetery where he would be buried (under the present day St Peter's), that he was crucified for his faithfulness to Christ. Thanks to Wilfrid, we are privileged to have this great apostle as a patron.

Today we also welcome Revd Anna Boyce ordained as a Deacon yesterday who will serve her curacy with us here at Ripon Cathedral.

About this service

The President is The Dean, The Very Revd John Dobson DL.

The Preacher is The Canon Precentor The Revd Canon Michael Gisbourne.

The service is sung by the boy choristers, scholars and lay clerks of the Cathedral Choir to the *Messe solennelle* by *Jean Langlais (1907-1991)*.

The Cathedral bells are rung by the Ripon Cathedral Guild of Bellringers.

The flower display is kindly provided by the Ripon Cathedral Flower Guild.

Children at Ripon Cathedral

Children's church meets in the library and is for those who have not started secondary school. Please ask those who welcomed you for directions. Those under school age are expected to be accompanied by a parent or carer.

Safeguarding

Ripon Cathedral is committed to the safety and wellbeing of everyone, especially children, young people and vulnerable adults. If you have any safeguarding concerns, please do not hesitate to contact one of the clergy. You can also contact the Safeguarding Team on 0113 353 0257.

Words of welcome from the Canon Precentor.

As the hymn begins, please stand.

The Gathering

Processional Hymn

The Church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the word:
from heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy Bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses
with every grace endued.

Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great Church victorious
shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with thee.

NEH 484

Words: Samuel John Stone (1839-1900)

Music: AURELIA S. S. Wesley (1810-1876) (NEH 167)

The organist improvises as the censing takes place.

The Greeting

President In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

President Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All **and also with you.**

The president introduces the service.

Prayer of Preparation

All **Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Prayer of Penitence

Deacon Jesus said to his apostles,
'You are my friends if you obey my commands.'

John 15.14

Let us now confess our disobedience to him.

President Lord Jesus, in your love you invite us to be your friends:
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

President Lord Jesus, in your joy you choose us to go out and bear fruit:
Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

President Lord Jesus, in your power you send us
to be your faithful witnesses:
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The Absolution

President God the Father forgive you
by the death of his Son
and strengthen you
to live in the power of the Spirit
all your days.

All **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax
hominibus bonæ voluntatis.
Laudamus te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te, glorificamus te,
gratias agimus tibi propter magnam
gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex
cælestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,
qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere
nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus Sanctus,
tu solus Dominus,
tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe, cum
Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris.
Amen.

*Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you
thanks, we praise you for your glory.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the
Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of
the Father: receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus
Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.*

The Collect

President Let us pray.

Almighty God,
who inspired your apostle Saint Peter
to confess Jesus as Christ and Son of the living God:
build up your Church upon this rock,
that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth
and follow one Lord, your Son our Saviour Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Please sit.

The Liturgy of the Word

New Testament Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him. The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

Acts 12.1-11

This is the word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn

'Thou art the Christ, O Lord,
the Son of God most high!'
For ever be adored
that name in earth and sky,
in which, though mortal strength may fail,
the saints of God at last prevail.

O surely he was blest
with blessedness unpriced,
who, taught of God, confessed
the Godhead in the Christ;
for of thy Church, Lord, thou didst own
thy saint a true foundation-stone.

Thrice fallen, thrice restored,
the bitter lesson learnt,
that heart for thee, O Lord,
with triple ardour burnt.
The cross he took he laid not down
until he grasped the martyr's crown.

O bright triumphant faith,
O courage void of fears,
O love most strong in death,
O penitential tears!
By these, Lord, keep us lest we fall,
and make us go where thou shalt call.

NEH 172

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897)

Music: GOSPAL G. F. Handel (1685-1759) (NEH 443)

The Gospel

*Please remain standing and turn to face the deacon reading the Gospel.
The choir sings the following and the congregation repeat it.*



Cantor I do not call you servants but friends, because I have made
known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.
All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Deacon Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

Matthew 16.13-19

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The organist improvises as the gospel party returns.

The Sermon

Please sit at the invitation of the preacher.

After the sermon, please stand with the president.

All

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

President Encouraged by our fellowship with all the saints,
let us make our prayers to the Father
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Please sit.

This response is used after each petition:

Intercessor Lord, have mercy.
All **Christ have mercy.**

And at the end

Intercessor Merciful Father,
All **accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

Please stand.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

President We are fellow-citizens with the saints
and of the household of God,
through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to
those who were far off and those who were near.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
All **and also with you.**

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We exchange warm greetings with those nearest us.

Preparation of the Altar

The table is prepared, the bread and wine are placed on it.

Offertory Hymn

A collection is taken during this hymn. If you wish to give by a credit / debit card, please look out for the terminals that are available.

Jerusalem the golden,
with milk and honey blest;
beneath thy contemplation
sink heart and voice opprest.
I know not, O I know not
what joys await us there,
what radiancy of glory,
what bliss beyond compare.

They stand, those halls of Zion,
all jubilant with song,
and bright with many an angel,
and all the martyr-throng;
The Prince is ever in them,
the daylight is serene,
the pastures of the blessed
are decked in glorious sheen.

There is the throne of David,
and there, from care released,
the shout of them that triumph,
the song of them that feast;
And they who, with their Leader,
have conquered in the fight,
for ever and for ever
are clad in robes of white.

O sweet and blessèd country,
Shall I ever see thy face?
O sweet and blessèd country,
Shall I ever win thy grace?
Exult, O dust and ashes!
The Lord shall be thy part:
His only, his for ever,
Thou shalt be, and thou art!

NEH 381

Words: Bernard of Cluny (1090-1153) tr. J. M. Neale (1818-1866)

Music: EWING Alexander Ewing (1830-1895)

The organist improvises until the censing is complete.

Taking of the Bread and Wine

President Father, accept all we bring before you this day.
Guide us with your love and feed us at your table
as you nourish the faith of the Church
by the preaching of your apostle Peter.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A// **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you
A// **and also with you.**

President Lift up your hearts.
A// **We lift them to the Lord.**

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
A// **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

President It is indeed right and good
that we should give you thanks, praise and glory,
almighty and everlasting God,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For after his resurrection
he sent out his apostles and evangelists
to preach the gospel to all nations
and lead us in the way of truth.
Himself the chief cornerstone,
he founded his Church upon the apostles
firmly to stand for ever as a sign of your holiness upon earth
and a living witness to all
of the way that leads to heaven.

And so with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we lift our voices
and join in their unending hymn of praise:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine
Domini Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your
glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

President

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children,
you embraced a people as your own.
When they turned away and rebelled
your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,
to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died,
he came to supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he gave you thanks.
He broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Deacon
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Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Father, we plead with confidence
his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;
we remember his dying and rising in glory,
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you
these gifts of your creation;
may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.
As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,
form us in the likeness of Christ,
and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with the Blessed Virgin Mary,
St Peter, St Wilfrid all the saints
to the vision of that eternal splendour
for which you have created us;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
by whom, with whom, and in whom,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

All

**Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Please sit.

President Rejoicing in the presence of God here among us,
as our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

All

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

President We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Giving of Communion

President God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
All **Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

We welcome communicants of all denominations to receive holy communion. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please indicate this to the minister. If you are not a communicant and would like to receive God's blessing, please come with this service sheet in your hand. Please move as directed.

During communion the choir sings the Agnus Dei and a Motet.

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.
Miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.
Dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin
of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin
of the world, grant us peace.*

Motet

Locus iste a Deo factus est,
inaestimabile sacramentum:
irreprehensibilis est.

*This place was made by God: a
priceless and unblemished sign of his
presence.*

*Words: Gradual, Mass for the dedication of a church
Music: Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)*

Prayer after Communion

President Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All **Amen.**

Notices

The notices include the Admission of Fiona Pearman, Sue Lay, Cynthia Bennett and Chris Bennett to the Deputy Select Vestry.

The Select Vestry escort those to be admitted and present them to the Dean.

Chair of Select Vestry	Dean John, on behalf of my colleagues, I present to you Fiona Pearman, Sue Lay, Cynthia Bennett and Chris Bennett who have been appointed with your permission as members of the Deputy Select Vestry of this Cathedral Church.
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The Dean	Fiona, Sue, Cynthia and Chris, I have pleasure in admitting you as members of the Deputy Select Vestry. Your role is to support the Select Vestry in their support of the Chapter of this Cathedral Church in its welcome, worship and witness.
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I present you with this Badge of Office, as a symbol of your duties and responsibilities.

The Badges are presented.

New Members	We thank you, and promise to discharge our duties and responsibilities with care and diligence.
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The New members are greeted with a round of applause.

The Dismissal

The Blessing

President	God, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations, bring you, with Peter and all the saints, to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
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All	Amen.
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Recessional Hymn

Ye holy angels bright,
who wait at God's right hand,
or through the realms of light
fly at your Lord's command,
assist our song,
for else the theme
too high doth seem
for mortal tongue.

Ye blessèd souls at rest,
who ran this earthly race,
and now, from sin released,
behold the Saviour's face,
God's praises sound,
as in his sight
with sweet delight
ye do abound.

Ye saints, who toil below,
adore your heavenly King,
and onward as ye go
some joyful anthem sing;
take what he gives
and praise him still,
through good and ill,
who ever lives!

My soul, bear thou thy part,
triumph in God above:
and with a well-tuned heart
sing thou the songs of love!
let all thy days
till life shall end,
whate'er he send,
be filled with praise.

NEH 475

Words: Richard Baxter (1615-1691 and others

Music: DARWALL'S 148th John Darwall (1731-1789)

The Dismissal

Deacon
All

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Tu es Petra et portæ inferi non prævalebunt adversus te
(from Esquisses Byzantines)

Henri Mulet (1878-1967)

*After the service, please join us in the south transept for cake and prosecco to
welcome Revd Anna Boyce as curate to the cathedral.
This is available alongside the usual tea, coffee and juice.*

***If you are relatively new to the congregation, please complete one of the
'Welcome' cards so that we can arrange to get to know you better and
offer you the chance to join in the Cathedral's mission and ministry.***

Worship later today

12.30pm **Holy Eucharist (BCP)** *President: Reverend Paul Spurgeon*

3.30pm **Patronal Evensong**

Responses *Reading* Hymns: 214ii; 172 (t. 443) Psalms: 124; 138
Setting Collegium Regale *Howells*
Anthem Antiphon *Vaughan Williams*

Cathedral supporting the Parishes Canon Wendy is leading worship at St John's Bishop Monkton.

Worship for the Week

Morning Prayer: Monday to Saturday at 8.30am

Evening Prayer: Monday & Saturday 5.30pm

Choral Evensong: Tuesday & Friday 5.30pm

Festal Evensong: Wednesday & Thursday 5.30pm

Monday	9.00am	The Eucharist	President: Reverend Cliff Bowman
Tuesday	9.00am	The Eucharist	President: The Dean
	12noon	The Eucharist	President: Venerable Richard Seed
Wednesday	10.00am	The Eucharist	President: Canon Michael Gisbourne
Thursday	9.00am	The Eucharist	President: Canon Matthew Pollard
Friday	9.00am	The Eucharist	President: Canon Wendy Dalrymple
	12noon	The Eucharist	President: Rt Revd Clive Handford
Saturday	12noon	The Eucharist	President: Reverend Jeremy Trigg

Worship Next Sunday, 6th July, Third Sunday after Trinity

8.00am **Eucharist (BCP)** *President: Canon Matthew Pollard*
Preacher: Nina Harrison, Cathedral Reader

9.30am **Morning Prayer**

10.30am **Sung Eucharist** *President: Canon Michael Gisbourne*
Preacher: The Dean

12.30pm **Eucharist (BCP)** *President: Canon Michael Gisbourne*

1.15pm **Holy Baptism** *Officiant: Canon Wendy Dalrymple*

3.30pm **Evensong with chorister leaving ceremonies**

Forthcoming events

Tuesday 1st July 7.30pm The Beloved Son: Opening Night of Ripon Theatre Festival

Thursday 3rd July 1.00pm Concert. Jubilate, Choir *Refreshments from 12.30pm. Free admission; retiring collection.*