

ST GEORGE'S CHAPEL



ADVENT & CHRISTMAS
2018

SERVICES AND CONCERTS
FROM 2 DECEMBER

ST GEORGE'S CHAPEL, WINDSOR CASTLE



I am pleased to invite you to join us at this year's Christmas services and concerts in St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle. Details are listed below. I hope you will see them early enough for you to think about a visit to St George's as you make plans for Christmas.

At Christmas, we remember the birth of Jesus Christ. In a world in which greed, aggression and restlessness seem to play too great a part in our daily dealings with one another, Jesus challenges us to consider another way. It is a way that includes attitudes of forgiveness, compassion, service and generosity. It is a gentle way, but none the less tough and demanding for that.

Somehow, deep-down we know that this is the right way – indeed, the only way that will ever lead to a proper ordering of our relationships with those around us, and to a lasting sense of peace and satisfaction within our own hearts.

Frequently, a sense that this is the right way is awakened in us by the Christmas story, and makes the season of Christmas so attractive to us. Perhaps this is because, in and through the life of the one who 'came down from heaven', we are reminded that this is *God's* way; the way of love that must have the final word.

Do try to be with us as we remind ourselves of, and celebrate, this wonderful aspect of our faith.

DAVID CONNER
Dean of Windsor

SERVICES AND CONCERTS

Sunday 2 December—Advent Sunday

5.15 pm **A Service of Music and Readings for Advent**

No tickets are required to attend this service. All welcome.

Thursday 6 and Monday 10 December

7.30 pm **Festivo - A Concert of Carols and Readings for Christmas**

performed by the Choir of St George's Chapel and Guards Brass*, conducted by James Vivian.

These events are **Ticketed**. For ticket enquiries please contact Royal Windsor Information Centre on 01753 743597.

For any other enquiries regarding Festivo, please contact the Concert Manager, Mrs Francesca Alden, on 01753 848869 or concert.manager@stgeorges-windsor.org

*Household Division Guard's Brass will be playing by kind permission of Major General BJ Bathurst CBE, the Major General Commanding the Household Division.

Monday 17 December

Chapel open to visitors 10 am to 4 pm.

8 am **Holy Communion.** All welcome.

5.15 pm **Evening Prayer.** All welcome.

Tuesday 18 December

Chapel open to visitors 10 am to 4 pm.

8 am **Holy Communion.** All welcome.

5.15 pm **Evening Prayer.** All welcome.

Wednesday 19 December

Chapel open to visitors 10 am to 4 pm.

8 am **Holy Communion.** All welcome.

5.15 pm **Evening Prayer.** All welcome.

Thursday 20 December

Chapel open to visitors 10 am to 4 pm.

8 am **Holy Communion.** All welcome.

5.15 pm **Evensong** *sung by the Lay Clerks.* All welcome.

Friday 21 December

Chapel open to visitors 10 am to 4 pm.

8 am **Holy Communion.** All welcome.

12 noon **Holy Communion.** All welcome.

5.15 pm **Evensong** *sung by the Lay Clerks.* All welcome.

Saturday 22 December

Chapel open to visitors 10 am to 4 pm.

8 am **Holy Communion.** All welcome.

5.15 pm **Evensong** *sung by the Lay Clerks.* All welcome.

Sunday 23 December

Chapel closed except for those attending services which are

8.30 am **Holy Communion.** All welcome.

10.45 am **Sung Mattins** *sung by the Lay Clerks.* All welcome.

12 noon **Sung Eucharist** *sung by the Lay Clerks.* All welcome.

5.15 pm **Service of Nine Lessons and Carols***

You are most welcome to join the queue on the day for unreserved unticketed seats. Doors open at 4.15 pm. Tickets are issued to the College of St George and Castle community.

Monday 24 December—Christmas Eve

Chapel open to visitors 10 am to 1 pm

8.00 am **Holy Communion.** All welcome.

10.30am–12.30pm Prayers, readings and carol every 30 minutes.

5.15 pm **Service of Nine Lessons and Carols***

You are most welcome to join the queue on the day for unreserved unticketed seats. Doors open at 4.15 pm. Tickets are issued to the College of St George and Castle community.

11.15 pm **Midnight Sung Eucharist**

Doors open at 10.30 pm. All welcome.

* These carol services are particularly popular and whilst as many people as possible will be brought into the Chapel, there can be no guarantee of space for all who might wish to attend.

Tuesday 25 December—Christmas Day

Castle and Chapel closed except for those attending services which are

8.30 am **Holy Communion.** All welcome.

Said service.

10.45 am **Sung Mattins for Christmas Day.** All welcome.

Preacher: The Right Reverend David Conner, KCVO, Dean of Windsor.

12 noon **Holy Communion.** All welcome.

Said service.

3.30 pm **Evensong.** All welcome.

The Chapel Choir is then on holiday until Sunday 6 January 2019 but daily services continue.

Daily Services in St George's Chapel

We are always delighted to welcome members of the public to our regular services.

Services on Sunday 30 December are:

8.30am Holy Communion

10.45am Mattins *sung by a visiting choir.*

12 noon Eucharist *sung by a visiting choir.*

5.15pm Evensong *sung by a visiting choir.*

Usual services are as follows:

Sunday

8.30 am Holy Communion

10.45 am Sung Mattins*

12 noon Sung Eucharist *

5.15 pm Evensong*

Monday to Saturday

7.30 am Mattins

8.00 am Holy Communion

5.15 pm Evensong *

(except Wednesdays and Choir holidays when the Service is said)

On Fridays there is an additional 12 noon Holy Communion Service.

* Sung by the Chapel Choir during term time.

The Chapel is normally open to visitors Monday to Saturday 10 am to 4 pm.

The Chapel will close at 3.30 pm on Friday 14 December and 1 pm on 24 December.

The Chapel is open for services only on 23, 25 and 26 December.

Recorded Information Line: 01753 865 538

St George's Chapel website: www.stgeorges-windsor.org

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