

Volunteering at Leicester Cathedral

Play your part at the beating heart of city and county



Leicester Cathedral Chaplaincy

Do you like meeting people?
Are you a good listener?
Do you have a pastoral heart?
Do you value prayer?

If the answer to these questions is 'yes' then you may be just the right person to become a volunteer Chaplain at Leicester Cathedral.

Chaplains are invaluable when we are open to the public. We call this 'loitering with intent' or 'holy hovering'! Chaplains engage with visitors, listen to lonely or vulnerable folk, pray with the anxious and broken-hearted and rejoice with those with joy on their hearts. Greeting, handing out a prayer card, in depth listening and chatting... and everything in-between.

Ordained or lay, licensed or not, Anglican or of another denomination, if you feel this may be your calling please contact us and we can talk in more detail.

We provide bespoke training alongside ongoing spiritual and pastoral support for all of our Chaplains – and you will be joining a great team!

For further info email the Canon Pastor: Alison.Adams@LeicesterCofE.org



Leicester Cathedral Guides

Are you interested in history?

Do you have good presentation skills?

Do you enjoy meeting with and talking to people?

If you think you fit the bill we'd like to hear from you. As a Cathedral Guide you get involved in delivering tours and talks to large and small tour parties and special interest groups.

We have a range of guided tours ready to deliver, each one delving into different aspects of the Cathedral's history and the artefacts that can be seen.

Engaging with the public in this way and adding to their knowledge is both rewarding and enjoyable so why not come and join us.

All suitable applicants will be given full training and the ongoing support needed to become a Cathedral Guide.



For more email our Volunteer Manager: Rebecca. Hale@LeicesterCofE.org

Leicester Cathedral Education Team

Are you a good communicator?
Are you friendly and approachable?
Do you enjoy working as part of a team?
Is helping children to learn something you feel strongly about?

Leicester Cathedral has an Education Team responsible for delivering curriculum-led sessions to school groups of varying ages and sizes.

As a volunteer, you would support the Learning Officer in delivering these sessions to a high standard. If you are proactive, willing to share ideas, and flexible, why not consider joining us?

Some experience of working with children and young people is desirable. All successful applicants will be given full training and ongoing support.



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Leicester Cathedral Events

Are you interested in arts and music?

Do you want to gain behind the scenes experience in events?

Would you like being part of a creative team? Are you looking for flexible evening and weekend volunteering?

Leicester Cathedral has a Visitor Experience team responsible for delivering a varied events programme, including live music concerts, theatre, exhibitions, craft activities and installations. Having recently re-opened, the Cathedral is developing its offer as a city centre venue and we would love to expand our volunteering team.

As an events volunteer, you would support staff in providing a warm welcome to visitors and delivering the event programme to a high standard. We would expect volunteers to be friendly and accommodating towards visitors, assisting with checking tickets, serving refreshments, handing out flyers, and supporting Cathedral staff to respond to any issues.

If you are looking for a flexible volunteering opportunity where you'll get to experience and help deliver a variety of events why not consider joining us? All successful applicants will be given full training and ongoing support.

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Volunteer Audio Visual Operator

Are you interested in operating sound systems and the process of live-stream recording?

Are you able to work as part of a small team and without supervision?

Are you reliable and punctual?

Do you have digital capability, including experience of using a computer?

The Technical team are a key part of regular Sunday worship, other services, and events. They have a backstage role ensuring sound and vision work freely so those taking part don't have to worry.

As a volunteer Audio Visual Operator you are responsible for set up, testing, and operating of recording and sound systems during services and events. You may find yourself working in a small team or alone, so the ability to work effectively without supervision is critical. You should also be available to volunteer on Sundays and occasional evenings.

Although experience of using VMiX and Vimeo and operating a sound system is desirable, it is not essential as full training will be given to successful applicants.

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For more info email our Technical Verger: Carys.Underdown@LeicesterCofE.org

Cathedral Choir Chaperone

Do you care about the well-being of children and young people?

Love listening to the Cathedral Choir?

Would you like to be part of the team that makes Choir training possible?

If the answer is 'yes' then you're the kind of person we're looking for to join our team!

Choir Chaperones assist in the supervision and support of children and young people in the choir to ensure their safety, protection and well-being. They welcome choristers as they arrive and make squash for them at break-time. During services, they may care for anyone feeling unwell and they ensure that choristers are collected safely from St Martins House.

Choir Chaperones enable children and young people to receive the individual and small-group tuition which is the hallmark of a cathedral music department, and as such receive insight into the unique education that our choristers enjoy.

Psalm 72.1.7

For more email our Director of Music: Chris.Ouvry-Johns@LeicesterCofE.org

Cathedral Flower Arranging

Are you able to arrange flowers to a high standard? Are you able to operate as part of a team and take instruction?

Are you able to use your initiative and have sound judgement?

We are keen to expand our Flower Arranging team – if you think you have the qualities needed we would like to hear from you.

Working to a rota, volunteer Flower Arrangers are responsible for arranging flowers in the various areas of the Cathedral and to maintain the arrangement over the two weeks it is in place. This includes ensuring any other arrangements in the Cathedral are watered too. And, as it is vital that working areas are left clean and tidy, a conscientious nature is a must.

All new arrangers will work alongside and be supported by a more experienced Cathedral Flower Arranger until they have been assessed for suitability.



For more information email Verger Les.Mitchelmore@LeicesterCofE.org

Visitor Experience Volunteers

Do you like meeting people?
Are you approachable and friendly?
Do you enjoy working in a team?

Leicester Cathedral reopened in November 2023 after an extensive restoration project. If you want to be part of this exciting phase, ensuring visitors have an enjoyable experience when arriving through the Cathedral doors we'd love to hear from you.

Working as part of a small team you will engage with a wide range of people from different backgrounds and nationalities, all keen to either explore the Cathedral building, attend a service or sit quietly and reflect.

Volunteering with our Visitor Experience team is an enjoyable way to spend a couple of hours, making new friends in such a lovely setting. Why not come and join us?

Full training and support will be given to all successful applicants.



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Leicester Cathedral Housekeeping

Are you reliable, conscientious and friendly?

Do you have a commitment to cleanliness and maintaining high standards?

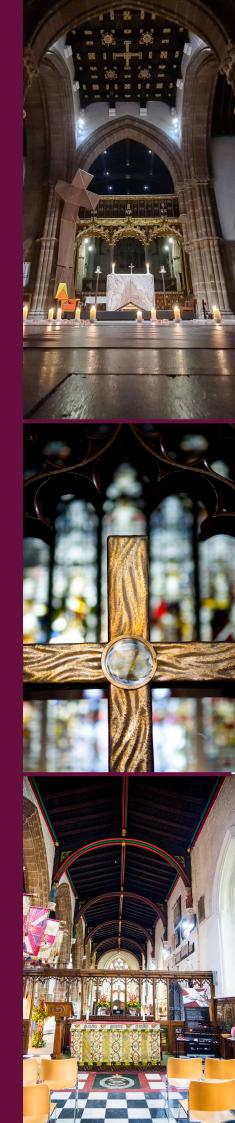
Are you able to use your initiative and exercise good judgement?

Do you enjoy working in a team?

In order to maintain standards of cleanliness, we are keen to recruit volunteers responsible either for the care of linen or general cleaning of the Cathedral building.

A time commitment of one to two hours weekly is suggested. If appointed to the role, you would be working alongside experienced Vergers and volunteers from other teams.

If you think you fit the bill and would enjoy making new friends in a beautiful Cathedral setting, do get in touch!



For more info email our Head Verger Bev.Collett@LeicesterCofE.org

Volunteer Verger

Are you helpful and friendly?

Do you like working in a team?

Are you flexible and have an eye for detail?

We're looking to recruit Volunteer Vergers to support the Verger team.

Working to a service rota, Volunteer Vergers are responsible for setting out clergy prayer books, leading the clergy into worship and for leading clergy and readers to lecterns and pulpits. An additional responsibility during services is monitoring the safety of the congregation and alerting the Head Verger to any concerns. Once the service finishes, they work with volunteers from other teams to ensure the smooth transition from service to visitor experience.

If this is a role that interests you and you have the qualities needed we want to hear from you!



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