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COULD YOU BE OUR NEXT VOLUNTEER?



About our volunteers

There are around 250 volunteers here at Chelmsford Cathedral covering a great many roles which allows the Cathedral to open seven days a week, be a home to many community groups and continue to offer free entry to visitors.

Becoming a volunteer can give you an opportunity to pursue interests and meet new people. You could volunteer for just a couple of hours or more regularly as you are able.

In order to comply with safer recruiting practices, we take references for all new volunteers, ask them to complete a self-declaration and undertake on-line safeguarding training, but we can guide you through the whole process.

Explore our Varied Roles

WELCOMING VISITORS

The Cathedral is open everyday to visitors and our **Weekday Welcome Stewards** are the first point of contact. They work with the Day Chaplains to welcome visitors, serve in our shop and answer questions. We'd love to hear from you if you enjoy meeting people.

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Our **Baby and Toddler** group, meets on a Wednesday morning and our volunteers are on hand to play, make refreshments and help with the pre-school activities alongside our Children and Family's worker.

Our **Junior Church** for primary aged children, meets during the Sunday morning service. If you enjoy working with children, there will be lots of roles you would enjoy.

Our **School Visits** have increased in recent years and are fully booked months in advance. The volunteer team also runs our very popular Christmas and Easter workshops during term time.

BEHIND THE SCENES

The **Flower Arrangers** provide the flowers in the Cathedral. You do not have to be an expert as members of the Flower Guild work in teams as part of a rota, and arrange on a Friday.

Our **Sparkle and Shine** team meet once a month to do as the names suggests; add a little bit of extra sparkle and shine to our building.



Our **Events Team** support our evening and weekend events and concerts. They set up, check tickets, provide refreshments and have a great time!

And behind the scenes many volunteers work with the Vice Dean and Canon Pastor to monitor and offer **practical and spiritual support** in different ways to people in the parish and community.

IN AND AROUND OUR SERVICES

Our **Bellringers** are looking for members to join their team. The ring regularly on Sunday mornings and afternoons.

Our **Helping Hands** team provide invaluable support at our larger services by providing post-service refreshments. If you enjoy making other people smile with a cup of tea and a piece of cake, there could be a role for you here!

There are numerous other roles that our volunteers fill in our Sunday services, from **leading the prayers**, to **reading and assisting at communion**. Our amazing volunteers also **welcome worshippers** on a Sunday morning and **make coffee** between the services. Could you join their team?

COMMUNITY

Our **Friday lunchtime Concerts** have several hundred people attending and our volunteers help with the front of house duties and preparing sandwiches and drinks.

If you would like to volunteer during the day, our **Welcome on Wednesday** team, serve drinks and offer friendship to needy and vulnerable members of the community in the Cathedral on a Wednesday afternoon.



Volunteers also take on roles in our **Social & Fundraising Committee**, organizing exciting events such as the Cathedral Ball and the Cathedral Dinner. The group raises much needed funds for the Cathedral and have a lot of fun doing so.