

St Paul's Cathedral opening hour variations and closures
August 2026 – February 2027

Please note that the Cathedral is not open for sightseeing on Sundays, but both our shop and café are open

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The Cathedral usually opens for sightseeing Monday to Saturday at 08.30. (incl. Wednesdays unless indicated, from June until the end of 2026). Last admission to the Cathedral is usually at 16.00. Once inside the Cathedral, access to the Dome Galleries is usually from 09.30 to 16.15 (incl. Wednesdays unless indicated, from June until the end of 2026). The Cathedral usually closes for sightseeing at 16.30. The shop closes at 16.30.

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Within the Dome, all three Galleries (Whispering, Stone and Golden Galleries) are currently open. Entry to the Golden Gallery is subject to availability due to capacity management at busy times and there may be time restrictions in place.

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Tue 18 th August	Last entry for sightseeing 15.30. Last access to Dome Galleries 15.45. Cathedral Floor clear of visitors 16.30.
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Wed 23rd September Cathedral opens for sightseeing 10.15.

Wed 14 th October	Last entry for sightseeing 12.00. Last access to Dome Galleries 12.15. Cathedral Floor clear of visitors 13.30.
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Sat 7 th November	Last entry for sightseeing 14.30. Last access to Dome Galleries 14.45. Cathedral Floor clear of visitors 15.30.
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Sat 14 th November	Lord Mayor's Show Day. Closeout date for sightseeing ticket sales.
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Thu 26 th November	Cathedral opens for sightseeing 13.00
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Sat 28 th November	Last entry for sightseeing 14.45. Last access to Dome Galleries 15.00. Cathedral Floor clear of visitors 15.30.
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Wed 2nd December Cathedral opens for sightseeing 10.15

Thu 10th December Last entry for sightseeing 15.00. Last access to Dome Galleries 15.15.
Cathedral Floor clear of visitors 16.30.

Sat 12th December Last entry for sightseeing 14.45. Last access to Dome Galleries 15.00.
Cathedral Floor clear of visitors 16.00.

Sat 19th December Cathedral opens for sightseeing 13.00.

Mon 21st December Last entry for sightseeing 15.30. Last access to Dome Galleries 15.45.
Cathedral Floor clear of visitors 16.30.

Wed 23rd December Last entry for sightseeing 13.15. Last access to Dome Galleries 13.30.
Cathedral Floor clear of visitors 14.15.

Thu 24th December Last entry for sightseeing 13.15. Last access to Dome Galleries 13.30.
Cathedral Floor clear of visitors 14.15.

Fri 25th December Christmas Day. Open for prayer and worship only. No sightseeing.

Sat 26th December Cathedral opens for sightseeing 09.00.

Fri 1st January Cathedral opens for sightseeing 09.00

Wed 10th February Ash Wednesday. Open for prayer and worship only. No sightseeing.

Thu 11th February Last entry for sightseeing 11.00. Last access to Dome Galleries 11.15.
Cathedral Floor clear of visitors 12.30.

If you would like to advise us of a group visit or have any questions about visiting St Paul's Cathedral
please contact us via admissions@stpaulscathedral.org.uk or call 020 7246 8357