- **Flexible pattern members** - sing at services in a flexible pattern over a term, as agreed with the Director of Music; this may change from term to term
- **Occasional / Deputy Singers** - sing occasionally, when regular singers are absent or when additional voices are needed, by arrangement with the Director of Music

All singers are volunteers, and, although we are unable to offer payment, there are a number of benefits of membership, which include

- a welcoming church community, with a strong commitment to a continuing choral tradition
- chance to regularly sing a range of music from the Anglican choral repertoire, including regularly singing a fully choral evensong
- opportunity to sing in one of the finest church buildings in Yorkshire and in other churches (e.g. Sheffield Cathedral, Doncaster Minster)
- opportunity to develop your musical knowledge and skills through in-house training and to be involved with Royal School of Church Music events.

Rotherham Minster

Rotherham Minster has stood at the heart of Rotherham for over 500 years. As well as being a Grade 1 listed building which is recognised nationally as a superb example of perpendicular architecture, it is the hub of a lively and diverse Christian Community, fully engaged with the life of our town and borough.



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Rotherham Minster Choir

We're Recruiting !

Exciting opportunities for singers.

Do you have experience in choral singing?

Are you interested in being part of a forward looking and developing choir with long established roots in the Anglican Choral Tradition?

If so, we'd like to meet you, as Rotherham Minster Choir is seeking to recruit experienced adult singers as part of a major choral development programme.

Can't commit to every service? No problem: different membership options available.

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THE DIOCESE OF SHEFFIELD
Renewed | Released | Rejuvenated

RSCM
The Royal School of Church Music

The choir of Rotherham Minster is looking for experienced adult singers to become part of its choir and to contribute to the vision of making the Minster a 'Centre of Musical Excellence' in Rotherham.

Our Heritage

Rotherham Minster has a long history of choral singing in worship. dating back to the 15th century when Thomas Rotherham, Archbishop of York, founded the College of Jesus in 1482 which provided for 'six poor boys' of the parish to be clothed, fed and educated in 'grammar, writing and song'. The college of Jesus was dissolved many years ago, but the tradition of choral worship at the Minster continues.

A Journey of Renewal

The choir is currently part of a major choral development initiative in partnership with Sheffield Cathedral and Doncaster Minster, renewing our commitment to building a sustainable choir to continue the long tradition of choral worship into the future.



As a result of a significant central funding from the Church of England, the Minster has a growing choral outreach programme in Rotherham primary schools and, over the recent years, a new treble section has been launched, with choristers training weekly, and currently singing twice monthly, with plans to increase opportunities for them to sing in more services as their skills develop.

As part of this choral development initiative, the Senior Musical Director and Minster music team are looking to recruit a number of experienced singers to the Minster adult choir, in order to support the development of the choir's repertoire and contribute to the continued development and maintenance of high standards of music in worship.



The Minster adult choir has grown in all voice parts over recent years and the repertoire continues to expand. Members are all amateur, but there are a number of very experienced singers involved. The choir currently sings at the weekly 10:30 a.m. Sunday service, and at choral evensong at 4:30 p.m. on the first Sunday of most months. There are also additional special services, such as the Mayor's Service and the very popular Carols by Candlelight services.

Join us on our journey

We are currently interested in hearing from for singers in all voice parts, and particularly those who:

- have experience, either recent or in the past, of singing in a church, cathedral or collegiate chapel choir, or similar
- are able to read music and sing from a vocal score
- have a voice which will blend with other singers
- are able to sing confidently and maintain a vocal line independently

We understand that, in the today's world, there are many different demands on people's time, including family, work and other interests. Whilst singers who wish to become core members of the choir, attending all services and rehearsals, will be very welcome, there are a number of options for other singers who would like to become involved but are unable to make a commitment to be at every service.

Membership options include:

- **Core members** - sing at all services, including weekly Sunday 10:30 services, monthly Choral Evensong, and special services
- **Fixed Pattern Members** - sing at some of the services each month, following a regular monthly pattern, as agreed with the Director of Music