

# What will you discover at LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL?

There are animals hiding in the stonework, woodwork and even the glass of Lichfield Cathedral. What animals have you spotted on your visit today?

**4** This Cathedral is dedicated to St Chad – but who was he?

Chad was a Bishop of Mercia and founded the first church in Lichfield in 669 – over 1,300 years ago!

**3**

How many angels can you see on the gates? And what instruments are they playing?

The screen depicts the angels who visited St Chad in a dream.

**2**

Somewhere on the icon of Jesus above your head is a skull.

*i* The skull represents Adam, the first man

**1** Can you spot St George slaying a dragon? Where was it?

*i* St George is the patron saint of England

**5**

Can you spot the tiny angels hiding in the stonework of the Lady Chapel?

**6**

**The Sleeping Children**  
The sculptor of this statue left one piece uncarved  
Take a closer look at the sisters' feet.

**7**

**Did you know?**  
Although the Cathedral survived 3 sieges during the Civil War, cannonballs severely damaged the roof and brought the collapse of the central spire.

This window shows Bishop Hackett's 17th Century restoration.

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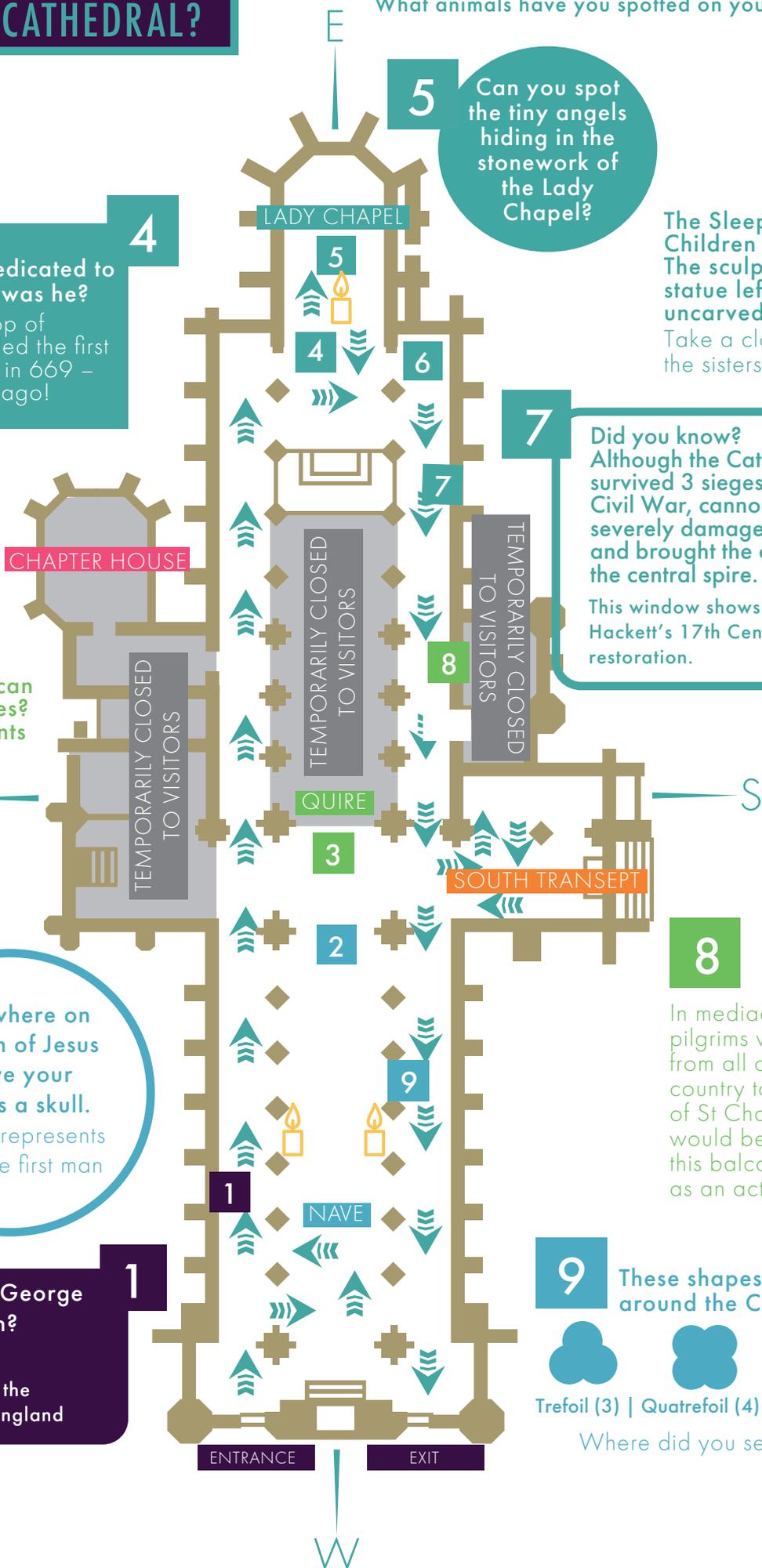
In mediaeval times pilgrims would come from all over the country to see the skull of St Chad, which would be held over this balcony by priests as an act of blessing.

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These shapes are used around the Cathedral

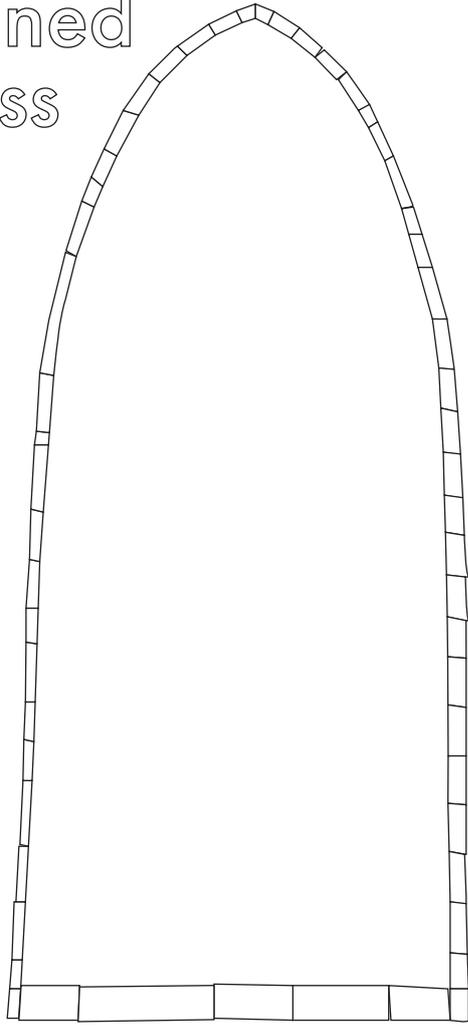
    
Trefoil (3) | Quatrefoil (4) | Cinquefoil (5)

Where did you see them?



## EXPLORE SOME MORE...

Create your own stained glass



Write a story

Around the walls of the Cathedral Nave you will see many faces in the stonework. Each face represents a medieval person who would have worshiped here in this Cathedral.

**Pick a face and tell their story? Who are they? Where are they from? What are they like?**

## EXPLORE THE CLOSE

- ✚ How many statues can you count on the West Front? In medieval times, it is thought the statues would have been gilded – imagine the statues glittering in the sun!
- ✚ The central spire is over 78m high, that is about as tall as 13 Giraffe's standing on top of each other!
- ✚ In medieval times pilgrims visiting the Cathedral would have likely entered through the south doors.
- ✚ Did you spot the sundial? Just to the south of the Nave is a sundial which was once used to regulate the clock.
- ✚ Near the foot of the north west tower you will see the grave of a worker who fell from the scaffolding during restoration work in the 19th century.
- ✚ On the outside of the Lady Chapel you will find statues of women from the Bible. How many women can you name from the Bible?

## WORD SEARCH

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