The sub-organist or assistant organist usually plays at cathedral services, although they will also be expected to take over the choral duties if the organist is unavailable.

The longest serving Organist and Master of the Choristers was Andrew Goodwin, who retired from Bangor Cathedral on 31 October 2009. He had served there for 37 years. He was the master of the choristers when Aled Jones was in the choir. The longest serving Organist and Master of the Choristers was Charles J Brennan 1904 - 1964, 60 years), St Anne's Cathedral), Belfast. http://www.newulsterbiography.com