

## Safeguarding : Do you need to talk?

**Are you concerned about the safety of a child, young person or vulnerable adult?  
Or is there something that you would like to discuss that affects you?**

A safeguarding concern is anything that may impact the safety and wellbeing of a child, young person or vulnerable adult; if they are being neglected, harmed or at risk of being harmed by others or themselves, and are in need of protection. To report a non-emergency safeguarding concern please scan the QR code and complete our online form or email [safeguarding@canterbury-cathedral.org](mailto:safeguarding@canterbury-cathedral.org)  
TO REPORT AN EMERGENCY SAFEGUARDING CONCERN PLEASE CONTACT THE CATHEDRAL CONSTABLES OFFICE:

Located by the main entrance to the Precincts, Christ Church Gate.  
Alternatively, please call 01227 866237



## Friends' Events

Join us on **Thursday, 5 December at 11.00** in the Clagett Auditorium for another **FRIENDS' TALK: The Discovery of Richard III**. Dean David will tell the story of finding the remains of King Richard III in a Leicester car park and his reburial, with dignity and honour, in Leicester Cathedral. £10 Friends, £15 Friends' guests, includes tea and coffee on arrival.

All Friends' events can be booked online: <https://www.canterbury-cathedral.org/whats-on/events/> or contact the Friends' Office.

The next **FRIENDly Singing** session is on **Monday, 9 December at 14.00** in St Martin & St Paul Church Hall, CT1 1NH. It will be led by Jamie Rogers, Assistant Director of Music. Simply turn up just before the start for a cuppa and a mince pie followed by some sociable singing to put a smile on your face. Rusty singers welcome! This is a FREE event but donations to help sustain this monthly event are welcomed.

The **Friends' Carol Service** will be at **19.00 on Wednesday 18 December** in the Nave. ALL are welcome to join this Friendly Service at which we will enjoy Carols and Readings. Hear the wonderful Cathedral bells ring out to greet you as you arrive.



THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITICAL CHURCH OF CHRIST, CANTERBURY

Welcome to our services for the week beginning Sunday 1st December 2024

The First Sunday of Advent

Canon in Residence: The Archdeacon of Canterbury

You are more than welcome to join us at any of the following daily services

### Weekend Services (Sat & Sun)

8.00 Holy Communion

9.15 Matins

11.00 Choral Eucharist (Sunday)

15.00 Huguenot Service  
(in French, Sunday only)

17.30 Choral Evensong

### Weekday Services (Mon—Fri)

7.30 Matins (9.15 Bank Holidays)

8.00 Holy Communion

11.00 Bell Ceremony

12.30 Taizé Prayer - Mondays (until 16/12)  
Holy Communion - Wednesdays

17.30 Choral Evensong  
Thursdays said Evening Prayer

## Resignation of Archbishop Justin

Archbishop Justin has resigned and will complete his duties on 6 January 2025. Archbishop Justin intends very little public-facing activity between now and Epiphany, but plans to honour a small number of remaining commitments. At Epiphany, the Archbishop of Canterbury's official functions will be delegated to the Archbishop of York. The date on which Archbishop Justin formally ceases to hold office will be set in agreement with the Privy Council.

We continue to recognise the impact of this on everyone not least are we mindful of all those who have been hurt or harmed in any way through abuse or failures in safeguarding. We alongside the diocese have robust measures in place to protect vulnerable adults and children and to support victims of abuse. We have set up a special candle and plaque (given us by a survivor of abuse) in the Chapel of Holy Innocents in the crypt as we pray one for another. Safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone involved in the cathedral in any way. Staff and volunteers are trained and we aim for this place to be safe enough to disclose any information of relevance relating to the care and welfare of everyone here.

We encourage anyone who needs support or who has a safeguarding concern, to contact the Cathedral and Diocesan Safeguarding teams whose details can be found at [www.canterburydiocese.org/safeguarding](http://www.canterburydiocese.org/safeguarding) or [www.canterbury-cathedral.org/safeguarding/](http://www.canterbury-cathedral.org/safeguarding/)

Please send submissions for the Pew Sheet to:

[tobin.wallace-sims@canterbury-cathedral.org](mailto:tobin.wallace-sims@canterbury-cathedral.org) by Wednesday please

# Dates for your diary and news from the Cathedral and around the local area.

## End Domestic Abuse - 16 Days of Action - 25 November-10 December

We are supporting the End Domestic Abuse Campaign run by Kent and Medway councils. The key messages of this campaign are: **Know** what domestic abuse is; **See** what action you can take; **Speak Out** Signpost people to support.

We encourage all people to learn more about the campaign; share the key messages; wear a white ribbon on 24th November; and pray for victims of domestic abuse. In the Cathedral the hourly prayers and prayers at services will include those for victims of domestic abuse. More information can be found at [www.domesticabuseservices.org.uk](http://www.domesticabuseservices.org.uk)

## Do you use The Parish Giving Scheme?

On the 8th of December our Eucharist and sermon will be focussed on stewardship for God's creation and will launch our Joy of Giving campaign. In advance of this we would like to reach out to those of you currently using The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) to contact our Individual Giving Manager, David Wilcock, in the fundraising department on [David.wilcock@canterbury-cathedral.org](mailto:David.wilcock@canterbury-cathedral.org).

We would love to know how you have found using PGS and whether you would be prepared to tell others about your experience. Thank you.



## Advent and Christmas at Canterbury Cathedral

Please pick up the latest edition of the What's On booklet, which gives information about the services and events in and around the Cathedral as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Saviour at Christmas. Thank you to all our staff and volunteers working hard to make the Cathedral a welcoming festive place for all our visitors. We have special carol services each Sunday evening through December and on Tuesdays we have our new Tea Time Carols for children and families at 4pm round the crib. On Fridays the Dean offers Advent reflections in the nave with music from our Choral Scholars and Canon Tim is leading a weekly online group on the theme of Journeys of healing through Advent. Something for everyone.

## Festival of Carols - Living Nativity Tableaux 15th December

Calling all children and parents/carers of the Cathedral community. We would love for you to take part in the Festival of Carols by dressing up as an angel, shepherd or one of the magi (otherwise known as the wise men!) and being part of the nativity tableaux that we create during this service. To register to take part and be given full instructions please email [precentor@canterbury-cathedral.org](mailto:precentor@canterbury-cathedral.org) and you will be sent a link to a form to fill in. You need to be free from 4pm on Sunday 15th. There are no words to learn but we do have a little rehearsal so we all feel comfortable knowing where we are going and what we are doing.

## APPLY FOR A HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND PAYMENT

This is a Government fund to help households with food, energy bills and other essentials.

TO APPLY YOU MUST BE:

1. a Canterbury district resident
2. 16 or over
3. with an annual household income of £40,000 or less, with no more than £500 savings.

Find out more [www.canterbury.gov.uk/householdsupportfund](http://www.canterbury.gov.uk/householdsupportfund)

## Film Club - Sunday 8th December at 2pm in the AV room

### La Chimera 2hr 10min

Everyone has their own Chimera, something they try to achieve but never manage to find. For the band of tombaroli, thieves of ancient grave goods and archaeological wonders, the Chimera means redemption from work and the dream of easy wealth. For Arthur, the Chimera looks like the woman he lost, Beniamina. To find her, Arthur challenges the invisible, searches everywhere, goes inside the earth -- in search of the door to the afterlife of which myths speak. In an adventurous journey between the living and the dead, between forests and cities, between celebrations and solitudes, the intertwined destinies of these characters unfold, all in search of the Chimera.

Director Alice Rohrwacher; Stars Josh O'Connor, Carol Duarte, Vincenzo Nemolato Certificate 15 Strong Language

## St Stephen's Church Christmas Tree Festival

St Stephen's Church, Hales Drive, Canterbury, is holding a Christmas Tree Festival which will be open on Friday 6th December from 2.30-8pm, and Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th December from 12 noon-6pm. Donations are requested for St Stephen's Church and the Community Larder Project. There will also be Carols around the tree on Saturday 7th December at 8pm.

## Canterbury Community Shelter (CCS) - Catching Lives

CCS is a winter shelter for adults who are homeless in Canterbury. The shelter is run by local homelessness charity Catching Lives, in partnership with local churches.

This year, for the first time, the Cathedral will be providing shelter on Mondays. If you would like to be involved specifically in the Cathedral's shelter, please contact Canon Emma. To support more widely, please see below.

**Volunteers – can you help? Kitchen volunteers:** cooking and serving a hot evening meal at Catching Lives' Centre on Station Road East. **Host volunteers:** welcoming guests as they arrive at the church, providing refreshments and maybe playing board games and chatting to people as they settle ahead of lights out. **Volunteer drivers:** transporting bulky bedding packs between the Centre and churches, ideally with access to an estate car. Needing in the evenings and early mornings. **Contact** For further info or offer support, please contact Tasmin Maitland: [tasmin@catchinglives.org](mailto:tasmin@catchinglives.org)