

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

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



The Friends of Canterbury Cathedral

THE FRIENDS OF CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL are the Cathedral's fan club. We are admirers of the building, its history, and its community, and we help to support the Cathedral and its work. Our new Programme of Events has just been launched and includes talks, coffee mornings, day trips, recitals, and even an annual holiday!

A FRIENDLY EVENT ABCDE – Project 106

Monday 24 November, 11:30-12:30 in the Clagett Auditorium

Since 597AD, there have been 105 Archbishops of Canterbury (ABCs) – the first being Saint Augustine. The Church of England has been involved in Project 106: the search for the next ABC. But who decides who will become the Archbishop of Canterbury Designate/Elect?

In this exclusive talk, the Archdeacon of Canterbury, Will Adam, and Dean David will explain the processes that the Church of England and the Office of Crown Appointments have followed throughout 2025, and more.

£10 Friends of Canterbury Cathedral; £15 non-members. Includes tea and coffee on arrival.

A FRIENDLY TALK Angels and Demons in Art

Tuesday 2 December, 10:30-11:30 in the Clagett Auditorium

Brenda Tate-Lovely, a former Open University lecturer, will explore artistic interpretations of Angels and Demons which have featured in art since the earliest times.

From the 5th Century to the modern day, in the context of the belief and practice, Brenda will look at how different generations of artists have interpreted them.

In the vivid imaginations of artists, we will explore how these spiritual beings have become actors in storytelling, stimulating emotional reactions from fear to humour.

£10 Friends of Canterbury Cathedral; £15 non-members. Includes tea and coffee on arrival.

These events are organised by and in support of The Friends of Canterbury Cathedral (Registered Charity No 1210093). For more information about this and future events, help booking, or becoming a member, please call The Friends' Office at 01227 865292 or email friends@canterbury-cathedral.org

FRIENDLY Singing for Wellbeing St Paul's Church Hall, Canterbury, CT1 1NH

ALL welcome – rusty singers included!

Turn up for a cuppa and a biscuit, followed by sociable singing to put a smile on your face.

Led by Jamie Rogers, Assistant Director of Music at Canterbury Cathedral.

Please join us between 14:00-15:00 on the following Mondays: 8th December; 12th January; 9th February 2026

Please send submissions for the Pew Sheet to:

tobin.wallace-sims@canterbury-cathedral.org by Wednesday please



THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITAN CHURCH OF CHRIST, CANTERBURY

Welcome to our services for the week beginning Sunday 23rd November 2025

Christ the King

Canon in Residence: The Archdeacon of Canterbury

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

Weekend Services (Sat & Sun)

8.00 Holy Communion

9.15 Morning Prayer

11.00 Choral Eucharist (Sunday)

15.00 Huguenot Service
(in French, Sunday only)

17.30 Choral Evensong

Weekday Services (Mon—Fri)

7.30 Morning Prayer (9.15 Bank Holidays)

8.00 Holy Communion

11.00 Bell Ceremony

12.30 Holy Communion - Wednesdays
Taizé Prayer - Mondays in Term Time

17.30 Choral Evensong
Thursdays said Evening Prayer with
Silence

Admission of Servers, this morning at the Eucharist

This morning, the Dean will admit new servers to the Company of St Andrew (so named because the servers prepare for worship in St Andrew's Chapel off the North Quire Aisle). Please pray for all those who serve in the Cathedral, especially those to be admitted today.

If you would be interested in becoming a server, please find information on the volunteering pages of our website.

Season of Safeguarding - A Service of Lament † TODAY, 17:30 in the Quire

A service of lament and hope which provides us all with a space to acknowledge and hold before God in prayer, music and worship our sadness and grief at the harm caused by failures in safeguarding by the Church of England. Members of the clergy and lay chaplains will be available for you after the service if you would like to speak to someone about your experiences.

† Livestreamed on our YouTube channel

(Evening Prayer is at 4 pm and is said)

Advent Sunday - Services for the new Christian Year - next Sunday

Next Sunday is Advent Sunday, the first day of a new Christian Year. There will be our usual Sung Eucharist at 11.00am, with Children's Church from 10.30am. At 4.00pm there will be said Evening Prayer, and then The Advent Carol Service, at 5.30pm in the Nave. Please do join us for the beginning of the Season of Advent.

Moving towards Advent

This week marks the end of the Christian year, beginning with the Festival of **Christ the King** which is today.

Next **Sunday (30th)** is **Advent Sunday**, when we begin a new Christian year, marked by the **Advent Carol Service, at 5.30pm**. Throughout Advent, we build our expectation of the coming of Christ at Christmas, and this is reflected in our 5.30 Sunday evening Services in December.

Sunday 7th December: St Nicholas Family Service

Sunday 14th December: Festival of Carols with living Nativity

Sunday 21st December: Candlelit Reflection with Organ Meditation

Also in Advent we have **Journeying to Christmas Reflections on Fridays 28 November & 5, 12 & 19 December, 12:30-13:00** in the Nave. These are short Christmas reflections, with words & music, led by Dean David.

Pastoral Care

If you would like to speak to a member of the Pastoral Care Team kindly email your name and contact details to: pastoralcare@canterbury-cathedral.org and a member of the team will be pleased to assist.

If you need a local pastoral visit, if you are a newcomer wanting to get more involved in the cathedral congregations, if you or someone else from the congregation need support or help, then please complete a Pastoral Care Card which are dotted around the quire of the cathedral or please ask a steward or virger for one. Please complete and send in following the instructions on the card.

Public Lecture - 24th November

The Social Justice Network presents a public lecture on **Sanctuary and Asylum: Past, Present and Future**, by Linda Rabben

Author, anthropologist and human rights activist Linda Rabben, University of Maryland, has researched sanctuary and asylum for more than 30 years, worked as a researcher for Amnesty International, and coordinated refugee assistance projects, and published 13 books. She has spoken about migration and human rights to diverse audiences in the US, UK, Ireland, Netherlands and France. **As Linda is now unable to fly to the UK, this lecture will be via Zoom.**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83708699877?pwd=eVNKbBwhAW8sRJs1RBjaDgZ59be6Yo.1>

Meeting ID: 837 0869 9877

Passcode: 093931

For more information or to have the Zoom link sent to you, please contact jarnold@diocant.org

Advent with Julian of Norwich: 'Fear, Hope and Love'

Saturday 29th November, 10:00-16:00

An opportunity to find space for quiet and reflection, before the countdown to Christmas, aligning with our Advent and Christmas theme for this year - 'Hope'.

The day will include three talks, accompanied by quiet times in some of the loveliest and least-known Cathedral chapels. £12 per person; with free Cathedral entry.

Booking essential, as spaces are limited.

Those in receipt of Universal Credit or with refugee status are welcome to attend this quiet day for free (upon verification of status) - please enquire via email to book for free: events@canterbury-cathedral.org

Advent and Christmas - 'Hope'

Our theme for this season is 'Hope', as we live in hope through the autumn, and into the winter and Christmas.

All are welcome to join us for our traditional services, carol services and special events, child-friendly activities, beautiful trees and decorations - with the return of the Canterbury Christmas Market to the Precincts.

Our charity partner this Christmas will be Catching Lives (Charity No. 1014868), as we seek to raise the profile of their work, and to raise money as they support homeless people in and around Canterbury. Please be generous.

Family-friendly Activities*

Gregory and Peti's Star Trail*

Saturday 29 November - Sunday 4 January, during visiting hours

Christmas Drop-in Activities

Saturday 29 November, 11:00-15:00 - FREE to all in the Viewing Gallery

Saturdays 6, 13 & 20 December 11:00-15:00 - FREE* in the Cathedral

Festive Storytelling*

Join Deborah Hart, from TinyTalk Kent Downs, for family-friendly storytelling at Canterbury Cathedral - Drop-in sessions; no need to book.

Saturday 6 December, 14:00-15:00

The Snow Thief - Alice Hemming and Nicola Slater

Little Polar Bear - Hans de Beer

The Christmas Eve Tree - Delia Huddy

Plus the Christmas Nativity story

Saturday 13 December, 14:00-15:00

The Longest Wait - Alison Brewis

Little Glow - Katie Sahota and Harry Woodgate

The Very Smiley Snowman - Jack Tickle

Plus the Christmas Nativity story

Saturday 20 December, 14:00-15:00

The Night Before Christmas - Clement C Moore and Mark Marshall

Snowflakes - Carrie Burnell

The Owl Who Came for Christmas - John Hay

Plus the Christmas Nativity story

Festive Family Music Workshops*

Sat 13 December, 10:00-10:45 & 12:45-13:30 - in the Eastern Crypt

Sing, play and move to stories and songs all about Jesus' Birthday - the story of Christmas.

Children (and adults) are invited to come dressed as their favourite Nativity character (if they wish!) or in their best party outfits - it is a birthday we're celebrating after all!

This activity is aimed at Primary School aged children (0-11).

Drop-in activity; no need to book.

*Included free with a valid Cathedral Admission Ticket, Cathedral Pass or Friends' Card. Kids go FREE every day! (T&Cs apply; does not apply to group bookings or school visits).