

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



Friends' Events

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 a Quarter Peel to greet you as you arrive. Join us on **Tuesday, 21 January at 10.30** in the Clagett Auditorium for a **FRIENDS' COFFEE CONCERT**. Come to be entertained by the Cathedral's Choral Scholars whilst enjoying coffee and pastries. This informal concert will showcase the progress and repertoire of the Scholars who join our Cathedral in September. £10 Friends, £15 Friends' guests. There will be a **FRIENDS' TALK on Tuesday, 28 January at 10.30** in the Clagett Auditorium: **Church, Chapel, and Controversy in Victorian Canterbury**. Popular speaker Doreen Rosman returns to continue her series of talks on the history of life in Canterbury. Find out more about the diversity of religious provision in Canterbury and the battles between different religious groups. But there was co-operation as well as conflict. And the best attended Service was not in our Cathedral. £10 Friends, £15 Friends' guests, includes tea and coffee on arrival.

Find out more about our Cathedral's unique windows by coming to another **FRIENDS' TALK on Friday 21 February at 10.30** in the Clagett Auditorium. **Miracles, 'Madness', and Mistake Identity** will explore one of the magnificent Thomas Becket Miracle Windows on the north aisle of the Trinity Chapel. In the past, pilgrims portrayed in this window were thought to hail from Oxford, Warwickshire, and Essex. In fact, research now hints that they may have been from Kent and Canterbury. The Friends have partnered with The William and Edith Oldham Trust and The Oxus Foundation to fund a detailed investigation into this 'Kent Window'. In this talk, given by Dr Rachel Koopmans, expert on medieval history and associate professor of York University, Toronto, and Leonie Seliger, Director of our Stained Glass Studio, you will be the first to learn about this important work, which commenced in October, celebrating the jewels in the crown of our medieval heritage. £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.

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 15th December 2024

The Third Sunday of Advent

Canon in Residence: The Reverend Dr Emma Pennington

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

Weekend Services (Sat & Sun)		Weekday Services (Mon—Fri)	
8.00	Holy Communion	7.30	Matins (9.15 Bank Holidays)
9.15	Matins	8.00	Holy Communion
11.00	Choral Eucharist (Sunday)	11.00	Bell Ceremony
15.00	Huguenot Service (in French, Sunday only)	12.30	Taizé Prayer - Mondays (until 16/12) Holy Communion - Wednesdays
17.30	Choral Evensong	17.30	Choral Evensong Thursdays said Evening Prayer

Ministry of Healing at this morning's 11 o'clock Eucharist

This morning, the Ministry of Healing with the Laying on of Hands and Anointing, will be offered during the distribution of Communion. Please see the inside of the order of service for further background information about this ministry and for the prayers that are used. If you would like to receive this ministry, go to the South-East Transept after you have made your Communion or received a blessing. The clergy there will continue to pray for all who come forwards for this whilst the service continues towards its conclusion. If you are unsure where to go, please do ask a Steward. This will become a regular part of our Sunday morning worship next year, and future dates are: 26th January, 30th March, 22nd June, 17th August. In addition we shall be giving some thought as to where else this might be offered in and through our regular pattern of worship.

Festival of Carols - Living Nativity Tableaux - Tonight at 5.30

Please join us for this very special service when we welcome people from far and wide to experience the Christmas Story with a living Nativity Tableaux, built up during the service by members children and adults from the Cathedral family, with Mary and Joseph (and the donkey), with shepherds and Magi, angels and followers. We will sing the familiar carols and the girls and lay clerks of the Cathedral choir will sing special anthems. This is a very moving way to begin the last stage of our journey to Bethlehem 'to see this thing which has come to pass'.

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

Special Advent Service - Sunday 22nd December at 5.30pm

On Sunday 22nd December at 5.30pm we will have a special Service for Advent instead of Evensong. Jamie Rogers, our Assistant Director of Music will play Olivier Messiaen's evocative and inspirational La Nativité du Seigneur (The birth of the Saviour). This work has nine short movements and they will be interspersed with related poems and bible readings chosen by the Dean. As with the recent opening of Notre Dame we will invoke 'Speak great organ, holy instrument'.

The Joy of Giving

At last week's service, Canon Andrew encouraged those who feel able to consider the Parish Giving Scheme as a way of giving to the Cathedral. There will be people at the post service

drinks again today to chat with anyone who wants to know more. They will have forms available for you and can collect forms given out last week. Thank you to all those who have already signed up to the scheme in the last week or who have been in touch to find out more.

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.

Taizé Prayer

The last Advent Taize prayer is tomorrow (16th) at 12.30, in the Crypt, all are welcome to join us for this time of singing and silence. Taize will return in the New Year, beginning on Monday 20th January.

FREE* Christmas Crafting

Saturday 21 December, 11:00-15:00 - various locations inside the Cathedral.

Drop-in for this special festive crafting activity, inspired by our 'Journeying to Christmas' theme. Make your own unique star decorations to take home, or hang on our Community Christmas Tree in the Nave.

Drop-in activity; no need to book. All welcome. Suitable for ages 4+ Children must be supervised by a parent/carer at all times.

*Included free with a valid Cathedral Admission Ticket, Cathedral Pass or Friends' Card. Children aged 17 and under go free (T&Cs apply).

Children's Church

Today is the last meeting of Children's Church for the season. It has been so good to have our own worshipping space in the Community Studio, and this has enabled us to increase the range of our activities and the number of children who can attend. Please join us in the New Year - look out for news after the Christmas break.

FREE AFTER-SCHOOL ACCESS - Life-size Crib

Our beautiful life-size nativity scene will be in place in the Nave throughout the Advent and Christmas Season, with free access to view Monday - Fridays, 15:00-17:00, between 25 November - 20 December.

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

SPECIAL SEASONAL TOUR - 'Christmas at the Cathedral'

Mon 16 December, 11:15-12:30; Tues 17 Dec, 11:15-12:30; Thurs 19 Dec, 11:15-12:30; Sat 21 Dec, 11:15-12:30; Mon 23 Dec 11:15-12:30; Fri 27 Dec, 11:15-12:30

Learn how Christmas was celebrated by the Benedictine monks here in the Middle Ages, with pittance and a compulsory bath; how the origins of a popular Christmas carol can be traced in a stained glass window in the Crypt; and even how the Puritans banned Christmas in 1647, resulting in Canterbury's infamous Plum Pudding Riots!

£5 per person, plus Cathedral admission charge.

Book at our Visitor Centre on the day of your visit, or email visits@canterbury-cathedral.org to reserve your space.

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