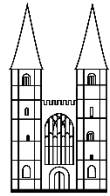


PEW NEWS

Weekly News for the Minster Community



Southwell
Minster

Sunday 16 February

**The Third Sunday before Lent
Septuagesima**

- 7.40am Litany** *Quire*
- 8.00am Holy Communion** BCP *Quire*
Preacher: The Revd Prof. Alison Milbank, *Canon Theologian*
- 10.00am Cathedral Eucharist** CW *Nave (and live-streamed)*
Sung by the Minster Chorale
Preacher: The Revd Dr Richard Frith, *Canon Precentor*
Ives Missa brevis • Psalm 1 • Whitlock *Be still, my soul*
Dubois Grand Choeur in B flat
- 3.30pm Evensong** BCP *Quire (and live-streamed)*
Sung by the Minster Chorale and Lincoln Cathedral Consort
Preacher: The Revd Amanda Lees, *Acting Canon Missioner*
Ley A Prayer of King Henry VI • *Sumsion Responses*
Office Hymn: *O Lux beata Trinitas* • Psalm 6
Hosea 10: 1–8, 12 • *Wood Collegium Regale*
Galatians 4: 8–20 • *Bairstow Blessed city, heavenly Salem*
Hymn 361 • *Mulet Carillon-Sortie*

Online Orders of Service

The Order of Service for our choral services this Sunday is now available at <https://www.southwellminster.org/worship/orders-of-service/> on our website. If you wish, please feel free to download this to your tablet, or other device, and bring this to the service to use instead of a printed Order of Service.

INTERCESSIONS

We continue to pray for the Anglican communities in Moscow and Kiev, and Archbishop Hosam and the Diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East.

We hold before God all those who have asked for our prayers:

The Minster Family

Amanda Askari, Karim Askari, Celia Burge, Joan Dunn, Alistair Farrant, Jill Frost, David Green, Olga Hudson, Alison Jones, Audrey Jones, David Keene (priest), Glynn Lloyd, Jean Meats, Les Meats, Susan Moses, Robin Old, Liz Rose, Bridget Smith (priest), David Smith, Barbara Tittensor

The Housebound and Those in Residential Care

Audrey Banks, Alan Holmes, Sue Hopkin, Joan Larke, Pam Storey

The Family of the Church in the Diocese and Beyond

Noelle Chiu, Lucy Grimsey, Richard Kirton (priest), Lynn Raynor (priest), Yvonne Swift, Margaret Tattersfield, Edwin Ward, Hilary Wellington, Fearn

The Recently Departed

Sheila Day, Martin Stancliffe

(Please note whilst we love to mention people by their full name in our prayer lists, we do need either themselves, or a close family member, to give us permission to do so. Thank you for your help and understanding with this.)

We Remember on the Anniversary of Their Death

- 16 Carolyn Lee, Alan Musson
- 19 Olive Cooper, Sarah (Sally) Hill
- 21 Peter David Courtney Allen
- 22 Albert Frank Surtees, Jack Skill

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The world we live in is not something temporary that we will cast off as we hope for a future spiritual existence, but is the place where we learn to live as we will live for eternity. This means living out the things of God on earth, and since God brings life, that is how we are called to live in his created world. We are called to principles and patterns of behaviour that, as much as possible, are life-giving.

Paula Gooder, *Heaven*, SPCK, 2011, p.103–4.

GET READY FOR LENT

Lent begins on Wednesday 5 March. As well as Lent services, why not try a Lent course? There's lots of courses to choose from, offering a chance to dive a bit deeper into faith — no preparation needed, and you will not be asked to speak or share unless you'd like to! Come on your own, bring a friend or come as a group. We hope the following can help you to mark this season of preparation and prayer as we journey together to Easter:

Ash Wednesday 5 March. There will be celebrations of the Eucharist at **12.15pm** — A said service with hymns, and **7.30pm** — Sung Eucharist led by the Minster Chorale. Both services will offer an opportunity to receive the imposition of ashes as a sign of penitence and of our commitment to keeping a holy Lent.

Courses through Lent

Exploring Faith — Hosted by Bishop Paul and Sarah Williams with Southwell Minster. Whether you're committed or just curious, these evenings are a chance to explore how faith in Jesus can bring new peace and hope in our lives and the world today. *Exploring Faith* begins on **Wednesday 26 February** with an introductory evening for those interested to know more. Then every Wednesday from **12 March — 9 April**. Starts at 6.30pm with a simple supper at the Bishop's Manor, Southwell followed by a short talk, conversation and finish by 9.00pm. All are welcome — to find out more or book your place, visit www.southwell.anglican.org/exploring-faith, email bishopsmanor@southwell.anglican.org, or call 01636 817990.

Ecumenical Lent Groups. Churches Together in Southwell, which represents all churches across Southwell, is offering a series of Lent House Groups. The groups will explore *100 Stand Alone Bible Studies* by Penelope Wilcock, a mother, grandmother, full-time writer and formerly a Methodist minister, school and hospice chaplain. There's a time to suit all with groups planned for Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings, and Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, all beginning on or after Ash Wednesday. Visit [Informal Worship | Southwell Minster](#) for more details or contact Hugh Middleton via hugh.middleton@nottingham.ac.uk.

NOTICEBOARD

THIS WEEKEND

Minster Chorale 30th Anniversary Weekend, 15–16 February. This year, the Minster Chorale celebrates its 30th birthday, and we are hosting a weekend of celebrations to mark the occasion. On Saturday 15 February at 4.30pm, the Chorale sings Evensong directed by several former Assistant Directors of Music. On Sunday morning, after the Cathedral Eucharist, cake and fizz will be served at refreshments. Finally at Evensong on the Sunday, the Chorale is joined by Lincoln Cathedral Consort for music by Charles Wood and Edward Bairstow. Everyone is warmly invited to join us for these services to help us celebrate!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Visiting Choirs during half-term. While the Cathedral Choir is on its half term break, we are delighted to welcome two visiting choirs. On Monday 17 February, Evensong will be sung by the choristers of Little St Mary's church, Cambridge; while next weekend we welcome Laudes, who will sing Evensong on Saturday 22 February (as well as both services next Sunday). As at every service of Evensong, everyone is welcome — please do come along to join our worship, and to support those who lead its singing. Evening Prayer will be said at 5.30pm from Tuesday to Friday this week. The Cathedral Choir will return to sing Evensong from Monday 24 February.

[Family Fun Day](#), **Monday 17 February, 10.30am–3.00pm.** Looking for something to do with the kids at half term? Pop along to the Minster on 17 February for some science-themed fun. Drop-in activities, games, crafts and experiments plus a 'Microscopic Minster' trail as part of the [Nottingham Festival of Science & Curiosity](#). No need to book, no charge for entry but donations are invited. Refreshments will be available to buy.

[U2 by Candlelight](#), **Thursday 20 February, 7.30pm.**

On Friday 21 February, our **lunchtime concert** starting at 1.30pm will be given by members of Nottingham Chamber Wind Ensemble. Free admission with retiring collection. Tea and coffee available from 1pm onwards.

THE MINSTER COMMUNITY

Church Electoral Roll. The Electoral Roll is a list of all the members in a church, who are baptised and who either live in the parish or regularly worship at the church. Being on the Electoral Roll enables you to vote at the Annual Parish Meeting. Every six years the roll has to be completely renewed, and that process begins on Monday 17 February. If you are already on the roll, you will receive an email or a letter asking if you would like to renew your membership and a form to enable you to do so. If you are not already on the roll but would like to be, you can get a form from Maggie Peel, the Electoral Roll Officer, or from the vergers. Completed forms must be returned by Friday 4 April. Maggie will be in the crossing with application forms after services on Sundays 23 February and 2 March if you prefer to complete a form then.

New Chapter Members. I am delighted to announce that, following a rigorous recruitment process, we have appointed four excellent new members of the Cathedral Chapter. They are Ann Carter-Gray, Marion Oswald, David Walker, Jonathan Wheeler. I am awaiting biographies and photos from them, and I will share these as soon as we have them. The four people offer a range of skills including legal, financial, property and governance expertise. All live fairly locally and are excited about offering their expertise and experience for the benefit of Southwell Minster and its mission and ministry in the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham.

We have been very well served by Andy Corner and Jan Richardson as Chapter members representing the Cathedral community. Their terms of office end this year, and elections will take place in May to replace them. All members of the Electoral Roll will be eligible to vote to fill these two posts. Details for the nomination of candidates will be available soon.

Along with the six people mentioned above, other current members of Chapter are myself as Chair, Nick Alexander, Canon Richard Frith, Canon Amanda Lees and Canon Stephen Hippisley-Cox.

Please hold our Cathedral Chapter in your prayers during this period of transition.

Neil Evans, Dean

Flower Sponsorship. If you'd like to sponsor a flower arrangement in the Minster during 2025, perhaps to commemorate a loved one or a specific date, please email matthew.spillett@southwellminster.org.uk for a copy of the booking form. The recommended donation is £40–£50.

Framework. You may have heard that Nottingham City Council are intending to withdraw funding from one of Southwell Minster's favoured recipients of charitable giving. If this were to happen it would have major implications for the well-being of many vulnerable people. In the past, letters supporting Framework from members of

the Minster community have played their part in successfully resisting such a move. If you are minded, do consider writing to 'Have Your Say', Nottingham City Council, Loxley House, NG2 3NG or sharing your views online via

[https://myaccount.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/service/Have Your Say](https://myaccount.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/service/Have_Your_Say). *Alison Middleton*

Schedule of Cathedral Safeguarding Training Events. The following safeguarding training events will be run in the Minster Centre by Penny Turner and Vicky Thorpe.

Basic Safeguarding Training	Monday 28 April	1.30pm–4.30pm
Foundation Safeguarding Training	Wednesday 11 June	6.00pm–8.00pm
Basic Safeguarding Training	Wednesday 23 July	10.00am–1.00pm
Basic Safeguarding Training	Friday 7 November	10.00am–1.00pm
Domestic Abuse Awareness	Tuesday 2 December	1.00pm–4.00pm

Please email southwelllearninganddevelopment@southwellminster.org.uk if you wish to attend any of these courses to confirm your place.

Further in-person courses for Domestic Abuse Awareness and Leadership Safeguarding Training may be available at Jubilee House. Please contact the Safeguarding Team for further information.

In line with Church of England policies we expect our volunteers to keep their safeguarding training up to date. This means that training should be completed every three years. Therefore, if you last completed training in 2022 it will need renewing this year before the date when three years have passed. If you are unsure whether you need to update your training, or are unsure what level of training you require, please ask your group leader, Penny or Vicky.

All these safeguarding courses can also be accessed online through the Church of England safeguarding portal available [here](#). The Minster does not manage this portal so please direct any enquiries to elarning@safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org or visit the support page [here](#).

Anyone who has completed training MUST inform Matt Spillett, copied to Vicky (matthew.spillett@southwellminster.org.uk/vicky.thorpe@southwellminster.org.uk).

If you have any questions or require any help or advice, please do contact the Safeguarding Team – we are here to help!

Dementia Drop In for anyone affected by dementia organised by Trent Dementia. Drop in between 10.30am and 1.00pm – free refreshments and time to chat. When: on Thursday 6 March. Where: Kings Court Community Centre, Southwell. For more information telephone 07300 657575 or e-mail: contact@tretdementia.org.uk.

SERVICES AND FAITH

Ecumenical House Groups. Churches Together in Southwell is organizing a series of Lent House Groups. The material will be taken from Penelope Wilcock's *100 Stand-Alone Bible Studies*. Groups are planned for Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings, and Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, all beginning on or after Ash Wednesday, 5 March. More details are available in the form of a leaflet which can be found on the Southwell Minster website at [Informal Worship | Southwell Minster](#) or from Hugh Middleton via hugh.middleton@nottingham.ac.uk. All are welcome to join this opportunity of sharing with brothers and sisters from other local churches.

Weekly peace vigil. A 30-minute silent vigil for peace, especially in the Holy Land, takes place in the Minster every Tuesday at 12.45pm, following the 12.15 Eucharist. Come to St Oswald's Chapel for one or both of these events. You would be welcome. *The Justice Action Group*.

Our **Daily Intercessions booklet** for February which collates together the Minster and Diocesan prayer lists with the Anglican Cycle Prayer, is now available on the Minster website from <https://www.southwellminster.org/worship/daily-intercessions/>.

MUSIC AND EVENTS

[Country by Candlelight](#), Friday 28 February, 7.30pm.

[Threads through the Bible](#), Friday 7 March to Monday 5 May, Monday – Saturday: 10am–4pm; Sunday: 12.30–3pm. We are delighted to be just the second place in the world to host the artistic masterpiece that is Threads through the Bible by extraordinary textile artist Jacqui Parkinson. Threads through the Bible is made up of three huge sequences, 'Threads through Creation', 'Threads through the Cross' and 'Threads through Revelation' to create one incredible display of textile art. 'Threads through Creation' and 'Threads through Revelation' have been displayed in many cathedrals in Britain: this is the first time they will come together with 'Threads through the Cross'. It's a rare opportunity not to be missed. Taking ten years to create, this 44-panel exhibition is made up of more than 25 million stitches and if presented side by side, would stretch more than 80 metres. Don't miss this powerful and moving display of faith, art, and storytelling and your chance to witness this exceptional journey through the Bible's narrative in silk artistry. Entry: suggested donation of £5 per person or £10 for families. Please see the Minster website for more information, including dates when entry to the exhibition will be limited.

A workshop and talks with Threads artist Jacqui Parkinson. An engaging series of walks and talks around particular panels with the artist will take place on Friday 7 and Saturday 8 March. There will also be a workshop led by Jacqui on the Friday in the State Chamber, where she will help you create your own piece of textile art — all materials provided. Tickets are strictly limited and can be purchased at www.southwellminster.org/threads-talks/

Volunteer Chaperones wanted. We would like to develop a rota of volunteer chaperones to assist our Chorister Supervisor in looking after the cathedral choristers during rehearsals and services as well as some social time. This is a very rewarding role, and a way of getting to see ‘behind the scenes’ of our Cathedral Choir’s excellent work and to get to know the people involved. There are varying times to suit all, and a light minimum obligation. Subject to DBS checks and training, all provided through the Minster. Contact paul.provost@southwellminster.org.uk or speak to a member of music staff for more information.

Would you like to volunteer at any of the Minster events? There’s a huge programme of exciting events coming up in 2024 and we’re looking for help to ensure their success. This will involve welcoming people and checking tickets to get people in on time. After that, you’re welcome to stay and enjoy the performance for free. If you’d like to know more, please email events@southwellminster.org.uk. For a list of events, please see www.southwellminster.org/2024-events/.

GENERAL NOTICES

Supporting Newark Foodbank. The following items are especially needed: Long Life Milk, Long Life Fruit Juice, Tinned Meat (e.g. Chicken or Beef Stew), Instant Mashed Potato, Laundry Pods, Toilet Roll. Check the website for less urgent items. The Foodbank also accepts donations of money, which can be used to purchase items locally. Items can be donated at the following places — Co-op, One Stop, Well Pharmacy and various churches. Please see website for details of how to donate. <https://newark.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

WORSHIP IN THE COMING WEEK

For this week's Services and Music List, please [click here](#).

Sunday 23 February

The Second Sunday before Lent Sexagesima

- 7.40am** **Litany** Quire
- 8.00am** **Holy Communion** BCP Quire
Preacher: The Revd Erika Kirk, *Priest Vicar*
- 10.00am** **Cathedral Eucharist** CW *Nave (and live-streamed)*
Sung by Laudes
Preacher: The Revd Canon Dr Neil Evans, *Interim Dean of Southwell*
Darke in A minor • Psalm 65: 8–end
Morley Nolo mortem peccatoris
Edwards Turvey Tuba Tuna
- 3.30pm** **Evensong** BCP *Quire (and live-streamed)*
Sung by Laudes
Preacher: Canon Angela Ashwin, *Reader*
Ellis Crossing the Bar • *Reading Responses*
Office Hymn: *O Lux beata Trinitas* • Psalm 147
Genesis 1:1 – 2:3 • *Stanford in A*
Matthew 6: 25–end • *Balfour Gardiner Evening Hymn*
Hymn 265 • *Whitlock Fanfare*

Southwell Minster is committed to ensuring children and young people as well as adults are kept safe. If you have a concern about safeguarding, please contact:

At the Minster:

- Penny Turner (Cathedral Safeguarding Officer) at penny.turner@southwell.anglican.org
- Vicky Thorpe (Cathedral Safeguarding Co-ordinator) at safeguarding@southwellminster.org.uk, or
- One of the clergy.

- In the Diocese: 01636 817200 or safeguarding@southwell.anglican.org.

If you have an out-of-hours emergency safeguarding concern, please contact:

- The police on 999, or
- Children and Adults in Nottinghamshire on 0300 500 8080.

Submission of items for inclusion in Pew News. Anyone who wishes to submit any items to include in future editions of Pew News is from now on asked to submit these by e-mail to the address newsletter@southwellminster.org.uk. Please note the deadline of 11.00am each Thursday for the weekend edition released each Friday. Thank you.

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