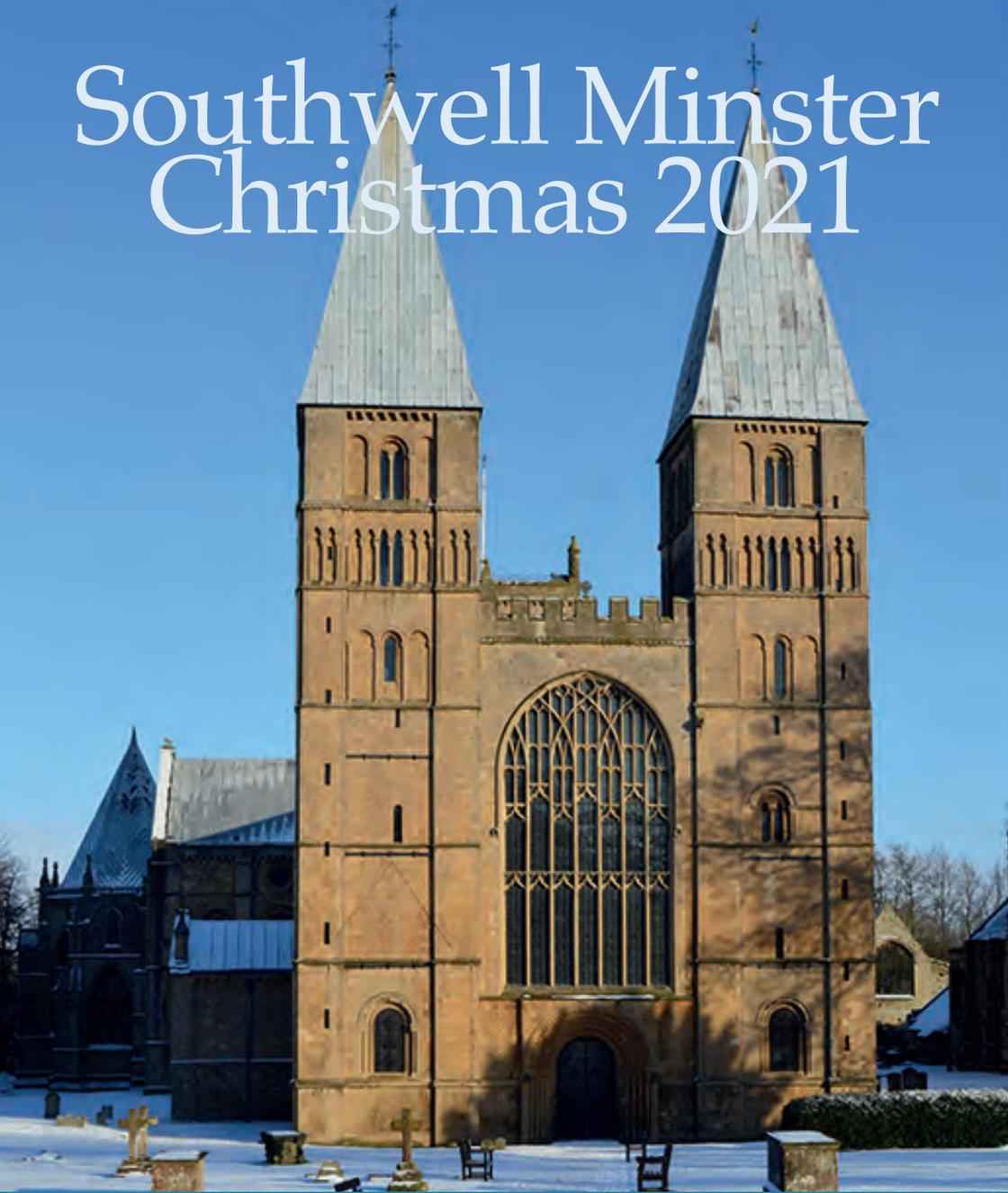


Southwell Minster Christmas 2021



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A message from Dean Nicola Sullivan
2021 has been a difficult year for so many of us. Why not find time to reflect and pray in the beauty and peace of the Minster? We look forward to welcoming you during these special weeks. May the message of God's love shown to us in the birth of Jesus Christ bring you comfort and hope.

 THESE SERVICES WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED
ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Sunday 28 November
Advent Sunday Eucharist
10AM, NAVE 

Sunday 28 November
Advent Procession
6.30PM, NAVE



This atmospheric service begins in darkness, building up to a glorious light as the coming of Jesus is foretold. In word and music, themes of prophecy and expectation come together, pointing the way towards the salvation of the world. Beautiful music is sung by the Cathedral Choir, whose journey through the building reminds us of our own spiritual journey towards the light of Christ, in anticipation of the glories of Christmas. *Entry is not ticketed; however, early arrival is advised.*

Friday 3 December
Framework Carol Service

7PM, NAVE

Raising funds to help homeless people in Nottinghamshire, this special service will include favourite carols to sing, contributions from the Cathedral Choir and seasonal refreshments afterwards.

To reserve a free seat go to

www.frameworkha.org/carols

or call

0115 970 9558.



Framework
For your future

Sunday 5 December
Christingle

5PM, NAVE

The Christingle service is designed with families in mind and begins our journey towards Christmas. All are welcome.



Wednesday 8 December
Emergency Services' Carol Service
7PM, NAVE

Thursday 9 December
Beaumont House Light Up a Life Service
7PM, NAVE

Friday 10 December
Friday Lunchtime at the Cathedral
1.30PM, QUIRE

Words and music for the festive season, with the girl choristers of the Cathedral Choir. This concert will take you on a journey through from Advent to Christmas with plenty of atmospheric music and beautiful poetry, as well as some popular tunes. Includes music by Warlock, Bairstow, Rutter, and many more. *Entry is not ticketed; however, early arrival is advised.*

Saturday 11 December
Carols for Everyone
7.30PM, NAVE
Organised by Southwell and District Lions Club in aid of Support Refugees in Southwell (SRiS), which currently supports several families from Syria and two from Afghanistan. *Tickets available from The Cathedral Shop.*

Tuesday 14 December
Handel's Messiah
7.30PM, NAVE
The famous oratorio *Messiah* will be performed by Southwell Minster Chorale, students from the Minster School and the Musical & Amicable Society, together with internationally renowned soloists. This ever-popular work includes the exciting Hallelujah Chorus, as well as a selection of beautiful arias and choruses telling the Christmas story, continuing through to the season of Easter. *Please note that this is a ticketed event. Tickets available from ticketsource.co.uk (search for Handel's Messiah Southwell). As an annual performance this event has become very popular, so early booking is advised.*



Wednesday 15 December
Minster School Christmas
Concert
7PM, NAVE

Sunday 19 December
Messiaen: *La Nativité* Organ
Meditations
6.30PM, QUIRE

By Jonathan Allsopp, Assistant Director of Music.

Experience the beauty and timelessness of Olivier Messiaen's Nine Meditations on the Birth of Christ. Rich harmonies and exciting rhythms combine in a unique perspective on the Christmas story, including vivid portrayals of the angels, the shepherds and the Magi as well as an exciting outburst of joy at the birth of Christ. *Entry is free, with refreshments available.*



Monday 20 December
Southwell Music Festival
Christmas Concert

7.30PM, NAVE

Southwell Music Festival returns this December for a one-night-only Christmas Celebration in the exquisite surroundings of Southwell Minster. So gather with family and friends for a programme of seasonal words and choral music performed by Southwell Festival Voices, conducted by Artistic Director Marcus Farnsworth with readings from actor Philip Franks. The programme includes Benjamin Britten's ever-popular A Ceremony of Carols to be performed with harp accompaniment. *Tickets available from www.southwellmusicfestival.com.*



Thursday 23 and
Friday 24 December

The Cathedral Carol Service

7PM, NAVE  (23 DECEMBER ONLY)

Our carol services take on a traditional feel, like that of the famous services at King's College, Cambridge. As well as hearing choral music sung by the Cathedral Choir, there is the chance to sing well-known Christmas carols in a joyful and uplifting setting. The journey to Bethlehem, birth of Jesus, adoration of the shepherds and the coming of the Magi are all part of this festive service of readings and music.

Booking essential. Please book at southwellminster.org/ccs2021.



Christmas Eve

Crib Service

11AM AND 2PM, NAVE

The Crib Services are a joyful opportunity for families to enter the Christmas spirit, with children dressing up as characters from the Christmas story.

Christmas Eve Evensong

3.30PM, QUIRE 

A beautiful traditional service beginning to turn the corner from Advent into Christmas. Sung by the Cathedral Choir.

Eucharist of Christmas Night

11.15PM, NAVE 

PREACHER: THE DEAN OF SOUTHWELL

The first Eucharist of Christmas, this service is popular the world over. As we gather in the depths of night, we celebrate the dawning of a glorious light in the birth of Christ. Music sung by Southwell Minster Chorale with well-known Christmas hymns.





Christmas Day

Holy Communion

8.00AM, QUIRE

With carols.

Cathedral Eucharist

10AM, NAVE 

PREACHER: THE BISHOP OF SOUTHWELL AND NOTTINGHAM

Our principal Eucharist on Christmas Day includes music sung by the Cathedral Choir, as well as well-known Christmas hymns.

Festal Mattins

11.30AM, QUIRE

PREACHER: THE CANON PRECENTOR
Festal Mattins is sung by the Cathedral Choir with uplifting music by Stanford and Warlock. Another chance to sing some Christmas hymns, and rejoice in the festive atmosphere of the Minster at Christmas.

Holy Communion

12.30PM, QUIRE

Evening Prayer with Carols

3.30PM, QUIRE

At the close of Christmas Day, Evening Prayer is an opportunity to enter into calmness after the joyful festivities, as well as to sing some more carols.

Thursday 6 January 2022

Epiphany

Sung Eucharist

7PM, QUIRE 

Sunday 9 January 2022

Epiphanytide Procession

3.30PM, NAVE 

Continuing the season of the Nativity, this service explores the Coming of the Magi, the Baptism of Christ, and the Miracle at the Wedding in Cana. All are welcome to this inspiring service which uses the whole Minster.

Throughout December until Sunday 2 January 2022

'Children's Trail for Advent and Christmas'

This free interactive trail for families and children takes visitors around the Cathedral hunting for images which help us to understand the Christmas story. Trail maps are available from Minster stewards at the information desk.

Wednesday 2 February 2022

Candlemas

Sung Eucharist with Procession

7PM, QUIRE 

The traditional 40 days of the Christmas season ends. A day to look back and forward, blessed and guided by the Light of Christ.



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THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**At the heart
of Christmas**



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Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham