

PEW NEWS

Weekly News for the Minster Community



Southwell
Minster

Sunday 28 April

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
(The Fourth Sunday after Easter)

- 7.40am Litany** *Quire*
- 8.00am Holy Communion** BCP *Quire*
Preacher: The Very Revd Nicola Sullivan, *Dean of Southwell*
- 10.00am Cathedral Eucharist** *Nave (and live-streamed)*
Preacher: The Revd Dr Richard Frith, *Canon Precentor*
Byrd *Mass for four voices* • Psalm 22: 25–31
Byrd *Christ, rising again from the dead*
Bach *Prelude in E flat, BWV 552i*
- 3.30pm Evensong** *Quire (and live-streamed)*
Preacher: The Revd Erika Kirk, *Priest Vicar*
arr. Wood *This joyful Eastertide* • Smith *Responses*
Office Hymn: *Aurora lucis rutilat* • Psalm 96
Stainer *in B flat* • Gibbons *See, see, the Word is incarnate*
Schmidt *Prelude and Fugue in D 'Hallelujah'*

Online Orders of Service

Orders of Service for our Sunday morning choral services are available for download from <https://www.southwellminster.org/worship/orders-of-service/> on our website. If you wish, please feel free to download these 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

Kath Connor, Alistair Farrant, Jill Frost, Jean George, David Green, Christine Homer, Audrey Jones, David Keene (priest), Glynn Lloyd, Lesley Lloyd, Arthur Masters, Jean Meats, Les Meats, Jenny Mellors, Robin Old, Anne Rattigan, Paul Rattigan (priest), Barbara Tittensor, Rosamund Turnbull, Michael Ward-Fitches

The Housebound and Those in Residential Care

Audrey Banks, Jenny Derbyshire, Alan Holmes, Sue Hopkin, Joan Larke, Pam Storey, Margaret Tattersfield

The Family of the Church in the Diocese and Beyond

Barney Fontaine, Elizabeth Ingram, Emily, Fearn, Enid Gould, Richard Kirton (priest), Oliver Pemberton, Lynn Raynor (priest), Brigit de Vaal, Edwin Ward

The Recently Departed

George Cassidy (bishop), Val Diamond, Bruce Newbold, Elizabeth Newbold

(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

- 28 Sandra Kirk, Jane Warner
- 29 Audrey Marsden, Isobel MacDonald Ward
- 3 Robert Sydney Johnson Reeves
- 4 Nicholas Theodore Baker, Pilar García, Steven Andrew Shaw

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

This is the essence of religious obedience: the renunciation of the false and superficial so as to get at the deep and true. Our situation is like that of a plant which, when it finds the surface soil too arid or hard, is forced to strike its roots further down where moisture and nourishment can be found.

Cyprian Smith, *The Path of Life*, p.51, Ampleforth Abbey Press, 1995

NOTICEBOARD

THIS WEEKEND

[Haydn's *The Creation*](#), Southwell Choral Society, Saturday 27 April, 7.30pm.

The **Annual Meeting** will take place on Sunday 28 April at 11.30am in the State Chamber, followed by an informal 'faith lunch' of soup and roll... and whatever else you bring to share! If you can stay for lunch, please let Jan Richardson know for catering if possible.

The Electoral Roll is now closed until The Annual Meeting. If you wish to see a copy it is available to view in the Verger's Office.

The **2023 Annual Report** is now available. Printed copies can be picked up inside the Minster or it can be viewed online at www.southwellminster.org/annual-report-2023/.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Our next **Friday Lunchtime Concert** will be on **Friday 3 May** and will be a [recital of music for bassoon given by Lynda Edwards](#). Free admission with retiring collection. Tea/coffee and biscuits available from 1pm.

[Mansfield and Bingham Choral Societies](#), Saturday 4 May, 7.30pm.

The Ark Gedling. Following interest shown during the Church Action on Poverty Display, there will be a Q&A session on the social justice action work of The Ark Gedling across the diocese in St Oswald's Chapel after the Cathedral Eucharist on Sunday 5 May. The Ark Gedling AGM will take place on Friday 17th May — All welcome. *John Tattersfield*

Rogation Service, Sunday 5 May, 3.00pm. Rogation is an important event for us, when we are joined by friends from NTU Brackenhurst and the local farming community for a short service in the Minster, followed by a walk to Brackenhurst, stopping to bless the crops, livestock, and horticulture on the way. Please join us for what is always a very enjoyable afternoon, concluding with a wonderful afternoon tea kindly provided at Brackenhurst! A minibus service is also available for transport to and from Brackenhurst.

Bank Holiday Organ Concert, Monday 6 May, 3.30pm. Join us for the second of this year's bank holiday organ concerts, where we welcome Kris Thomsett, Assistant Director of Music at Newcastle Cathedral. His programme includes music by Bach, Byrd, Bairstow and Vierne. Free admission with retiring collection (suggested donation £5).

THE MINSTER COMMUNITY

Andrea Pritchard will be leaving her role as the Minster's Head of Finance at the end of May. She is moving to work in the NHS as a Finance Accountant. After 18 years of working with the Cathedral she will be very much missed.

Chapter membership. A warm 'thank you' to Sarah Benedek for serving as a member of Chapter for the last three years, bringing her skills in legal matters and marketing together with a passion for the mission and flourishing of the Cathedral. The Nominations Committee, chaired by Jan Richardson, is seeking new members for Chapter, filling one vacancy now and two in the autumn. An information pack is available online <https://www.southwellminster.org/about-us/vacancies/> or available from the Minster Centre office. Chapter members are charitable trustees, and each brings different skills and expertise. Some worship at the Minster and others are from other churches, and we are keen to reflect the diversity of our diocese. Could this be you, or someone you know?

On Sunday 26 May we will be hosting a **National Garden Scheme Day**. The National Garden Scheme is an incredible charity that raises money for nursing, health and gardening charities and showcases amazing private gardens across the UK for keen gardeners to go and admire. Potwell Dyke will be doing tours of the spectacular orchid field and Claire Connely will be doing tours of the Palace Garden. Tea and cake will also be served as part of the day and money raised through this will go towards the Minster. To make this possible we would be hugely appreciative of any donations of baked goods to sell. If you are able to help, please contact Claire Connely (claire.connely@southwellminster.org.uk) by Monday 13 May with a view to dropping of cakes at The Vergers Vestry on Friday 24 May. Many thanks.

Claire Connely (Head Gardener)

Envelope distributors urgently needed for Christian Aid Week, 12 – 18 May 2024. The following roads in Southwell and Halloughton village are not currently covered for our important envelope distribution for Christian Aid Week 2024: Bramley Close, Easthorpe (from Coach House to BP garage), Crew Lane, Palmers Court, Potwell Close, Halloughton Village. Please consider whether you could help in these areas by putting an envelope through each door to raise funds for Burundi, one of the poorest

countries in Africa. If you can help, please contact Helen Sills (01636 815173) or Jean Jackson (01636 817295). Thank you.

Minster Book Group. The next meeting of the group will be on Friday 24 May at 3.00pm at the home of one of our members – details will be circulated later. The book for discussion is George Orwell’s 1984. Most people will have read the book and may also have seen a dramatisation, but it was thought timely to revisit a book set in the same year as the 100th Anniversary of the Minster becoming a Cathedral. What does it have to say to us in the year of our 140th Anniversary? New members are warmly welcomed. Please contact chris.kent100@btinternet.com if you would like to try us out. Penny Young (01636 814506)

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

Foundation Training	Tuesday 14 May	1.30pm–3.30pm
Domestic Abuse Awareness	Saturday 6 July	9.30am–12.30pm
Basic Training	Monday 2 September	1.30pm–3.30pm
Domestic Abuse Awareness	Wednesday 6 November	1.00pm–4.00pm

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

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 learning@safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org or visit the support page [here](#). If you complete your training online, please send a copy of your certificate to either Vicky (vicky.thorpe@southwellminster.org.uk) or Matthew Spillett (matthew.spillett@southwellminster.org.uk) so that we can update our records.

SERVICES AND FAITH

Christian Aid Service in the Minster, Wednesday 8 May, 7.30pm. This year, the Minster is hosting Southwell’s annual service for Christian Aid Week. We are delighted to have Ian Hind, a Senior Volunteer Officer with Christian Aid, as our visiting speaker. The theme of the service is ‘Burundi – Pushing Back Against Poverty’. There are refreshments in the Crossing afterwards. Please join us for this service reflecting on the work of Christian Aid, which is an important focus for our outward-looking ministry.

Ascension Day, Thursday 9 May. Ascension Day is one of the major feasts of the Church's year, and the 'turning point' in our celebration of Easter, as we then begin to look towards Pentecost. The Cathedral Choir will be singing from the cathedral tower at 8.00am — something to witness if you've never done so before! — and there will be a service of Holy Communion with hymns at 12.15pm, a Festal Evensong at 5.30pm, and the Minster Chorale will then lead our worship in our Sung Eucharist at 7.00pm. All welcome, always.

Cathedral 140 Lectures. This lecture series is part of the 140 Celebrations, exploring notable Nottinghamshire people who have influenced Christian faith and thinking. We had a brilliant start hearing Dr Catherine Brown on D.H. Lawrence. The next one is on **Sunday 26 May at 4.45pm (refreshments served from 4.30pm) in the State Chamber** on 'William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army and author of *In Darkest England and the Way Out*', given by Lieutenant Colonel Dr Dean Pallant, Head of Communications for the Salvation Army. Why not come to Evensong at 3.30pm before the lecture. The lecture will finish by 6pm. Please click [here](#) for the full programme of the dates and further details of these lectures.

Update on communion stations at the Cathedral Eucharist. Many thanks to all those who made comments verbally or via email about communion arrangements at the Cathedral Eucharist. Views were almost equally divided between those who would favour the current arrangements, and those who would prefer to move back to everyone receiving communion at the altar rail. For the moment, therefore, we will continue with the current arrangements, but keep these under close review.

Canon Richard

MUSIC AND EVENTS CALENDAR

SMCA Wine Tasting Evening with Mr & Mrs Fine Wine, Friday 10 May, 7pm. Join Southwell Minster Choir Association for its inaugural Wine Tasting fundraising evening in the State Chamber! Our host for the evening is Chris Bailey from Mr & Mrs Fine Wine, who will guide us through six varied wines, and there will be nibbles to keep everyone going through the evening. Tickets (£30 per person) can be booked by emailing jonathan.allsope@southwellminster.org.uk.

Music in the State Chamber, Sunday 12 May, 7.30pm. Our 2024 series begins with two outstanding young musicians: Sapphie Johnson and Fleur Mauxion. Fleur is studying violin at the Royal Academy of Music Junior Department, and Fleur has recently studied on the Chetham's Piano Summer School. They are joined by their teacher, and eminent local cellist, Sarah Huson-Whyte, to perform solos and music for piano trio. Please do come and support these talented young musicians! Free entry with a retiring collection for Southwell Minster Choir Association (suggested

donation £5). PLEASE NOTE: this concert is preceded by a drinks reception from 6.30pm in the Walled Garden (accessed through the Archbishop's Palace), to which all are welcome.

Southwell Music Festival is looking for local musicians (groups and soloists) to perform at this year's Festival in August. Applications are now open for amateur musicians and ensembles who would like to take part in our Fringe Festival event on Sunday 25 August 2024. We will be providing musical entertainment between 10am – 4.30pm to accompany the Ceramics in Southwell event in the Market Square. We aim for a mixture of styles and genres throughout the day and can offer performance slots of 30 – 45 minutes per ensemble. Interested and would like to know more? For more information and to apply visit the Southwell Music Festival website: <https://www.southwellmusicfestival.com/2024/03/open-call-an-opportunity-to-perform-at-southwell-music-festival/>

[Men United – Charity Concert](#), Friday 10 May, 7.30pm

[Southwell Music Festival Launch Concert](#), Saturday 11 May, 7.30pm.

[Music in the State Chamber: Sapphie Johnson, Fleur Mauxion and Sarah Huson-White](#), State Chamber, Sunday 12 May, 7.30pm.

[The Music of James Bond by Candlelight](#), Thursday 16 May, 7.30pm.

[David Bowie by Candlelight](#), Friday 17 May, 7.30pm.

[Rütti Requiem and Vivaldi Gloria](#), Nottingham Harmonic Choir, Saturday 25 May, 7.30pm.

['Where Heaven and Nature Sing' – Words and Music](#), State Chamber, Tuesday 28 May, 2.30pm. Join us for words, music and refreshments, and find out how this line from a Christmas Hymn became the strap line for the 140th anniversary celebration of the diocese. The afternoon promises to share a taste of the people, places and things which are all part of the history. From Gerard Manley Hopkins' serious reflections on Heaven and on Nature, to contemporary poems written for the event. Poetry and prose will move and amuse, as will a whole range of songs, from Korngold to Coward, Stanford to Flanders and Swann. The Dean and local poet Mary West make this a very Southwell Event. Music is provided by Minster musicians Matthew Spillett (tenor), accompanied by Jonathan Allsopp (piano).

[Tina Turner by Candlelight](#), Friday 31 May, 7.30pm.

[ABBA by Candlelight](#), Saturday 1 June, 7.30pm.

[Divorced, Beheaded, Died: An audience with King Henry VIII](#), Saturday 8 June, 7.30pm.

[Music in the State Chamber: Cathedral Choristers](#), State Chamber, Sunday 9 June, 7.30pm.

[The Sixteen: 2024 Choral Pilgrimage](#), Thursday 13 June, 7.30pm.

[Tina's Ultimate Rock Show](#), Palace Gardens, Saturday 15 June, 7.00pm.

[Historic Building Mythbusting of Nottinghamshire](#), State Chamber, Wednesday 26 Jun 2024, 2.30pm. Join us for an afternoon of history, heritage, myth and legend debunked with Dr James Wright, FSA, Buildings Archaeologist. Tickets cost £8.00 and are available from the Cathedral Shop and online [here](#).

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

Sink hole on Westgate – update. We are delighted to say that the sink hole on Westgate has now been fixed, and traffic is flowing as normal once again.

Our **Daily Intercessions booklet** for May 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/>.

Supporting Newark Foodbank. The updated shortfall items for April are listed below. Donation quantities are falling, for understandable reasons, but demand for our services remains high. Please be as generous as you can: Rice (dried or pouches), Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Carrots, Tinned Meat (e.g. Ravioli/Hot Dogs), Tinned Potatoes, Instant Mash Sachets, Pasta Sauce, Long Life Milk, Sponge Puddings, Rice Pudding, Tinned Fruit, Long Life Fruit Juice, Biscuits. Check the website for less urgently needed items: <https://newark.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>. Items can be donated at the following places: Co-op, One Stop, Well Pharmacy and various churches.

WORSHIP IN THE COMING WEEK

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

Sunday 5 May

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(The Fifth Sunday after Easter)
Rogation Sunday

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- 8.00am Holy Communion** BCP *Quire*
Preacher: The Revd Dr Richard Frith, *Canon Precentor*
- 10.00am Cathedral Eucharist** *Nave (and live-streamed)*
Preacher: The Revd Erika Kirk, *Priest Vicar*
Darke *in F* • Psalm 98 • Whitlock *Here, O my Lord*
- 3.00pm Rogation Service** *including the Rogation Procession to NTU Brackenhurst*
Nave (and live-streamed)
Preacher: The Revd Canon Vincent Ashwin
Dyson *Benedicite in F* • Tallis *The Litany*
Greene *Thou visitest the earth*

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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