



Southwell Minster

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WHAT'S ON Autumn/Winter 2025



THE LONGEST YARN 2: BRITAIN AT WAR

The UK Premiere of all 80 panels

Includes life-size knitted figures of a Land Girl, a Spitfire pilot and many more!

3-27 September, Southwell Minster

More info and tickets at www.southwellminster.org/tly2

SPECIAL SERVICES



indicates that services are live-streamed on our YouTube channel.



Climate Sunday Cathedral Eucharist

Sunday 14 September, 10am, The Nave

All are welcome to this climate-focused service to reflect, pray and commit to safeguarding God's creation. The service will include a multisensory experience, featuring birdsong.

Animal Blessing Service

Sunday 28 September, 3.30pm, Nave

Bring along your furry, feathered and scaly companions to this much-loved service. All creatures great and small are welcome, together with their humans.



Harvest Festival Eucharist

Sunday 5 October, 10am, Nave

Harvest is a moment to thank God for all his good gifts, and especially for our food and those who grow and produce it. The preacher will be Andy Lester of the environmental charity A Rocha UK, and there will be an opportunity to donate non-perishable goods to Newark Foodbank.

Harvest Celebration: Evensong

Sunday 5 October, 3pm, Quire

We join together with members of the local farming community in a special Evensong to celebrate rural life in Nottinghamshire and bringing the year's harvest home. Our preacher, the Revd Clare Le Marchant-Connell, is herself a local farmer and a committee member of Colston Bassett Stilton Cheese Dairy.





All Saints' Day: Sung Eucharist

Saturday 1 November, 5.30pm, Quire

The feast of All Saints is when we celebrate the great heroes of the Christian faith from every century. Join us for a joyful Eucharist, with spine-tingling music sung by the adults of the Cathedral Choir, and a procession round the Minster involving the whole congregation.



All Souls' Day: Requiem Eucharist

Sunday 2 November, 6.30pm, Quire

On All Souls' Day we come together to remember those we have loved and lost. Featuring a performance of Fauré's *Requiem* by the Minster Chorale, this service includes an opportunity to light candles for loved ones, to hear them remembered by name in prayer, and to share together in Holy Communion.

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 9 November



ACT OF REMEMBRANCE 10.45am, Burgage & Nave

Southwell comes together to remember, with the traditional Act of Remembrance at the Burgage, the two-minute silence at 11am, and then a procession to the Minster for a service led by Cathedral clergy and members of our local uniformed organisations.

REQUIEM EUCHARIST 3.30pm, Quire 

A service to commemorate all those lost in war, including a performance of Duruflé's *Requiem* by the Cathedral Choir.



Advent and Christmas Services

Look out for the special Christmas booklet for full details of services for Advent and Christmas

EXPLORING WORSHIP

A series of talks and events exploring praise and worship. Free entry.

Any Questions: all you ever wanted to know about church but were afraid to ask! *with Dean Neil, Canon Richard & Canon Alison*

Sunday 7 September, 4.45pm, State Chamber

Eucharist Unfolded: *a guided service*

Sunday 21st September, 10am, Nave

Creative Connections: public and personal prayer *with Canon Angela*

Sunday 28 September, 4.45pm, State Chamber

Living Generously *with Dean Neil*

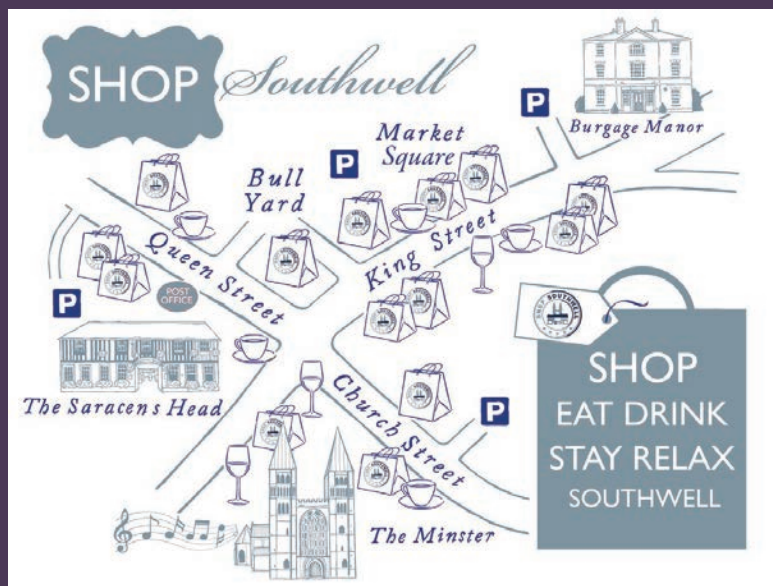
Sunday 19 October, following Eucharist, State Chamber

Heart and Soul: prayer drawing us in *with Canon Stephen*

Sunday 26 October, 4.45pm, State Chamber

The Eucharist: being the body, sharing the body *with Canon Richard*

Sunday 23 November, 4.45pm, State Chamber



Southwell Minster's What's On Guide is generously supported by Newark & Sherwood District Council

FAIRS & FAMILY ACTIVITIES



Bramley Festival

Saturday 25 October,
10am–3.30pm

Meet dozens of stallholders offering food and drink including pies, chocolates, jams, chutneys, pickles, sausages and much more.

Entry: £3 suggested donation (under 16s free)



Winter Craft Fair

Friday 7 November 4–8pm,
Saturday 8 November
10am–3.30pm

One of the region's most loved craft events.

Entry: £3 suggested donation (under 16s free)



Family Trails for 5–11 year olds

There's always a lovely, themed trail available for children and families from our friendly stewards. You can even borrow binoculars and a torch to help you explore.

Pick up a trail for £2 at the Information Desk

ROCK, POP & FILM

Elvis by Candlelight: Friday 10 October, 7.30pm

Whitney Houston by Candlelight: Saturday 11 October, 7.30pm

Tribute to Hans Zimmer: Wednesday 29 October, 2 shows: 7.15pm & 9.30pm

The Beatles by Candlelight: Thursday 13 November, 7.30pm

80s by Candlelight: Friday 28 November, 7.30pm

Celine Dion by Candlelight: Saturday 29 November, 7.30pm

Christmas by Candlelight: Saturday 13 December, 7.30pm

Licensed bar at all concerts. See our website for more details.

MUSIC



ORGAN MUSIC

Wednesday 17 September,
7.30pm, Quire

James Lancelot

*Tickets £10 (cash or card,
payable on the door)*

Wednesday 8 October,
7.30pm, Quire

Organ Festival Finale: Jonathan Allsopp

*Tickets £10 (cash or card,
payable on the door)*

Sunday 21 December,
following Evensong, Quire
**Messiaen: La Nativité
du Seigneur**

Jonathan Allsopp gives
his annual devotional
performance of Olivier
Messiaen's nine-
movement meditation on
the Nativity.

*Free admission with a retiring
collection.*



FRIDAYS AT THE CATHEDRAL

3 October, 1.30pm

Light Love Joy

with David Machell

17 October, 1.30pm

Song Recital

Stephen Cooper & Paul Hale

31 October, 1.30pm

Brahms Quartet Songs

14 November, 1.30pm

Poetry and Song

with Mary Robinson

21 November, 1.30pm

Song Recital

*Emma Rae Ward & Timothy
Selman*

28 November, 1.30pm

Dick Van Dyke Centenary

*Free entry; donations
welcome. Proceeds support
the Cathedral Choristers.
Refreshments available.*



MUSIC IN THE STATE CHAMBER

Sunday 14 September,
7.30pm

Sounds of Sondheim:

Join members of
the Minster music
department and friends
for an evening of musical
theatre hits from Stephen
Sondheim's most popular
shows.

Sunday 12 October, 7.30pm

Southwell Chamber

Choir: A choral
celebration of folk song.

Sunday 16 November,
7.30pm

The Decade that

Roared: A joyful vocal
tribute to the 1920s.

*Free entry (no reserved
seating); donations welcome.
Proceeds support the work
of Southwell Minster Choir
Association*



HANDEL'S MESSIAH

Tuesday 9 December, 7pm,
Nave

Southwell Minster Chorale's annual performance of Handel's *Messiah* is a much-loved and popular staple in our run-up to Christmas, and once again they are joined by a professional orchestra and four acclaimed soloists.

*Tickets available from
TicketSource: search 'Handel
Messiah Southwell' or call
0333 666 3366*



CAROLS IN THE STATE CHAMBER

Sunday 14 December,
7.30pm, State Chamber

Join Mosaic, a six-part vocal ensemble, for an evening of carols in the atmospheric setting of the State Chamber.

This ever-popular event will be accompanied by drinks and nibbles for the festive season, and everyone will have the chance to sing some Christmas favourites!

*This event is ticketed (£12;
U18 free); email jonathan.
allsopp@southwellminster.
org.uk*



*More music to enjoy
at Southwell Minster*

Friday 25 September,
7.30pm

The Sixteen's Choral Pilgrimage

Saturday 4 October, 7pm

Black Dyke Band presents World Class Brass

Saturday 15 November,
7.30pm

Southwell Choral Society & Derwent Brass present 'Remembrance'

Monday 8 December,
7.30 pm

Southwell Music Festival Christmas Concert

*These concerts are promoted
by the groups listed: see their
websites for details*

CHILDREN & FAMILIES



Melody Makers

Saturdays during term time,
10 – 10.45am, Trebeck Hall

Fun singing sessions for children in school years 1 & 2, led by the Minster's experienced and inspiring professional musicians.

No experience necessary – just enthusiasm to give it a go!

£5 per session (1st session free). To join, come along to a session or see our website for more details.



The Chorister Experience

Saturday 11 October,
10am–12.30pm, Nave

A morning of activities at Southwell Minster for children aged 5–7 (school years 1/2). Get to experience singing in the Minster, meet the Cathedral Choristers, explore the Minster Organ and much more. Refreshments provided.

To sign up, or for more information, visit our website

Free entry (booking required)



Every Sunday @ 10am

Activities, games, crafts and Bible stories for children every Sunday in term time, during the 10am Cathedral Eucharist. Children under 5 must be accompanied by a parent/carer. During school holidays, children's activity packs are available for use during the service.

CATHEDRAL SAFEGUARDING

For information, visit
www.southwellminster.org/safeguarding

To report a safeguarding concern, email
safeguarding@southwell.anglican.org



ACCESSIBILITY: Lifts allow access to the Chapter House and State Chamber. We have a wheelchair available and there are large-print guides, braille guides, tactile models of the Minster and a loop hearing system.



Well-behaved dogs on leads are welcome in the Minster, its grounds and gardens.