

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025**

### Today's service

**10:45 All-age Christingle Service**  
with Rev Mike Firbank



### Today's Reading



Isaiah 11

### A Thought from Mike

At the beginning of December, we have our Christingle Service.

Christmas should be a time of peace. But right now, across the country, hundreds of thousands of young people feel totally overwhelmed. Teenagers should be looking forward to the holidays. But instead, too many are swamped by the noise of peer pressure and bullying and social media and exam stress and rising costs and caring for others and relationships and loneliness and that exhausting, terrifying feeling of never, ever being able to... just... switch... off.

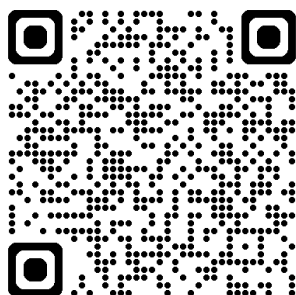
And then, when they seek support to help quiet the noise, they're told they have to wait for months - adding to the pressure as their problems spiral. By donating today, you can help teenagers get immediate, free professional help for their mental health, without months of uncertainty on a waiting list adding to the pressure they're feeling daily.

Go online to donate:

<https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk/how-you-can-help/donate>



**The  
Children's  
Society**



### Prayer for the week

Almighty God,  
purify our hearts and minds,  
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again  
as judge and saviour  
we may be ready to receive him,  
who is our Lord and our God.  
Amen

### Swadlincote Churches Together Christmas Brass and Carols

**Saturday December 13th**  
**10:00 – 12:00**

**Come and join  
our scratch  
Christmas  
Carol Choir**

**outside  
Superdrug,  
High St**



## CHURCH CALENDAR



**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December**  
**10:30 Coffee & Conversation**  
 at Goseley Community Centre

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December**  
**7pm Advent Course**

in the church hall  
**'Building Communities'**  
 What does community look like to  
 God through the nativity story?

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December**  
**10:00 Christmas Brass and Carols**  
 Swadlincote Churches Together  
 outside Superdrug, Swadlincote

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**  
 with Sean O'Toole  
**6.45pm Sunday Night Live**  
 with Magical Mayhem

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December**  
**4pm Traditional Carol Service**  
 led by Patrick and Kara  
 with Force 10 Big Band

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December**  
**11.30pm Midnight Communion**  
 with Rev Mike Firbank

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December**  
**10am Christmas Day Family Service**  
 with Sean O'Toole

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December**  
**10:45 Morning Worship**

## Cleaning Rota

Dec 14 <sup>th</sup>	Friday HG	Whole church, including brasses
Dec 21 <sup>st</sup>	Christine G	Main body, vestry & bell tower, sweeping porch
Dec 28 <sup>th</sup>	Deb & Nige	Whole church
Jan 4 <sup>th</sup>	Jeff	Main body
" "	Brian A	Sweeping porch
" "	Bill	Brasses
Jan 11 <sup>th</sup>	Brian Redfern	Main body, kitchen & N. Aisle

## Reading, Intercessions and Refreshments Rota

	Reading	Intercessions	Tea/coffee
Dec 7 <sup>th</sup>	Sean	Brian	Gwen
Dec 14 <sup>th</sup>	Brian	Christine	James
Dec 21 <sup>st</sup>	CAROL SERVICE		
Dec 28 <sup>th</sup>	Emily	Friday HG	Carol
Jan 4 <sup>th</sup>	Sandra	Nigel	Maxine & Jane
Jan 11 <sup>th</sup>	Paul	Brian	Deb W

## Meet & greet/Tidying Church after the service Rota

	Meet and greet	Tidying after service
Dec 7 <sup>th</sup>	Christine G - Sean	Emily
Dec 14 <sup>th</sup>	Christine T	Nathan
Dec 21 <sup>st</sup>	CAROL SERVICE	
Dec 28 <sup>th</sup>	Christine G - Sean	Emily
Jan 4 <sup>th</sup>	Christine T	Jean
Jan 11 <sup>th</sup>	Carol J - Jeff	Jeff

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