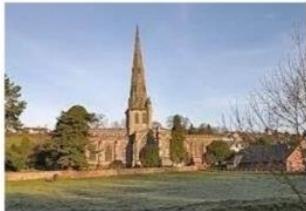


# Ashbourne Church News 09/01/2026

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ASHBOURNE GROUP OF CHURCHES



## Welcome to this week's newsletter

Included in this newsletter is all the news, music and readings for this week together with articles from some of our regular church groups.

If you have any comments about this newsletter or wish to submit any material to be included, please email: [parishoffice@ashbournechurch.org.uk](mailto:parishoffice@ashbournechurch.org.uk)

If you have not already subscribed to receive an email reminder when a new update to the newsletter is available, you can subscribe using this link: [Subscribe to weekly newsletter](#)

### [Church and Parish Office Opening Times](#)

#### **St Oswald's Church is OPEN daily from 10am to 5pm**

- Bell Ringing Practice: Wednesday evenings from 19.30 to 21.00
- Choir Practice: Friday evenings from 19.00 to 20.00

The Parish Office is open:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 10:00 to 12:00

Telephone: 01335 343052

If you need a priest urgently, please call 01335 664159.

## Pastoral Contact

If you would like to contact a member of the clergy team to discuss any pastoral matter please telephone 01335 664159

## Find Us on Instagram and Facebook

To keep up with the latest church news, please follow us on our [Facebook Page](#).

We now have a new [Instagram](#) account too.

## Website Updates

The Church website has recently had a refresh and update.

A list of forthcoming services appears on the [homepage](#), as well as in the [calendar](#), which also includes regular events - these also appear on the homepage.

We now have a [News](#) section on the website. Items from the newsletter will be available here as well as other updates about church events and activities.

You'll be able to read the latest [Ministry Thought for the Week](#), see all the [Online Services](#), and the weekly [Readings and Prayers](#) (which can also be found in the [Church Notices](#) section).

## Ministry Thought for the Week

Happy New Year to you!

I preached at St Oswald's last Sunday about epiphanies. I think it's fair to say that our world needs more of them. Are we willing to be an epiphany for others? Someone in whom others see and hear and feel God's in-breaking inclusive love into our world? Someone whose living out of Scripture becomes an actual experience of the Word made flesh for others?

Three upcoming things I'm excited about that I wanted to share with you:

### **1. Lent Retreat in Daily Life**

This retreat offers a structured approach to focused prayer, discernment, and conversations with a spiritual guide over 40 days during Lent, while continuing our daily routines and home life. Since many of us lack the luxury of retreating to secluded, peaceful retreat houses, the idea is to create a retreat within our everyday life—not away from it—by dedicating time to listen, align, wait, and then act. More details will be shared next week!

### **2. Visioning Awayday for all our churches**

It is scheduled for Saturday, 7 March, from 10am to 3pm at Hulland Ward Village Hall. It's open to everyone from any of our churches and communities to help decide how our six churches work together and where we are heading.

Everyone is welcome! Your voice matters, and we'd love for you to be part of shaping the future of our shared mission.

### **3. Tourism Working Group**

If you have any background in tourism or have an interest in joining our Tourism Working Group at St Oswald's Church, I'd love to hear from you! This will be a short-term time commitment. If it goes well at St Oswald's, we'd love to explore how this might work in our other churches as well.

A blessing for 2026:

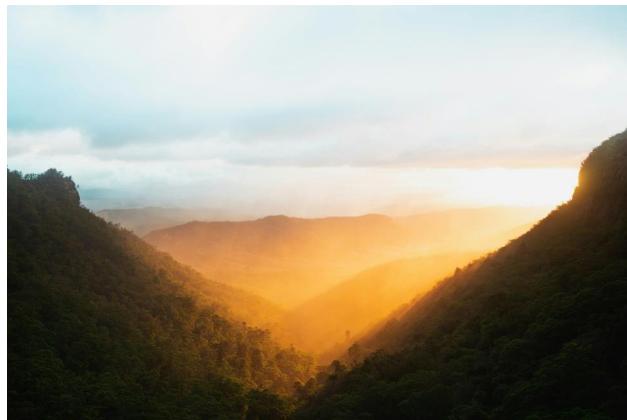
May God the Father keep us in all our days. May God the Son shield us in all our ways.

May God the Spirit bring us healing and peace. May God the Holy Trinity drive all darkness from us and pour upon us blessings and light.

**Amen.**

Dwayne

Read [Ministry Thought for the Week](#) on the website.



## Services

### [Weekly Online Service](#)

Each week a recorded service is prepared which can be streamed from the Ashbourne Group website.

The service is normally recorded in one of the churches in the Ashbourne Group on the Thursday prior to the Sunday.

### **Recorded Services**

Last week's recorded service can be downloaded using the following link:

[Morning Prayer for Epiphany from St.Oswald's](#)

This week's recorded service can be downloaded using the following link:

[Morning Prayer for Epiphany 1 from St Oswald's](#)

**The next recording will be a Morning Prayer service and will be recorded on Wednesday 15th January at St Peter's, Snelston starting at 10:30am prompt.**

Everyone is welcome to join the recording.

[Ashbourne Group of Churches - Services](#)

### **Find Services and Events in the Calendar**

All of the Ashbourne Group of Churches services can be found on the website in the [Calendar](#). You can also see forthcoming events taking place in Church and in the Church Hall.

### **Sunday 11th January**

09:00 - Breakfast Church, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

09:15 - Holy Communion, St Mary's, Mapleton

10:30 - Holy Communion, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

18:30 - Choral Evensong, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

### **Sunday 18th January - Week of Christian Unity**

10:30 - Holy Communion, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

18:30 - Evensong, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

### **Sunday 25th January**

10:30 - Holy Communion, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

10:45 - Holy Communion, Holy Trinity, Clifton

18:30 - United Service, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

**Sunday 1st February - Candlemas**

09:15 - Holy Communion, St Peter's, Snelston

10:30 - Holy Communion, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

11:00 - Holy Communion, St Mary and St Barlok, Norbury

18:30 - Evensong, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

**Sunday 8th February - Second Sunday before Lent**

09:00 - Breakfast Church, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

09:15 - Holy Communion, St Mary's, Mapleton

10:30 - Holy Communion, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

14:30 - Retreat in Daily Life

18:30 - Choral Evensong, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

Sunday 15th February - Sunday Next before Lent

10:30 - Holy Communion, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

18:30 - Evensong, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

**Wednesday 18th February - Ash Wednesday**

10:00 - Holy Communion with Ashing, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

**Sunday 22nd February - First Sunday of Lent**

10:30 - Holy Communion, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

10:45 - Holy Communion, Holy Trinity, Clifton

18:30 - Evensong, St Oswald's, Ashbourne

**A Week of Christian Unity**

Join us for a Service in the Style of Taizé to celebrate



# Week of Christian Unity

**January 25, 2026 at 6.30 PM**

St Oswald's Church, Ashbourne

[Come and participate](#)

*Joint Service Open for all Denominations*



# Music at St Oswald's

## Choir Newsletter

### ST OSWALD'S CHURCH CHOIR NEWSLETTER

#### **January**

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	From the rising of the sun/Ouseley	
	6.30	<b>Epiphany Carol Service with practice in church at 5.30</b>	
		The stars watch high	New Year Carol/Britten
		From the rising of the sun/Ouseley	We three kings/Leddington White
		The Three Kings/Cornelius	Whence is that goodly fragrance/arr Baker
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	7.00	Shepherd's Farewell/Berlioz	
		Choir practice	
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Whence is that goodly fragrance/arr Baker	
	6.30	<b>Choral Evensong with practice at 5.45</b>	
		Noble in B min	Smith responses
		Ave verum corpus/Elgar	Come down O Love Divine/Harris
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	7.00	Choir practice	
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Make me a light/Wilby	
	6.30	Kindle a light/Fleming	Ave verum corpus/Byrd
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7.00	Choir practice	
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Lord give me faith/Robson	
	6.30	United Service at St O to mark the end of the week of prayer for Christian Unity	
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	7.00	Choir practice	
<b>February</b>			
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup>	10.30	When to the temple Mary went/Eccard	
	6.30	Light of the world/Harrison	And the glory of the Lord/Handel
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	7.00	Choir practice	
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Brother James' Air/Jacob	
	6.30	<b>Choral Evensong with practice at 5.45</b>	
		Sumsion in A	Sanders responses
		Gaelic Blessing/Rutter	For the beauty of the earth/Rutter
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	7.00	Choir practice	
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Love divine/Willcocks	
	6.30	Cantate Domino/Pitoni	Flocks in pastures green/Bach
Ash Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	View me Lord/Lloyd	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	7.00	Choir practice	
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30	Panis Angelicus/Franck	
	6.30	Make me a clean heart/Ley	Lord for thy tender mercies' sake/Tye
Friday 27th	7.00	Choir practice	

**Thank you!** Keep up the good work! If you are unable to come to a service or practice, please get in touch beforehand. Changes may have to be made to the above list at any time. Thank you for your support in all you do; it is very much appreciated.

**Michael Halls** Director of Music 07976 708449. 01335 372064 mvaehalls@gmail.com 3.1.26

## Choral Scholarships

Music is an important part of the life of St Oswald's church in Ashbourne, especially through the musical ministry of the choir. We are proposing a **new set of choral scholarships**.

Ideally, **4 students** ('scholars') will have mentored places in the choir, alongside more experienced singers. This will optimally be one per voice part (soprano/alto/ tenor/bass); the expectation is that you will be Y10 and upwards (i.e. age 15-18).

**Scholars will be expected to regularly attend choir practice**, and at least one of the two services on Sunday. You will **gain experience** of a vast range of repertoire, improved choral singing skills, teamwork with adults, regular gold standard music in services and excellent sight-reading skills. This gives you experience to enable you potentially to apply for a choral scholarship at university, and to add to UCAS forms when applying for university/college. In return, we will offer scholars 30 minutes of **tuition**, at the end of choir practice. This will cover sight reading, aural skills, and general music perception. A basis for this will be the RSCM *Voice for Life Singing Awards* – St Oswald's has had a good track record of young singers gaining Bronze, Silver and Gold awards (NB the Awards are about to be submitted for OFQUAL accreditation giving them value on a UCAS form).

You will receive an honorarium of **£100** for the year plus **£1 for each practice and service** attended. St Oswald's church choir has an excellent reputation for good music sung in our church as well as for weddings elsewhere, services in cathedrals (including York Minster, Salisbury and Hereford) and concerts too.

Please find out more by contacting Michael Halls (Director of Music) on 07976708449 or [mvaehalls@gmail.com](mailto:mvaehalls@gmail.com) Application forms will be sent to you after the initial contact. I shall look forward to hearing from you soon.

# Readings

## January Readings

### January readings notes

#### January 4th Epiphany

Isaiah 60.1-6 The prophet reassures the Jews, recently returned from Exile, that God's light will shine on them and on the other nations who will come to them. Kings will bring gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

#### Matthew 2.1-12

King Herod the Great (father of Herod Antipas who ruled in Jesus's life time was visited by wise men, astrologers probably from the east. In those days, the village of Bethlehem was revered as the birthplace of the great king David who was regarded as the ancestor of the Messiah, the Anointed of God, whom God would send to rescue his people. In later Christian legends, the three kings were believed to be the descendants of the three sons of Noah: Shem Ham and Japheth, who brought gifts as foretold by Isaiah. (Isaiah 60:6).

#### January 11th Baptism of Christ

Acts 10.34-43 Peter visited the home of the Roman centurion Cornelius and spoke to the household about the life and ministry of Jesus, and how he had been raised by God after his death.

#### Matthew 3.13-17

The account of the baptism of Jesus is full of Old Testament symbolism. The clothing of John was like that of Elijah, the prophet (2 Kgs: 1:7-8), the phrase 'The heavens were opened' is used in Ezekiel 1:1, God's Spirit, his Breath, in Hebrew his Ruach, was active in creation. God's Voice declared the sonship of Jesus.

#### January 18th Epiphany 2

Corinthians 1.1-9 Paul opens his letter to the Christians in Corinth with his usual greeting to those whom he had converted. He commands them for their faithfulness and assures them that God's blessing will continue to strengthen them.

#### John 1.29-42

John the Evangelist's record of Jesus's baptism by John the Baptiser, differs from that in the Synoptic Gospels. John himself spoke and testified to what he had seen and two of his disciples went to follow Jesus. Andrew told Simon and took him to Jesus, who prophetically gave him the new name 'Cephas', the Greek word for a rock.

#### January 25th Epiphany 3

##### Conversion of St. Paul

Acts 9.1-22 On his way to Damascus, the Jew, Saul, an enemy of the Christians (who were known as 'followers of The Way'), has a vision which leaves him blind. Ananias, a follower of Jesus in Damascus visits Paul and restores his sight. Paul then begins to preach about Jesus.

#### Matthew 19.27-30

In the last week of his life, Jesus was asked by Peter what reward Jesus's followers would receive for their loyalty. Jesus quoted the promise made to Jews facing persecution 300 years earlier in the book of Daniel, that the 'Son of Man' - a title Jesus used of himself, would come and his disciples would be rewarded, but not perhaps as they expected!

## 11th January: Epiphany 1 - Baptism of Christ

### Acts 10.34-43

*Peter visited the home of the Roman centurion Cornelius and spoke to the household about the life and ministry of Jesus, and how he had been raised by God after his death.*

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about

doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

### **Matthew 3.13-17**

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptised by John. But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?" Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfil all righteousness." Then John consented. As soon as Jesus was baptised, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

### **Something to think about**

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### **Collect**

Heavenly Father

at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son:

may we recognize him as our Lord

and know ourselves to be your beloved children;

through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

### **Post Communion**

Lord of all time and eternity,

you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father

in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:

by the power of your Spirit

complete the heavenly work of our rebirth  
through the waters of the new creation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Please remember in your prayers this week**

Those who are unable to be with us in church, including Diana & Edmund Urquhart, Linda Torr, Arthur and Barbara Williams.

Those who are ill, especially Graham Price, Pam Phillips and Reina Hammond.

The recently bereaved, especially the relatives and friends of Martin Likeman, John Oakes, Janice Winfield and Julian Galvin.

Areas of conflict: the Ukraine, the Middle East and too many others.

Our local churches.

Our Ministry Team: Dwayne, Maggie, Nigel & Lynda

*See [Readings and Prayers](#) on the website.*

## Activities at St Oswald's



There are many men and women in our community who are caring for a loved one and it is very seldom realised just how little recognition they get for fulfilling such an important but lonely role.

If you, or someone you know, is caring for a loved one, for whatever reason, and would like the chance just to have somewhere you can have an hour or so respite with coffee and chat with people who understand the challenges you face daily, then come along to 'Carers Count'.

'Carers Count' meet on the first Wednesday of every month between 10am and 12 noon at St Oswald's Church Hall in School Lane, Ashbourne where you are assured of a warm welcome, a friendly face and a listening ear.

We work with Derbyshire Carers Association who give advice regarding practical support to which one might be entitled. They also support our meetings with the occasional special event.

For more information and to let us know that you would like to come along, then call Maggie or Nigel on 01335 664159



## Ossie's Potters



A group of people who enjoy being in the fresh air with other people, have been **pottering** around the Church and Church Hall.

They meet on alternate Tuesdays to tidy flower beds, plant up new areas and make the surroundings of the Church look more colourful, loved and cared for.

They always finish with a cup of tea.

**Would you like to be a Potter too?  
Why not come and see where  
they're pottering?  
You would be very welcome.  
They will be meeting on  
13th January 2026  
From 1pm until 3.00pm**



## Notices

### Retreat in Daily Life

#### **What's it all about?**

Yes, exactly. That's just the sort of thing we talk about.

#### **No, I mean, what's a Retreat in Daily Life?**

It's a chance to talk about important things with a spiritual guide. This retreat offers a framework for focused prayer and discernment over approximately 40 days, while continuing our routines and home life.

Many of us don't have the luxury of spending time away at a secluded and peaceful retreat house. Instead, we contract time to retreat, not away from our normal life but in it – taking time to attend, to align, to wait, and then to act.

#### **How does it work?**

We gather a group from various communities who commit to the retreat starting at the beginning of Lent. Then, over six weeks, we meet all together twice to open and close the retreat. The flow is as follows:

### **Sunday 8 February at 2pm at St Oswald's Church**

The opening session of the retreat, where retreatants and retreat guides meet. We share, dream a little, pray, and keep silence.

- We go back to our everyday households, neighbourhoods, and communities - committed to a simple daily practice of prayer, reading, and contemplation.
- Individually, we meet with a retreat guide for about 40 minutes each week to reflect on what is happening in our prayer.
- We continue our daily practices and reflections, and our weekly meeting with a guide.

### **Sunday 22 March at 2pm at St Oswald's Church**

- We gather at the end of six weeks to listen to each other, to listen to God together, to encourage, to share - and draw our 'retreat' to a close.

### **And a retreat guide?**

You are accompanied during this retreat by an experienced spiritual accompanier who will listen to you and listen with you as you reflect on what you are discerning and hearing each day, in your prayer and in your faith community. They support your discernment and accompany you through the weeks - praying, reflecting, underlining, and exploring with you.

### **Is there a cost?**

We ask for a small donation of £10 to cover the cost of materials. If you cannot afford that, no problem at all, we'd still love to have you join us! We'll collect that at the opening service.

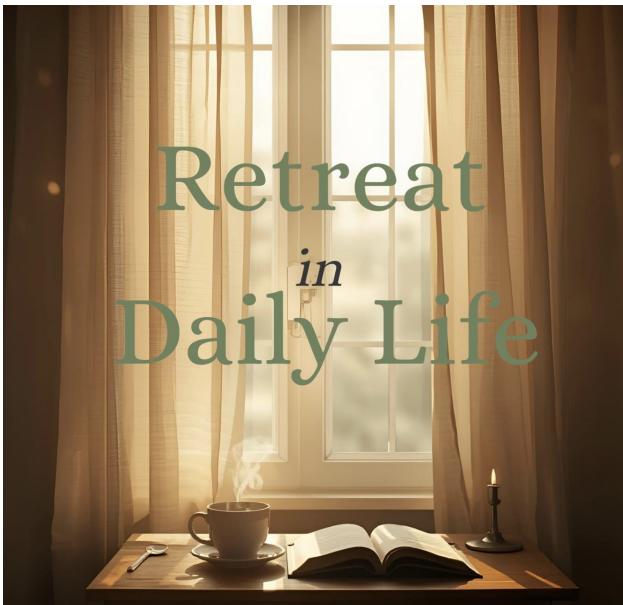
### **Okay, I'm interested... what do I need to do next?**

Yup. Fair question.

Contact the Rev'd Dwayne Engh if you want to get more details and see if it is right for you.

Or just book in with Nicola Fisher, our Parish Administrator, by email:  
[parishoffice@ashbournechurch.org.uk](mailto:parishoffice@ashbournechurch.org.uk).

When you do book in, please provide your name, email, mobile number, and your Christian tradition. Places are limited, so book in today!



# Retreat *in* Daily Life

Join us for this Lenten retreat offering a structured approach to prayer, discernment, and conversations with a spiritual guide over the 40 days of Lent facilitated by St Oswald's Church, Ashbourne. Create a retreat within your everyday life—not away from it—dedicating time to listen, align, wait, and then act.



For more information & to register, email: [ParishOffice@ashbournechurch.org.uk](mailto:ParishOffice@ashbournechurch.org.uk)

## Visioning Awayday



## East Midlands Young Adults Pilgrimage to Taizé

If you're aged 18 to 35, from the East Midlands, save the date for the Young Adults Pilgrimage to Taizé. To find out more and to get involved, please contact Dwayne by email: [vicar@ashbournechurch.org.uk](mailto:vicar@ashbournechurch.org.uk).



### [Christmas Party](#)

A huge 'THANK YOU' to all those who contributed to the success of the ACT Christmas Day party.

Maggie and the catering team, Adrian and his music, the quizzers and all those who came, joined in, and helped make it such an enjoyable occasion.

Janet Wright

### [Sanctuary Flowers](#)

I am in the process of compiling the List for Sanctuary Flowers for 2026. During the last few years, several of our donors have sadly died and whereas once it was difficult to accommodate everyone, now there are several gaps and I am appealing for people to come forward - there may be a date that has particular significance, for example, marking the passing of a loved one. Everyone is welcome to arrange their own flowers but if you would prefer not to, then the weekly flower arrangers will be pleased to do so.

We continue to be grateful to all those who donate towards the flowers in Church, like so many things the cost has soared and we rely heavily on the flowers given by M & S for there to be flowers in the body of the Church.

I am in Church most Sundays so please have a word with me or I can be contacted on 07939 118969 or by email: [celiayates@btinternet.com](mailto:celiayates@btinternet.com)

## Dates for your Diary

- Monday 12th January @ 10:00 - St Oswald's Ramblers Group
- Tuesday 13th January @ 13:00 - St Oswald's Church Hall - Ossie's Potters
- Wednesday 14th January @ 19:30 - St Oswald's Church - Bell Ringing Practice
- Friday 16th January @ 19:00 - St Oswald's Church - Choir Practice
- Tuesday 20th January @ 16:00 - St Oswald's Church Hall - Ossie's Kitchen

See [Forthcoming Events](#) on the website.

## St Oswald's Bookclub

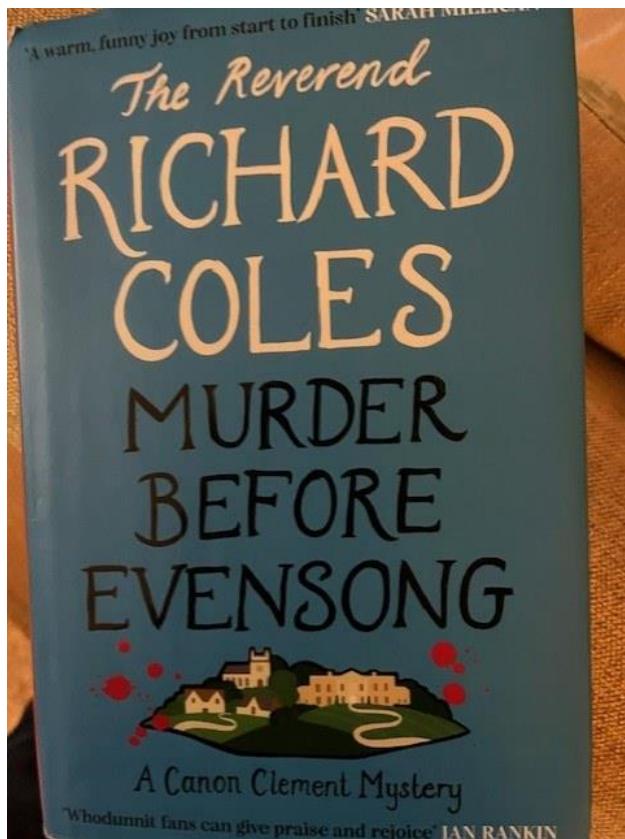
St Oswald's Book Club met on Monday 5th January in Ashbourne Library. It was lovely to all be together again after the Christmas break and ten of us chatted over December's books, 'Orbital' by Samantha Harvey and 'Isolation Island' by Louise Minchin.

Two more extreme reads you would struggle to find. One book written by a fictional writer about the true story of six astronauts/cosmonauts in 1991 living aboard a space station orbiting the world 16 times every day. Our second book followed 10 celebrities, now part of a gruelling reality show, who are cast away on a remote Scottish Island.

There is always time after these discussions to chat and share a coffee. The library staff make us very comfortable, and we can sit and watch Ashbourne bustle along Shrovetide Walk as we talk. We welcomed three new members to the group this month – Maxine, Elizabeth and Ruth. We are 14 in total so there is some sharing of books necessary, but we manage with e-books and downloads to Kindles. We all agree that we are reading more and this can only be good for us.

January's read is 'Murder Before Evensong' by The Reverend Richard Coles. This is going to be a fun read and so close to home. When Daniel (vicar) announces a plan to install a toilet in the Church, the parish is suddenly (and unexpectedly) divided. A member of the Church is then found stabbed in the neck with a pair of secateurs! Daniel the vicar attempts to keep his fractured community together and catch the killer!

If you would like to know more about the [Book Club](#), please contact Lindsay Walker through the [Parish Office](#).



## Walking with St Oswalds

St Oswald's has a choice of two walking groups.

The Ramblers group meet on the 2nd Monday of the month, start walking at 10.00am and covering approximately 5 miles.

The Walking group meet on the last Saturday of the month, start walking at 9.30am and covering approximately 10 miles.

### **Ramblers Group Dates (All rambles start at 10am)**

- Monday 12th January 2026 - Narlows Lane Car Park (GR SK 164 505)
- Monday 9th February 2026
- Monday 9th March 2026

### **Walking Group Dates (All walks start at 9:30am)**

- Saturday 10th January 2026 - Chelmorton Church (GR SK 115 703)
- Saturday 31st January 2026

- Saturday 28th February 2026

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Email : [paulgillelliott@outlook.com](mailto:paulgillelliott@outlook.com)

### St Aelred's Pilgrim Trail

The walking group have decided on their challenge for 2026. We are going to walk the St Aelred's Pilgrim Trail from 1st to 8th May 2026. This is a 41 mile pilgrimage linking the 9 churches of Upper Ryedale and Helmsley with Rievaulx Abbey.

Aelred of Hexham was a Cistercian monk and from 1147 – 1167 he was Abbot of Rievaulx. He wrote on Christian friendship and was gifted with wisdom to lead.



### Giving and Donations



#### St. Oswald's Church Ashbourne



to fund the purchase of a defibrillator for the use of the community

#### M&S Mission Giving

Giving so far in 2025 has helped



to donate £600 to the community project to create, with embroidery and appliqué, artwork featuring Ashbourne's eminent landmarks.



to donate £1000 to QEGS for their student hardship fund

**Thank you for your continued generosity**

### Donate to St Oswald's

*If you would like to set up a regular payment to St Oswald's Church then you can do so through the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS).. You can find out more information on the PGS website at:*

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/>

where you can also set up a regular payment.

Alternatively you can telephone the Parish Giving Scheme on 0333 002 1260 to set up a payment.

The PGS code for St Oswald's Church is 120612186



### Give a Little

St Oswald's church is open every day of the week. If you would like to make a donation to the work of St Oswald's Church you can do so from the Give a Little website using the following link:

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/fe31ad06-1a7e-48cf-a239-871c41a4f052>



### Easyfundraising

St Oswald's Church is registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Since joining we have raised over £400, and that is with only 27 supporters.

Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. You can find our easyfundraising page by [>> CLICKING HERE](#)



## Safeguarding

### Keeping People Safe

We are committed to ensuring that our church is a safe place for everyone and take the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults very seriously. We adhere to safeguarding rules laid down by the Church of England and the diocese of Derby.

**Report a Safeguarding Concern:** Protecting children, young people and vulnerable adults is the responsibility of us all, whether they are in the communities in which we live or part of our Christian family. If you have a concern about a child, young person or adult who may be at risk of harm please speak to the parish safeguarding coordinator.

The contact details are:

Celia Dickinson, Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO)

Mobile: 07754 883935

If you have concerns about a member of the clergy or an employee of the church please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding. To confidentially report a safeguarding concern please complete the [Safeguarding Concern Form](#) or call 01332 388678. You can also report any concerns to the Police or Social Care. The important thing is that your concerns are shared with someone in a position to help.