LORDSBRIDGE TEAM OF CHURCHES

Welcome to the Lordsbridge Team Monthly Newsletter December 2026



We would like to wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas from everyone in the Lordsbridge Team

Worship with us across the Team

Our Weekly Worship at Home Resources:
https://lordsbridge.org/2025/06/16/worship-at-home/

Our Sunday Zoom Church meets every week at 11.00am at the following link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82311473640**.**
The service sheet is available on the website, via the link above.

Everyone is welcome.



Bible Reading



Luke 2:1-20

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child.

While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see —I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!'

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.



News

DBS Checks for certain Church roles may be arranged strictly by appointment by emailing thelordsbridgeteam@gmail.com

The installation of our new Team Vicar, Revd Jonathan Kimber, will take place at St Mary's Church, Comberton on Tuesday, 8 December, 2026 at 7.30pm.

Bishop Sarah will preach at the Service.

All are welcome.

If you have any questions, please email: thelordsbridgeteam@gmail.com.



Services Spotlight

St Mary's Church, Comberton
Nativity Festival 5 and 6 December

6 December - 3pm
"Wild/Messy Nativity Service"

St Mary's Church, Great Eversden
6 December - 5pm Christingle

St Peter & St Paul's Church, Dry Drayton
6 December - 5:30pm Advent Choral Evensong

Toft
6 December - 3pm
Christmas tree, gift and Christingle



St Michael & All Angels Church - Caldecote
13 December - 3pm
Carol service followed by refreshments
(Parking Meunier House & Church Meadow)

Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Harlton
13 December - 11am
Holy Communion

St Mary's Church, Hardwick
12 & 13 December - Christmas Tree Festival 3pm-5pm
13 December 5pm Christmas Concert with Eversden Brass Band

All Saints' Church, Haslingfield
13 December - 9.30am
Morning Worship with DIY Nativity
Monday 14 December - 6pm
Advent Choral Evensong



St Peter & St Paul's Church, Dry Drayton
Wednesday 16 December - 6pm
Carol Service with the combined Choirs of Coton and Dry Drayton Churches

All Saints' Church, Haslingfield
Saturday 19 December
4pm Carol Service

St Peter's Church, Coton
Saturday 19 December -
4pm Carols on the Green

St Peter's - Coton
20 December - 3pm
Carol Service
Choirs from Coton and DD
& Choir Club

St Andrew's - Toft
20 December - 4.00pm
Carols by Candlelight
with our new Team Vicar, Rev'd
Jonathan Kimber

St Mary's Comberton
20 December - 6pm
Carol Service with our new Team
Vicar, Rev'd Jonathan Kimber

St Mary's - Great Eversden
20 December - 6pm
Carol Service

St Mary's Hardwick
20 December - 6pm
Carol Service

Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Harlton
20 December - 6pm
Carol Service

St Peter's - Barton
20 December - 6.30pm
Carol Service with choirs



St Mary's Hardwick
Monday 21 December - 4pm
Christingle followed by tea

St Peter's, Coton
24 December - 3pm
Christingle

11.30pm Midnight Mass

St Peter & St Paul's Church - Dry Drayton
24 December - 3pm
Crib service

11:15pm
Midnight Mass

Great Eversden
24 December - 3pm
Nativity in the Barn
Church Farm, Great Eversden

All Saints' - Haslingfield
24 December - 4pm
Christingle

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Harlton
24 December - 11.30pm
Midnight Mass

St Mary's Hardwick
24 December - 11:00pm
Midnight Mass

St Mary's Comberton
24 December - 11.15pm
Midnight Mass

St Andrew's , Toft
24 December - 11.30pm
Midnight Communion

Zoom Church
25 December - 10am

St Peter's, Barton
25 December - 10am
Holy Communion

St Michael and All Angels, Caldecote
25 December - 11am
Holy Communion
parking at Meunier House and Church Meadow

St Mary's, Comberton
25 December - 10am
Christmas Morning Holy Communion

St Peter's, Coton
25 December - 8.30am
Family Holy Communion

St Peter & St Paul's Church, Dry Drayton
25 December - 11am
Holy Communion

St Helen's Church, Little Eversden
25 December - 10am
Christmas Family Service

1045 BCP Holy Communion

St Mary's Hardwick
25 December - 9:30am
Holy Communion

Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Harlton
10:30am
Holy Communion

All Saints', Haslingfield
25 December - 10am
Holy Communion

St Andrew's, Toft
25 December - 9.30am
Christmas service

St Peter & St Paul's Church, Dry Drayton
27 December - 11am
BCP Morning Prayer

Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Harlton
27 December - 10.30am
Team Service

Lordsbridge Spotlight

Over the next few months we will be putting the spotlight on different teams and individuals within the Lordsbridge community. If there is a group you would like to know more about, feel free to get in touch.
We are beginning a new series by featuring each of the Parishes in the Lordsbridge Team.

BARTON - Part 2

For the November edition of the Lordsbridge Newsletter, Dr Gordon Johnson wrote an article on the history of Barton church. Here is part 2, briefly focusing on activities in the churches and the village today written by Revd Claire Robertson and Mrs Margaret Winterbourne.

Barton is a friendly and active village with regular Anglican and Baptist church services on Sundays at 9.30am and 10.30am respectively. Both churches join together for services at Harvest and Mothering Sunday and have joint Advent and Lent Groups. On Monday mornings at 9.15am an ecumenical prayer group meet to pray at St Peter's Church and a Bible Study runs on Wednesday evenings at the Baptist Church at 7.30pm. There is also a popular toddler group at the Baptist Church. Both churches enjoy close links with the excellent village school.



A new Head Teacher, Mrs Dias - Patel was appointed in September this year. She was welcomed at the Village Harvest Festival Service at St Peter's with her family and with the school choir, conducted by Mr Burn. At Christmas, the school choir will join a choir from St Peter's for the Carol Service to sing a carol specially composed by Revd Claire and her sister, Toni.

Nativity Scene at St Peter's Church designed by Philip Bond

In addition to the church and school events there are also many other village events and gatherings.

For sporty participants there is a Bowls Club and a Tennis Club, and for those of a more sedentary nature, a Bridge Club and a monthly Craft group (Craftforce). For residents on their own, there is no need to feel alone:the Just Singles group meets monthly on a Saturday morning for coffee, where all ‘singles’ are welcome. For the foodies among us, there is a monthly Men’s Breakfast for early birds at 8am on a Saturday; and a monthly Friday Lunch Club for any Barton Resident: cooked meal served with a smile! Bookworms are well looked after with a monthly mobile library which stops on several roads in the village. Barton also has an active WI which meets monthly and enjoys guest speakers and activities, some linked to the Cambridge Federation WI.

There is a Post Office and The Conkers Café next to the village pond and a whole host of shops at Burwash Manor to visit. Inside St Peter’s Church, on the noticeboard, there are contact numbers for all the organisations. Do visit Barton for a service or for the St Peter’s coffee morning and bookstall on the first Saturday of the month from Spring– November at 10 -11.30am.



Thanks to all those who helped with the Barton Churchyard clean up on 14 November

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, TOFT

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

SATURDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

10.30 am —12.30 pm

TOFT PEOPLE'S HALL



Any donations (cakes, Christmas decorations, gifts, plants, raffle prizes) are most welcome. For preference, please bring to Claire, 3 Farmers End or to Ann, 20 High St. beforehand or to the Hall between 9.15 & 9.45 am on the day,

BRING THE KIDS / GRANDKIDS!

Our elves will be there looking after games & activities & Father Christmas will drop by!

SPOT THE ELF!



There will be 20 Elves round the village.

How many can you find?

Come and tell us for a small prize!



All Saints' Church - Haslingfield

Advent Sunday
29 November 6pm

Holy Communion
with Sung Assisi Mass setting
with Sermon from
Dr Elaine Storkey



Saturday 12 December and Sunday 13 December
3pm-5pm both days
- St Mary's Church, Hardwick

Everyone is welcome to come to our Christmas Tree Festival at St Mary's Hardwick on December 12th and 13th. This year's theme is "seasons".

What is your favourite season? For me it is Autumn. As I write these words Autumn is at its absolute peak! The churchyard here at St Mary's is looking absolutely stunning with yellow, orange and brown leaves and bright red berries everywhere. Our resident crows have been joined by some very noisy field ravens, and all the birds are busy preparing for the winter season. I still love kicking leaves as I walk, and there is something wonderful about the crisper, colder mornings especially on bright days! And, of course, the anticipation and excitement that Christmas is just around the corner!

Every year Christmas gives us a great sense of fresh wonder, hope and joy because Christmas brings us the good news that Jesus has been born. It is a time of hope because every year we remember God's promises to be with us whatever we are facing. However hard life may have been, however challenging and difficult, Christmas reminds us that God's light is always shining, even in the darkest places. I hope you enjoy this year's Christmas Tree Festival. We warmly invite you to come and hear the Christmas story again at one of our Christmas Services or events and to sing the story of Jesus's birth through much loved Carols.

Clare

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Hardwick Christmas Tree Festival

at

St Mary's Church





Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th December, 2026

3pm – 5pm

Refreshments available

Christmas Concert with carols

on Sunday 13th December 5pm – 6pm

with Eversden Brass Band

Refreshments available

All donations in aid of St Mary's Church Fabric Fund and Emmaus, Cambridge

Toft Choir and Toft Session invite you
to their annual
Christmas Concert

Ring in Christmas



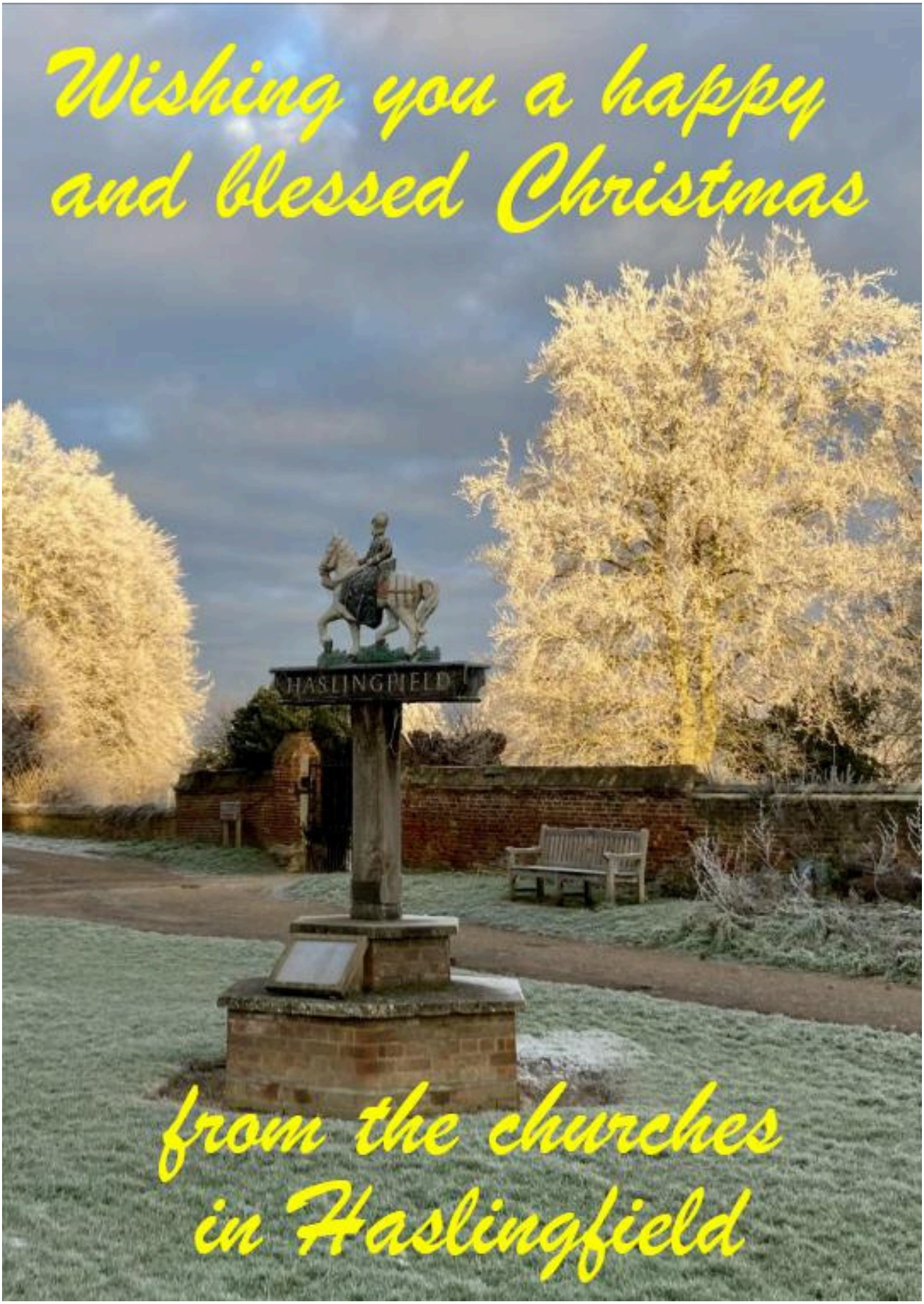
Saturday 13th December at 4 pm

St Andrew's Church, Toft

Admission free

Music approx. 1 hour
followed by mulled wine and mince pies

Donations welcome in support of
St Andrew's Restoration Fund


Wishing you a happy
and blessed Christmas
HASLINGFIELD
from the churches
in Haslingfield

Haslingfield Church Services Christmas 2026

2026

Morning service & DIY Nativity
Sunday December 13th 9:30am
All Saints' Church

Advent Choral Evensong
Monday December 14th 6pm
All Saints' Church

Village Carol Service
Saturday December 19th 4pm – 5pm
All Saints' Church

Christingle Service – Christmas Eve
Book to make your own 3.15 – 3.45pm
@ Methodist Church:
meg.bedford32@gmail.com
Service (no need to book)
4pm – 4.30pm @ All Saints' Church

Methodist Church Service
Christmas Day December 25th 10.30am

All Saints' Church
Christmas Eve
Christingle Service 4pm – 4.30pm
(no need to book)
Midnight Mass 11.30pm – 12.30am

Christmas Day 25th December
All Age Holy Communion 10am- 11am

Roman Catholic Services

Our Lady of Lourdes, Sawston
24th December –
6pm Vigil Mass (children), 9pm Vigil Mass
25th December – 10am & 11.15am Day Mass

Saint John Fisher, Cambourne
24th December – 3:30pm Vigil Mass
25th December – 8am Dawn Mass



Christmas Choral Concert

at

Dry Drayton Parish Church





with

St Catharine's College Consort

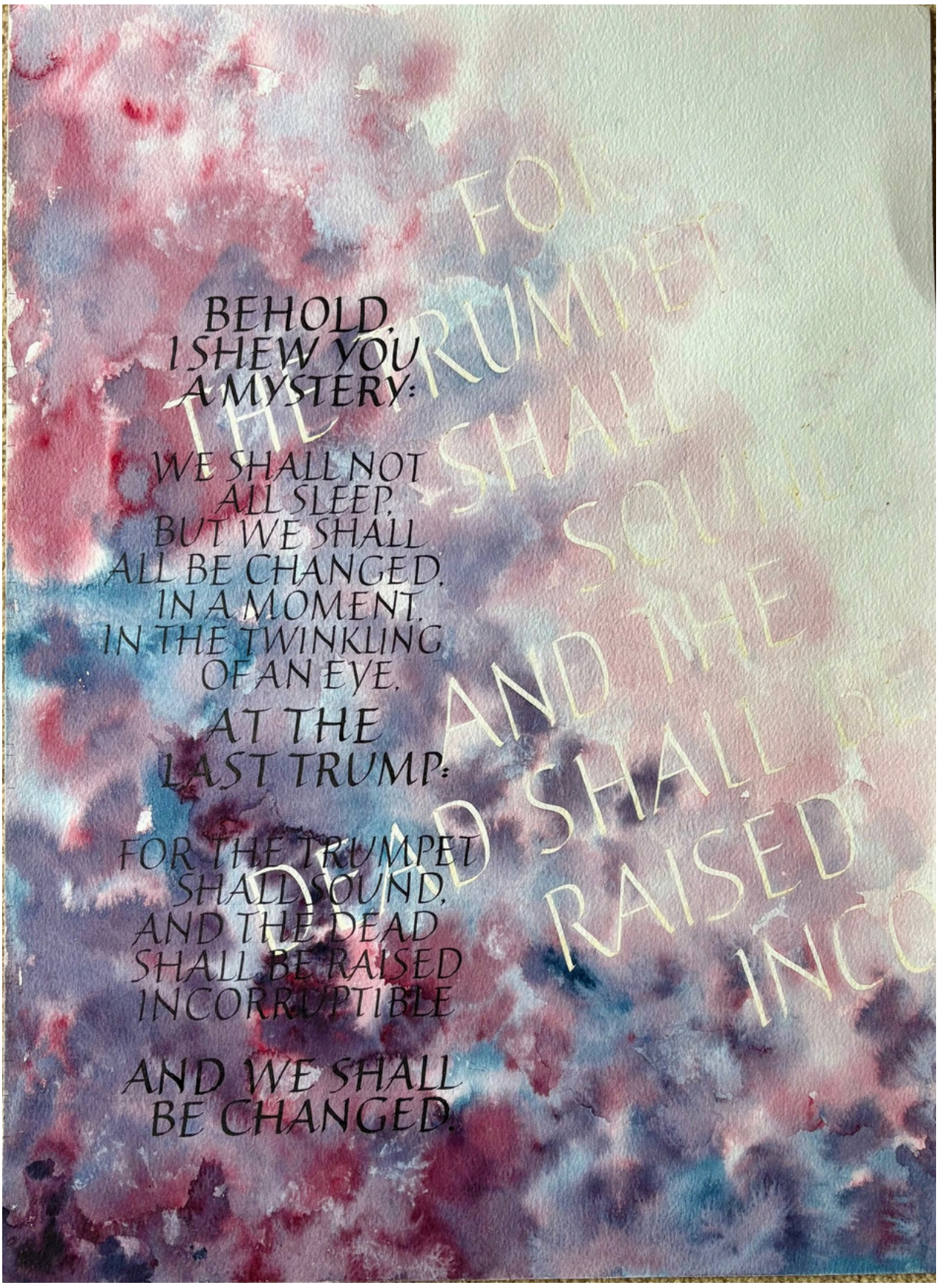
Programme to include choral and keyboard works from the Renaissance to the 21st century

Tickets: £15 and £5 (students & under 18s)
to include wine/juice afterward
Tickets can be reserved at
https://drydraytonxmas.eventbrite.co.uk
Payment on the door

Saturday 5 December; 6.00 pm

lasting one hour


HASLINGFIELD CHOIR
AND ORCHESTRA
Paul Jackson *conductor*
Meeta Raval *soprano*
Gary Rushton *tenor*
Alastair Miles *bass*
Canteloube
SONGS OF THE AUVERGNE
Ravel
MOTHER GOOSE SUITE
Gounod
ST CECILIA MASS
Saturday 5 December 2026, 7.30 pm
All Saints' Church, Haslingfield, CB23 1JF
Tickets (£15–£10) from Haslingfield Village Shop, via the QR code
from www.ticketsource.co.uk/haslingfield-choir, and on the door



Penny Price of Coton has kindly agreed that we can show her beautiful interpretation of 1 Corinthians 15:51

THE SALVATION ARMY HISTON PRESENT

NEW YEAR'S EVE

CELEBRATION

SEE IN THE NEW YEAR WITH FRIENDS, PIZZA, DRINKS AND MORE

8 PM - 12 AM

£5 PER PERSON

SALVATION ARMY COMMUNITY CHURCH, IMPINGTON LANE, HISTON. CB249LY
CHARITY NUMBER 214779

THENOT SO BLEAK MIDWINTER II

St Mark's Arts & Events

present

AN AFTERNOON OF SONGS, READINGS AND MUSIC TO CHEER A WINTRY DAY

featuring the CANTORES SINGERS and guests

SUNDAY 10 JANUARY at 3pm



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