

REGULAR WEEKLY CHURCH EVENTS

Monday 7.30-9.30pm Songbirds Choir Rehearsals
 Tuesday 10.00am Holy Communion at **Holy Trinity Tilgate*** see notice
 Wednesday 1.30pm Cake & Company
 Thursday 9.30am-1pm The Gate Café
 Friday 10.30am St Mary's Weekly Prayer Meeting in the Upper Room

Prayer meetings take place every week for St Mary's. Please feel free to join us at 8.30am in church Tuesday to Thursday each week (access via the rear door) and Friday morning at 10.30am in the Upper Room (access via the front of the building).



Discovering
treasure
in life's scars

Kintsugi Hope Wellbeing Group

Come and join us as we journey together for 12 weeks to explore how to maintain positive mental and emotional wellbeing. Our next Kintsugi Hope Group starts at St Marys on Monday 15th September at 1.30pm.

Speak to Claire Jordan or Clare Hiley for more information and to join. Also contact Claire J by email or phone claireajordan@outlook.com 07948969986



New Gen Youth Church service at St Andrew's Church, Furnace Green - a monthly service for all youth aged 11-18 years Sunday, 7.00-8.15pm **Next meeting** is Sunday 28 September.

Sunday 14 September 2025

10.30am Morning Prayer

Theme: The servant as a Saviour
 Reading: Isaiah 42:1-7
 Leader: Philippa Piper
 Preacher: Graham Piper

Sunday 21 September 2025

10.30am Morning Prayer

Theme: The waiting servant
 Reading: Isaiah 49:1-6
 Leader: Mark Hales
 Preacher: Andrew Davies

WHO'S WHO

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**The Parish Office will be closed
until Thursday 18 September**

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Please submit your notices, for
Family Matters to the Parish Office, by
Wednesday 17 September

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| South Crawley Team Ministry is

| St Mary's Southgate | Holy Trinity Tilgate | Christ the Lord Broadfield |

St Mary's Southgate family matters

Worshipping Jesus, Sharing His love, Making Him known

Sunday 7 September 2025

10.30am

Theme:

Reading:

Leader:

Speaker:

First Sunday Celebration

The God who knows you

Psalm 139

Graham Piper

Anthony Welch

Welcome to St Mary's.

How well do we know ourselves? Why do we behave in a certain ways? Today's Psalm reminds us that God knows us and love us; that we are fearfully and wonderfully made.

Anthony

"Search me, God, and know my heart"

Psalm 139:23

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On 14th September we are starting a new series, which we are calling the Servant Songs. We are going to explore the chapters in the Book of Isaiah that refer to Isaiah's God given vision of The Servant. This was significant for the nation of Israel then and continues to speak to us today. This Servant is like no other. We launch the series by unpacking the notion of The Servant as Saviour.

**"I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for
the people and a light for the Gentiles .."**

Isaiah 42:6

New South Crawley Team Rector Announcement

We are very pleased to announce that the Rev Mark Davey will be joining us soon as our new Team Rector. He has sent us the following message.

Hello St Mary's and the wider parish of South Crawley! My name is Mark and I am very much looking forward to serving you as your new Team Rector. I am married to Helena and we have two young children. I am currently a Team Vicar in Morden, South West London where I have been serving for the last 8 years. Before training for ordination, I was a ministry trainee at a church in Hove, a van-driver and a cabinet-maker. I am a Sussex boy, born and bred, and I support Brighton and Hove Albion football club. I love long walks in the countryside, drinking tea, watching films and talking to people about Jesus. I am really excited to explore what God has planned for St Mary's and the wider South Crawley Parish in the coming years. It will be a privilege to lead the team and work alongside you all as a congregation! I am looking forward to getting to know you all in due time.

The Gate Coffee Shop Saturday Opening Saturday 13th September 10am - 2 pm

We invite you to enjoy our Saturday opening session at The Gate Café. A range of fine refreshments, good company and activities to enjoy - games and colouring for the children or release your inner child and have a go yourself.

Put the date in your diary and come along, invite friends, neighbours and family and lets have a jolly time together.

The Easter Team Foodbank Requests for September - the team would really appreciate donations of **toothpaste, washing powder or pods and jam this month please.** Donations can be brought to St Mary's on a Sunday morning or left in the crate outside the rectory. Money donations are also very welcome for tins of essential food, if you are able, please put any donations in an envelope clearly marked for the Easter Team and place in the collection box.

The Easter Team

A CRAWLEY FOOD BANK PARTNER

**Please make sure items are in date and
be careful not to leave any 'out of date' items.**

The Easter Team are delighted to share that Vicki Butchers has been appointed Operations Manager to replace Su when she leaves in December. Vicki starts on Tuesday 2 September. We join in welcoming her to the team.



Lighthouse Project Commissioning Service - TODAY

The Lighthouse Project Crawley their annual Commissioning Service **Sunday 7 September 2025 7pm** at Barn Church, Francis Edwards Way RH11 9GG (home of Elim Church Bewbush) **All Welcome.**

We are pleased to say that the roofing works at Holy Trinity Tilgate will be starting in September. We are delighted to be able to help by hosting some events that regularly happen at Holy Trinity church and hall and therefore you will see a bit more activity at St Mary's during the first three weeks of September.

On Tuesday 9 September the parish morning communion service and coffee morning will be held at St Marys which Jonathan Mortimer is due to lead.

Tuesday 9 September we welcome U3A art group in the afternoon from 1.30 - 3.30pm and we expect this same group to be with us for the following one or two weeks, same day and time.

Couch Quitters will be in on Monday 15th & 22nd and Thursday 18th & 25th from 6.00-7.00pm. This class is open to everyone, if you fancy giving this class a trial maybe this is that opportunity. Further details are on the noticeboard.

Diary of Events

September, week commencing 8 September at

Monday	8 September	7.30-9.30pm	Songbirds
Tuesday	9 September	10.00am	*Parish Holy Communion & coffee
		1.30-3.30pm	U3A Art Group
Wednesday	10 September	1.30pm	Cake & Co
Thursday	11 September	9.30am-1.00pm	The Gate Café
Friday	12 September	10.30am	St Mary's Weekly Prayer meeting
Saturday	13 September	10.00am-2.00pm	The Gate Saturday Opening
			SEE NOTICE

Diary of Events at St Mary's

September, week commencing 15th September

Monday	15 September	1.30-4pm	Kintsugi Hope
		6.00-7.00pm	Couch Quitters
		7.30-9.30pm	Songbirds
Tuesday	16 September	1.30-3.30pm	U3A Art Group
Wednesday	17 September	1.30pm	Cake & Co
Thursday	18 September	9.30am-1.00pm	The Gate Café
		6.00-7.00pm	Couch Quitters
Friday	19 September	10.30am	St Mary's Weekly Prayer meeting

This Sunday's Family Matters is a double edition covering the 7th and 14th September. There will not be an emailing Friday 12th. Please email any new notices by Wednesday 17th to the Parish Office for the 21st September edition. Thank you.