



Pew Sheet for 2 November 2025

A warm welcome to everyone attending today's services

All Saints' Day

Please come into the hall for refreshments after the 09:30 service.

Collect:

God of holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example
with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hymns:

CP362	Tell out my Soul
CP607	Thy Kingdom Come O God
CP163	All Hail the Power of Jesus Name
CP589	The King of Love my Shepherd is
CP398	Christ Triumphant Ever Reigning

Although there is no formal collection during the offertory hymn, please feel free to make a contribution to the work of St. Mary's either in the Treasury box at the back of church, or using the card reader, also at the back of church. Thank you.

Readings:

Ephesians 1.11-end

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance,* having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this* is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love* towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God* put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Luke 6.20-31

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you* on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Post-communion prayer:

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:
may we who have shared at this table
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth
be welcomed with all your saints
to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Dates for your diary

Sunday 2nd November - All Saints' and All Souls' Day

8am and 9.30am Services as usual

3.00 pm, Memorial Service of Comfort - A gentle service for all who wish to remember loved ones who have died, whether recently or long ago. There will be an opportunity to light a candle and hear the names of loved ones remembered during the service, if you wish.

6.00 pm Choral Service with special readings, hymns, and anthems led by the Choir - reflecting the meaning of this special day.

Monday 3rd and Wednesday 5th November - Knit & Natter - Monday 3rd 7.30pm and Wednesday 5th 10.30am both in the Leverton Room.

Saturday 8th November - Mayor Poppy Wreath Laying - at 12.40pm

the Mayor will arrive at St Mary's to lay a wreath (greeted by Rev Canon Dr Joshva Raja, Vicar of St Mary's & Cllr Graham Jones)

Sunday 9th November - Remembrance Day - 10.30 am Family Parade Service joining with members of the Uniformed Organisations, as we remember those who gave their lives in the service of this country.

16th November - Safeguarding Sunday - 9.30 am Sung Holy Communion service, focussing on creating safe spaces for all, in the church, family and community

Sunday 23rd November - Christmas Fair 11am to 2pm - In order to make this a success we really need some help with gift ideas. We would love you to make (or buy) Christmas decorations, craft items, Christmas-themed presents. Your creativity knows no bounds! We would also like donations of luxury food items, pet items or accessories, bottles (within date), gifts. Many thanks. [Enquiries to Sara Tomlin](#)

30th November is Advent Sunday and Gift Day - a conversation on Stewardship and gifts to the church and a conversation on mission strategies of St Marys after the service

30th November - 6.00 pm 'From Darkness to Light' A gentle, reflective service to begin Advent - the Season of Waiting. Led by Maggie

Advent Bible Study, 'Waiting in Uncertain Times'

1st December - Led by Jason

8th December - Led by Maggie

15th December - Led by Maggie and Jason

7.30 – 8.30pm, on Mondays in the Church Hall **except 1st December which will be held in the Leverton Room**