



St Mary's
Parish Church
Frinton 2025

I press on to reach the end of the race
and receive the heavenly prize for which God,
through Christ Jesus, is calling us.
Philippians 3:14



Welcome!

Tea and coffee available from 10:30 at the back of the church most Sundays.
Time for a chat with friends, old and new.

Our services over the Christmas period:

Sunday 21st December 2025

11am **All-Age Christmas Family Nativity** children stay in
6:30pm **Traditional Carols by Candlelight**



Wednesday 24th December 2025

11:15pm **Christmas Eve Midnight Communion**



Thursday 25th December 2025

10:30am **Christmas Day Family Service** (No Livestream)



Sunday 28th December 2025

10:30am **United Service** for everyone (No Livestream)



Sunday 4th January 2026

9:30am **Traditional Service** - CW

11am **All-Age Service** (Livestreamed)

6:30pm **Evening Service** - BCP (Old Church)



Sunday 11th January 2026

9:30am & 11am **Covenant Services**



Get in touch:

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Prayer requests for this sheet should be made via the **Church Office**.

Tel: 01255 679164 Email: Office@stmarysfrinton.org Website: www.stmarysfrinton.org

Prayer requests for the Prayer Chain (a group of church members who will pray, in complete confidence, for serious situations) Stewart and Mary Wilson: 01255 814 594

NEVER
DOUBT THE
POWER
OF PRAYER

For our prayers during the week ...

... those who are unwell, and those who care for them:

Anne Davis, Chris Glasby, Kelsey Hawkins, Philip Kyriacou,
Sue Maloney, Sylvia Wells, Daphne West, and Cate Wilby.



Campfire Carols Monday 22nd December, 6 - 7:30pm

FREE at **Birch Hall Adventures**

Campfire | Cake | Hot Drinks | Carols

EVERYONE WELCOME



Important invoices and expenses notice

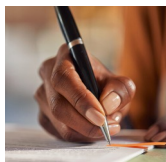
Please ensure ALL invoices and expenses relating to 2025 are received in the Church Office
by 29th December 2025, at the very latest, ready for the year end on 31st December.



Christingle Service: We raised £145.05 for the work of *Haven in Romania*.

Thank you to everyone who attended the *Shelter Carol Service* for your donations towards *Shelter*. Together with the *Men's Breakfast* we raised £670 which has now been sent to help those in need. Thank you to everyone who helped with decorating the Old Church, to Judy Morris and Mary Meek for hosting refreshments, to Wendy Willis for playing the piano, and to David Hepworth for organising the carol sheets.

Eleanor Young



Our Rector Funmilayo is writing a letter to the members of our Church each month. These letters appear on our website. Just click on [this link](https://www.stmarysfrinton.org/focus1.htm) or go to <https://www.stmarysfrinton.org/focus1.htm> to read what she has to say this month. If you don't have access to the internet, simply contact the Church Office and ask to read a paper copy.



Church Christmas Cards

If you wish to send Christmas cards (to other **church members only**) please use the A-Z shoeboxes by the South Door in church. **DO NOT** use the pigeon holes for Christmas cards. Any uncollected cards will be removed on Sunday 11th January. If you can, please deliver any to housebound members.

RNLI Charity: Once again, I shall be collecting used postage stamps for the RNLI charity. As requested before, please cut, not tear, the stamps from the envelope, leaving a small margin. They can be left in my pigeonhole for me to collect. Many thanks, in advance, for your support.

Jill Pert





Office Christmas Opening Times

The Church Office will close at 12 noon on Monday 22nd December until Monday 5th January. During this period telephone calls will not be monitored, but emails will be.

Should you need anything urgently during the Christmas period, please contact the Operations Manager or the Churchwardens.



Christmas at St Mary's Christmas Family Nativity - Sun 21st - 11am

(Lively Christmas fun for the whole family.

Don't forget to dress up).

Carol Service - Sun 21st - 6:30pm

(The story of Christmas with carols)

Christmas Eve - 11:15pm

(Traditional Service with Holy Communion)

Christmas Day - 10:30am

(Family Festive Celebration)

Sunday 28th Dec - 10:30am

(Only one service on this day)



Giving at St Mary's

If you would like to make a gift, and do not carry cash, you can make a one-off donation by using the card-reader or via the **Parish Giving Scheme**. If you would like to be a regular giver please take a paper copy of 'An Introduction to the Parish Giving Scheme' from the back of church and complete it, or use the information found on the back of this noticesheet.

Morning Prayer

Returns on Monday 5th January at 9am in Room 2. *Everyone is welcome.*



Over 90's Group

Please note our *Over 90's Group* will be meeting on **Monday 5th January at 3pm** in the Church Lounge for tea, cake, and a chat. It will be great to see anyone in this age group, so please do join us. Contact Reception, if you'd like to know more, otherwise we look forward to seeing you there. **Ruth and Tricia**



We had our final **Weekly Prayer Meeting** of 2025

on Monday 15th December. Weekly Prayer will resume at 7.30 pm on Monday 5th January. Please note, that in January and February we will **also** have an afternoon *Hour of Prayer* at 2:30pm on Thursday 22nd January and Thursday 19th February.

Graham Dallisson



Want to feel more connected to God's Word?

The Bible Course begins Tuesday 3rd February 2026, 2pm & 7pm in Rooms 3/4 and on following Tuesdays 3rd 10th 17th February (NOT 24th) & 3rd 10th 17th 24th 31st March.

A course guide will be available for purchase in the New Year from the Church Office.

2:30 and 7pm sessions will be a duplicate each week. More information about this to come.

Discover how Bible characters, stories, and themes are connected, from Genesis to Revelation.

Thank you to everyone who donated towards the collection for Jaywick. On Friday we delivered sweets, biscuits, fruit and snacks for 60 children, 30 families and 25 elderly.

Thank you to Judy Morris for her help with delivery. Thank you also for **continued prayers** for the Jaywick community, which, according to recent news reports, still remains **the most deprived area in the country**. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Eleanor Young





Digital Noticesheet

This noticesheet is available for download 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, on [our website](#), or on our [A Church Near You](#) webpage from 00:15am every Sunday. The noticesheet is also emailed to anyone who wants one, sent to inboxes at around 5pm every Saturday to read before Sunday.



The Digital Noticesheet includes (in blue):

- Links to websites or resources, available at a single click
- The link to our YouTube Livestream
- The link to make your weekly or monthly tithe via PGS
- Single click access to email addresses or phone numbers



AND there is no wasteful printing of multiple copies

which are used once, then thrown away, or not used at all.

To receive a weekly electronic version please email office@stmarysfrinton.org and confirm that you give permission to be added to the list of those receiving a Digital Noticesheet.



**All Church Groups restart
week beginning Monday 5th January 2026**

All rotas for 2026 are available on [ChurchSuite](#).
Logins available upon request



Secure Giving and Donations

We are members of the [Parish Giving Scheme](#) which means you can set up regular monthly giving, or leave a 'one-off gift'.



Giving regularly via PGS means (unlike other ways of giving) the Church receives 100% of your donation, plus Gift Aid - WITH NO BANK FEES!

Donors who would like to use the services of PGS can simply visit parishgiving.org.uk and find our Church using the easy search tool. Then follow a few simple steps to set up your donation securely (or [click here](#)).



Or you can scan the QR code on this page, which will take you straight to our parish's landing page on the PGS website, where you can click on the 'one-off gift'. It couldn't be easier!

Alternatively, you can set up your regular gift by phoning the PGS team on 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday, 9-5.

If you need any help, please get in touch with **Dominic Gardner, Operations Manager**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Covenant Services - Sun. 11th January 9:30 & 11am

The Bible Course - Begins Tuesday 3rd February 2pm & 7pm

APCM - Sun. 17th May after 11am Service

Frinton Mission - 25th July to 2nd August

Find us on the web!



Noticesheet Items: please submit to the Church Office by noon Tuesday to office@stmarysfrinton.org

Homegroup Information: Heather Ursell - 07882 402 768

Media & PowerPoint items: email to office before 6pm Wednesday

Bookings for Church Premises: OpsMgr@stmarysfrinton.org