



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

Time for a chat

Sunday, 7th December 2025

Parish Church Services (Sunday only)

9:30am Traditional Service BCP

Isaiah 11:1-10 & Matthew 3:1-12

11am All-Age Service (HC) (also livestreamed)

Matthew 3:1-12

4pm Christingle Service

[no 6:30pm service]

Old Church Service

Wednesday 10th December 11am Service of the Word



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We are a registered charity (1127647) in England and Wales.



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, Helen Whybrew, and Cate Wilby.



London City Mission

Last Sunday we were very pleased to welcome LCM Missionary **Rob Hooks**. Rob has, for the past 40 years, been engaged in **Prison Ministry and the work at Webber Street, Waterloo, the Mission's Day Centre**. With **up to 80 guests each day coming for meals**, support is given both practically and spiritually in so many ways. As we look forward to celebrating the birth of our Saviour, **please pray** for all those who will be ministering to the homeless in London, both in the lead up to Christmas and the colder winter months ahead!

Thank you. **Lesley Holland**



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.



Operation Christmas Child - Shoebox Appeal

Thank you to everyone who took part in this year's shoebox appeal. Last week, **55 gift-filled shoeboxes were collected from church** and, after being checked, will begin their journey to children overseas. In addition to these are the many boxes donated online, and the financial gifts made by church family members. **Thank you all for your generosity.**



Dear Lord,

We pray for the precious children who will receive a shoebox this Christmas and for the safety of those taking the boxes to them. May our small boxes and gifts remind the children that they are loved, and bring them joy, hope, and faith, drawing them closer to Jesus.

Amen

Helen Whybrew

Notice to all Key-Holders

During December and January, key-holders will be contacted by Dominic Gardner or David Kidney, regarding church keys held. **They will request back any keys you still hold, for any role you no longer undertake.** As a Church, we are constantly updating and expanding provisions and need to keep costs low where possible. Cutting extra keys has the potential to be expensive, however, if everyone returns keys they no longer need, we hope it will be possible to simply re-issue keys, rather than spend money unnecessarily.

Christmas at St Mary's



Contact Us

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Christingle

Sunday 7th December, 4pm
Oranges, Treats and Candles

Christmas Family Nativity

Sunday 21st December, 11am
Lively Christmas Fun for the whole Family

Christmas Eve

Wednesday 24th December, 11:15pm
Traditional Service with Holy Communion

Blue Christmas

Wednesday 17th December, 6:30pm
Christmas isn't always an easy time of year

Carol Service

Sunday 21st December, 6:30pm
The Story of Christmas with Carols

Christmas Day

Thursday 25th December, 10:30am
Family Festive Celebration



Attention: ST MARY'S PARISH CHURCH CAR PARK

Please **do not park** in the four reserved spaces beside the church, especially the Rector's space, without permission, at any time of day, on any day of the week. The 3 other remaining spaces are reserved, Monday to Friday, 8am until 6pm, for the Office Team to delegate as necessary to those on church business. There is also **NO parking** in front of the main doors, as this restricts emergency exit routes.

Office Christmas Opening Times

The Church Office will close at 12 noon on Monday 22nd December until Monday 5th January. During this period the telephone will not be monitored, but emails will be. Should you need anything urgent during the Christmas Period, please contact the Operations Manager or the Churchwardens.

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.



London City Mission Service: We raised £1152.18 for the Webber Street Day Centre, and the PCC has added our annual gift of £833.00, achieving a total gift of £1985.18. Thank you for helping support this worthy cause.



Men's Breakfast: Saturday, 13th December

If you are interested in joining the Men's Breakfast, please contact David Kidney or the Church Office. For catering purposes, please let Reception know if you wish to attend. Email invites will be sent on the Monday before. If you are male, young, old, fighting fit, falling apart, or somewhere in the middle, you will be most welcome in our **Church Hall at 8:30am**.

David Kidney



A Living Christmas '25

On **Saturday 13th December** at 7pm the **Deanery Choir** will be presenting their annual *Living Christmas* event at **St Osyth Parish Church, CO16 8NU**. The concert tells the Christmas story, with readings and music, all of which has been written by contemporary composers and arrangers. The choir is accompanied by **Peter Clayton** and a leaving collection will be made for their church funds.



During the week ...

Morning Prayer - 9am to 9:30 - Monday to Thursday - in the church - all welcome

Monday 8 th	RNID 'Hear to help' 11am Weekly Prayer Meeting 7:30pm
Wednesday 10 th	Wednesday Group 10am Service of the Word (Old Church) 11am
Thursday 11 th	Smallsorts 10am Knit & Natter 1:30pm
Friday 12 th	Coffee Morning 10am Missionary Prayer Meeting 10am Choir Practice 6pm
Saturday 13 th	Men's Breakfast 8:30am



Sunday 14th December

9:30am Traditional Service - BCP
11am All-Age Service (also livestreamed)
6:30pm Evening Service - CW (HC)



Rotas for 2025 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/home 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**



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Blue Christmas - Wed. 17th December 6:30pm
Christmas Family Nativity - Sun. 21st December 11am
Traditional Carol Service - Sun. 21st December 6:30pm
Christmas Eve Service - Wed. 24th December 11:15pm
Christmas Day Service - Thurs. 25th December 10:30am

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