

REGULAR WEEKLY CHURCH EVENTS

Monday	7.30-9.30pm	Songbirds Choir Rehearsals in hall
Tuesday	10.00am	Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Tilgate
Wednesday	1.30pm	Cake & Company back
Thursday	9.30am-1pm	The Gate Café
Friday	10.30am	St Mary's Weekly Prayer Meeting (in 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).

Sunday 25 January 2026

10.30am	Holy Communion
Theme:	Love in Action
Reading:	I John 3:1-24
Leader:	Mark Davey
Preacher:	Gwilym Richards

Thank you so much to everyone who donated food and helped at the licensing on Tuesday 6th January. I was so pleased with how well it went. What a great team!

Clare Hiley

WHO'S WHO

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Please submit your notices, for the New Year
Family Matters to the Parish Office, by
Wednesday 21 January

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



Worshipping Jesus, Sharing His love, Making Him known

Sunday 18 January 2026

10.30am **Morning Prayer**
Theme: Know the Truth
Reading: I John 2:15-29
Leader: Graham Piper
Preacher: Mark Davey

Welcome to St Mary's

What is at the heart of the Christian faith?

Trying our best? Obeying the rules? Performing religious ceremonies?

Today, John gets right to the heart of the Christian faith. It is about having a relationship with God the Father and Jesus Christ, his Son, through the Holy Spirit. This relationship leads to the promise of eternal life.

Friends, there is nothing better than knowing God. How do we enter into this relationship? John tells us it is by remaining in Christ. As a church, it is my prayer that we would remain in Christ and know the promise of eternal life.

Mark Davey

"As for you, see that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the Father. And this is what he promised us - eternal life."

1 John 2:24-25

To everyone at St Mary's from Open house.

We were delighted to receive your donation of £725 and the Greggs vouchers for the outreach team to give out to people on the streets. It's a huge encouragement and help to receive from you all again.

Thank you so much for being in our corner for so many years.

Ian Wilkins. Head of fundraising.



Celebrating the delightful Audrey Moss 100th birthday

Audrey's family would like us to help celebrate this amazing milestone and will be bringing cake and bubbly on Sunday 22 February. We just need to bring our singing voices.

Please see Liz Hunter who is kindly organising a birthday card for all of St Mary's to sign.

Audrey will turn 100 on Monday 23 February.



The Gate is open every Thursday morning from 9.30am to 1.00pm.

We offer a varied selection of snacks and some toasted products, such as tea cakes or crumpets, alongside cappuccinos, filter coffee, a variety of different teas and hot chocolate.

A friendly, sociable atmosphere for meeting friends, making new friends, or just enjoying a hot drink. Where possible we use Fair Trade products for our drinks.

If you have not been to the café before, please tell our counter staff that you have seen our notice **and your first tea of filter coffee is on the house**. Please feel free to bring a friend or two.



Age UK Community Pop Up @ The Gate Café Thursday 22nd January

10.30-11.30am With Emma Finister—Community Agent

Come along for lots of information and advice.

Find out all the different ways they can support you.



St Mary's Cake & Co Every Wednesday from 1.30 – 3.30pm

Come and enjoy a warm welcome and good company and - of course - cake



Easter Team Appeal - January Requests

We are blessed with your generous giving throughout the year - your weekly donations are essential and very gratefully received.

Please keep up your regular giving of donations - **small jars of coffee, biscuits and cereal would be great this month**, thank you.

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.

As the Family Support work representative for St Marys I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their prayers and any financial support they have given them during 2025. The church has received a thank you email from the Family Support work team in which they state 'Your kindness throughout 2025 helps FSW provide families with a feeling of security at this special time of year; we give practical support through your gift. We promote community, compassion, highlighting the people that care - all around them. People like you.'

I hope you are able to continue to provide support to this worthy cause throughout the coming year.

June Fielden

Sarah St John offers Exercise classes at Holy Trinity Church Tilgate on a Friday morning. Classes focus heavily on making exercise and movement fun and functional. Sarah has taught a variety of classes including older adult classes at a local leisure facility and is excited to come to Holy Trinity Church hall. Classes are suitable for all levels and abilities with chair based options available for those who prefer to stay seated. These classes are a great opportunity to socialise whilst improving mobility, balance, core strength, bone health, heart health and with cognitive benefits too. Booking is essential so please contact Sarah to have a chat to see if classes are for you or to book your place in either 9:30 Keep Fit or 10:30 Pilates. Sarah St John 07881 526694 or email sarah@completecorecontrol.com.

Flower Donation Rota - No flower arranging required!

There is still the opportunity to join the Flower Donation Rota—please see Ann Dutton if you are interested. The rota allows you to pay towards the wonderful floral decorations that our talented florists create to decorate the church every week. Each week a different person contributes to this fund—so you can sit back and relax whilst our talented team do the arranging knowing you played your part.

Sylvia Brophy has a working Panasonic 32" Panasonic television looking for a new home. It does require a new aerial cable and is otherwise in full working order.