

St Mary's Southgate family matters

Worshipping Jesus, Sharing His love, Making Him known

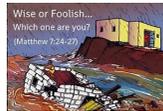
REGULAR WEEKLY CHURCH EVENTS

Monday	7.30-9.30pm	Songbirds Choir Rehearsals in hall
Tuesday	10.00am	Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Tilgate
Wednesday	1.30pm	Cake & Company
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 1 March 2026

10.30am
First Sunday Celebration
 Theme: The Wise and Foolish Builders
 Reading: Matthew 7:24-28



Sunday 22 February 2026

10.30am
Holy Communion
 Theme: True faith
 Reading: 1 John 5:1-12
 Leader: Mark Davey
 Preacher: Andrew Davies

Welcome to St Mary's.

As a Christian, it's hardly a surprising statement to say that knowing Jesus changes everything. But how often do we consider more specifically the difference that knowing Jesus makes? Our passage from 1 John 5 is both an encouragement and a challenge, to consider Jesus' place in our own hearts and our expectations of what that means in our lives.

Andrew

WHO'S WHO

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Please submit your notices, for
Family Matters to the Parish Office, by
Wednesday 25 February

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

Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

1 John 5:12 NIV



TODAY we are celebrating the delightful Audrey Moss 100th birthday

Audrey's family are kindly sharing this amazing milestone celebration with us today with cake and bubbly.

Lets raise the roof as we join to sing Audrey's choice of hymn.

Audrey will turn 100 on Monday 23 February.



Lent Course

This year for lent we will be doing Hope Explored. Hope Explored is a three-session series that presents the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, and provides an opportunity to discover how he fulfils three great longings we all experience: the longing for hope, peace, and purpose.

The dates are; 10th, 17th, 24th March. You can come to a daytime (2pm-3.30pm) or evening (7.30pm-9pm) group held at St Mary's Southgate.

Events in February and March

Age UK Community Pop Up	Thursday 5th March 10.30-11.30am
Gardening Gang	Saturday 7th March, 10am-12noon
Craft Evening	Wednesday 11th March

Jenny Ward's funeral will be at St Richard's Chapel at the Crematorium at 2.15pm on Tuesday 24th February and afterwards at Shrubland social club, Furnace Green (20A Laurel Close, Crawley RH10 6QE).

Experience Live Music. For Free! Ensemble Reza

Wednesdays at Christ the Lord Church Broadfield
Café open from 12noon
Music at 12.30pm

This Wednesday, 25th February - string quartet.

Classical, Jazz, Popular, World ... and more.

For you. For me. For us all.

See noticeboard for poster with full list of upcoming dates.



The Easter Team
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Easter Team Appeal - February 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 - **shampoo, body wash and all food items 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.

Are you on our Electoral Roll? We would love it if you were.

The electoral roll is the Church of England membership list for each church. You can join if you live in the parish or live elsewhere but have been coming to St Mary's Church for over six months. Please complete one of the lilac electoral roll forms - a supply can be found on the welcome table.

Once completed please put in the offering box.

Passover Seder at Holy Trinity.

The Parish Communion service on Maundy Thursday will take the form of a Passover celebration, remembering that this was the context of Jesus' last meal with his disciples. The event lasts about 3 hours, which passes very quickly.

The Passover is essentially a family celebration, so we would love to have all ages present. Singing, worshipping, chatting and enjoying a good meal are all inter woven.

Please bring some food to share with others from a buffet (no yeast please). The meal is a central part of the occasion. Wine is also shared throughout the evening; whilst we will have a non alcoholic option for those who require it, those who like wine might wish to leave the car at home.

The Church will be available for quiet prayer at the end of the evening.

In order that we have an idea how many tables to set out, a sign up sheet will be available on the welcome church shortly.

St Mary's Gardening Team meets every first Saturday of each month, the next gardening get together will be Saturday 7th March, 10am-12noon. Everyone is welcome - come and sit in the church garden to chat or pray, or if able to, to help dig up some weeds and keep our green space tidy.