



family matters

St Mary's Southgate

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 15 February 2026

10.30am **Morning Prayer**
 Theme: God is Love
 Reading: 1 John 4:7-21
 Leader & preacher: Mark Davey

Sunday 8 February 2026

10.30am **Morning Prayer**
 Theme: Test the Spirits
 Readings: Matthew 7:15-23
 1 John 4:1-6
 Leader & preacher: Mark Davey

A very warm welcome to St Mary's.

Dear Church family,

We live in a world full of different ideas and practices about spirituality. How do we, as Christians, distinguish between what is helpful and what is unhelpful?

Thankfully, John tells us in our reading. He points us to the person of Jesus and to the Bible. He also powerfully reminds us that we are children of God, and that the God who lives within us is greater than the one who is in the world.

In a world full of conflicting ideas, we need more than ever to recognise the Spirit of God's truth, so that we know what is helpful and what is unhelpful.

Mark Davey

4 You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

1 John 4v4

WHO'S WHO

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Please submit your notices, for the New Year
Family Matters to the Parish Office, by
Wednesday 11 February

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| South Crawley Team Ministry is

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

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.



.... and if you're planning to visit Audrey

Hi everyone, can anyone who wants to visit Audrey go either in the morning or after 3 in the afternoon. This way she doesn't miss out on activities at the home.

Thank you from Colin and Judith (son and daughter in law)

St Mary's Gardening Team meets every first Saturday of each month.

If you're reading this Friday evening, come along for Saturday 7th February, the next gardening get together afterwards 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.

Melody for the mind

Drop in at Crawley Library

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month, 10.30am-11.30am

A singing group, open to all - designed to boost mood and wellbeing!

Next date is Wednesday 11th February 2026

See poster on noticeboard for all upcoming dates.

Ash Wednesday service for the whole of South Crawley Parish, at Holy Trinity Church. Holy communion with imposition of ashes.

Wednesday 18th February 7.30pm

Experience Live Music. For Free! Ensemble Reza

Wednesdays at Christ the Lord Church Broadfield

Café open from 12noon

Music at 12.30pm

Next date is 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
A CRAWLEY FOOD BANK PARTNER

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.

Events in February and March

Kintsugi meeting

Monday 9th February 2pm

Upper Room

- see Claire Jordan or Clare Hiley

Ash Wednesday service at Holy Trinity on 18th February - see notice

Audrey Moss's Birthday Celebration after Sunday service 22 February - see notice

March

Gardening Gang

Saturday 7th March, 10am-12noon

Craft Evening

Wednesday 11th March

Age UK Community Pop Up

Thursday 5th March 10.30-11.30am

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.

