

REGULAR WEEKLY CHURCH EVENTS

Monday	7.30-9.30pm	Songbirds Choir Rehearsals in hall (except 20th)
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 26 April 2026

10.30am Holy Communion
Theme: Giving Sunday
Readings: Mark 12:41-44
Leader: Gwilym Richards
Preacher: Mark Davey

ADCM in church after service

WHO'S WHO

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Please submit your notices, for
Family Matters to the Parish Office, by
Wednesday 22 April

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| South Crawley Team Ministry is
| St Mary's Southgate | Holy Trinity Tilgate | Christ the Lord Broadfield |

St Mary's Southgate family matters

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Sunday 19 April 2026

10.30am Morning Prayer
Theme: Freedom from death
Readings: Acts 2:14-41
Leader: Philippa Piper
Preacher: Graham Piper

Welcome to St Mary's this morning.

Dear Friends,

Benjamin Franklin is credited with popularising the phrase, "In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes". Whilst there might not be freedom from taxes, the Bible tells us that there can be freedom from death. The earth shattering event of the resurrection means that death is defeated, because Jesus is risen.

We'll be exploring Peter's reaction on racing to the tomb to find it empty and confused by what lay inside. But then the penny dropped! We'll be looking at Peter's subsequent address to the crowd at Pentecost and how the truth of the event is momentous for us today.

Graham

'God raised this Jesus to life and we are all witnesses to it.'

John 20: 32

Easter Team Appeal - April 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 the team are particularly low on **ALL essentials - tins of baked beans, soup, meat, fish, potatoes, vegetables, fruit and rice pudding** – these would be very much appreciated 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.

The Easter Team

A CRAWLEY FOOD BANK PARTNER

St Mary's Annual District Church Meeting Next Sunday April 26th after morning service

This meeting is for all church members to hear updates and ask questions about the running of St Mary's in the last year. Please stay after the service if you can and hear from Mark Davey and the DCC.

The date for the **Annual Parochial Church meeting (APCM)** is Thursday 30th April. This will be held in the evening at Holy Trinity Church, Tilgate and is **open to everyone to attend**.

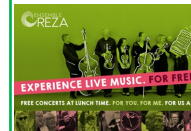
If you wish to receive an electronic copy of the Trustees Annual Report for 2025 in the week ahead of the APCM please email the parish office with this request. A copy of this report will be circulated to our existing newsletter mailing list for the weekly Family Matters, therefore, if you are on this existing mailing list you will automatically receive an electronic copy and do not need to send an additional email request. A small number of printed copies will be available on the evening of the APCM.

On 10th May, the **Church Warden at Holy Trinity, Georgina** will be running the Run Gatwick 5K, raising money for Ten Little Toes Charity. Should you wish to sponsor her, please use this link [Ten Little Toes Just Giving Page](https://www.justgiving.com/page/couch-quitters-2?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=WA)
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There is also a sponsorship form on the welcome table.

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Wednesdays at Christ the Lord Church Broadfield
Café open from 12noon Music at 12.30pm
Next date is this **Wednesday 22 April**

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

For you. For me. For us all.

See noticeboard for poster with full list of upcoming dates.

CRAFT EVENING

COME TO OUR NEXT CRAFT EVENING

ON **WEDNESDAY 13TH MAY** FROM 7.00 P.M. BRING YOUR OWN

CRAFT OR COME AND TRY SOMETHING NEW.

REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED IN A SUGGESTED DONATION OF £2.

The funeral of Bill Doidge will be held this Thursday 23 April at 12 o'clock at Surrey & Sussex Crematorium.

Age UK Community Pop Up @ The Gate Café

It was lovely to welcome Emma Finister to the Gate Café Thursday for the Age UK Community Pop Up session she regularly holds here at St Mary's.

In May her colleague Paul Boston from Prevention Assessment team (PAT) plans to accompany Emma. The PAT can help with:

- advising you on how to keep healthy and manage health issues
- providing links to agencies that can maximise your income and help you remain independent through practical tasks such as shopping, cleaning and gardening
- helping you keep your home safe, secure and warm

Thursday 28 May **10.30-11.30am**

Come along for lots of information and advice.
Find out all the different ways they can support you.



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