

St Mary's Mirror



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Sundays 26th April 2026 – 3rd May 2026

St Mary's is a down to earth Christian community seeking, serving and worshipping God by sharing the love of Jesus with all.

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/17960>

Sunday 26th April - Fourth Sunday of Easter

9am & 11.30am Choir Practice

9.30am Bellringing

10am Parish Mass (sung)

(Readings: Acts 2:42-end, 1 Peter 1:3-9, John 10:1-10) Our fantastic Sunday School, 'Whiz Kids' will be taking place during the Service (for ages 5-11). There is a well-stocked Children's Corner in church for pre-school children to enjoy with their parents. Refreshments are available in the Upper Hall after the service. *If you are unable to attend church in person, the service can be watched online via our YouTube Channel:*

<https://www.youtube.com/@bulwellchurch>

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Monday 27th April

9am-10am Governor's Meeting (Bulwell Academy, Rev B)

3.15pm Diocesan Healing & Deliverance Ministry Team Meeting (Fr A, Jubilee House)

6.15pm-7.15pm 48th Nottingham Beavers (Upper Hall)

Tuesday 28th April

Rev B Day off, emergencies only please

6pm-7.30pm 87th Nottingham Brownies (Upper Hall)

Wed 29th April – Catherine of Siena (1380)

9am-11.30am Bulwell Academy Pastoral Visiting (Rev B)

9.45am Church & Social Prescribing Meeting in Church (Fr A)

9.30am-11.30am Little Acorns Toddler Group (West Room) Contact Zoe for details: zoejackson000@gmail.com

1pm - 3pm Bestwood and Bulwell Food Bank 07527 048226

7.30pm - 9pm Bell Ringing (Practice)

Thursday 30th April

9.30am Walsingham Mass

(Bible readings in Service Book)

10am Tea & Toast (Upper Hall)

2pm Bible/Nurture Study Group, looking at The Creed (Upper Hall)

6pm-7.30pm 88th Nottingham Brownies (West Rm)

7pm-9pm 87th Nottingham Guides (Upper Hall)

7pm-9pm Rangers (14+ yrs) (West Room)

Friday 1st May – St Philip & St James

Fr A Day off, emergencies only please

9am-10am Governors' Meeting (Bulwell Academy, Rev B)

5.15pm-6.15 pm Rainbows

Sunday 3rd May - Fifth Sunday of Easter

9am & 11.30am Choir Practice

9.30am Bellringing

10am Family Mass with Baptisms of Lauren Belcher and Charlotte Sewell

(Reading: Acts 7: 55-end) There is a well-stocked Children's Corner in church for pre-school children to enjoy with their parents. Refreshments are available in the Upper Hall after the service. *If you are unable to attend church in person, the service can be watched online via our YouTube Channel:*

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If you would like yourself or a loved one to be prayed for, please

Speak with/contact St Mary's Pastoral Visitor, Jackie Bramford, jackiebramford@hotmail.co.uk

or Daniel Newton

newtondaniel826@gmail.com

Re: safeguarding/data protection. If you are requesting prayer for somebody other than yourself, please obtain the person's permission in the first instance. Failing that, give their first name only. Any details about health matters should only be shared with the person's permission. Where an individual is seriously ill or not an adult, this permission may be given by the person's caregiver, guardian or family member.



Confirmation is a special service in which folk confirm the promises that been made when they were baptised. During the service the bishop lay's his hands on the candidates' heads and ask God's Holy Spirit to give them the strength and commitment to live God's way for the rest of his life. For more information please visit: <https://www.churchofengland.org/life-events/confirmation>

St Mary's will be attending the Diocesan Confirmation Service 23rd May 7pm at Southwell Minster. *We pray for Evie, Brandon, Lisa, Ailey, Aurora, Isaac, Lauren and Malcolm as they prepare for their*

Confirmation. If you would like to be Confirmed please speak with Fr Andrew, Rev Bob or Zoe.



The Aumbry Lamp is the 7-day candle that burns before the aumbry in the Lady Chapel, announcing the Sacramental Presence of Our Lord in the aumbry. Sponsoring the lamp is a wonderful way to show gratitude for answered prayer, or as a tangible way to extend our petitions before God. Lamp sponsorship covers the cost of a candle for one month and can be sponsored for just £10 for a month. Please speak with Fr Andrew if you would like to sponsor St Mary's aumbry lamp. *The Aumbry Lamp has been kindly sponsored from January 2026 to June 2026 in prayerful memory of Norah who passed away in 2024. Caroland Brian Butler have kindly sponsored the Aumbry Lamp from July 2026 to August 2026. Mavis Polkey has kindly sponsored the Aumbry Lamp for September 2026 in prayerful memory of Alan Polkey who passed away in 2019. Carol Ezard has kindly sponsored the Aumbry Lamp from October to November 2026 in memory of Audrey Walker who passed away in October 2019. Ann Hotson has kindly sponsored the Aumbry Lamp for December 2026 in prayerful memory of Ray Hotson who passed away in 2025.*

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING & ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM)
Note Revised Date!

Following our 10am Parish Mass, Sunday May 31st, folk are welcome to stay behind for refreshments and St Mary's Annual Vestry Meeting & Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). Reports will be available to view online before the meeting, and hardcopies have been made available for folk who have signed the list in church saying that they need them and who are not on the internet.

At the Annual Vestry Meeting our Churchwardens will be elected for the forthcoming year. Following the Annual Vestry Meeting, the APCM is an opportunity for us to reflect on the past year at St Mary's, and to think and pray about our future. Members of our Parochial Church Council (PCC) are elected at the APCM, and our Deanery Synod Representatives. Everyone who is on the Church Electoral Roll is eligible to vote at the APCM.

To be a member of the PCC, members must be a communicant and have habitually attended this church (at least once a month) for a period of 6 months prior to the APCM and be included on the electoral roll. Each applicant must be nominated and seconded prior to the APCM and subsequent election.

If you are not already a member of the Church Electoral Roll, you can find an application form attached. Please complete it and return it to St Mary's Electoral Roll Officer, Sam Reynolds, or the

Churchwardens, or Fr Andrew or Rev Bob.

St Mary's PCC is made up of the incumbent, Churchwardens, elected members, co-opted members and Deanery Synod Representatives. The PCC meets at least four times a year to discuss and make decisions regarding the running of the St Mary's, including worship and evangelism, all financial and legal matters, upkeep of the church, social activities, children and youth, and safeguarding. Sub committees cover each area in between PCC meetings and report back to the PCC for further discussion if necessary.

If you are interested in putting yourself forward as a member of St Mary's PCC, please speak to Fr Andrew, Rev Bob or one of the Churchwardens. **There is a display at the back of Church containing all the forms and information. We welcome applications for the posts of Churchwardens (x2), Deanery Synod Representatives (x2), Elected PCC Members (x2).**

St. Mary's Church Electoral Roll My name is Sam Reynolds, and I am the Electoral Roll Officer here at St. Mary's. Our Electoral Roll is essentially our church's register of electors. It is like the government Electoral Roll but not associated with it in any way. You can join St Mary's Electoral Roll if:

You are baptised and are aged 16 or over (become 16 on.....)

Are a member of the Church of England (or of a Church in communion with the Church of England) and you reside in St Mary's Parish.

OR if:

You are a member of the Church of England (or of a Church in communion with the Church of England) and, not being resident in St Mary's parish, have attended public, in-person worship at St Mary's at least once a month for the six months prior to enrolment.

OR if:

You are a member in good standing of a Church (not in communion with the Church of England) which subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity and also declare yourself to be a member of the Church of England and have attended public, in-person worship at St Mary's at least once a month for the six months prior to enrolment.

Joining the Electoral Roll means that you can vote on Church matters, attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and stand for election to the PCC.

My revision of the Roll before the APCM will be published in Church on the 17th of May 2026. **Therefore, all application forms must be returned by Sunday 10th of May 2026.** Application forms can be handed in to myself, Fr. Andrew, the Churchwardens, Rev Bob or please leave in a sealed envelope at the back of Church addressed to me. Alternatively, please email them to me at: samreynolds201@btinternet.com