

REGULAR WEEKLY CHURCH EVENTS

Monday	Songbirds Choir Rehearsals in hall - on summer break, back 7 Sept	
Tuesday	10.00am	Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Tilgate
Wednesday	Cake & Company - on summer break - back 2nd September	
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 30 August

10.30am	Holy Communion
Theme:	Crawley
Reading:	Acts 2:1-13
Leading:	Mark Davey
Preaching:	Andrew Davies

Christ the Lord Tuesday Night Church takes a break over summer

The evening food and worship will resume in the Autumn term

For more details check www.broadfieldchurch.org or contact CtL vicar David on 07743 556486 or vicar.broadfield@outlook.com

WHO'S WHO

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You can find the Parish Administrator
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Please submit any notices for the
 next **Family Matters** to the
 Parish Office, by **Wednesday 26 August**

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

St Mary's Southgate family matters

Worshipping Jesus, Sharing His love, Making Him known

Sunday 23 August

10.30am	Morning Prayer
Theme:	Bosnia
Reading:	Acts 1: 1-26
Leading:	Graham Piper
Preaching:	Mark Davey

Welcome to St Mary's

Sharing our faith can be a daunting thing to do. We often don't know what to say. We can also be worried about what people might think or say if we do. This can often leave us feeling guilty or useless as Christians.

However, God doesn't want us to feel afraid, guilty or useless. He wants to help us. When Jesus sent his first followers out into the world to share their faith, he gave them the gift of the Holy Spirit. One of the Holy Spirit's jobs is to give Christ's people the courage and the words to speak.

This Holy Spirit is available to everyone who trusts in Jesus. The question is, will we let him work in us and through us?

As we seek to share the love of Christ with those in our community, let's make sure we are seeking his power.

Mark

⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Acts 1v8

The Easter Team

The Easter Team help local people in crisis to feel accepted, cared for and valued by providing food, so that we can show them the love of Jesus
Easter Team Appeal - August 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 really desperate for **meat tins, tuna tins and cereals** if you are able to help with donations of these items.

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

Gwilym Richards reaches a milestone birthday in August. The diocese requires all licensed clergy to take a 6 month break from leading, preaching and presiding when they reach retirement. We therefore won't be seeing Gwilym up the front at St Mary's for some months. Gwilym can apply after this time for permission to officiate again at services. Happy Birthday Gwilym - enjoy your break.

The Lighthouse Project 95% You're Invited!

COMMISSIONING SERVICE

Sunday 6th September 2026 @ 7pm Broadfield Community Centre, RH11 9BA

To kick off the new academic year, our first '95% prayer gathering' will also be our annual Commissioning Service! This is where we spend some time praying for the staff, volunteers and trustees of The Lighthouse Project, as well as for anyone else who is involved in children's or youth work!

Please come along to pray and be prayed for!

All Welcome

Future '95% prayer' dates:

4th October @ Holy Trinity Church; 1st November; 6th December

NEXT CRAFT EVENING

WEDNESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER FROM 7.00 P.M.

BRING YOUR OWN CRAFT OR COME AND TRY SOMETHING NEW.

REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED IN A SUGGESTED DONATION OF £2.

A table of hymn books and songbooks is in the hall if anyone would like to take some home, please help yourself.

Calling All Men!

As a parish, we're hoping to take a group of men to the Southern Men's Convention. Saturday 26 September, 10:00am–3:30pm, Kings Centre, Burgess Hill. Cost: £15 per person.

This promises to be a great opportunity to be encouraged in our faith and to encourage one another alongside men from churches across the region.

For more information, please speak to Mark D or pick up a flyer at church.

Cake and Co are taking a short summer break over August and will be back on September 2nd.

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

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. 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.

Dementia UK - Admiral Nurse Dementia Clinics Crawley- 8th, 9th, and 10th September

If you care for someone who has dementia or live with the diagnosis yourself, you can book a free 45-minute face-to-face appointment with a dementia specialist Admiral Nurse for expert, tailored support, whatever your questions or concerns. All appointments are confidential and will take place in a private space within the branch. Please see Dementia UK poster on noticeboard for further information. For further information or to book use this link [Admiral Nurse Clinics | Free Dementia Support Appointment - Dementia UK](#)

Kintsugi Hope Wellbeing Group

Come and join us as we journey together for 12 weeks to explore how to maintain positive mental and emotional wellbeing.

Our next Kintsugi Hope Group starts at St Marys on Tuesday 22nd September at 10.30am

Speak to Claire Jordan or Clare Hiley for more information and to join. Also contact Claire J by email or phone claireajordan@outlook.com 07948969986



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