

Save the date: **1st November Bring & share lunch** at Holy Trinity after the morning service.

After the service on **Jill's last Sunday** in this parish, 1st November, there will be a bring & share lunch in the hall. If you could sign up in advance to say how many people will be coming and whether you plan to bring main savoury, side or dessert dishes it will help us to put out the right number of chairs, tables and plates, and to keep some balance in the menu.

One Voice Choir is a community choir that meets at the West Green Baptist Church. The choir will be holding a concert at Greenfields Baptist Church, Tilgate on Saturday October 17th at 7.00. We will be singing songs from Les Miserable and The Greatest Showman. Free entry with an opportunity to donate to St Catherine's Hospice.

St Mary's Cake and Co every Wednesday at 1.30pm .

St Mary's Gate Café **open every Thursday 9.30am-1pm**

Easter Team Appeal - Harvest Collection

Thank you for your continued weekly donations. These are always very gratefully received. Please see the Easter Team's Harvest collection wish list below - if you are able to help with donations of these items they would be much appreciated. Thank you.

Harvest Collection wish list:

Tins: fish, meat, veggie options e.g. chilli/curry, vegetables, fruit, rice pudding, custard

Jars: pasta sauce, jam, peanut butter, coffee

Packets: cereal, biscuits, sugar, toiletries and sanitary products.

The Easter Team
A COMMITTEE OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

WHO'S WHO

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Holy Trinity Church

Tilgate Link
October 2026

Sunday Services

4 th October	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
11 th October	10.30am	Sunday Worship
18 th October	10.30am	Holy Communion
25 th October	10.30am	4th Sunday Worship Mission Sunday - Home Start
1st November	10.30am	Holy Communion - Jill's farewell.

10.30 Sunday Services are followed by coffee/tea in the lounge.

Do join us for a drink and a chat.

thought from the vicar

As we look to the future, working with Mark Davey, to discern God's vision for Holy Trinity Church and for God's kingdom growth in Tilgate, Paul's message to the Philippian church seems to say what I want to say.

2 Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, **2** then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. **3** Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, **4** not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. **Philippians 2:1-13** New International Version - UK

As we at Holy Trinity know ourselves blessed in knowing and being 'united with Christ', as we have experienced the tenderness and compassion of Jesus towards us, often ministered through the hands and words of fellow believers, let us now show the same love, tenderness and compassion to one another. Our shared love for Jesus and our love for one another will carry the church through challenging and exciting changes and decisions; it will keep us united as a body even when we disagree on details. Love will enable us to work through differences (even when uncomfortable) to constructive solutions. Above all our love for one another will bring glory to Jesus and to his Father. That's worth holding out for!



Jill

You are invited to a time A Time of Prayerful Discernment. Saturday 3rd October, 10am-12.30pm.

As Holy Trinity faces a time of uncertainty, we would like to create space for everyone to share their hopes, concerns, and reflections. This is an opportunity to listen to one another, pray together, and discern God's leading for our church. No decisions will be made at this meeting; its purpose is simply to hear every voice. Mark Davey

Our next **Ladies' Tea & Cake** will be on Saturday 24th October 3pm-5pm in Holy Trinity Church Lounge.

An opportunity to bring your non-Christian friends and neighbours to enjoy activities and chat. Please sign up on the list in the lounge or contact Liz on 07438 873165.

Men's meals 2026 for fellowship over a meal out. Bring a friend.

The next Holy Trinity Men's Meal will be on Friday 20th November 7pm at Cinnamon, Tilgate Parade

Come and Sing in Tilgate - Saturday 5th, 12th and 19th December

Holy Trinity are looking to fill the air of Tilgate with the sound of Christmas during December, leading up to our Christmas Services.

Songbirds Choir will be performing on the steps of Holy Trinity Church (or just inside if the weather is not good) for about an hour from 5pm on Saturday 5th December.

We hope to follow this with Carol Singing on the steps of Holy Trinity Church at the same time on at least the following two Saturdays and have invited members from across the South Crawley Parish to join us.

Please speak to Stewart for further information

Mission Sunday - Home Start CHAMS.

On 25th October, Lisa Watkins will be at our service to tell us about the work of Home Start. Holy Trinity Supports Home Start CHAMS as one of our five tithe missions. Each of these receives one 50th of our regular giving each year (roughly one week's giving).

Home Start says:

We are a local independent charity offering friendship, advice and practical support to families who live in Crawley, Horsham & Mid Sussex area. We help parents, with a child under 5, discover or rediscover the joy of parenting. We are self funded and governed but work in partnership with Home-Start UK. Our volunteers help families with young children deal with the challenges they face. We support parents as they learn to cope, improve their confidence and build better lives for their children.

November Tilgate Link Newsletter Copy Deadline

Please submit any notices for Tilgate Link by email to the Parish Office with subject heading **Tilgate Link**. Email: saintmaryssouthgate@gmail.com. November edition deadline will be **Monday 26th October**. Please feel free to send over notices at any time during the month before this cut off date headed **Tilgate Link**.

Church Hall, Lounge & Upper room regular use:

Day	Group	Time	Location
Monday	Chris Witherall	3.00pm-9.00pm	Upper Room
	Couch Quitters	6.00-6.45pm	Hall
Tuesday	U3A	1.30pm-3.30pm	Hall
Wednesday	Bloom Pilates	5.45-7.45pm	Hall & lounge
Thursday	Couch Quitters	6.00-6.45pm	Hall
Friday	Complete Core Control	9.00-12.30am	Hall

Please pray for our various community partners who use our buildings.

Church building use: As more people use our building it is important to book all uses (informal as well as 'events') through the office. This avoids the awkwardness of clashes and allows Leighann to plan when to clean the building.

Parish Communion service on Tuesdays at 10.00 a.m. Services are led in turn by the parish clergy, with lay ministers preaching at some.

The service is followed by coffee/tea and time to chat in the lounge.

In need of prayer? If you would like someone to pray 1:1 with you, please speak to the vicar or service leader after the service. Anointing for healing is also offered.

Home or hospital communion: If you are housebound or in hospital and would like to receive communion, please let the vicar know. We have a team of people authorised to bring you communion at home or in hospital as an extension of our Sunday worship.

Giving Holy Trinity church is grateful to everyone who supports our work financially. If you would like to give, there is a collection box available in the lounge. For direct bank payments the account name is 'PCC South Crawley Parish Holy Trinity', number: 51472563 bank code: 30-99-50. If your donation is specifically for the building fund, please place cash in a labelled envelope or give the reference 'Building Fund' for bank payments. For other methods of giving, please collect a leaflet in the lounge or speak with Ian Baker, our church treasurer.

Discipleship groups for learning together from the Bible and for fellowship:

Tuesdays at Terry & Liz's House are working through John's Gospel.

Tuesdays in Holy Trinity Church lounge, 7-8.30 pm with Stewart, studying the Acts of the Apostles

Wednesdays in Holy Trinity Church lounge, 2-3.30 p.m. with Jill, following the Romans course



The Lighthouse Project 95% Prayer Gathering Time: 7pm
Future '95% prayer' dates: 4th October @ Holy Trinity Church;
1st November; 6th December
Please join us - your prayers and presence truly matter.