

REGULAR WEEKLY CHURCH EVENTS

Monday	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 13 September 10.30am Morning Prayer
Leader: Graham Piper Preacher: Mark Davey

Sunday 20 September 10.30am Morning Prayer
Leader: Philippa Piper Preacher: Mark Davey

Melody for the mind Drop in at Crawley Library

Wednesday 9th September 2026 and

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

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

WHO'S WHO

TEAM RECTOR Revd Mark Davey 01293 200112
rector.southgate@outlook.com
Day off Saturday

Pastoral Care Team
Lead contact: **Clare Hiley**
Sylvia Brophy Louise Cook
Debby Gregory Liz Hunter
Pat Miller Sharon Richards

To speak to a member of the team, please contact
Clare Hiley 01293 534733

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR - Janet Kensey
01293 547261 saintmaryssouthgate@gmail.com
The Parish Administrator is available
10am-1pm Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
Please note the Parish Office will be closed
from 4th to 15th September 2026

PRAYER CHAIN
Peter and Elizabeth Wigglesworth 01293 409339
pswigglesworth@gmail.com or emwatkins1@gmail.com

Please submit any notices for the
next **Family Matters** to the
Parish Office, by **Wednesday 16 September**

St Mary's Church, Wakehurst Drive, Southgate, Crawley RH10 6EH

www.stmaryscrawley.org

| South Crawley Team Ministry is

| 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 6 September

10.30am First Sunday Celebration
Theme: Prayer: It's good to talk ... and listen
Leader: Mark Hales
Preachers: Graham and Philippa Piper

Welcome to St Mary's

In our First Sunday Celebration this week we will be exploring what good communication looks like and why we persist, especially when it comes to how we communicate with our Heavenly Father.

The Bible tells us that God longs for us to talk to Him and then take time to listen to what he might want to say to us. We call this prayer. Most of us, if not all of us, tussle with it, but by encouraging each other we can persist, knowing God listens and longs to answer our prayers.

Graham

"Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up."

Luke 18: 1

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 - September 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 would very much appreciate **washing powder or pods, and biscuits**.

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

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

Christ the Lord TUESDAY NIGHT CHURCH RESTART

Tuesday 8th September, 7:00pm-9:15pm

After taking a break over the summer months, Tuesday Night Church restarts on Tuesday 8th September. It will run every Tuesday, starting at 7:00pm for a meal together, then beginning worship, teaching, and discussion at 7:45pm.

If you haven't been to Tuesday Night Church before, why not come along and try it out?

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

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.

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](#)

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.

Please make your own booking through the website [Southern Men's Convention](https://www.sussexgospelpartnership.org.uk/event/southern-mens-convention/) <https://www.sussexgospelpartnership.org.uk/event/southern-mens-convention/> as there are various seminar and meal deals on offer, and indicate you are coming on the sign up sheet.

If you need a lift or financial assistance, please speak to Mark D.

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



Crawley Library to host free NHS health checks.

If you're aged 40 – 74 and meet the eligibility criteria below, a **free** NHS Health Check can help you reduce the risks and stay healthy.

The West Sussex County Council Prevention Assessment Team will be offering these **free** checks at Crawley Library.

Health checks are **by appointment only** with the NHS nurses from the Prevention Assessment Team.

For eligibility please see the following criteria:

Not had an NHS health check in the last five years; Not currently taking any prescribed medication for; High blood pressure; Cholesterol; Kidney disease; Stroke; Diabetes; Heart disease; Atrial fibrillation

Please call **0330 222 6999** for further information and to book an appointment

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