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 8th November

10.30am	Remembrance Sunday
Reading:	Philippians 4:2-9
Leader:	Philippa Piper
Preacher:	Graham Piper

Christ the Lord Tuesday Night Church - 7pm Food - 7.45pm worship

On Tuesday evening during term time, Christ the Lord meet, have a meal together at 7pm and then worship and study God's Word, the bible together at 7.45pm. We spend quite a bit of our time chatting together in groups about following Jesus. No need to book, just come along.
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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Day off Saturday

Pastoral Care Team
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Pat Miller **Sharon Richards**
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PARISH ADMINISTRATOR - Janet Kensey
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The Parish Administrator is available 10am-1pm Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
You can find the Parish Administrator Thursdays in The Gate Café in church

PRAYER CHAIN
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Please submit any notices for the next **Family Matters** to the Parish Office, by **Wednesday 4 November**

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St Mary's Southgate family matters

Worshipping Jesus, Sharing His love, Making Him known

Sunday 1 November

10.30am	First Sunday Celebration
Reading:	John 10:1-17
Leader:	Mark Davey
Preacher:	Mark Hales

Welcome to St Mary's

The Good Shepherd - who can we *really* trust?

Please come and join us in all age worship as we explore who the shepherd and sheep might be in John 10 v1-16.
Have your bibles ready!

Mark Hales

**"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy;
I have come that they may have life,
and have it to the full."**
John 10:10

Autumn Church Garden Clear up

We shall be having an autumn clear up around the church grounds on Saturdays October 31st and November 21st from 10-12.

There will be piles of leaves to clear from the grass amongst other tasks so suitable for all ages and gardening abilities. Please wear suitable shoes as may be muddy and bring gloves if you have them.

If you can't make a Saturday but are able to help with church garden please speak to Claire Jordan.

In preparation for Ann Dutton's 'retirement' from the flower rota, Ann is looking for volunteers to take over. Ann is preparing an information sheet for her successor(s) and wishes to offer a demonstration of how the arrangements are done.

Would those of you who would be happy to help with flower arranging please put your name on the list on the table in the hall. You do not have to commit to a month, but it would be useful to have some idea. We also need someone to keep an eye on it all. Please speak to Ann Dutton for more information.

Organ Recital - Wednesday November 11th 1.30pm



Cake and Company are delighted to welcome back Malcolm Hawke for another hour of lovely Organ music followed by tea and cakes. This was very popular last time and we'd love to see lots of people join us again so do spread the word and come with a friend.

If you can help on the day please speak to Claire Jordan.

NEXT CRAFT EVENING

WEDNESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER FROM 7.00 P.M.

BRING YOUR OWN CRAFT OR COME AND TRY SOMETHING NEW.

REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED IN A SUGGESTED DONATION OF £2.

Easter Team Food Collection Requests

We gathered a good collection for The Easter team as part of our Harvest Celebrations, thank you to everyone who was able to donate. **We continue to collect for the Easter Team throughout every week**, if you are able, please bring something from the list below, there is a collection box for The Easter Team in church, do ask if you can't see it or speak to Debbie Gregory.

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.
If you would prefer to donate money visits www.theeaterteam.org

The Lighthouse Project 95% Prayer Gathering Time: 7pm
Future '95% prayer' dates: 1st November at St Barnabas Church, Pound Hill; 6th December
Please join us - your prayers and presence truly matter.



St. Mary's Tearfund Big Quiz Night 2026
Saturday 14th November - 7.30pm-9.30pm (ish!)

Come for an evening of quizzing fun to raise money for a great cause.
Bring a team or join one on the night. There will be prizes for the winning team.
Bring your own snacks and drinks.

Entry by donation to Tearfund (if you are able to do so - otherwise just come along anyway!). Donations can be made here:
justgiving.com/page/stmarysbigquiz26 or scan the QR code below.
If you are able to help with setting up before the quiz or packing down afterwards, please speak to Lesley or Andrew Davies. Thank you!



West Sussex Brighton & Hove ageUK

The next Age UK pop up session at The Gate Café will be Thursday 19 November.

the Gate COFFEE SHOP

Retirement Bring & Share Lunch for Jill & Mark Alderton

Please join us to celebrate **Jill & Mark Alderton's retirement** at a Bring & Share Lunch on **Sunday 1st November**, **1.00pm** at **Holy Trinity**.

All are welcome, even if you didn't manage to sign up.

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

Holy Trinity would like to remind us of their exciting plans for carol singing at 5pm on the first three Saturdays in December - they are looking to fill the air of Tilgate with the sound of Christmas during December, leading up to their 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. Additional support, particularly for the 12th and 19th December will be gladly welcomed.** For any further information please contact Stewart Harper stewart@harperaccountancy.co.uk

St Mary's Shoebox Collection for Samaritans Purse

There are lots of details on the noticeboard about how to get involved and pack your Shoeboxes. Liz Hunter will also have some items to help get you started on your Shoebox contents and is happy to chat to you about any questions you may have.

Completed Shoeboxes need to be back in church by NEXT Sunday 8 November please.

