

**Our Mission Statement**  
**'to share the light and hope of Jesus in our community'**

## Who's Who at St. Mary's

**St. Mary's Church, Weaverham, takes its duty and obligation to protect everyone, extremely seriously. If you have any safeguarding concerns or issues of a safeguarding nature our Safeguarding Officer is Louise Parry, who can be contacted through the Church office, 01606 851880 or by e-mail [safeguarding@stmarysweaverham.org](mailto:safeguarding@stmarysweaverham.org)**

### Vicar:

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*[Day Off - Thursday]*

### Methodist Minister:

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**Website:** www.stmarysweaverham.org/

**Facebook:** St. Mary's Weaverham

**Lighthouse Bookings:** weaverhamlighthouse@gmail.com

### Giving to St. Mary's

Please use the gift aid envelopes if you would like to make a gift for the church and are a UK taxpayer.

If you attend St. Mary's regularly, you might like to consider setting up a Standing Order

You can also give to St Mary's by using your bank card. The machine is at the back of church - it is also possible to gift aid your donation – just answer yes and type in your email address

**Talk to John Freeman our Treasurer for more information**



## St Mary's Church Service & Notice Sheet 21st & 28th December 2025

We are delighted that you have come to join with us for our worship services today. If there is anything you're not sure of, please ask any of the people at the back of church. Everything you need for the 10.30 service will be up on the screen. For Communion services, Gluten Free bread is used and Gluten Free wafers are available, non-alcoholic wine is available too - please ask.

### Services 21st December

8.30am - Communion. 10.30am - Morning Worship  
6.30pm - Candlelit Carol Service

**Readings** Isaiah 7: 10 - 16 [OT646] & Matthew 1: 18 - 25 [NT1]

### Services 28th December

10.30am - United Service with communion

**Readings:** Isaiah 63: 7 - 9 [OT704] & Matthew 2: 13 - 23 [2]NT

If there's something you would like to bring to God in prayer our Prayer Ministry team will be in the side chapel after the morning service.



### After Service Refreshments

are served in church, after  
10.30 & 6.30 services why not join us  
- its good to talk!

### SERVICES - 4th Jan

8.30am Communion

10.15am Café Church - Lighthouse

6.30pm - Evening Communion

Fully Accessible Toilet facilities are  
available in the main entry porch



### Children & Young People

Children and young people are welcome at all our services and we have toys for babies and little ones at the back of the Church.

The 10.30am service is particularly family friendly with our Kid's Church leaders ready, by the font, with activities for children of any age.

Later in the service there is an interactive bible-time in the bell-tower for any children who wish to join in, with or without parents/carers.

### PLEASE NOTE:

We now have a CCTV system installed in church. This will be operational at all times, except when services are in progress.  
Talk to Colin or Bob for more information

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## What's happening this week

### Monday 22nd December

10.15am Wedding Rehearsal  
William and Laura

### PLEASE NOTE

**There will be no Wednesday  
Communion on either the 24th or  
the 31st of December**



### Wednesday 24th December

10.15am Wedding  
William and Laura



### Wed 24th December - 4pm Simply Nativity

Come and join in for this telling of the  
story of Jesus' birth.  
We have some dressing-up clothes  
too!



### Wed 24th December - 11.15pm Midnight Communion

Experience the wonder as we  
celebrate the birth of Jesus



### Thursday 25th December CHRISTMAS DAY

8.30am Communion  
10.30am Christmas Family Worship



### SAD NEWS

Marjorie Bright has sadly  
died. Her funeral will be on  
**Tuesday 23rd December at 2.30pm  
at Davenham Church**  
*Our thoughts and prayers are with  
her family.*



### PLEASE NOTE!

There will be no Food Hub until  
the 7th January

### Saturdays - Church is open from 10 - 12 noon

Why not come in and sit quietly for  
a few minutes?



### Sunday 28th December 10.30am

United Service with  
Holy Communion



### THANKYOU!

To everyone who helped  
out last week keeping  
church open. We can now give you  
the following details:  
39 adults, 4 children and 3 dogs!  
came into church,  
As well as 3 visits from reception  
and year 6 classes at Weaverham  
Forest Primary, and Wednesday  
communion.  
*You helped make all this possible!*

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## Other News and Dates for your Diary



### THE REMEMBRANCE TREE

Is in church - behind the  
pulpit. If you would like to put a  
name on the tree, there are some  
'baubles'. Please take one add the  
name or a message and hang it on  
the tree. There is a donation box,  
and all proceeds will go to  
St. Luke's Hospice.



### LIGHTHOUSE CAFÉ

Café Reopens at 9.15am  
**Tuesday 6th January**  
See you there!



### WINTER WALKS?

With all the stress and uncertainty  
in the world, it's more important than  
ever to get outside for some fresh air &  
change of scenery, and to experience  
first hand God's wonderful world.  
The Ramblers website is a good  
resource if you're looking for local  
walks.  
Or check the Woodland Trust for  
info on where to go for a forest walk.



### STICKY FINGERS

**5th January - 9.15 -  
10.45am**

Older brothers and sisters welcome  
today as well!



### UPCYCLING SHED & CRAFTY WORKSHOP

We will be back on  
**16th January at 9.30am**  
Happy Christmas to all our  
Shedders and Crafters!



### Wednesday 7th January

#### JUST PRAY!

**7.00 - 8.00pm -  
in the Annexe**

Come and join in  
as we pray together.  
**Talk to Marion for more info.**



### Thurs. 8th January 6 - 7.00pm in the Lighthouse

PCSO - Michelle Gillett 'surgery'  
Phone: 07812 781911,  
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### Prayer for the New Year

Lord God, as we stand at the threshold of a new year, join our hearts in  
unity, that we may be known as Your children. Through Your Holy Spirit  
abiding within us, lead us as we journey together in love and peace, keep us  
united in the truth of Your word and grateful for Your life-giving love, revealed  
in the life, death & resurrection of Your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.  
Amen.