

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

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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!



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 Shredders 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'
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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.

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.