

**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: [weaverham.church.office@gmail.com](mailto:weaverham.church.office@gmail.com)**

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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

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



## St Mary's Church Service & Notice Sheet 29th January 2023

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. For Communion services, Gluten Free wafers and non-alcoholic wine are available - please ask.



### Service Today - 29th January

6.30pm Confirmation Service with Communion

**We welcome Bishop Sam to our Service today and we welcome too the confirmation candidates:**

**Mark, Aaron and Lavinia**

Readings: Hebrews 2: 14 - 18 [NT216] & Luke 2: 22 - 40 [NT56]



### After Service

**Refreshments** - are served in church after

10.30 & 6.30 services why not join us - its good to talk!

Children & young people are very much part of our church family and welcome at any service. Activities for small children are at the back of church at the 10.30am

### Collect - Epiphany 4

Almighty God, who called Your church to witness that You were in Christ reconciling the world to Yourself, help us to proclaim the good news of Your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to You; through Him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.



### Young People's Fellowship

**7.00 - 8.30pm -**

**in the Lighthouse**

[High School years 7-13]

We look at the bible, pray for each other, play games and eat!

Social events are organised too.



Hearing aid users please turn to the T setting

Fully Accessible Toilet facilities are available in the main entry porch

### Services Next Sunday

**5th February**

8.30am - Communion

10.15am - Café Church

[More details inside]

6.30pm Methodist Communion

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## What's happening this week

**Morning Prayers - Monday 30th @ 9.00am & Wednesday 1st @ 8.30am**  
Join us in church to informally discuss the Scripture readings for the day and pray for the church, our community and beyond.



**Monday 30th January**  
**STICKY FINGERS**  
9.15 - 10.45am

Time for kids to have fun be creative & socialise and for parents & carers to meet up with friends.

**Monday 30th January - 1.00pm**  
Funeral - Lyulph Garner

**Wednesday 1st February**  
Communion Service 10.30am

**Wednesdays 9.30 - 10.30am - Food Hub in the Lighthouse**  
Fresh Supermarket Food at its 'Sell-by' date for a donation of £1.00.

**HEALTHY CHURCH REVIEW**  
**Thursday 2nd February 7.30pm**  
**In the Lighthouse**

To review progress made in 2022 & consider how God is continuing to lead us in our journey.  
Your views are important too! If you can't make this evening why not try try Saturday?

**Eco-Tip of the Week**

When you're shopping try and buy items with less packaging - such as fresh fruit and vegetables if you can.



**Tuesday 31st January**  
**9.15 - 12.00 Lighthouse Cafe**

A warm welcome awaits! All the usual treats - Coffee, tea, toasted teacake, cake - the choice is yours. come along - you'll be glad you did!



**Upcycling Shed**  
**Thursday 2nd - 9.30am**

January is the best time to sharpen your creative skills! Why not come along, share ideas over a coffee and get to work.

**Saturdays - Church is open from 10 - 12 noon [Weather Permitting]**  
Come in and sit quietly for a few minutes - you'll be glad you did!

**HEALTHY CHURCH REVIEW**  
**Saturday 4th February 9.30am**  
**In the Lighthouse**

To review progress made in 2022 & consider how God is continuing to lead us in our journey.  
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## Other News and Dates for your Diary



**Sunday 5th February**  
**CAFÉ CHURCH - Theme**  
**DON'T TEMPT ME!**

Join us in the Lighthouse for our Service at 10.15 starting with fruit & pancakes. Everyone is welcome - why not come along?



**Saturday 11th February**  
**WALKING GROUP - 10.00am**  
**Meet in the church car park.**

Come and join us as we look for signs of spring!

The walk will be about 4 miles long, please wear strong shoes or walking boots and bring a mid morning snack.

New walkers always welcome  
Liz 07572995789 can tell you more.

**THANK YOU!**

We sent all the candles to the Recycled Candle Company in Devon and Richard Hills-Ingyon has sent his very grateful thanks to us all.

*"Saving the planet one candle at a time."*



**VISIT THE HOLY LAND**  
**4th - 14th September**

Churches Together in Rochdale are planning a pilgrimage to the Holy Land this year.

There is a poster at the back of church with all the information.

**ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING**  
**[ACM]**

**Monday 13th February - 7.30pm**  
**in the Lighthouse**

We are coming up to the ACM - where we review the last 12 months and ask for God's guidance for the year ahead. So put the date in your diary and come along.

**Pick up a leaflet at the back of church with more information.**



**DON'T FORGET THE**  
**RECYCLE BIN!**

Its in the Lighthouse - blister packs, crisp packets [split open and washed if possible] and plastic bottle tops, all in bags if possible please - there's a box at the back of church too!  
Every little helps



**FOODBANK**

Please leave donations big and small in the box near the organ. Cash donations are welcome too. Thank you for your generosity. [Please make sure all items are well within their sell-by date - thanks!]