

**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 26th February 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.

### Services Today

8.30am - Communion

10.30am - Family Communion

6.30pm Evening Prayer

Readings: Genesis 2: 15 - 17; 3: 1 - 7 [OT2] & Matthew 4: 1 - 11 [NT3]

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 10.30 service.



### 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 - 1st Sunday of Lent

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



**Young People's Fellowship**  
**Are on holiday!**  
**Back on 5th March**

Fully Accessible Toilet facilities are available in the main entry porch



### Services Next Sunday 5th March

8.30am - Communion

10.15am - Café Church

6.30pm Evening Communion

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## What's happening this week

**Morning Prayers - Monday 27th @ 9.00am & Wed. 1st March @ 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 27th February**  
**STICKY FINGERS**  
**9.15 - 10.45am**

Time for kids to have fun be creative & socialise and for parents & carers to meet up with friends. Brothers & sisters are invited to come along and join in the fun too!



**Monday 27th February**  
**LENT COURSE**  
"Pastoral Principles"

**Monday evenings 7:30 – 9:00pm**

The Course promises to be challenging and thought provoking and will encourage us to find creative ways to grow and learn together in the love of God.

We'll have coffee & tea etc. from 7.00pm

Booklets will be available on Sunday and on the evening too.

**We look forward to seeing you**

**Wednesday 1st March**

Communion Service 10.30am

### PLEASE NOTE

Items for the pew sheet rely on you to tell us what is happening

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**Tuesday 28th February**  
**9.15-12.00 LIGHTHOUSE CAFE**

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



**UPCYCLING SHED AND CRAFTY IDEAS**

**Thursday 2nd March 9.30am**

Upcycling projects - we have all the tools and ideas you may need. And crafters - we have all the creative tools too! And there's coffee and tea as well! Why not come and join in?

**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!



**FOODBANK**

Please leave donations big and small in the box near the organ. Thank you for your generosity.

[Please make sure all items are well within their sell-by date - thanks!]

### Eco-Tip of the Week

**Shop locally if possible. See you in the Co-op!** [Other supermarkets are available!]

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## Other News and Dates for your Diary



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**  
**Friday 3rd March 2.00pm**  
**St. WILFRID'S CHURCH**  
**DAVENHAM**

This year's service has been prepared by the women of Taiwan and is on the theme

**'I have heard about your faith'.**

Everyone is welcome.

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



**LENT MEETINGS**  
**Hosted by Barnton**  
**Methodist Church**

**Thursdays from March 16th**

To April 6th - all at 7.30pm

To examine Psalm 23 in more detail Led by Rev. Frances & Dcn Shirley  
*[Poster at the back of church with all the information]*

**CIRCUIT EVENTS DURING LENT**

There are some leaflets at the back of church with all the information - please take one



**DAVID HOUSE**

**UK CHARITY - Response to the Ukraine Conflict:**

**Talk in the Lighthouse on Friday 10th March from 7.30pm.**

Presentation by Piers Crow [Vicky's brother]. The One New Man Network through The David House UK Charity is providing emergency aid and help to refugees fleeing the conflict in Ukraine as well as providing funding to churches in the conflict zones to bless and help their communities. There will be refreshments afterwards and an opportunity to ask questions and make a donation. Here's a link to their website:

<https://www.onenewmaneurope.com/ukraine-crisis>



**TURKEY/SYRIA EARTHQUAKE**  
**Please Note**

There is to be a bucket at the back of church for the next two weeks for your donations to the relief effort for the people affected by this earthquake.

Please be as generous as you can - we will be able to claim gift aid on any monies we raise.

**Thank you for your support**

**LIVE IN CONCERT**

**Saturday 4th March - 7.30pm,**  
St. Michael & All Angels Middlewich  
Yvonne Lyon, Gareth Davies-Jules and David Lyon

A Trio of Singers engage with the Sermon on the Mount.

*[Poster at the back for more info]*