



St Mary's News All Saints Day 02 November 2025

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10.00am Holy Communion
6.30pm All Souls' Service

The Reverend Kate Pwaisiho will preside at our 10.00am Holy Communion Service

Remembrance Sunday Rehearsal

Our Remembrance Service will be held on Sunday the 9th of November and there will be a rehearsal for those directly involved in managing the Remembrance Sunday Service at 10.00am on **Saturday 8 November** in Church. All those who are usually involved in the rehearsal are encouraged to come along to make sure that everything runs as smoothly as possible on the day. Thank you for your support.



Fr Michael's Funeral

The funeral of Fr Michael Burgess will take place at St Peter's on Friday, 14th November at 12noon.

Prayer during our Church Vacancy

To help us in our worship during our Church Vacancy a special prayer has been developed which we hope everyone will be willing to use and to pray daily, at our services on Sunday or whenever we meet as a group. It is important that we ask for God's help in everything we do and especially as we go forward working together to bring a new Rector to St Mary's. We all have a part to play in what is happening and we can all influence the outcome. With God's help we will succeed in getting the right person to help us grow in faith and to lead us forward in whatever God puts before us. **Derek and Ian.**



Vacancy Prayer

O God our Father, send your Holy Spirit to our Church of St Mary's Lymm, to fill us with vision, energy, and love. Help us to bring new life to our community and fellowship, and in unity and expectation, remain ever faithful to your calling.

Guide with your heavenly wisdom those involved in bringing a new minister to this Church that whomever we receive may be a wise and gentle shepherd. We pray that the minister of your choice will hear your call and respond in faith, ready to serve us with joy, and to lead us by example in loving obedience to your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Lord in your Mercy, **Hear our Prayer.**

All Souls' Service 6.30pm Sunday 2nd November 2025

All Souls' Day is a day traditionally set apart by the Christian Church as a time to pause and remember those who have passed away. All are invited to this special service of remembering loved ones at St Mary's Church at 6.30pm on Sunday 2nd of November 2025.



In the service, during a time of special prayer, we will mention by name all those whose funerals have been conducted on behalf of St Mary's Lymm in the last year, but if you would like other names to be read out please contact Derek and Ian our Lay Readers and they will be added to the list.

Later in the service, everyone present will be invited to light a candle in memory of their loved ones. We invite everyone to come, to sing, pray and give thanks for those who have been special in our lives.

Community Christmas Tree Festival 2025 Friday 5th – Sunday 7th December 2025

Save the dates – we are going to need lots of help again. Sign up sheets will be available immediately after Remembrance Sunday, but please keep some time free to help over the weekend. Donations of cakes for the café will also be requested. Don't forget to keep making items for our craft and produce stall please.

Set up help required We need one or two additional helpers on **Monday 1st December** from 9.30am to help set up the boards for the Christmas trees. It is very straightforward – we just need a little additional manpower please. If you can help, please let Sue Walton or Mike Hall know.

Autumn Big Clean – Saturday 29 November 9.00am – 12.00pm

As we move towards the end of the year and prepare to welcome so many people to our church during December, the time has come to have another Big Clean. Prior to this, a great deal of decluttering will happen. We hope to present a church which is tidy, spick and span by end of all this. As we are without a regular cleaner for the time being, this has now become an area where we can all help to make a difference. So come along in your old clothes, ready to attack the cobwebs and the dust. All cleaning equipment will be supplied. There may also be sausage rolls and other goodies to help keep us going. Even if you can only spare an hour, please, please do come and help us get our church building presentable again.

Services November/December 2025

All Saints Day 2 November 2025	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Reverend Kate Pwaisiho	6.30pm All Souls' Service
Remembrance Sunday 09 November 2025	10.00am Remembrance Sunday Civic Service	
2 nd Sunday Before Advent 16 November 2025	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Reverend Anita Raggett	
Christ the King 23 November 2025	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Reverend Chris Moore	
1 st Sunday of Advent 30 November 2025	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Reverend Keith Hine	
2 nd Sunday of Advent 07 December 2025	10.00am Christmas Tree Festival Family Advent Service 	
3 rd Sunday of Advent 14 December 2025	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Bishop Sam, Bishop of Stockport	
Monday 15 December	Ravenbank School Christmas Concert	
Wednesday 17 December	Cherry Tree School Christmas Concert	
4 th Sunday of Advent 21 December 2025	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Reverend Anita Raggett	6.30pm Carols by Candlelight

Wednesday Christmas Eve 24 December 2025	4.00pm Christingle and Crib Service	11.30pm Holy Communion Priest Reverend Christina Westwell
Thursday Christmas Day 25 December 2025	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Reverend Edmund Betts	
Holy Innocents 28 December 2025	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Reverend Keith Hine	

Green Tips: World Vegan Month

November is World Vegan month. One way of cutting down on the energy used and carbon emitted from our food is to eat less meat. Why not experiment with a few vegan recipes this month? Here's a link to some one-pot vegan recipes for you to try.

<https://veganuary.com/recipes/categories/one-pot-vegan-recipes/>

Please Pray

- For our Churchwardens, Lay Readers, visiting clergy and all involved in running our church during our period of vacancy
- For a lasting ceasefire and peace in Gaza, Israel and the West Bank
- All those suffering as a result of conflict in Sudan, Gaza, Israel, the West Bank, and Ukraine
- Remember in prayer those in the Book of Remembrance for today and the next week
- For those being prayed for by St Mary's Prayer Circle

Contact Details

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Church Wi-Fi Wifi name = St Marys Church Wifi code = Welcome2Everyone

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