

St Mary's News and Notices

Ninth Sunday after Trinity 02 August 2026

9th after Trinity 2 August 2026

10.00am Holy Communion Service

Reverend Peter Mackriell



Heritage Weekends – save the date

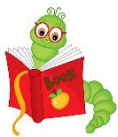
After the success of last year's Heritage Weekends, St Mary's will again be taking part in this national scheme.

The dates this year are **Saturday 19 September and Sunday 20 September**. We will need help with greeting visitors and serving refreshments. Please make a note of the dates in your diaries.

Collation of our new Rector – Wednesday 9th September

We are excited to announce that the Reverend Amy Ruston is to be appointed as our Rector. Amy is currently Assistant Curate at St Philip and St James Church, Alderley Edge and St Catherine's Church Birtles.

The collation service for her will be conducted by Bishop Julie Conalty, Bishop of Birkenhead, on **Wednesday 9 September at 7pm**. Please make a note in your diary.



St Mary's Bookworms

The next book for our Bookworms is to be *The Artist* by Lucy Steeds. We meet at 81 Mardale Crescent on **Tuesday 29th September at 7.30pm**. New members are always welcome. We are a small, friendly and relaxed group and always enjoy an interesting discussion. Do join us if you would like to read along with us.

An aspiring English journalist enters the life of a fabled painter in this seductive debut of art, love and family secrets. The year is 1920, in a Europe that is still under the pall of the war that should have ended all wars, and a stranger is approaching a remote farmhouse in the Provençal village of Saint-Auguste.....

Lymm Rushbearing Sunday 9th August 2026, starting from the Lower Dam at 4pm and then processing to St Marys Church for a short service at 4.30pm.

Medieval in origin, Lymm Rushbearing died out at the beginning of the 20th Century but was re-born in the early 1970's. Covid didn't prevent a very small and almost private ceremony in 2020, and the event has now continued each year for over 50 years.



The procession starts at the Lower Dam at 4pm. Accompanied by local dignitaries and both Lymm Morris and Bollin Morris, we then walk along to St Marys church for a short service.

Prayer during our Church Vacancy

We give thanks for the appointment of Revd Amy Ruston as our new Rector. It is important that we continue to ask for God's help in everything we do and especially as we go forward working together with Revd Amy as she joins us in Lymm at St Mary's.

Prayer as our new Rector prepares to take up her ministry in Lymm



O God our Father, send your Holy Spirit to our Church of St Mary's Lymm, to fill us with vision, energy, and love. Thank you for sending Revd Amy to us. Help us with her 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 Revd Amy and all of us at St Mary's as we support and welcome Amy and her family to this Church. May she be a wise and gentle shepherd. She has heard your call and responded in faith, ready to serve us with joy. May she lead us by example in loving obedience to your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Community Christmas Tree Festival – making the most of summer produce

Are you planning to make some jam this year while the summer fruit is plentiful? Have you got an abundance of lavender or other herbs which could be dried and sold in small bags as gifts? Have



you got a recipe for making flavoured oils and vinegars for that extra special salad dressing?

Please help us by planning to make a little extra for us to sell when our Christmas Tree Festival comes around in December. Thank you!

Services August 2026

9 th Sunday after Trinity 02 August 2026	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Reverend Peter Mackriell	
10 th Sunday after Trinity 09 August 2026	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Reverend Anita Raggett	4.30pm Rushbearing Service
11 th Sunday after Trinity 16 August 2026	10.00am Iona Morning Prayer	
12 th Sunday after Trinity 23 August 2026	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Reverend Peter Mackriell	
13 th Sunday after Trinity 30 August 2026	10.00am Holy Communion Priest Reverend Christina Westwell	

Green Tips: National Marine Week

This is National Marine Week. Many conservationists will be helping us all to think about how we can best protect the beautiful marine environment which surrounds the UK and suggesting ways in which we can not only enjoy it, but also do our bit to keep it healthy and diverse. Have a look here:

<https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/national-marine-week>



Please Pray

- For our Churchwardens, Lay Readers, visiting clergy and all involved in running our church during our period of vacancy
- For Revd Amy Ruston, her husband Tom and son Arthur
- For those being prayed for by St Mary's Prayer Circle
- For all those affected by the warfare in the Middle East and for a lasting peace there
- For those affected by wildfires and for firefighters
- For children and families in Gaza
- All those suffering as a result of conflict in Ukraine

Contact Details

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Rector: Vacancy – Revd Amy Ruston wef 9th September 2026

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Church Wi-Fi Wifi name = St Marys Church Wifi code = Welcome2Everyone **FIRE EXITS VIA THE MAIN ENTRANCE, THE DISABLED ENTRANCE BY THE TOILETS AND THE EXTERNAL DOOR VIA THE FELLOWSHIP ROOM**

