



ST MARY'S
LOUGHTON
NOTHING
IS
IMPOSSIBLE
WITH
GOD

# **WELCOME**

As we come together today our prayer is that you will encounter God's presence and love. If you are new, please introduce yourself to us. You are so welcome here.

27 April 2025

If you would like to pray with someone, or have a practical need during this time, please call one of the clergy. Our numbers are on the back page.

### Dear St Mary's family

What a great celebration of Easter we shared last week. It really was special to gather together on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. I pray these times set you on fire again with love for Jesus and a passion to share the gospel with others. It was great to see the church packed last weekend. May we see that every week. I would love to see the church full of people, and the people full of the Spirit of God.

We are excited to begin advertising a special evening conference on 9 July with Pete Hughes coming as guest speaker. Pete is the Vicar of KXC (King's Cross Church) in central London. They have seen remarkable growth of over 200 people in the last 6 months. The KXC worship team will be leading worship at the conference. We will also be inviting other churches in Churches Together in Loughton, so do plan to come and let's be expectant for God to move. The details for booking are inside. It will be free, but you will need to register your place please.

We are also having our APCM (annual meeting) very soon, on 6 May. We would love to see you there. This is a great place to share encouragements of the past year, and also elect the new PCC members and have an opportunity to ask questions and hear reports from the life of the church. The full report is attached in the church email (or ask if you need a copy).

Yours with all my love in Jesus,

Malcolm

# Holy Communion 8.45am

Service Leader:

Ruth How

Preacher:

Malcolm Macdonald

Theme:

Wholehearted Worship

Readings:

Psalm 95:1-7 John 20:19-31

Hymns: 755, 580, 647

# Morning Celebration 10.30am

Service Leader:

Suzanne Doherty

Preacher:

Malcolm Macdonald

Theme:

Wholehearted Worship

Reading:

Psalm 95:1-7

Prayer time prior to the service at 10:15am in the Prayer Room

# @5pm

Service Leader:

Malcolm Macdonald

Preacher:

Annie Payne

Theme:

Wholehearted Worship

Reading:

Psalm 95:1-7

Prayer time prior to the service at 4:45pm in the Prayer Room

# ignite

Children and youth are very welcome here at St Mary's and may join in with our Ignite groups as follows:

• Kindling (0-4 years)

• **Blaze** (Y3 - Y6)

Sparklers (Reception-School year 2)

Ignite Youth (Y7 - Y13)

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

WEDNESDAY REFRESH SERVICE 12 NOON - Matt White leading.

WEDNESDAY 7:30PM - HOPE CENTRAL a community for the 18-30's.

#### **KINGDOM COME - PRAYER MEETINGS**

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 8-9pm in Hope Hall 2nd & 4th Mondays, 1-2pm in Evans Room

#### PRAYER POINTS FOR THIS WEEK

- Students preparing for exams
- More people to come to faith in Jesus
- For the Assisted Dying Bill not to pass
- New Wine Mission Partner <u>new-wine.org</u>

## **BIBLE READING PLAN**

We are reading through the book of Nehemiah, reading a chapter a day.

#### MATT WHITE FAREWELL

Matt is coming to the end of his Curacy training soon and sadly for us, he will be moving on 23 May to take up a position as Vicar at Immanuel Church Chichester.

His licensing will be on 10 June in Chichester and his last Sunday with us will be 18 May.

To celebrate with Matt, Sarah and the family, we will be holding a bring and share lunch here on **Sunday 18 May** at 1pm in Hope Hall.

If you would like to come to this lunch, please book in via this link: Matt's munch

#### **PCC NOMINATIONS**

There are 2 spaces available on our PCC at the moment. If you are interested in joining the PCC, there is information available at the Welcome Desk about what is required. Please ask Malcolm about nomination forms and also ask Amanda if you have any questions.

#### **APCM**

6 MAY

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be at 7:45pm on Tuesday 6 May. There will be no Kingdom Come that night.

#### PETE HUGHES - 9 JULY 7:30PM

We are delighted that Pete Hughes from KXC and their worship band will be at St Mary's on Wednesday 9 July for an evening conference "Altars, Tents & Wells: Stewarding a move of God".

There is no charge for this but please register your place as soon as possible as this will be a popular event and we will also open it out to other churches in a couple of week's time.

#### **SERVICES CONSULTATION**

Malcolm will be consulting with our congregations on the current format of our Services.

**8:45am Congregation** 15 June 3pm in Church

10:30am Congregation

22 June 12:15pm in Smith Room

5pm Congregation

29 June 3:30pm in Church

#### **NEWCOMER HOSTS**

As part of our welcome to newcomers we are looking for 6 or 7 people/families who would be willing to host newcomers in their homes. Please contact <u>Malcolm</u> if you are interested in being part of this.

#### PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Hin Cheung is our new PSO. Please feel free to contact him at <a href="mailto:safeguarding@stmarysloughton.com">safeguarding@stmarysloughton.com</a>

#### PENTECOST UNITED SERVICE

On Sunday 8 June - Pentecost Sunday we will have one united service to bring all 3 congregations together at 11am. We will start with a breakfast at 9:30am.

Please sign up to let us know you're coming and what you would like to eat. We are suggesting a donation of £5 per adult towards the cost and children will be free of charge.

# **IVY ADAMS FUNERAL SERVICE**

Dear Ivy went to be with the Lord earlier this week. She will be much missed in church and Cafe Hope. Her funeral is on 16 May at 2pm (Forest Park Crematorium).

#### **CONTACT & ESSENTIAL INFORMATION**

Church Office team: Martin Huff / Amanda Hart office@stmarysloughton.com Tel: 0208 508 3643

Vicar: Revd Malcolm Macdonald malcolm@stmarysloughton.com

All staff emails: name@stmarysloughton.com

Pastoral Care: Please contact your Life Group leader in the first instance. If you feel you want to speak to someone, please get in touch.

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 Ruth How p/t
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**Safeguarding** - for any issues contact safeguarding@stmarysloughton.com

Please remember that any disclosures that involve a person at risk will be referred to the appropriate agency for help. Please contact our Parish Safeguarding Team as soon as possible:

Hin Cheung (Safeguarding Officer) 07782 550612 Amanda Hart (Deputy) 07780 992325

Counselling - Hope Centre Counselling Loughton

Enquiries: 07858 561334

Email: <u>hellohccloughton@gmail.com</u>

### Regular giving to St Mary's

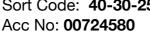
Every gift and tithe really matters. Thank you. It costs over £31K monthly to run St Mary's.

Ways to give to St Mary's:

- · Set up a Standing Order.
- Give by card or bank transfer (use the website or the Donation Station in the Welcome Area),
- Yellow Envelope or into the offering on Sundays.
- Don't forget to give with Gift Aid.

Giving Forms are available online. If you wish to give directly with online banking to the St Mary's

bank account our details are: Sort Code: **40-30-25** 



The best place for information on how to give is on our website <u>stmarysloughton.com</u>.



LIVING FOR THE KINGDOM

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SHARING JESUS

We encourage everyone to get connected and involved in some way.

For more information, contact us via <a href="mailto:lifegroups@stmasrysloughton.com">lifegroups@stmasrysloughton.com</a>





Essential reading
Set me on Fire,
2015 (£5)
Saturated with God,
2023 (£10)
Available from the
Church Office.

To give any helpful feedback about anything: helpfulfeedback@stmarysloughton.com

To give encouragements: encouragements@stmarysloughton.com

#### **Prayer Support**

Need urgent prayer? Send a prayer request: prayer@stmarysloughton.com

Church Bibles are stored on the trolley at the back of Church if required.



St Mary's Guest: Joyful55 Hope Centre Guest: John3:16



If you are interested in enrolling your child, or for more information please phone Little Lambs on 07769 433023











