



EVERY PERSON,  
EVERY PLACE,  
SATURATED  
WITH **GOD**



**ST MARY'S**  
LOUGHTON  
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# 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.

**EASTER DAY**

**31 March 2024**

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.



This weekend is so special. There is nothing like this story. The gospel is so incredible that if we are not utterly stunned by it, we have not understood it! Jesus is fully God and fully human. He came to the world he created to pay the penalty for our rebellion and to bring us back to God. Through faith in his death and resurrection we can have peace with God and actually know God personally. We don't deserve it, but He loves us SO much. Jesus is the only Way, Truth and Life. He is the resurrection and the life. Jesus is all we need. Let's allow the gospel to sink deeper into our hearts this Easter weekend.

This comes with praise and glory and love in Jesus,

**Malcolm**

## SUNDAY SERVICES

### Holy Communion 8.45am

Service Leader:

Matt White

Preacher:

Malcolm Macdonald

Theme:

He has risen!

Readings:

1 Thess 4:13-18

Hymns: 76, 647, 689

### Open Air Communion 10.30am

Service Leader:

Matt White

Preacher:

Malcolm Macdonald

Theme:

He has risen!

Reading:

1 Thess 4:13-18

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

### @5pm

Service Leader:

Caroline Macdonald

Preacher:

Malcolm Macdonald

Theme:

He has risen!

Reading:

1 Thess 4:13-18

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



This Sunday will be a shorter Encounter for Everyone Service outside the front of Church at 10:30am so there will be no children's groups operating.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**WEDNESDAY REFRESH SERVICE 12 NOON** - Malcolm Macdonald 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

- Our Ignite Youth team
- People coming to faith this Easter
- Those called by the Lord to our PCC
- Our new Mission Partner - St Michaels

### BIBLE READING PLAN

*We are reading through  
the gospel of Mark,  
reading a chapter a day.*

## OPEN AIR SERVICE 31 MAR

Weather permitting, we will have an open air service at 10:30am on Easter Day. There will be an online Songsheet available via:

[stmarysloughton.com/eastersongs](http://stmarysloughton.com/eastersongs)

## CLOCKS GO FORWARD

Don't forget that clocks go forward 1 hour for Sunday morning.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST 13 APR

The next men's breakfast will be in Hope Hall on 13 April from 9am - 10:30am. It will be a time of fellowship over food and sharing.

## LLF OPEN MEETING 11 APR

We will be holding another open meeting on 11 April at 7:45pm for anyone wishing to continue to engage with our response to the Living in Love and Faith process in the Church of England. Everyone is welcome.

## BEREAVEMENT CAFE 4 APR

Bereavement Cafe takes place on Thursday 4 March from 10:30am-12noon in the Prayer Room. Teresa and Brenda welcome all who are bereaved and who wish to meet with others to chat and listen.

## ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting takes place here on 16 April at 7:45pm. You are warmly invited to come and hear our review of the last year and some of what is going on this year. For those on our electoral roll, this is an important meeting where you need to exercise your right to vote on some decisions to be made.

## EASTER DAY ARRANGEMENTS

This coming Sunday, **the Car park will be closed from 10:10am** until after our Open Air Service finishes around 11:30am.

There will also be no refreshments after the 10:30am Service on Sunday.

## HUNGRY WORSHIP 12 FEB



Our next Hungry Worship gathering will be on Monday 8 April from 8-9:30pm All are welcome to join us for an informal time of worship and prayer

where we seek to grow in the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

## KINGDOM COME PRAYER 2 APR

Our next Kingdom Come prayer meeting will be in the **Smith Room** on Tuesday 2 April at 8pm.

## PCC NOMINATIONS

We have 5 spaces available on our PCC (Church Trustees) this year plus 1 Deanery Synod space which we hope to fill at our APCM on 16 April.

If you would like to serve the Church as a PCC member, please complete an application form from the Welcome Desk at the back of Church and post it in the postbox on the wall by 14 April.

For any information about the PCC, talk to Malcolm or Amanda.

## 5PM SERVICE MEETING 28 APR

There will be a special meeting for those who attend our @5pm Service on Sunday 28 April at 3:30pm.

# CONTACT & ESSENTIAL

Church Office team: Martin Huff / Amanda Hart  
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**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.

Malcolm Macdonald 07821 011435  
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**Visit us online:** [stmarysloughton.com](http://stmarysloughton.com)

**Safeguarding** - for any issues contact  
[safeguarding@stmarysloughton.com](mailto: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:

Michelle Stanesby (Safeguarding Officer) 07921 297379  
Amanda Hart (Deputy) 07780 992325

**Counselling** - Hope Centre Counselling Loughton  
Enquiries: 07858 561334

## 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**  
Acc No: **00724580**



The best place for information on how to give is on our

## St Mary's Values

-  ENCOUNTERING GOD
-  LIVING FOR THE KINGDOM
-  LOVING DEEPLY
-  SHARING JESUS

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

For more information, contact Ruth How on  
[ruth@stmarysloughton.com](mailto:ruth@stmarysloughton.com)



## 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](mailto:helpfulfeedback@stmarysloughton.com)

## Prayer Support

**Need urgent prayer?** Send a prayer request:  
[prayer@stmarysloughton.com](mailto: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