



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



**ST MARY'S**  
LOUGHTON  
NOTHING  
IS  
IMPOSSIBLE  
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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.

**18 May 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

This Sunday is the final day of Matt White serving as Curate here at St Mary's. The White family have been with us since 2022 and we love them and will be praying for them as they move to Chichester next week. We will be saying farewell to them this Sunday and Matt will be preaching at all our services.

Matt will be licensed in his new church (Immanuel Chichester) at 4:30pm on 8 June. We are invited to attend, so if you want to go along, please do. See inside for more details.

I keep thinking on the simple phrase this week, "Magnify Jesus". In our busy lives, may we magnify Jesus. In our families, may we magnify Jesus. In our work, may we magnify Jesus. In our relationships, may we magnify Jesus. In our priorities, may we magnify Jesus. In many changes taking place around us, may we magnify Jesus. Psalm 34:3 says, **"O magnify the Lord with me, let us exalt his name together."**

Jesus at the centre of it all. Good times and tough times, changes and in uncertainty; in all we experience in our lives - Jesus at the centre of it all. Take time this week to read your Bible, worship, pray and serve the Lord. Take time to magnify the Lord and humble yourself. God is close in such times. Let the name of Jesus be lifted higher and higher among us.

With sincere gratitude in the Lord Jesus,

**Malcolm**

## SUNDAY SERVICES

### Holy Communion 8.45am

Service Leader:

Malcolm Macdonald

Preacher:

Matt White

Theme:

The purposed poetry of God

Readings:

Ephesians 2:1-10

John 13:31-35

Hymns: 77, 162, 1072

### Morning Celebration 10.30am

Service Leader:

Malcolm Macdonald

Preacher:

Matt White

Theme:

The purposed poetry of God

Reading:

Ephesians 2:1-10

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

@5pm

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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** - Pat Laker 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

- People of Ukraine, Russia, Gaza & Israel
- Students taking exams at this time
- Cafe Hope Ministry which is growing
- Strengthening of friendships in St Marys

### BIBLE READING PLAN

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

## WHITE FAMILY FAREWELL

Today we say goodbye to Matt, Sarah, Elliot, Ava and Nate as next week they move to Chichester where Matt will become Vicar at Immanuel Church.

Please pray for them over the next few weeks as they settle in. Matt will be licensed at 4:30pm on 8 June in Bishop Luffa school, Chichester PO19 3HP. Everyone is welcome to come.

## CTL PRAYER & PRAISE

Churches Together in Loughton will be holding a Prayer & Praise meeting on Wednesday 4 June at 7:30pm. This will be at Loughton Methodist Church. Everyone is welcome.

## LEAVING A LEGACY

Over the years we have received gifts not only through general offerings, but also legacies, as people have left St Mary's money in their Will. This has made a huge difference to our ability to reach out and serve.

If you feel able to make a gift to St Mary's in your Will, that would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

## 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.

## PENTECOST BREAKFAST

On Sunday 8 June - Pentecost Sunday we want to bring all 3 of our congregations together and so we will start with a **breakfast at 9:30am**, followed by a **united Service at 11am**.

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.

## YOUTH LEADERS NEEDED

We love our young people and regularly have nearly 20 come on Sundays to our 10:30am service. We are very short of group leaders and helpers for our youth group. This is an urgent need. If you can help even once a month, please let Hin Cheung know [hin@stmarysloughton.com](mailto:hin@stmarysloughton.com)

## 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 [Malcolm](#) if you are interested in being part of this.

## SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

We are currently seeking more help with our Cafe Hope and Living Hope/Connect ministries which are growing. If you are free during the week and would like to be involved, please contact [lieu@stmarysloughton.com](mailto:lieu@stmarysloughton.com) (Cafe Hope) or [caroline@stmarysloughton.com](mailto:caroline@stmarysloughton.com) (Living Hope).

## BAPTISM DATES

For your diaries: We are planning baptism services on 13 July and 14 September. If you would like to be baptised, please speak with Malcolm.

## CONTACT & ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Church Office team: Martin Huff / Amanda Hart  
[office@stmarysloughton.com](mailto:office@stmarysloughton.com) Tel: 0208 508 3643

Vicar: Revd Malcolm Macdonald  
[malcolm@stmarysloughton.com](mailto:malcolm@stmarysloughton.com)

All staff emails: [name@stmarysloughton.com](mailto: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.

Malcolm Macdonald	07821011435
Caroline Macdonald	07903 983812
Ruth How p/t	07857 182784

**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:

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

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

Email: [hellohccloughton@gmail.com](mailto:hellohccloughton@gmail.com)

### 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 website [stmarysloughton.com](http://stmarysloughton.com).



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### 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 us via  
[lifegroups@stmarysloughton.com](mailto:lifegroups@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)

**To give encouragements:**  
[encouragements@stmarysloughton.com](mailto:encouragements@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