



The Parish of
St Mary the Virgin
STANWELL
&
St Matthew
ASHFORD



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4th Sunday of Advent

22nd December 2024



PRAYERS AND READINGS AT MASS - Click [here](#)
for use with *Spiritual Communion* for use on a Sunday

*Please download the service booklet to go along with these prayers and readings **here**. Please print this out as it is used every week and then use the readings given on the link above to make your *Spiritual Communion*.*



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Office Christmas Closure

Please note that the office will be closed from the 23rd of December until the 2nd of January 2024. If there is anything urgent between these times please use the office email which will be monitored for urgent enquiries only.

**THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE
WHO HAVE HELPED
WITH THE CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL AND ALL THE SERVICES SO FAR!**

Nota Bene

The 12th of January
will be the Confirmation Mass.

There will only be a **10:00 Mass**
in the whole parish at St Matthew's.
St Mary's, St Matthew's and St George's,

WILL come together
and celebrate at St Matthew's,

the commitment of our new Confirmands to
their Christian Faith



Coffee Mornings

There will be no coffee morning the week between Christmas and New Year,
nor the first week in January.

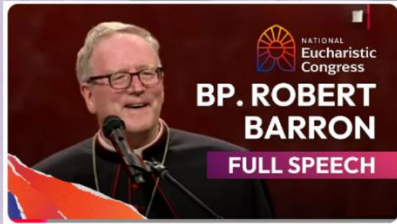
These will resume on the 8th of January.



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Advent Course 2024

Study Course on the
EUCHARIST



The Advent Course will follow the 19:00 Mass at St Mary's each Monday throughout Advent.


Christmas Services



Date	Service	Time	Church
Advent Sunday 1st Dec. 2024	Advent Carol Service	18:30	St Matthew's
Advent IV 22nd Dec. 2024	Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols	16:00	St George's
	Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols	18:30	St Mary's
Christmas Eve 24th Dec. 2024	Family Crib Service	14:00	St Mary's
	Family Crib Service	16:00	St Matthew's
	First Mass of Christmas	20:00	St Mary's
	First Mass of Christmas	22:00	St George's
	Midnight Mass	23:30	St Matthew's
Christmas Day 25th Dec. 2024	Family Mass	09:30	St Matthew's
	Family Mass	10:00	St George's
	Family Mass	11:00	St Mary's



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NINE LESSONS &
CAROLS

Sunday 22nd December 2024

18:30

St Mary the Virgin
STANWELL


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For unto us

a child is born!

Crib Service

Invite your friends and family to share in this divine celebration and embrace the spirit of Christmas! Everyone is welcome to attend.

24 December 2024

St Mary's, Stanwell - 14:00
St Matthew's, Ashford - 16:00

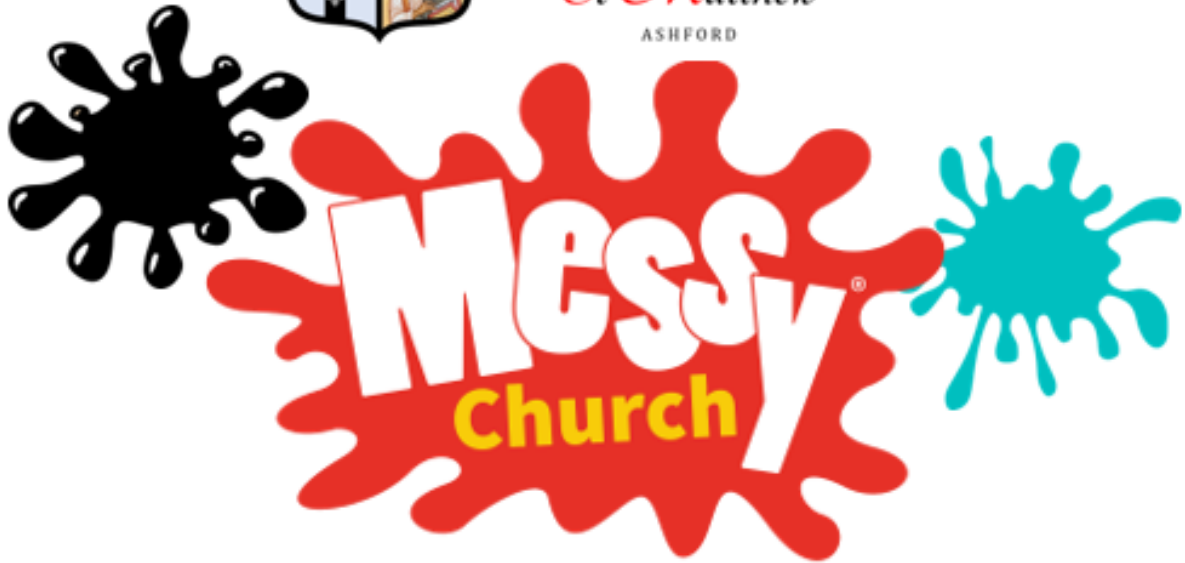
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DATES FOR THE NEXT TERM

Saturday 21st December 2024

Saturday 18th January 2025

Saturday 15th February 2025

Saturday 15th March 2025

between 1500 - 1700 hrs

*St Mary the Virgin,
Church Approach,
Stanwell,
TW19 7JS*

**There is no cost for attending these sessions
For all the family! Children must bring a grown up
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BEETLE DRIVE



at St Matthew's
Ashford TW15 2NY

THURSDAY | 23 JANUARY, 2025
18:30

TICKETS £8
Two Course Meal
Bring your own Drink

Tickets via the website
or
the Parish Office:
office@smam.org.uk



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FILM NIGHT



FREE ENTRY

FEATURED FILM:
"Risen"
START AT 18:30

WEDNESDAY,
26TH FEBRUARY

ST MARY'S

TICKETS £8
TWO COURSE MEAL
BRING YOUR OWN DRINK



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22nd of March 2025
18:00

I AM MARK



St Matthew's
Church Road, Ashford
TW15 2NY

A Daring New Staging of Mark's Gospel
Performed by Stefan Smart

Adult £5
Child £1

Tickets from the parish website www.smam.org.uk
or from the office 01784 259093 / office@smam.org.uk

Tickets available by clicking on the poster



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COFFEE MORNINGS

Wednesdays - St Mary's
Thursdays - St Matthew's
10:00-12:00


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The Parish Magazine can be downloaded [here](#)

PRAYING TOGETHER

Sun	22nd	4th Sunday in Advent – our Christian brothers and sisters
Mon	23rd	All those far from home
Tues	24th	Those who find Christmas difficult
Wed	25th	Christmas Day – Immanuel, God with us
Thurs	26th	S Stephen the first martyr
Fri	27th	S John Evangelist
Sat	28th	The Holy Innocents Martyrs

THE SICK: Banaras Ali, Milly Ali, Phyllis Fowler, Sandra German, Christine Macklin, Roger Macklin, Joan Mulford, Wendy Salmon, David Saunders, Frank Vail, HRH Catherine, Princess of Wales, HM King Charles III.

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED: Doreen Crane, Kathleen Dalton, Adam Diamond, Angela Hillman, Monica Marden, Percival Mitchell, Reginald Saunders, Ann Wright.

IN LOVING MEMORY: Daisy Chandler, Sarah Corkran, Clare Crook, Henry Hall, Doug Hall, Pauline Hayward, Ronald Judkins, William Martin, Morris McLaughlin, Patricia Miles, Noddy Springer, Percy Stevens, Stanley Webster.

SERVICE TIMES

<i>Time</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Place</i>
<i>Weekdays:</i>		
08:30	Lauds – Morning Prayer	Online
18:00	Evening Prayer & Holy Hour - Tuesday	St Matthew's
19:00	Low Mass - Tue	St Matthew's
12:30	Low Mass – Wed	St Mary's
09:15	Low Mass – Thurs	St Matthew's
18:00	Evening Prayer & Holy Hour - Fri	St Mary's
19:00	Low Mass - Fri	St Mary's
<i>Saturdays:</i>		
09:00	The Holy Rosary	Online
Sunday		
09:30	Parish Mass	St Matthew's
11:00	Parish Mass	St Mary's
18:30	Evensong & Benediction	St Matthew's

REGULAR EVENTS –

Wednesday:	Morning Café	10:00-12:00 before Mass
Thursday:	Coffee Morning	After 09:15 Mass
	Bell Ringing *	19:00
Friday:	Choir Practice	20:00

*(Alternate between St Mary's and St Matthew's please contact the Tower Captain for more details.)

PASTORAL CARE

Feasts, Saint's days, Holy days and other special occasions occur through the year; see notices in Church, in the weekly news sheet and the website for details.

Please advise Fr Stuart or one of the Pastoral Team of those who are sick at home or in hospital, so that they can be prayed for and visited as appropriate.

PASTORAL OFFICES

Preliminary information and relevant forms for Baptism and Marriage can be collected from the parish office at the advertised times. Baptisms usually take place on the first Saturday or third Sunday at St Mary's and St Matthew's. If you would like to have your child baptised, then come along any Sunday for the main Mass and meet us there!

For information about preparing your own or a loved one's funeral, please contact the parish office.

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