



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

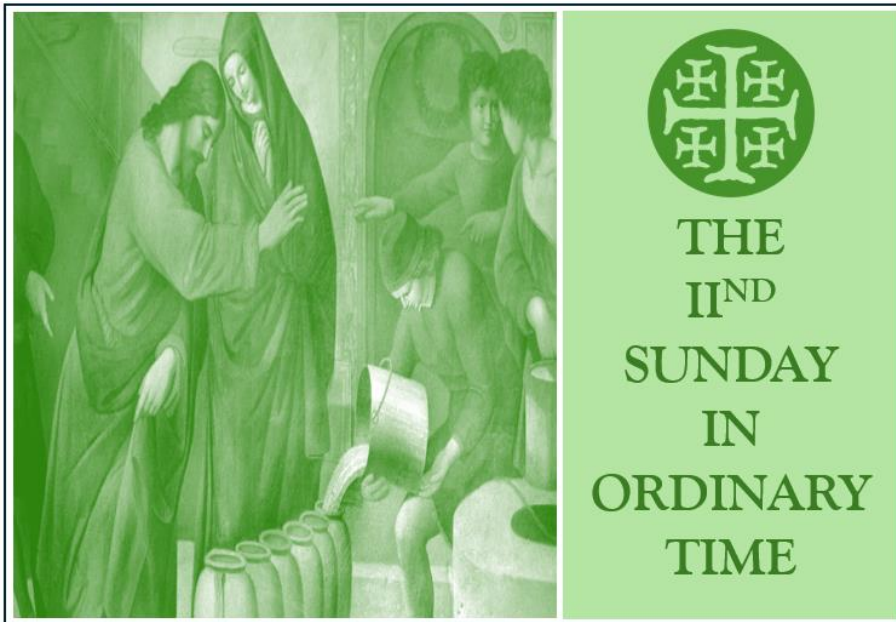


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19th January 2025



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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## Your Support Makes a Difference



As we come together in faith and celebration, we are reminded of the vital work of our parish community. Your generosity plays a crucial role in ensuring that our church remains a place of welcome, worship, and care for all.

Every gift—whether given through the QR code, the plate, or the card reader at the back of the church—helps sustain the ministries that nurture faith, extend outreach, and offer hope to so many.

Thank you for being part of this sacred mission. Together, we are ensuring that God's love continues to shine brightly for generations to come.

### **A Big Thank You**

to all who helped in anyway with making the Confirmation such a joyful and enjoyable occasion.



### REGULAR GIVING BY DIRECT DEBIT

The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) is a secure and simple way of giving to St Mary and St Matthew on a regular monthly basis (or quarterly or annually if you prefer). It works by making a Direct Debit from your bank account on the 1st of the month, which is credited to our parish bank account by the 10th of the month. If eligible, you can opt to add Gift Aid and PGS claims this on our behalf, passing it back to St Mary and St Matthew which benefits our cash flow.

### OPTIONAL ANNUAL INCREASE

It is also possible to make a one-off gift online and add Gift Aid if you are eligible. Instead of setting up a new Direct Debit, you use a debit or credit card, Apple Pay or Google Pay. Scan the QR code to get started.

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### THREE WAYS YOU CAN SET UP A REGULAR GIFT WITH PGS

- The simplest way is online - click [here](#).
- By phone: 0333 002 1271, Monday to Friday 09:00 – 17:00
- By post using an application form available from the office.

You will need your bank details to set up the Direct Debit and, for phone or postal applications, the St Mary and St Matthew unique parish code 230623271.

**Thank you for considering this option in your support of  
St Mary Stanwell and St Matthew Ashford.**

## Special Performance of the Gospel of Mark



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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](http://www.smam.org.uk)  
or from the office 01784 259093 / [office@smam.org.uk](mailto:office@smam.org.uk)

*Click on the poster for Tickets*

**Now is the time to get your tickets  
before we open up to other Churches in the Area.**

*Why not buy a ticket for a friend and bring them with you.*

*Tickets are £5 for an adult and £1 for a child  
– this is simply to cover the cost of the performance.*

*Tickets can be bought via the website or the office  
Remember you can pay by cheque as well as card.*

*Tickets can also be ordered by handing in an envelope marked Parish Office I am Mark,  
with your name, contact number, the number of tickets you want and a cheque.*

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# BEEETLE 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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*Join us for our very special, family friendly*

## **Christingle for Candlemas**

**Sunday February 2nd 2025**

**09:30 St Matthew's**

**11:00 St Mary's**

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# FILM NIGHT

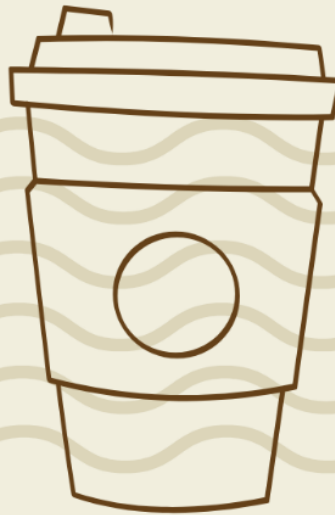
**FREE ENTRY**

**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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# COFFEE MORNINGS

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

  
[www.smam.org.uk](http://www.smam.org.uk)



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

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## PRAYING TOGETHER

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Sun	19th	<b>4th Sunday of Christmas – our clergy team</b>
Mon	20th	Job Centre staff and those looking for work
Tues	21st	The UK parliament - wisdom
Wed	22nd	Any suffering a terminal illness
Thurs	23rd	Those suffering with addiction and their families
Fri	24th	School teachers and teaching assistants
Sat	25th	<b>The Conversion of S. Paul Apostle</b>

**THE SICK:** Pamela Aldridge, Bananas Ali, Milly, Ali, Sandra German Christine Macklin, Roger Macklin, Neil Monks, Joan Mulford, Wendy Salmon, David Saunders.

**THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:** Monica Marden.

**IN LOVING MEMORY:** Nathali Carr, Carmen Gray, Bonnie Harrison, Michael Harrison, Kathleen Hoskins, Pat Miles, Joyce Sampson, Edward Trinnaman.

## SERVICE TIMES

<i>Time</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Place</i>
<b>Weekdays:</b>		
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
<b>Saturdays:</b>		
09:00	The Holy Rosary	Online
<b>Sunday</b>		
09:30	Parish Mass	St Matthew's
11:00	Parish Mass	St Mary's
18:30	Evensong & Benediction	St Matthew's

### REGULAR EVENTS –

<b>Wednesday:</b>	Morning Café	10:00-12:00 before Mass
<b>Thursday:</b>	Coffee Morning	After 09:15 Mass
	Bell Ringing *	19:00
<b>Friday:</b>	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.

## PARISH DIRECTORY

### The Parish Office

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### CLERGY

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in the Diocese of London.

