



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

Constant Contact

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23rd February 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 shining brightly for generations.



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.



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2025 LENT COURSE “THE CREED”



at St Mary's,
Mondays throughout Lent
Starts at 19:00 with Mass



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FILM NIGHT

FEATURED FILM:

"Risen"

START AT 18:30

WEDNESDAY
26TH FEBRUARY

ST MARY'S

TICKETS £8
TWO COURSE MEAL
BRING YOUR OWN DRINK

FREE
ENTRY

Special Performance of the Gospel of Mark



The Parish of
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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

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.*

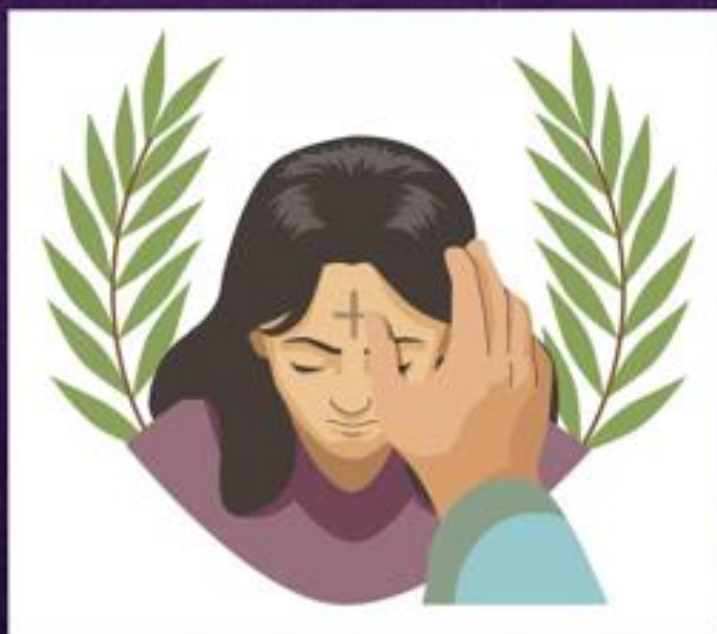
*Tickets can be bought via the website or the office
Remember you can pay by cheque as well as card.*

*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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ASH WEDNESDAY



5th March 2025

MASSES
12:00 St Matthew's Ashford
19:00 St Mary's Stanwell

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2025 LENTEN SEASON

Ash Wednesday

5th March 2025

12:00 - Low Mass -St Matthew's
19:00 - Solemn Mass -St Mary's

Palm Sunday

13th April 2025

09:30 - Family Mass -St Matthew's
11:00 - Family Mass -St Mary's
18:30 - Evensong and Benediction
-St Matthew's

Mondays in Lent

19:00 - Low Mass -St Mary's
followed by the Lent Course

Maundy Thursday

17th April 2025

12:00 - Low Mass -St Mary's
19:00 - Solemn Mass -St Matthew's

Tuesdays in Lent

19:00 - Stations & Mass
-St Matthew's

Good Friday

18th April 2025

10:00 - Stations -St Matthew's
14:00 - Liturgy of the Day -St Mary's

Mothering Sunday

30th March 2025

09:30 - Family Mass -St Matthew's
11:00 - Family Mass -St Mary's
18:30 - Evensong and Benediction
-St Matthew's

Holy Saturday

19th April 2025

20:00 - Vigil Mass -St Mary's



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Lent, Easter and Holy Week Services 2025

Ash Wednesday (05/03/2025)



12:00	Low Mass	St Matthew's
19:00	Solemn Mass	St Mary's

Mondays (throughout Lent)

19:00	Mass followed by Lent Course	St Mary's
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Tuesdays (throughout Lent)

19:00	Mass and Stations of the Cross	St Matthew's
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Mothering Sunday (30/3/25)

09:30	Family Mass	St Matthew's
11:00	Family Mass	St Mary's
18:30	Evensong & Benediction	St Matthew's

Holy Week

Palm Sunday (13/04/25)

09:30	Parish Mass	St Matthew's
11:00	Parish Mass	St Mary's
18:30	Evensong & Benediction	St Matthew's

Monday - Wednesday (14-16/04/25)

19:00	Mass and Stations of the Cross	St Matthew's
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Maundy Thursday (17/05/25)

12:00	Low Mass	St Matthew's
19:00	Solemn Mass followed by the Watch	St Mary's

Good Friday (18/05/25)

10:00	Stations of the Cross	St Mary's
14:00	Liturgy of the Day	St Matthew's

Holy Saturday (19/05/25)

20:00	Vigil Mass	St Mary's
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Easter Sunday (20/05/25)

09:30	Parish Mass	St Matthew's
11:00	Parish Mass	St Mary's
18:30	Solemn Evensong & Benediction	St Matthew's

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

at St Matthew Ashford

Tuesdays in Lent at 19:00

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EASTER DAY

20th of April 2025



Masses

09:30 St Matthew's Ashford

11:00 St Mary's Stanwell

Evensong & Benediction

18:30 St Matthew's Ashford

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MOTHERING SUNDAY

30th March 2025



Masses

09:30 St Matthew's Ashford

11:00 St Mary's Stanwell

Evensong & Benediction

18:30 St Matthew's Ashford

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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	23rd	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time – those churches in interregnum
Mon	24th	University staff and students
Tues	25th	Our church choir
Wed	26th	Newspaper editors
Thurs	27th	Refuse collectors and street cleaners
Fri	28th	Our local communities
Sat	1 st	St David – The people of Wales

THE SICK: Pamela Aldridge, Banaras Ali, Milly, Ali, Tina Flowers, Stephen Gamble, Sandra German, Christine Macklin, Roger Macklin, Neil Monks, Joan Mulford, David Saunders.

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED: David Hole, Graham Judkins and Wendy Salmon.

IN LOVING MEMORY: Rhoy Archer, Patrick Beach, Lawrence Beeby (Priest), Pat Bullard, Bob Bullard, Anthony Findlay, Vernon Gosling, Joyce Johnston, Tiny Little, Joan McDiarmid, Michael Puckett, Florence Rowe, Marianne Williams.

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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