

# St Mary's Weekly

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug 2025

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## Bells for Ukraine

This Sunday afternoon, our bell ringers will ring a 'quarter peal' to mark Ukraine Independence Day. There will also be Ukrainian chocolates at the end of both our Sunday services, and some special prayers and music included in the service for the church in Ukraine.

## Soup Lunch 12 Noon Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept

Supporting Christian's Aid Middle East Appeal

Soup lunches are back after the summer break, starting in Church on. Oceans of home made soups, mountains of freshly baked bread and plenty of pudding to finish! As always there is no cost; just give what you can afford in support of Christian Aid's Middle East Appeal. No need to book, just turn up. The event is totally free, with donations invited on the way out.



## Comedy Night 7:30pm Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Sept

Join BBC sitcom writer James Cary as he hilariously unpacks the entire Bible at St Mary's. From Adam and Eve to Moses, David and Goliath, this fast-paced, laugh-out-loud show is packed with iconic stories, clever insights, and Cary's signature wit. With a 20-year track record writing hit TV and Radio sitcoms like Miranda, Bluestone 42, and Hut 33, this show combines Cary's love of scripture with sharp comedy for an unforgettable performance for audiences of all ages, all faiths, and none! **Doors open at 7pm with the show starting at 7:30pm. Tickets are only £8 if you book in advance or £10 on the night.** To book your tickets get in touch with Revd Daniel or head to [www.eastleakechurch.org/events](http://www.eastleakechurch.org/events).



**Advanced notice** Because of the holiday club running in church, our 10am Mid week communion will be at Costock church on Wednesday 27th August. Everyone is welcome. Get in touch if you need a lift.

**Sunday: 9:15am** Holy Communion **11am** Morning Worship



*A simple pattern of prayer for the week ahead.*

### Opening Words

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. *James 5:13*

*Pause for reflection as we offer the day to God*

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Bible Reading

**Friday:** Daniel 1:1-7  
**Saturday:** Daniel 1:8-21  
**Sunday:** Daniel 2:1-13  
**Monday:** Daniel 2:14-28  
**Tuesday:** Daniel 2:29-49  
**Wednesday:** Daniel 2:29-45  
**Thursday:** Daniel 3:1-23  
**Friday:** Daniel 3:24-30



Read the bible online at: [www.biblica.com/online-bible](http://www.biblica.com/online-bible)

### Collect for the day

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### A prayer for Ukraine

Lord of Peace, we pray for the peoples of Ukraine and all those whose lives are marred by conflict. In their fear and anxiety would you be a rock of refuge to which they can flee. Give to all parties involved, the genuine desire to bring peace and stability. Be at work in the hearts of those who seek power, that they may exercise authority with just intentions, and for the good of all peoples. Amen

### A prayer for Children's Holiday Club

Lord of all ages, bless all involved in holiday, young and old. May each and every child have fun, be kept safe, and grow in the love of Jesus. May our volunteers be given energy and joy in service of your kingdom, and may the story of David inspire us all to trust and follow you in all things. Amen.

### A prayer farmers as harvest continues

Father God, who is faithful every season, gives our farmers strength when they are tired, hope when they are uncertain, and peace when they've done all they can. Remind them they are never alone in the field and above all, let their trust be rooted in you. Amen.

### A prayer for the sick.

God of all comfort and healing. We pray for all who are sick today... asking for Your mercy and grace to surround them. Bring strength to their body, peace to their mind, and hope to their spirit. Let them feel Your presence in every moment, and may Your will be done in their life. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Add your own prayers or say the Lord's Prayer

### Final prayer

Gracious Lord, lead me this day in peace and help me to walk in faith, hope and love each step of the way. Amen.

### Picture of the week



Chocolates from Ukraine as a special treat for the service on Sunday!