

Welcome to St Mark's & St Peter's with St Andrew, Levenshulme

January 2026



'O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands and call on your name.' – Psalm 63:1-4

Our Regular Activities for January

	Zoom	St Mark's	St Peter's
Tuesdays & Thursdays	9.15am Morning Prayer		
Wednesdays	7.45pm Bible Group	10am Tots Group	7.45pm Bible Study Group

Thursdays 7.30pm Home Group at the Frost's house

Sunday 4 th		10am HC	11.15am MW
Sunday 11 th		10am MW	11.15am HC
Sunday 18 th		10am HC	11.15am MW
Sunday 25 th		10am Children & Family	11.15am HC

HC = Holy Communion; MW = Morning Worship

News & events

Do you want to meet up with others in church outside of Sundays?

In the summer of 2025 we launched our **Prayer Triplets**. Quite a few have joined a group and they are working well. We have other groups who are looking for an additional member and we are conscious that there are still many who are not part of a group.

There will be **no coffee morning** at St Mark's in January.

Bible study restarts on 7th January and we will be looking at some of the Psalms up until Lent.

Holy Communion at **Moseley Court** will be at 2pm on Thursday 8th January

The next **PCC meeting** is on 20th January at St Peter's, 7pm for St Mark's and 7.30pm for St Peter's to join.

The next **Ladies breakfast** will be on Saturday 24th January at 9am. Do talk to Harriet or Val P for more information. All ladies very welcome

Men's breakfast at Levenshulme Baptist Church on Saturday 24th January at 8.45am. All men welcome, see Ralph, Peter or Bill Watson for more information.

Prayers

God's healing and restoration for: Hazel, Pat, Samantha, Claire, Nora, David, Judith, John, Eddie, Ron, Jerry and Leonard.

Prayers: As the dawn breaks on a new year, let us give thanks for all we hold dear: our health, our family and our friends. Let us release our grudges, our anger and our pains, for these are nothing but binding chains. Let us live each day in the most loving ways, the God-conscious way. Amen

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by George

How are you feeling at the beginning of this new year?

The end of 2025 saw a number of our church family facing illnesses of different kinds. If we needed a reminder that we need to be looking out for and, just as importantly, praying for each other then this is it.

The greeting is 'happy' new year, but we need to understand that happiness can feel a long way off for each of us at different times.

We are about to start a new series in our Wednesday night Bible Fellowship group looking at some of the psalms.

I don't know how you feel about the psalms. I learned many of them as a child chorister, but really grew to love them whilst I was at theological college.

I think that it's reasonably fair to say that the psalms are a mixture of genre. There are those where we can sing out praise to God (for example Psalm 145); lament psalms where we can complain or grieve (psalm 22); thanksgiving psalms (psalm 124); those that express loyalty to God (psalm 2); those of trusting in God (psalm 23) and those of wisdom (psalm 1). There are also those that remind us that God knows us so very intimately (psalm 139).

I really want to encourage you to read the psalms at the beginning of this new year or try coming along on Wednesday evenings.

There is something in the psalms for each of us, inspiring, lamenting, praising. They are very real and regularly explore the lives of the writers, including David, and what they are going through, both good and bad.

With my love and prayers

George

Rev George Reeves, Rector