

Please pray for..

Prayer for the week:

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord.



Please pray for those members of our congregation who need our ongoing prayer. (Prayer requests are recorded in a book in the office. Do feel free to add to this.)

- Richard Bacon, Beryl Chisholm, Darren Mitchell, and all who are part of Christians Against Poverty working to help people escape debt and poverty, CORD and their work with refugees
- Leamington College and the St Mark's Chaplaincy Team in their work there
- Craighaven Residential Home
- Phillipa Munday and all at KISC as they move into their new building: for the logistics of the move, for safety and protection and for the builders to get the final touches completed in time. Pray for the community around Techo who may feel a little invaded by the school moving in! Pray we will be a good witness and point our neighbours to Jesus by our love and actions.

If you have any pastoral needs or would like to be on the prayer list please contact the church office on 01926 421004 or by email at office@st-marks.net or speak in confidence to the Vicar or Sidney Syson.

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St Mark's Church

LEAMINGTON SPA

Sunday 11th February 2018

The Sunday before Lent

Welcome

A very warm welcome to St Mark's, especially if this is your first time here. If you need any help with anything do ask the welcomers who greeted you when you arrived. Toilets are located at the back of the church and in the hall complex. There is a crèche available for under 3's through the red curtain near the front of church. If you'd like to know more about what happens in the life of the church, take a copy of the welcome booklet, speak with one of those leading the services today, or visit our website. www.st-marks.net

9.30am All Age Parade Service

Reading: 1 John 4:7-12

Leader: Ros Davies

Preacher: Revd. Jo Parker

Readers: April Harris & Emma Dodd. Prayer ministry: Lynn Kimmins

11.15am Holy Communion

Reading: Psalm 139:1-14

Leader: Revd. Jo Parker and Jonathan Smith

Preacher: Revd. Jo Parker

Reader: Tony Parsons. Prayers: Pat Brown. Prayer Ministry: Ruth Smith.

6.30pm Evening Worship in the Centenary Lounge

Theme: Same old, same old?

Readings: Genesis 8:18-22, 9:18-29

Leader: Revd. Jo Parker

Preacher: Marie Calvert

Readers: Tom di Giovanni and Jackie Sanders

WE SEEK TO BE A COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS IN JESUS CHRIST

WHO ARE DEVOTED TO: LOVING GOD, LOVING OTHERS, MAKING NEW DISCIPLES.

Events and activities this week

Monday Office open 9.30am - 1.30pm - Amanda
12th February

Tuesday Office open 9.30am - 1.30pm - Sheila
13th February FIRS lunch 1pm in the Hall

Wednesday **Prayer Walk Around the Parish Every Wednesday Morning**
14th February **starting at 9am** - Please speak to Jo

Office open 9.30am - 11.30pm - Amanda
Staff Meeting 11.30-12.30pm.

Office open 12.30-1.30pm - Sheila

Ash Wednesday Service 7.30pm in the Church

Thursday Office open 9.30am - 1.30pm - Sheila
15th February Christianity Explored 7.30pm in the Upper Room

Friday Office open 9.30am - 1.30pm - Amanda
16th February Toddlers 9.15am in the Hall

Sunday **Reading for morning services: Mark 1: 9-15**
18th February **9.30am Morning Worship**

Leader: Revd. Jo Parker
Preacher: Amanda di Giovanni

11.15am Morning Worship

Leader: Ann Parsons
Preacher: Amanda di Giovanni

6.30pm Holy Communion

Theme: A world of confusion
Continuing our series in Genesis

Leader: Caroline Broadway and Revd. Bob Clucas
Preacher: Revd. Bob Clucas



If you have items to be included in the weekly notice sheet please email office@st-marks.net by 10am Wednesday. Keep in touch via www.st-marks.net or St Mark's Facebook Page.

You can receive this notice sheet by email - just contact the office. You can also stop receiving it - again contact the office.



Events and activities coming up this month

Thank you to Oliver for making a flag holder for the Uniformed Groups' flags



The next **Streams in the Desert** will take place at St Paul's Church Leamington Spa on Monday 12th February: a spiritual refreshment event for women. The speaker will be Raj Holness. Arrive at 7.15 for coffee ready to start at 7.30pm.

Drop in for Pancakes at Nikki's on Tuesday 13th Feb, 10am-12pm (donations to church kitchen again!) - 6 Ennerdale Close, Leamington

FIRS Lunch 1pm Tuesday 13th Feb.

Ash Wednesday 14th Feb service of Holy Communion 7.30pm in the Church. All welcome.

Thirst is an evening of worship and prayer on the third Saturday of every month open to Students and those in their 20s and 30s across Leamington. It is held at Christ Church, Priory Terrace at 7:30pm and the next one is on 17th February. www.facebook.com/ThirstLeam

Thank you to those who helped with gardening last Saturday, the next session will be Saturday 3rd March and we will be tackling the area behind the hall.

Carriers of Hope. Thank you so much to those who have brought donations to church. I shall be taking them first thing on Tuesday morning (13th February). So if you have anything that will fit in my car, I could take it, and save you a journey. Ruth Smith

Confirmation If you're interested in being confirmed, please have a chat with Jo.

'After 8' Come and join us in The Fat Pug after the Sunday evening services. All welcome, but we would particularly love to invite those in their 20s and 30s. Jo

Hospital Lay Chaplaincy Volunteer Open Day Tuesday 20th February 1.30pm Stratford Hospital. More information on noticeboard.

12th -19th July and 9th to 16th August - Rotary are organising 7 night holidays in Blackpool for £185. Please see poster at the back of church, or ring David Allen 01926 335364 for further details.

Cleaner still needed - see flyer for details.