



St Mark's Church

LEAMINGTON SPA

Belonging... Believing... Becoming...

A community of believers, sharing God's love with the world

Sunday 13th April Palm Sunday

10.00am All Age Parade service

Matthew 21:1-11

Leaders: Amanda di Giovanni, children & young people. Preacher: Ros Davies

After the service, please join us for refreshments at the back of church.

www.youtube.com/StMarksChurchLSpa

Order of Service:

Welcome, Song, Confession,
Reading, Talk, Songs
Prayers, Song, Blessing

6.30pm Evening Worship in the Church

Leader: Rev Tim Broadbent

Refreshments served from 6pm

Order of Service:

Welcome, Confession,
3 Songs, Reading, Discussion,
Sharing & Prayer, Song, Blessing

Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th & Wednesday

16th April

8pm Compline

Maundy Thursday 17th April

9.00-10.20am Church open for private prayer & café

10.30am Holy Communion

7pm 'The Last Supper'. *Details on p2. Please let the office know if you are coming.*

Good Friday 18th April www.youtube.com/StMarksChurchLSpa

10am 'An hour at the Cross'. *Children's activities in the hall. Please let Ros know if you are coming.* Followed by hot cross buns & tea/coffee.

12.15pm Walk of Witness starting at Holy Trinity Church followed by a service in Christchurch Gardens.

Easter Eve Saturday 19th April from 7.30pm

Starting with fire pit and hot chocolate in the Vicarage garden then moving into church at around 8pm for a short service and lighting the Easter Candle.

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. Contact the office to receive this notice sheet by email (or to stop receiving it). Our privacy policy can be found on the website.

Events and activities coming up



Thursday 17th April 7pm

"The Last Supper". Starting in church, then moving into the hall for an evening of eating puddings together and sharing some of the elements of Jesus final meal with his disciples, including hand washing and sharing bread and wine together. Readings: John 13:1-17. Matthew 26: 17-30. Followed by a vigil in church with readings from Matthew 26: 31-75. Vigil will last around half an hour. *Children welcome. Please let the office know by Sunday 13th if you are planning to come.*

Sunday 20th April Easter Sunday

Easter Day Sunrise Service 6.30am on Campion Hills, entrance the gate where Leicester St meets Black Lane.

10am All Age Holy Communion at St Mark's.

Office closed. Good Friday, Easter Monday, 22nd & 23rd April.

Churchwardens. Marcella and Charlie have announced that they will be stepping down as wardens in May (at the APCM). Please pray and consider whether this is a way you would like to serve St Mark's. Role description available from office.

Cap Money Course Sat 26th April and Sat 3rd May at The Westbury Centre, Westlea Rd Leamington Spa CV31 3JE, starting at 10am. On this free course you will learn skills to be savvy with your money. Contact Beryl Chisholm for more information or to book. neilandberylchisholm@hotmail.com 07796615235

Annual Parochial Church Meeting. This will be on Sunday 11th May after the morning service and will be followed by lunch in the hall.

Saturday 17th May at 7pm in the Hall. Heartbeat, West Midlands Covers Band will be bringing us a range of music from the 60's and more. Come and dance to this great band or just sit and listen and enjoy an evening of music. Do invite your friends and family. Tickets £10 **now available** and bring your own drinks. Those in full time education £5. All profits to Myton Hospice. More details from Jane Wigman.

Sky Dive Fundraiser - Saturday 21st June. Erin Henshaw and Olivia Thomas who both attend St Mark's Youth Group are taking part in a Tandem Sky Dive Fundraiser to raise money for CPAS Venture Holidays. The girls need to raise a minimum of £400 each and plan to hold a cake sale after church (Date TBC). If you wish to donate, (as much or as little) to encourage them as they do this crazy thing please go to https://www.justgiving.com/page/fiona-henshaw-2?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL Thanks Erin and Olivia.

Livestreaming Notice: Our 10am service on Sunday mornings is livestreamed on our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/c/StMarksChurchLSpa/videos

For your prayers...

- Several members of the church are having treatment for cancer, pray for this to be effective and for patience, energy, general good health and limited side effects.
- The bereaved, again several people have lost loved ones recently.
- An area of social justice that you are passionate about.

Days off Tim does not usually work Tuesdays. Ros does not work Saturdays. Amanda works Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Karen works Tuesday and Thursday.

Contact information

Tim vicar@st-marks.net phone 01926 421004 and follow the instructions.

Office The office is usually open Monday-Friday 9-1. Staff meeting 11.30-12.30 Monday. Email office@st-marks.net or phone as above.

Please avoid office related questions on Sundays.

Ros ros@st-marks.net or phone as above.

Churchwardens wardens@st-marks.net

Safeguarding Officer Sue Turner safeguarding@st-marks.net

Children & young people's groups.

Sundays (except all age services and school summer holidays)

Climbers (Reception to Year 3). Explorers (Year 4-6). These meet together on the 1st Sunday of the month.

Pathfinders (Yr 7 and up)

Parents and carers are welcome to take children under 4 into the Committee Room at the front left of church, where there are toys and a screen to watch the service.

Wednesdays (term time). 'Uno' Youth group (Yr 7 and up)

Giving financially to St Marks. We are very grateful to all those who support St Mark's financially (as well as through prayer and giving time in so many areas).

Gift Aid is a vital source of income, and if you give through the Parish Giving Scheme rather than directly to St Mark's then they do the work of claiming this money back. We would like to encourage all those who give regularly and pay tax to switch to the Parish Giving Scheme and for those who are new to St Mark's to prayerfully consider supporting us financially. More information about the scheme can be found here <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/> or this link takes you directly to our giving page <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/new-milverton-st-mark-rugby-road-new-milverton-leamington-spa/> Thank you.

If you are writing or updating your will, please consider leaving us a legacy.

Opportunities to ask for Prayer.

- After the morning service on Sundays (except all-age services) members of our trained prayer ministry team are available to pray with and for you.
- Put a note in the prayer box at the back of church. This can be anonymous. It will be passed to the prayer team.
- By emailing prayer@st-marks.net or contacting us via the website at <https://www.st-marks.net/contact>. Your message will be passed on to the team, can give as much or as little information about the situation as you wish. Requests made in this way will not be anonymous as a name and email address are visible to us.

If you would like to be part of the prayer team please contact the office.

Donating items to St Mark's. We are happy to accept items for Food Bank <https://shorturl.at/DxxPx> and the Cyrenians supported Accommodation Service <https://coventrycyrenians.co.uk/> (Men's toiletries). These can now be left in the red boxes under the seat near the south door.

We appreciate that people like things to be re-used eg toys, books etc but **Please do not leave items without speaking to Amanda, Ros or Tim.**

Small Groups at St Mark's. You can find out a bit about each group on the notice board at the back of church (opposite the kitchen door). Speak to Amanda di Giovanni for more information or email office@st-marks.net

Getting involved at St Mark's. If you would like to find out more about being part of our Welcome or Coffee Teams, leading intercessions, reading in church, joining the music groups, helping with children's or youth work, Chaplaincy Team at Leamington College, cleaning the church... Please contact the office and we will put you in touch with the relevant person.

Inclusive Church. St Mark's is part of this network of churches, groups and individuals uniting together around a shared vision. www.inclusive-church.org



Sight Loss Friendly Church. If you, or someone you know, are affected by sight loss please let the office know how we can help.



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