



St Mark's Church

LEAMINGTON SPA

Belonging... Believing... Becoming...
A community of believers, sharing God's love with the world

Sunday 21st December **10.00am Morning Worship**

Hell: Psalm 49:5-15 & 2 Thessalonians 1:6-10
Leader: Marie Calvert
Preacher: Revd Tim Broadbent

Order of Service:

Welcome, Song, Children
leave, Confession, Song,
Reading, Sermon, Songs,
Prayers, Song, Blessing

After the service, please join us for refreshments at the back of church.
This service is livestreamed: www.youtube.com/StMarksChurchLSpa
Sermons are available as Podcasts on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, and
many others; available by searching *St Mark's Church Leamington Spa*, or
by visiting our website for links

6.30pm Carol Service

Leader: Amanda di Giovanni
Preacher: Revd Tim Broadbent
Please join us for mulled wine and mince pies after the service
This service is livestreamed

Wednesday 24th December Christmas Eve

4pm & 6pm Christingle
11.30pm Midnight Holy Communion
Leader: Revd Tim Broadbent. Preacher: Marie Calvert

Thursday 25th December Christmas Day

10.00am All Age Holy Communion
Leaders: Amanda di Giovanni & Revd Tim Broadbent
Preacher: Revd Tim Broadbent
This service is livestreamed

Sunday 28th December

10am Morning Worship. Leader & Preacher : Amanda di Giovanni
No evening service

Thursday 1st January

No service

Events and activities coming up

A huge 'Thank you' to everyone who helped with the Advent Trail.
We had over 150 visitors.



The office will be closed from 11am on the 24th December until 9am on 2nd January. The next notice sheet will be available on the 2nd January.

More helpers are needed for Christingle Services. Please contact Ros.

Christingle Tickets. If you no longer need your tickets for the 4pm service please return them via the QR code link.

6.00pm - Christingle *tickets are available - please use the QR code.*



Our church children's groups will join together for their Christmas party on 21st December. We will then take a break over Christmas. Groups will restart on the 4th January.

Christmas Day Lunch. If you will be on your own for Christmas Day you are invited to lunch at St Mark's at 12.30pm. Tracy Bevan has kindly offered to cook, so please let her know if you would like to come **by Sunday 21st**. 07549 995449.

Eco-friendly washing up liquid and liquid hand soap. Please bring in any clean empty washing up liquid bottles and liquid hand soap bottles for Sue Holden to collect on 28 December. These will then be filled and will be on sale on Sunday 11th January after the morning service. All profits will go towards funding our Eco Church projects.

Lost Property. Items are at the back of church, so please take what is yours.

Acacia Road Carol Singing Monday 22nd December. Join Liz and Jason Garrett at 6.00pm for some mulled wine or spiced apple punch and snacks at Number 23. The group will move on at 6.15pm to Number 10 for carol singing, then to various places up the road, and finishing at the roundabout. Lyrics will be provided for singers. All money collected door-to-door will be for One World Link & Myton Hospice.

We would like more people to join the after service prayer ministry team. Training can be provided. For more info please contact Beryl Chisholm.

Wishing all of you a Happy Christmas!

Prayer

For your prayers...

- World leaders and the many areas of conflict in the world
- The church in Turkey. www.givinghopetoturkey.org



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.

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

Join us for prayer.

- Around 9.45am before the Sunday morning service.

Staff & Office

Days off Tim does not usually work Tuesdays. Ros does not work Saturdays. Amanda works Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Karen works Tuesday and Thursday. Please avoid office related questions on Sundays.



Contact information

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

Office The office is usually open Monday-Friday 9.00-1.00. Staff meeting 11.30-12.30 Monday. Email office@st-marks.net or phone as above.

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

Safeguarding Officer Sue Holden safeguarding@st-marks.net

Events Coordinator Marcella King events@st-marks.net

Treasurer Ian Holden treasurer@st-marks.net

PCC Secretary Sue Holden sue@st-marks.net

Children & Young People

Sundays (except all age services and school summer holidays)

Under 4's Kids Church

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

Pathfinders (Yr 7 and up)

1st Sunday 'Food & Faith' For Yr 10 and up 4.30pm in the Upper Room.

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).



We would like to encourage everyone to prayerfully consider supporting us financially. The best way to do this is by using the Parish Giving Scheme. More information and instructions on setting up donations can be found here <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/>. If you pay income tax please consider Gift Aiding your donation, however you make it.

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

Donating items to St Mark's. We are happy to accept items for the 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.



Eco Church. We achieved our Silver Award in October 2024. Our current focus is becoming Carbon Net Zero. Please contact the office to find out more.



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