

Prayers

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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours now and for ever. Amen.

Notices & Banns

Song

Be Thou My Vision, O Lord of my heart.
Nought be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word,
I ever with thee, and thou with me Lord;
Thou my great Father and I thy true heir,
One with thee, dwelling in thy tender care.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight,
Be thou my armour and be thou my might.
Be my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower,
Raise thou me heavenwards, O power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor all the world's praise,
Thou my inheritance now and always.
Thou and thou only, thou first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, when battle is done,
Grant heaven's joy to me, bright heaven's sun.
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, thou ruler of all.

Blessing

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve and the Lord
In the name of Christ. Amen.



St Mark's Church

LEAMINGTON SPA

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

Sunday 22nd June

10.00am Morning Worship

Galatians 3: 23–29

Leader & Preacher: Revd Ellie Clack

A shorter, simpler service (no children's groups or Pathfinders, some activities for children in the side aisle)

Order of Service:

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

After the service, please join us for refreshments at the back of church
www.youtube.com/StMarksChurchLSpa

No evening service

Tuesday 24th June Office open from 11.00am – 1.00pm

Wednesday 25th June

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall

7.00-8.30pm Youth Group ('Uno') in the Upper Room

Thursday 26th June

Office Closed due to staff holiday

9.00-10.20am Church open for private prayer & café

10.30am Holy Communion

8.00pm Small Group Leaders Meeting in the Upper Room

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

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

St. Mark's Children's Council (MCC) first meeting will follow directly after groups in church on June 29th.



Art at St Marks: We're planning more arts events and creative workshops and we'd love to know what creative gifts you might be happy to share or develop as part of church life. Please complete the paper form in church or visit: <https://forms.office.com/e/CTHyKMwZPW>

Gathered Grace. Sunday 29th June 6.30pm. Charismatic -style worship in an inclusive setting. Open to everyone from across the Diocese and beyond.

Volunteers to cover the office when staff are on holiday. We have a few wonderful people who keep the office open when we are away, but more would help - especially on a Thursday morning. Speak to Amanda if you would be able to help. Thank you.

St Mark's Vision and Strategic Plan. This was launched at the APCM, you can find it here <https://www.st-marks.net/about/our-vision-and-strategic-plan/> and there are copies on the Information point at the back of church. This was formerly the bookstall and is now the place for all information (except weekly service and notice sheets).

Called: Mission, Ministry & Me. Open to all. It provides a space to think together about what it means to be called by God, to take our place in the mission of God, and to give opportunity to explore both lay and ordained Christian vocation. It will include teaching, discussion, guest speakers and some time for reflection and prayer. We hope it will be enjoyable, encouraging and helpful to you in identifying your next step, whatever that may be. Saturday 12th July, 10am to 4pm on Zoom
Led by Revd Mark Norris. More info and to book: [Called: Mission, Ministry & Me - Equip Hub](#)

Foodbank Summer of Love Campaign. Supplies diminish in the summer but demand does not. In particular they need tinned fruit, vegetables and potatoes, custard and rice pudding; ketchup, mayonnaise and washing up liquid. Donations can be left at the back of church in the box near the Information shelves.

Art Exhibition: Marie Calvert is exhibiting her paintings & photographs during Warwickshire Open Studios. At Glasshouse, in middle of Jephson Gardens. Fri 27 June (1-6pm), and Sat 28 June - Sun 6 July (11-5 daily). Do come and visit.

Gardening Morning. Saturday 12th July 9.30am till noon. Mostly weeding this time. Please bring tools and bags for waste if you have them. Contact Amanda for more information.

Church Picnics. After the morning service on 27 July and 17 August. Bring a picnic and join us in the church garden.

For living as if we were ashamed To belong to your Son;
God, forgive us: **save us and help us.**

Absolution

May the God of love bring us back to himself, forgive us our sins, and assure us of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Song

Your grace is enough (*reprise*).

Reading Galatians 3:23-29

Jo Lockyer

Sermon

Ellie Clack

Song

God I look to You, I won't be overwhelmed.
Give me vision to see things like You do.
God I look to You,
You're where my help comes from.
Give me wisdom, You know just what to do
(*repeat*).

I will love You, Lord my strength.
I will love You, Lord my shield.
I will love You, Lord my rock.
Forever all my days, I will love You God.

Hallelujah our God reigns.
Hallelujah our God reigns.
Hallelujah our God reigns.
Forever all my days Hallelujah.

Canticle (from Celtic Prayer)

Christ as a Light Illumine and guide me. Christ, as a shield overshadow me. Christ, under me Christ, Over me Christ, beside me, On my left and my right. This day be within and without me, Lowly and meek, yet all-powerful. Be in the heart of each to whom I speak; In the mouth of each who speaks unto me. This day be within and without me, Lowly and meek, yet all-powerful. Christ as a light; Christ as a shield; Christ beside me on my left and my right.

Song

Your grace is enough,
More than I need: at your word I will believe.
I wait for you, draw near again.
Let your Spirit make me new.

*And I will fall at your feet, I will fall at your feet
and I will worship you here.*

Your presence in me,
Jesus light the way.
By the power of your word I am restored,
I am redeemed, by your Spirit I am free.

And I will fall...

Freely you gave it all for us,
Surrendered your life upon that cross.
Great is the love poured out for all.
This is our God.

Lifted on high from death to life,
forever our God is glorified.
Servant and King rescued the world.
This is our God.

And I will fall...

Confession

God our Mother and Father, we come to you in sorrow for our sins:

For turning away from you,
And ignoring your will for our lives;
God, forgive us: **save us and help us.**

For behaving just as we wish,
Without thinking of you;
God, forgive us: **save us and help us.**

For failing you by what we do, and think and say:
God, forgive us: **save us and help us.**

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you
By temptations in the world about us;
God, forgive us: **save us and help us.**

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.
- Those taking exams.
- Bishop Sophie at her service of Welcome and Installation on Saturday and as she starts work in the Diocese

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-learnington-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.



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



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Welcome

Opening Prayer & Responses

God of our days and years, we set this time apart for you.
Form us in the likeness of Christ so that our lives may glorify you.
Amen.

We have come from scattered lives to meet with God
Let us recognise God's presence with us.

As God's people we have gathered
Let us enjoy the company of God and each other.

Let us worship God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Let us worship God together.

Song

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing,
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice:
Ye lights of evening, find a voice!
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship Him in humbleness.
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!