



St Mark's Church

LEAMINGTON SPA

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

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

Sunday 22nd March

10.00am Morning Worship

John 11:1-45

Leader: Amanda di Giovanni

Preacher: Wendy Young

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 others; available by searching *St Mark's Church Leamington Spa*

6.30pm Gathered Grace

John 5:1-15

Leader: Amanda di Giovanni. Preacher: Revd Ellie Clack

Refreshments served from 6pm

Monday 23rd March

9.30am - 2.30pm Experience Easter - Brookhurst School visit

Tuesday 24th March

9.30am - 2.30pm Experience Easter - Brookhurst School visit

Wednesday 25th March

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall

7-8.30pm Youth Group 'Uno' in the Upper Room

7-9.30pm Unconscious Bias Training

Thursday 26th March

9.00-10.20am Church open for private prayer & café

10.30am Morning Worship

If you have items to be included in the weekly notice sheet please email office@st-marks.net by **10.00am 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

Robin Broadbent. We are very sad to announce that Robin (Tim's dad) died on Wednesday. Please pray for the whole family, especially Robin's wife Margaret. Tim will return to work on 25 March.



Pathfinders. The last meeting of term will be the 22 March and they return on 19 Apr.

The Church of England have asked INEQE, an independent organisation, to carry out an audit of safeguarding across all their Dioceses. It's now the turn of our Coventry Diocese to have a safeguarding audit. You can participate in this by completing an online survey. The link to the survey is here [direct link](#). There is also a QR code below to access the survey. When you access the survey there are a number of surveys for different groups of people. Most people will need to complete the one called 'The Parish Community'. If you are a leader, in a position of profile within our Church or you volunteer with children, young people or adults at risk, then you should complete the survey called 'The Parish Workforce'. There's a separate survey for children and young people. Children under the age of 13 years should be assisted by their parent/responsible adult. The more people that complete these surveys, the more accurate the feedback will be for the auditors. It is anticipated there will be a number of recommendations for how safeguarding practices can be improved across our Diocese. If you have any questions then please speak to Sue Holden our safeguarding officer.



Quiet Morning at The Well Christian Healing Centre. Thursday 26 March, from 10am to 1pm, cost £17. You can book a place on www.healing.org For more info please speak to Beryl Chisholm

Words from The Cross. Till 13 April. A reflective exhibition of contemporary paintings and poetry inspired by the final words spoken by Jesus on the cross. Created by Adrian Plass and Ben Ecclestone. The church is open during our office hours. Postcards of the artwork are available £10 per set or 3 for £20; speak to Tim or Amanda.

Gardening Morning. Sat 28 March. 9.30-noon. Weeding & pruning. Please bring tools and bags for waste if possible. Contact the office for more information.

Eco Fair Saturday 6 June 2026. If you are planting any seeds for your allotment/garden and can do a few extra, we are planning to have a 'grow your own' stall at the Eco Fair in June and would love as many varieties of vegetables, tomatoes, melons etc as possible! Any questions please ask Sophie Harper.

Church Weekend at Home 2026. Save the date: 26-28 June. Details coming soon.

GDPR and Data Consent Forms. Legally we need your consent to use your contact details. If you have already completed a data consent form you do not need to complete a new one - unless you want to change anything. If you are relatively new then please do fill one in. It includes options to receive the notice sheet by email, to allow the office to pass on contact details and be included in our 'Yellow Pages' church directory. Return completed forms to Amanda or the office.

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)



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 Carbon Net Zero. Please contact the office to find out more.



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