



St Mark's Church

LEAMINGTON SPA

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

Sunday 30th August

10.00am Explore Together

Reading: Matthew 5:1-12

Leader & Preacher: Revd Tim Broadbent

Welcome, song, confession, reading, explanation of the options & options, return to church, song, 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 on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, and other apps by searching *St Mark's Church Leamington Spa*

No Evening Service

Monday 31st August

Office closed - Bank Holiday

Wednesday 2nd September

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall

Thursday 3rd September

9.00-10.20am Church open for private prayer & café

10.30am Morning Worship

7.30pm Together in Meditation Upper Room

Heritage Open Day. The church will be open on Saturday 12 September from 11am to 5pm. If you are willing to come for an hour to help visitors, please email Marcella: events@st-marks.net.

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

Church Weekend At Home. The Church Weekend at Home cost £2,539.33 and received £2,180.00 in donations, including recovered Gift Aid, leaving a deficit of £359.33. If anyone hasn't yet given what they said they would, please could they do so? If you would like to offer feedback about the weekend, please email Marcella: events@st-marks.net.



Eco Washing Products – we will be selling environmentally friendly washing up liquid, hand wash and non-bio laundry liquid after the morning service on the 2nd Sunday of every month. Next sale is on 13 September. In the meantime, we are still collecting empty hand wash bottles and laundry liquid bottles (or larger containers). Just put them in the recycling boxes at back of Church or hand them to Sue Holden.

People's Emergency Briefing. 17th September 7:00pm in the community centre hall. 50 minute film with presentations from leading experts on food safety, health, economics and weather challenges, followed by optional informal discussion groups until 9pm. **Please book a free place so we can monitor numbers. Thank You.**



Gathered Grace. 20th September 6.30pm. Future date 29th November. **Helpers needed:** it would be great if we could have a regular prayer ministry team and a regular refreshments team for this (you wouldn't have to commit to attending each one). Please contact the office if you would be able to help.

OMEGA course on death and dying: 24 September, 15 October, 29 October 7-9.30pm and 14 November 10am-4pm. Explore this difficult topic in a safe environment, led by a retired palliative care consultant. A mix of practical information, opportunities to share and explore, and learn how to support others who are bereaved or nearing the end of life. See fliers for more info **Prior booking essential numbers limited to 20.** More info: Marie Calvert marie@mariecalvert.co.uk

Our next Being With course begins at St Mark's on Sunday 27th September. Refreshments will be served from 6.00pm, with the course starting at 6.30pm. 'Being With' is a chance to explore some of the foundations of the Christian faith in a safe environment. Whether you are new to the Christian faith or have been following Jesus for many years, you are invited to join us. The course runs for 8 weeks. Speak to Revd Tim for more info. Evening service continues as normal.

St Mark's Yellow Pages. This is a directory of contact details for members of St Mark's. If you would like to be included please indicate on the data consent form. If your details have changed please contact the office. **New issue out in September.**

Harvest Fair. We are holding a Harvest Fair on Saturday 10 October and it would be great to have lots of cakes, biscuits, jams, chutneys and other produce to sell, raising money for St Marks. If you are cooking or baking over the next few weeks, please make extra (you can freeze it if it won't last). Hand-made items will also be for sale, so please also get knitting, crocheting or cross-stitching! Chat with Marcella King or email events@st-marks.net for more details.

Refreshed vision & strategy for the Diocese of Coventry. Autumn events, all welcome! [Read more about this work and sign up for the events here](#)

Prayer

For your prayers...

- Children, young people, teachers and all who work in schools as the new year starts
- 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 Fridays and 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

Churchwardens Anna Stacey, Andrew Lee wardens@st-marks.net

Children & Young People

Sundays (except all age services and school summer holidays)

Early Years Church

Climbers (Year 1-3). 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 Mark's. 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. If you are new we suggest you take a few months to settle in before getting involved - enjoy just worshipping with us.

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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