



St Mark's Church

LEAMINGTON SPA

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

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

Sunday 3rd December Advent

10.00am Holy Communion

Mark 13:24-37 + Is 64:1-9

Leader: Rev Tim Broadbent

Preacher: Amanda di Giovanni

www.youtube.com/StMarksChurchLSpa

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

Welcome brunch 11.15-12.30 in the Hall

Order of Service:

Welcome, Songs,
Children leave,
Confession
Reading, Sermon
Creed, Song,
Prayers, The Peace
Song, Holy Communion
Song, Blessing

6.30pm Evening Worship

Mark 1:1-8

Leader: Rev Tim Broadbent

Monday 4th December

1.30pm Shiena Hattersley's funeral at Oakley Wood Crematorium, South Chapel

Order of Service:

Welcome
Confession
3 Songs
Reading
Sermon & discussion
Sharing & prayer
Song, Blessing

Wednesday 6th December

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall

7.00-8.30pm Youth Group in Upper Room

Thursday 7th December

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall

9.00-10.20am Church open for private prayer & café,

10.30am Holy Communion

Livestreaming Notice: Our 10am service on Sunday mornings is livestreamed on our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/c/StMarksChurchLSpa/videos
The distribution of Holy Communion will not be filmed.

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

Events and activities coming up



Advent Resources. For families daily-advent-calendar.pdf (churchofengland.org) by email or app [Connect with this year's call to Join the Song | The Church of England](#)

Christmas Services. Details on next page.

Cleaner still needed. (details www.st-marks.net/about/meettheteam)

Donations for local families in need. We are hoping to support local families identified through Brookhurst and Milverton Schools with super-market vouchers they can use towards their Christmas food. Donations can be made via the collection plate by **10th December** please. Please label clearly.

Christmas musical evening. Saturday 9th December 7.30 at St Marks. Tarantara will sing music to suit all tastes. In aid of Flourish, who work with girls 11-18 to improve their self esteem, build emotional resilience and strengthen mental wellbeing. Tickets £12.50 to include glass of wine or soft drink. Please come and invite your friends. Tickets from <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/youcanflourish/1040778>

Raffle in aid of Flourish. First prize is a 3 night midweek break for 4 in the Surrey Hills. £1 each or 6 for £5. From Jane Wigman.

'Become Santa'. Support for children in Ukraine see www.belveder.co.uk or fliers in church.

Christmas Tree festival. Churches Together are having a tree at All Saints' Parish Church, from Friday 8th December to Sunday 17th December. **More information on next page.**

FIRs Christmas Lunch. Tuesday 12th December 1pm-3pm. Tickets £5. Please book with the office by 4th December.

Carol Singers needed. Monday 18 December 12-1 at Leamington College. The Chaplaincy team needs more singers to help us bring some Christmas cheer to college. It's great fun to do. Please let me know if you can help! Thanks, Marie Calvert.

Ideas for a more Eco-friendly Christmas. There are some great alternative Christmas present ideas on the websites of CORD (<https://cord.org.uk/shop/>) and CAFOD (<https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/>). More information is also available on the boards in the church entrance area for you to look at while having a coffee.



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Sunday 10th December

10.00am All Age Nativity
6.30pm Evening Worship

Sunday 17th December

10.00am Morning Worship
6.00pm Carol Service *Followed by mulled wine and mince pies*

Sunday 24th December

10.00am Morning Worship
4.00pm Christingle *Please bring an orange if you are able.*
6.00pm Christingle *Please bring an orange if you are able.*
11.30pm Holy Communion

Monday 25th December

10.00am All Age Holy Communion

Sunday 31st December

10.00am Morning Worship

Thursdays at 10.30am except 28th December.

Christingle Services. 24th December 4pm and 6pm. Tickets are available via <https://buytickets.at/stmarkschurchleamingtonspa> or the QR code



Supporting our linked organisations. A lot of our linked organisations have the facility to double donations until next Tuesday, 5th December. This includes CORD, Tearfund and CPAS. If you are able to give a donation in the next few days then please see their websites

Christmas Tree festival. Churches Together are having a tree at All Saints' Parish Church, running from Friday 8th December to Sunday 17th December. We are seeking decorations ("homemade" or mass produced) from our family of Churches. Decorations should be nativity based: stars, angels, shepherds, sheep, donkeys, wise men. Paper "ribbons" with Bible verses would also be most welcome. The tree will have a nativity scene at its base. The names of churches which have contributed will be displayed. Decorations are needed by **Wednesday 6th December** so that the Churches Together Tree can be ready for the grand opening of the festival (hosted by Mary Rhodes of BBC Midlands Today) on the evening of Friday 8th December. Contributions can be dropped off in a box at the All Saints' Cafe (inside the Church), Tuesday-Saturday between 11.00am and 4.00pm. If you'd like your decorations back, perhaps to add to your own tree, please attach a label.

January

St Mark's Family Quiz Evening with Fish and Chips Supper. Saturday 3rd February 2024. 6pm for 6-30pm meal. Alternative meal choices will be available. Tickets on sale from 7th January.

Days off

Tim's day off will usually be Tuesday.

Ros does not work Saturdays.

Fiona works Tuesday and Thursday.

Amanda works Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Contact information

Tim can be emailed on vicar@st-marks.net Or phone 01926 421004 and follow the instructions.

Office

The office is open Monday-Friday 9-1. Email office@st-marks.net or phone as above. Please avoid office related questions on Sundays.

Pray for people and organisations supported by St Mark's

Local

- The Well Christian Healing Centre
- Brookhurst, Milverton & Trinity Schools
- New Hope Counselling Centre
- Thrive Youth Ministries & Crossteach
- Beryl Chisholm, Darren Mitchell and all who are part of Christians Against Poverty working to help people escape debt and poverty,
- Leamington College and the St Mark's Chaplaincy Team in their work there
- Craighaven Residential Home
- Leamington Nightshelter & The Way Ahead Project (Homeless Action Project)
- Nightlight and Street Pastors
- Helping Hands
- Foodbank
- Cyrenians Supported Accommodation Service

National and International

- Conflict in Gaza and the desperate suffering there.
- CPAS & Bible Society as they help to spread God's word,
- CORD and their work with refugees
- Open Doors and the persecuted church around the world,
- TEAR Fund as they work to relieve poverty around the world
- The Mundos in Nepal: Dan in Healthcare Development

Environment: CORD Update

<https://cord.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Cord-Reflect-October-23-Web-Version-0.3.pdf>

COP28. Happening now in Dubai

<https://cafod.org.uk/pray/prayer-resources/cop28-prayer>
<https://greenchristian.org.uk/prayer-for-cop28/>
<https://www.churchofengland.org/about/environment-and-climate-change/cop28-needs-our-prayers-and-our-voice-calling-action>