



# St Mark's Church

## LEAMINGTON SPA

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

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

### Sunday 4th February

**10.00am Holy Communion**

**John 1:1-14 & Proverbs 8:1, 22-31**

Leader: Rev Tim Broadbent + Amanda di Giovanni

Preacher: Rev Tim Broadbent

[www.youtube.com/StMarksChurchLSpa](http://www.youtube.com/StMarksChurchLSpa)

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

**Order of Service:**

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

### 6.30pm Evening Worship

**Mark 9:2-9**

Leader: Rev Tim Broadbent

**Order of Service:**

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

### Wednesday 7th February

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall

7.00-8.30pm Youth Group in Upper Room

### Thursday 8th February

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall

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

10.30am Morning Service

**Livestreaming Notice:** Our 10am service on Sunday mornings is livestreamed on our YouTube channel [www.youtube.com/c/StMarksChurchLSpa/videos](http://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](mailto:office@st-marks.net) by **10am Wednesday**. Keep in touch via [www.st-marks.net](http://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



**Post Christmas Gift Swap.** Do you have any unwanted gifts from Christmas or previous occasions? Bring along anything you are happy to give away to our Quiz on 3rd Feb or so that someone else might benefit from it. Anything left at the end of the evening will be taken to a charity shop.

**New Money Coaching course (previously The Cap Money Course).** Saturdays 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10th February (2 sessions) 10 am till 12.30pm at The Westbury Centre Westlea Rd Leamington CV31 3JE. If you are baffled by budgets; bored of being broke or want to plan for the future, book a place, contact Beryl Chisholm 07796615235, [neilandberylchisholm@hotmail.com](mailto:neilandberylchisholm@hotmail.com)

**Advance notice of electrical inspection.** This will be carried out from 12-15th February (Half Term week). FIRs and the Thursday Café and service will go ahead as normal and evening bookings are unaffected, but other day time bookings are cancelled, access to hall and church will be limited and office work and phone may be interrupted as the power will need to be off at times. Please bear with us and allow plenty of time for response to emails, phone calls, etc.

**Coffee & Cake Small Group.** Starting 10.15am on 13th February at 6 Ennerdale Close, Leamington. Although pancakes may be order of the day for this first one - discussion on study for lent, bring ideas. Nikki ([nikkihill14@hotmail.com](mailto:nikkihill14@hotmail.com) - WhatsApp/text 07741 251708).

**Ash Wednesday 14th February.** Service at 7.30pm. Join us to mark the beginning of Lent.

**Pathfinders Pancake Party.** Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 6.00 - 8.00pm. Tom and Vandel-la King, Copse Hill House, Fosse Way, Moreton Morrell, CV35 9DE (map available). See poster for more info RSVP by 17<sup>th</sup> Feb.

**Next Welcome Brunch.** Sunday 25th February after the morning service. For anyone new (or newish) to St Mark's, join us for brunch in the church hall (11.15am-12.15pm - ish). Please let the office know if you would like to come and if you have any specific dietary requirements. Invitations at the back of church.

**Family Brunch.** A time for you to chat over brunch about the joys and challenges of parenting / family life. From 10th March - Monthly after the All-Age service. In the upper room (11.15am-12.15pm - ish). Tim and Ros will organise games in the hall for the children. For catering purposes please let Ros know if you would like to attend [ros@st-marks.net](mailto:ros@st-marks.net)



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## Together in Meditation

### 1 Kings 19: A sound of sheer silence

*'Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice . . .'*

**In a nut shell:** Sitting in silences with others, spending time in God's presence, actively listening and reflecting.

**Why:** Life is full on and its often difficult to make time just to be in God's presence – to listen for a heavenly voice, to reflect on what God has done and is doing. Together in mediation provides an opportunity to come together in silence, to create a space to be with God. Having a group of people to meditate with really helps to maintain focus – and the discipline of maintaining a solid time of stillness and quiet.

**When and where:** Starting Thursday 7th March we will be meeting at 7.30pm in the Upper Room and then on the first Thursday of the month. A short introduction, 40 minutes of sitting quietly together and a cup of tea or coffee and a chat at the end. Nothing complicated, anyone can do it, all welcome.

Speak to Colum Goodchild for more information.

*'Within your temple, O God, we meditate on your unfailing love' (Psalm 48)*

### Real Easter Eggs.

Original £4.50, Dark £5.50, Fun Pack (6 eggs) £5, Special Edition £9.99. See poster for more details or <https://meaningfulchocolate.co.uk/collections/real-easter-egg> <https://www.eden.co.uk/> Speak to Amanda or email the office. Pay with order by Sunday 3rd March.



**Giving to St Mark's.** We are very grateful to everyone who gives financially. You can give on line, using this link <https://givealittle.co/campaigns/670e813c-9dbf-456a-b47e-c077c9a02904> or the one on the church website. <https://www.st-marks.net/more/giving> You will also find a link to a Gift Aid declaration form here.

Or, best of all, you can set up a regular direct debit through the Parish Giving Scheme. Go to [www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk) and you can find St Mark's from the front page, and set it up online. Thank you.  
If you are writing or updating your will, please consider leaving us a legacy.

**Small Groups at St Mark's.** We are encouraging people who are not in a group to consider joining one. We know that they don't work for everyone, also that it is very important to find the right group so we suggest a "try before you buy" approach.

Our groups meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, with one Wednesday morning group meeting by Zoom. Nikki is starting a new group on Tuesday mornings, and Amanda a new evening group if there is sufficient interest. 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](mailto:office@st-marks.net)

## General Information

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:office@st-marks.net) or phone as above. Please avoid office related questions on Sundays.

**Foodbank donations welcome.** See <https://warwickdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/> for current requirements.

**Cyrenians supported living house.** We are collecting men's toiletries and towels. There is a box at the back of church (under the tables). To find out more <https://coventrycyrenians.co.uk/>

**Churches Together in Leamington Walking Group.** See poster on the left as you come into church or contact [ctwalkers@gmail.com](mailto:ctwalkers@gmail.com)