

Please pray for..

Prayer for the week:

Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child: guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please pray for all those members of our congregation who need our ongoing prayer. (Prayer requests can be added to this or recorded in a book in the office.)

- Our country and its leaders in these uncertain times
- Children, young people, students starting new terms
- The Cloud Family
- Open Doors and the persecuted church around the world, TEAR Fund as they work to relieve poverty around the world
- The Well Christian Healing Centre
- Brookhurst, Milverton & Trinity Schools

If you have any pastoral needs or would like to be on the prayer list please contact the church office on 01926 421004 or by email at office@st-marks.net or speak in confidence to the Vicar or Sidney Syson.

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St Mark's Church

LEAMINGTON SPA

Sunday 6th January 2019

Epiphany

Welcome

A very warm welcome to St Mark's. If you need any help with anything do ask the welcomers who greeted you when you arrived. Toilets are located at the back of the church and in the hall complex. If you'd like to know more about what happens in the life of the church, do take a copy of the welcome booklet, speak with one of those leading the services today, or visit our website. www.st-marks.net

Theme for morning services: I love my church! We don't go to church, We are the church! Romans 12:3-18

9.30am Holy Communion

Leader & Preacher: Revd. Jo Parker.

Reader: April Harris. Prayer Ministry: Beryl Chisholm & Sarah Lee

11.15am Morning Worship

Leader & Preacher: Revd. Jo Parker.

Reader: Tony Parsons. Prayers: Ruth Smith. Prayer Ministry: Ruth Smith.

6.30pm Evening Worship

Theme: Rooted - Spiritual Disciplines. Psalm 42 & Philippians 3: 12-14

Leader: Revd. Jo Parker.

Preacher: Amanda di Giovanni

Reader: Abby Rodham

WE SEEK TO BE A COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS IN JESUS CHRIST

WHO ARE DEVOTED TO: LOVING GOD, LOVING OTHERS, MAKING NEW DISCIPLES.

Events and activities this week

Office open Monday to Friday 9.30am-1.30pm,
except Wednesday 11.30-12.30 when closed for staff meeting.

Tuesday 8 January FIRS Lunch 1pm in the Hall

Wednesday 9 January Prayer Walk around the Parish 8.30am

Thursday 10 January Noah's Ark Praise & Play 9.15-10.45am in the Hall

Friday 11 January Toddlers 9.15-10.45am in the Hall

Sunday 12 January Theme: "I love my Church" Hospitality
Luke 14:1,7-14

9.30am All Age Worship

Leader & Preacher: Revd. Jo Parker

11.15am Holy Communion

Leader: Revd. Jo Parker

Preacher: The Ven. Norman Warren

6.30pm Evening Worship

Theme: Spiritual Disciplines - Prayer
Luke 11:1-13

Leader: Revd. Jo Parker

Preacher: Yvonne Warren



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.

You can receive this notice sheet by email - just contact the office. You can also stop receiving it - again contact the office. Our privacy policy can be found on the website.



Events and activities coming up later this month

St Marks 5-year Strategic Plan. We are launching this today and are very keen for as many as possible to have a voice. There will be post-it notes in the pews and large sheets of paper in the chancel for you to make comments. Please speak to Jo or Matty for more information.



A big "Thank You" to everyone who helped with Christmas. The church looked beautiful, the services were great and it was wonderful to see so many people from our community joining us to celebrate the birth of Christ. Jo.

The collection for the Children's Society at the Christingle Service raised £1180.21. Thank you.

Church weekend away 2019. Please pick up a flier and book your place.

We will be running Christianity Explored again, starting on **Wednesday 16th January** in the Upper Room. Please start thinking about who you could invite.

New BCDM Modules are beginning in Jan/ Feb. Check the Diocesan Website for details www.dioceseofcoventry.org/BCDM/modules

Called: Mission, Ministry & Me: Vocations Course. Are you interested in exploring God's calling? Vocations course at All Saints Church, Emscote, Warwick will run from 15th January 2019 for five consecutive Tuesday evenings. Open to all: space to explore what it means to be called by God, take our place in the mission of God, and consider both lay and ordained Christian vocation. Book online or contact Ellie Clack ellie.clack@covcofe.org or Jen Thornton jen.thornton@covcofe.org for more info. www.dioceseofcoventry.org/CalledRegister

Sunday 20th January 6.30pm United Service for the week of Prayer for Christian Unity at St Paul's, Leamington. No evening service here at St Mark's.

Helping Hands Big Sleepout 8th February 2019 - a sponsored event by the Rainbows, to raise funds for *Helping Hands*. Julie Brown will be looking for sponsorship and willing participants to help build shelters.

The Band Heartbeat return on Saturday 9th February for another fun evening of music from the 60's, 70's and more. Tickets are £8 to include coffee and cake in the interval. Tickets available from Jane Wigman (744916) and the Church Office.

Single working Christian mature female desperately needs accommodation. I am seeking a room in a Christian home and am willing to help out with general housework. I am experienced with pets and house sitting whilst occupants are away. Can provide references. Please contact Tracy on 07549 995449.

Confirmation service will be held here at St Mark's on **Sunday 3rd March** at 10.30am. If you are interested in being confirmed please speak to Jo.