

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

Sunday 21st April 2024 Money and Discipleship 10.00am

Jeremiah 7: 1-7 & Mark 12: 38-44 Leader: Rev Tim Broadbent

Preacher: Chris Hill

www.youtube.com/StMarksChurchLSpa

After the service, please join us for refreshments at

the back of church.

6.30pm Holy Communion

Mark 8: 27-38

Leader: Rev Tim Broadbent Refreshments served from 6pm

Wednesday 24th April

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall 7.00-8.30pm Youth Group in Upper Room

Thursday 25th April

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall

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

10.30am Morning Worship

7.30pm Being With Course in the Upper Room (Week 3)

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 policy can be found on the website.

Order of Service:

Welcome, Song, Children leave, Confession, Song, Reading, Sermon, Songs, Prayers, Song, Blessing

Order of Service:

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

Events and activities coming up

Sue Tipper and family would like to thank everyone from St Mark's who have supported them during the past weeks.



Thank you to everyone who came and helped at our DIY morning.

Next Welcome Brunch. Sunday 28th April after the morning service. For anyone new (or newish) to St Mark's, join us for brunch in the lounge (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.

Annual Meeting (APCM) Sunday 12th May. This is an opportunity to hear about what has been happening over the past year and to elect churchwardens and Parochial Church Council (PCC) members. The PCC is the group who make decisions regarding various aspects of church life, in particular how we spend our money. See next page for more information. The meeting will be followed by a bring and share lunch. If your surname begins A-M please bring something savoury, N-Z something sweet. Please sign up at the back of church or email the office so we have a rough idea of numbers.

Family Quiz with Domino's pizza at St. Mark's. Saturday 27 April at 6:30 pm Josh McEvoy and Holly Harris are putting on this family quiz to fundraise for their trip to Belize with Warwickshire Scouts. Only a few tickets left £10 for adults/£7.50 for 16 and under (incl. Domino's pizza). If you would like to come, please email us at belize.quiz@gmail.com.

There is also a raffle. 1 raffle ticket is £1. Prizes: 40 minute aromatherapy facial at The Spa worth £50, family 30 minute pedalo or rowing boat at Leam Boat Centre or Warwick Boats, £20 Pug Pounds to spend at any of the Pug group of pubs, Exploding Kittens game, 2 Warwick Castle tickets (adult or child). On sale at church on Sunday from Andrew McEvoy andrewmcevoy@btconnect.com

A Mind of their own. Claire Evans is arranging group tickets/lifts to an event run by Christian charity 'Care for the Family'. The event is called 'A mind of their own' and is aimed at parents/grandparents and other care givers to help the children they care for build strong emotional resilience and healthy mental wellbeing. For more info see https://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/events/tourevents/a-mind-of-their-own/. The event is on Tues 4th June 7.30pm in Coventry. Please contact Claire (email ce-van117@btinternet.com) by 18th May in order to co-ordinate group tickets at £8. Or buy direct at £11.





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Dates for your diary

11 May Gardening Morning

12 May APCM

Eco Fair - Saturday 15th June

After the success of last year's Eco Fair we will be holding the event again this year. We are looking for some help in preparing for the various stalls and activities. The kinds of things we need help with are:

- growing or sourcing plants (indoor & outdoor) for the plant stall
- collecting second-hand books and soft toys
- collecting materials for making bug hotels
- preparing materials and instructions to make bird feeders
- preparing eco-friendly craft activities
- donations of bottles of wine for the "water to wine" stall

Or if you have any ideas of your own we would love to hear them! There is a sign-up sheet for these tasks on the Eco-board at the back of church. Alternatively please email the office or speak to Lisa Fletcher or Sophie Harper.

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 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 Thursday evening group. 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

Vacancy

Flourish have a vacancy for an admin and finance officer Services 3 — Flourish (voucanflourish.co.uk)

Annual Meeting (APCM) Sunday 12th May (continued)

This year there are vacancies for:

- 2 Churchwardens (for 1 year: nominations by 11th May).
- 2 Deanery Synod members
- 3 PCC members

Deanery Synod and PCC members usually serve for 3 years, but it is possible to resign early if necessary.

Note that as part of St Mark's commitment to Safeguarding and in line with national rules, PCC members and church wardens are required to undertake appropriate safeguarding training and DBS checks.

More details can be found on a board at the back of church. Please pray and consider whether God might be calling you to serve St Mark's in this way. Speak to Marcella or Charlie (wardens) if you have any questions. The forms are all available on the website https://www.st-marks.net/about/community/parochial-church-council-and-annual-meeting

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 vicar@st-marks.net phone 01926 421004 and follow the instructions.

Office

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

Inclusive Church www.inclusive-church.org

St Mark's is part of this network of churches, groups and individuals uniting together around a shared vision.

We believe in a Church which **welcomes and serves all people** in the name of Jesus Christ; which is scripturally faithful; which seeks to proclaim the Gospel afresh for each generation; and which, in the power of the Holy Spirit, allows all people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Jesus Christ."

As part of our commitment to inclusivity, St Mark's has joined **Sight Loss Friendly Church**. If you, or someone you know, are affected by sight loss please let the office know how we can help.