



St Mark's Church

LEAMINGTON SPA

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

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



Sunday 30th March

10.00am Morning Worship

Ruth 1:1-5 & 2:1-12

Leader: Revd Tim Broadbent

Preacher: Revd Tim Broadbent

Order of Service:

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

*After the service, please join us for refreshments
at the back of church. www.youtube.com/StMarksChurchLSpa*

6.30pm Gathered Grace in the Church. God is Holy

Exodus 34:29-35, 2 Corinthians 3:7-18

Speaker: Rev Richard Cooke

Refreshments served from 6pm

Wednesday 2nd April

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall

7.00-8.30pm Youth Group ('Uno') in the Upper Room

Thursday 3rd April

9.15-10.45am Toddlers in the Hall

9.00-10.20am Church open for private prayer & café

10.30am Holy Communion

7.30pm Being With in the Upper Room

7.30pm Together in Meditation in the Committee Room

Livestreaming Notice: Our 10am service on Sunday mornings is livestreamed on our YouTube channel www.youtube.com/c/StMarksChurchLSpa/videos

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.

Events and activities coming up

New Electoral Roll. Forms with instructions about eligibility are available in church. As part of your involvement at St Mark's we would like to invite you to prayerfully consider some aspects of being part of the church. These are detailed on the other page of the form. Please keep this part and just return the form itself. You need to be on the electoral roll to stand for the PCC or to vote for PCC members at the annual meeting. The closing date for joining the electoral roll prior to the annual meeting is **Sunday 13 April**.



Online congregation members can be on the roll; choose the second set of words in square brackets for 2B (or, less commonly 2C) and note the reason for watching online. Fill in the electronic form, type your name on the signature line and email it to marcella@st-marks.net

Churchwardens. Marcella and Charlie have announced that they will be stepping down as wardens in May (at the APCM). Please pray and consider whether this is a way you would like to serve St Mark's. Role description available from office.

Carbon Fast for Lent. Climate Stewards are suggesting ideas each week of things to focus on. If you would like more information please use this link: www.climatestewards.org/resources/carbon-fast/

Foodbank Lent and Easter appeal. Pick up a flier in church, see warwickdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/ for most wanted items. Donations of Easter Eggs can be left in church 31/3-13/4.

Eco Fair Skipping a year. This is mainly due to several of us being involved in a town-wide project to set up an Eco Hub for Leamington and Warwick. We are planning to return on Sat 6th June **2026** - thank you for all your support in past years!

Help for Trinity School. Can you help Friends of Trinity Catholic School raise £6000 to create a beautiful community garden. As the only local school to have been chosen it's a great achievement. Plus they hope to be filmed by Gardeners World. Please donate to their JustGiving Crowdfunding Page: https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/friendsoftrinitycatholicschool?utm_term=DXYgEVgPX

Annual Parochial Church Meeting. This will be on Sunday 11th May after the morning service.

Saturday 17th May at 7pm in the Hall. Heartbeat, West Midlands Covers Band will be bringing us a range of music from the 60's and more. Come and dance to this great band or just sit and listen and enjoy an evening of music. Do invite your friends and family. Tickets £10 **now available** and bring your own drinks. Those in full time education £5. All profits to Myton Hospice. More details from Jane Wigman.

Church Weekend Away. 20-22 June. Attending as a day visitor on the Saturday can be booked up to 13 April, the suggested cost is £21 to include lunch and dinner. All Payments due by 13th April.

Holy Week 2025 "From Palm leaves to Pilate..."

Join us for our Holy Week services as we reflect on some of the people and places on Jesus's journey to the cross... and on Easter Sunday as we celebrate his resurrection. All in the church unless otherwise stated.



Monday 14 April 8pm

"Child or Chief Priest" a service of Compline with a short reflection on Matthew 21:12-17.

Tuesday 15th April 8pm

"Some or all" a service of Compline with a short reflection on Mark 12:41-44.

Wednesday 16th April 8pm

"Perfume or the poor" a service of Compline with a short reflection on Matthew 26:6-10.

Thursday 17th April 7pm

"The Last Supper". Starting at the back of church, then moving into the hall for an evening of eating puddings together and sharing some of the elements of Jesus final meal with his disciples, including hand washing and sharing bread and wine together. Readings: John 13:1-17. Matthew 26: 17-30. Followed by a vigil in church with readings from Matthew 26: 31-75. Probably lasting around half an hour. *Children welcome. Please let the office know by Sunday 13th if you are planning to come.*

Friday 18th April

10am An hour at the cross. Readings, Reflection and music. *Children's activities with Ros in the Hall – please let Ros know if your children will be there. Followed by refreshments including hot cross buns.*



12 noon Churches Together in Leamington Walk of Witness and short service. Starting at Holy Trinity, CV32 5RE

Easter Eve

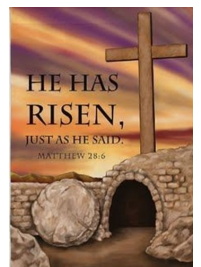
Saturday 19th April from 7.30pm

Starting with fire pit and hot chocolate in the Vicarage garden then moving into church at around 8pm for a short service and lighting the Easter Candle.

Easter Sunday "He is risen!"

Sunday 20th April

6.30am Churches Together Sunrise Service on Campion Hills
10am All Age Holy Communion.



For your prayers...

- Several members of the church are having treatment for cancer, pray for this to be effective and for patience, energy, general good health and limited side effects.
- The bereaved, again several people have lost loved ones recently.
- An area of social justice that you are passionate about.

Days off Tim does not usually work Tuesdays. Ros does not work Saturdays. Amanda works Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Karen works Tuesday and Thursday.

Contact information

Tim vicar@st-marks.net phone 01926 421004 and follow the instructions.
Office The office is usually open Monday-Friday 9-1. Staff meeting 11.30-12.30 Monday. Email office@st-marks.net or phone as above.

Please avoid office related questions on Sundays.

Ros ros@st-marks.net or phone as above.

Churchwardens wardens@st-marks.net

Safeguarding Officer Sue Turner safeguarding@st-marks.net

Children & young people's groups.

Sundays (except all age services and school summer holidays)
Climbers (Reception to Year 3). Explorers (Year 4-6). These meet together on the 1st Sunday of the month.

Pathfinders (Yr 7 and up)

Parents and carers are welcome to take children under 4 into the Committee Room at the front left of church, where there are toys and a screen to watch the service.

Wednesdays (term time). 'Uno' Youth group (Yr 7 and up)

Giving financially to St Marks. 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).

Gift Aid is a vital source of income, and if you give through the Parish Giving Scheme rather than directly to St Mark's then they do the work of claiming this money back. We would like to encourage all those who give regularly and pay tax to switch to the Parish Giving Scheme and for those who are new to St Mark's to prayerfully consider supporting us financially. More information about the scheme can be found here <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/> or this link takes you directly to our giving page <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/new-milverton-st-mark-rugby-road-new-milverton-leamington-spa/> Thank you.

If you are writing or updating your will, please consider leaving us a legacy.

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, can give as much or as little information about the situation as you wish. Requests made in this way will not be anonymous as a name and email address are visible to us.

If you would like to be part of the prayer team please contact the office.

Donating items to St Mark's. We are happy to accept items for 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.

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.



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