



St Mark's Sheffield

Notices for 24 March 2024

Information about upcoming events, news and how to get involved below.

Patterns of worship [here](#), Children's [here](#), church calendar [here](#) and giving [here](#).

WHAT'S ON IN & AROUND ST. MARK'S & THE MISSION AREA:

ST MARK'S CHURCH BROOMHILL & BROOMHALL
HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

24 March Palm Sunday
8am BCP Communion
10am Parish Eucharist in building & on Zoom
7pm Via Dolorosa - a contemplative service of readings and music

28 March Maundy Thursday
7pm Holy Communion and stripping of altar, followed by The Watch

29 March Good Friday
10.15am Service & activities for all ages
12-3pm Meditation at the foot of the cross

31 March Easter Day
6am Dawn Service, meet on the green
8am BCP Communion in building & on Zoom
10am Festive Eucharist in building & on Zoom
With the addition of a dawn service, we will not be holding a night service tonight

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EASTER SATURDAY (30 MARCH) IN THE MISSION AREA – St John's Ranmoor are having Messy Church for the whole family and will be making an Easter Garden 2-4pm. They are also holding an Easter Eve Vigil at 8pm. [More here.](#) St Mary's Walkley are holding an Easter Eve Vigil and Service of Light at 7.30pm.

THANK YOU FROM THE ENVIRONMENT GROUP - to everyone who managed to complete the Big Plastic Count this week. This will provide data to demonstrate the scale of the plastics problem and how ineffective our recycling processes are in comparison. You may like to petition Steve Barclay, Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, to champion the plastics issue and press for the Global Plastics Treaty to come into law [Global Plastics Treaty \(greenpeace.org.uk\)](http://greenpeace.org.uk)

Join us on the green on **Saturday 23 March** from 10 - 12.30 for our **NATURE RECOVERY WORKING PARTY**. This will be a fun session of leaf compost bagging up – ready to be used on your gardens this spring. See the wild flowers and tree buds emerging. All ages welcome. Bring a rake and gardening gloves if you have them. And a couple of bags to take your compost home if wanted. Hot drinks provided. Enquiries to martin.godley@tiscali.co.uk

COFFEE CONCERT – On **Sunday 24 March** there will be a Coffee Concert after the service. Zulfiqar Willington will play a short cello recital (around 20 minutes), which is part of his preparation for his grade 8 exam.

MICHAEL ADIE – Michael's funeral, at Guildford Cathedral will take place at 11.30 on **Monday 25 March**. It will be possible to watch the service via a Youtube link which you can join by clicking the link here: <https://www.youtube.com/live/WLuWeo4mQxM>

CHRISTIAN VIGIL FOR THE HOLY LAND – Tuesday 26 March 3-4pm

Kairos Sheffield is organising a vigil at the large cross in front of Sheffield Town Hall. Join us in prayer and solidarity with Gaza and the Holy Land at the cross on Tuesday in Holy Week. People of all faiths and none welcome for a time of silence and reflection.

CLEARING ST. MARK'S VICARAGE, GARAGE AND SWISS COTTAGE

Could you help Sue to empty the vicarage, garage, and Swiss Cottage after Easter? She needs willing volunteers who can help carry things and people who can take items in their cars to new homes, a skip, or the tip. She plans to be available:

THURSDAY 4 APRIL	All Day
FRIDAY 5 APRIL	Afternoon
SATURDAY 6 APRIL	All Day
SUNDAY 7 APRIL	Afternoon

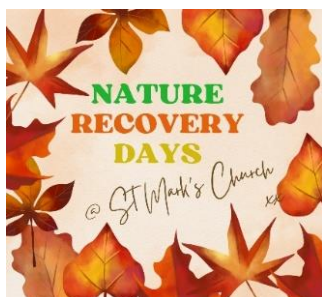
Sue is still using her previous e-mail and mobile number so send her a message, text or WhatsApp to let her know what help you can offer. Thank you. Shan

ST. JOHN'S RANMOOR - Please join our mission partner, as they embark on celebrating their 150-year anniversary in 2029 with a project called Paper, Scissor, Stone! Over the next 5 years, they have a diverse array of events and celebrations planned. Starting on April 13 at 4.30pm when the local historian, Loveday Herridge, will be talking about their founder, the brewer and art collector, John Newton Mappin, with real ales and Victorian music. £3. [More information about this event and the celebrations can be found here](#)

ELECTORAL ROLL ANNUAL REVISION

– this is the list of people who have the right to vote in St Mark's Annual Church meetings, stand for our church council (or one of the local or national bodies e.g., deanery synod, diocesan synod, or General Synod). If you are not already on

the electoral roll there is a form which needs to be completed and returned to Peter Ryder by **Thursday 11 April**, it can be accessed electronically [HERE](#) or there are paper copies at the back of church. To qualify you need to be baptised, aged 16 or over and either live in the parish or attend worship here regularly. Worshipping via Zoom also counts. Please do sign up if you have not already because it is one of the ways the wider church sees how active a parish church is. For more information ask any of the PCC. *Thank you*



ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING – please save the date for your diary. This will be held at **I Iam on Sunday 28 April** in the building and on Zoom following a shortened morning service.

TAIZE EVENT IN SHEFFIELD – 20 April, St Mary’s Walkley, 12.30-20.00

Brother Jean-Patrick, who is the link brother to the UK, is coming for a visit in April. As part of this, he is coming to Sheffield for an afternoon, on Saturday 20th April. We will be hosting him at St Mary's Walkley, where he has kindly offered to lead a reflection, as well as having some time for discussion, silence, a shared meal and evening prayer. We would love to have as many people there as possible, all are welcome. Please do share this information widely, as we know there are now more and more Taizé prayers happening across Sheffield which is wonderful.

There is a [sign up sheet with more information here](#)

TECHNICAL SUPPORT ON SUNDAY MORNINGS - It takes three volunteers each week to ensure that everybody in the building and on Zoom can see and hear what is going on. Usually two of these people sit at the back of the church, one operating the sound desk - this controls the sound and camera and is connected to the projector, the second controlling the PowerPoint slides. The third is usually Shan in Somerset who controls the waiting room letting people into the meeting. All three are only connected by the Zoom meeting. There is only a small team of people who do these jobs. If you are interested in joining the team please let me or Maria Oliver know.
David

JONATHAN EARLE - I'm trying to put together a working party to complete the last few jobs at my brothers house in Hull (mostly painting and decorating, putting furniture together and fence building). I can either do this over a Saturday if I get a lot of people, or if people have a day free, any day apart from Thursdays. I also need to borrow tools for the jobs - a sledgehammer and electrical. I'm also looking for car driver, and I can cover the travel costs. If anyone is able to help please contact Jonathan on either earlejonathan@rocketmail.com or 07751 788669.

AUDIO RECORDINGS OF SERMONS are now on the St Mark’s website. [Click here.](#)



25 February 2024 - Roots and Shoots - Shan Rush

Shan Rush

It is the second Sunday in the Christian season of Lent Shan Rush links it to the season of the year, to explore the roots of our faith

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BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION - If you are considering baptism or confirmation and would like to discuss this further, please to talk to Beth Keith either after the service or contact on email beth@stmarkssheffield.co.uk .

ALZHEIMER’S RESEARCH -Recently I attended a most interesting U3A talk by Dr Simon Bell of the Sheffield Institute for Translational Neuroscience, where he is the NIHR Lecturer in clinical neurology. He is seeking healthy volunteers to join the control group for his Alzheimer Metabolic Imaging Study. This involves having a brain scan, blood test, and skin sample to examine mitochondrial energy generation. They also do some memory testing and ask people optionally if they are happy to have a lumbar puncture. I am participating. If interested to learn more contact Simon at s.m.bell@sheffield.ac.uk mentioning my name, Michael Miller.

Associated is also research developing an early dementia assessment tool. It is called Cognospeak. It involves talking to a computerised doctor on your PC to answer questions about memory. The link to the website for the study www.cognospeak.com

LOOKING FOR HOUSING – a young professional linked to the church is looking for a flat or room in a house share. If you know of anything, please get in touch with Beth@stmarkssheffield.co.uk

SAVE THE DATE - Trauma Informed Ministry Day, 19 October, 9.30-14.00

An interactive workshop by Rev Hilary Ison at St Mark's Church Broomhill S10 2SE.

Come and equip yourself to deal with the stresses and strains of daily life better.

An interactive workshop exploring how understanding ourselves and our body's reaction to trauma better can enable us to build resilience for the future. Hilary will help us learn how to check in on ourselves and respond in a more considered and creative way, enabling us to look after ourselves and accompany others better in pastoral ministry through difficult times. We will look at how we can respond in a helpful, healthy way, both individually and collectively as congregations and communities, and the biblical and faith resources available to help. We will finish with an optional healing service. Refreshments will be provided but please bring your own lunch. Hilary is a great speaker who is experienced in all kinds of church leadership and teaching and a trustee for St Lukes for Clergy Wellbeing. For more information and to book [Click Here](#)

HOLY ROOD HOUSE

CENTRE FOR HEALTH AND PASTORAL CARE



Celebrating Community

*Welcome and Licensing of
The Revds Sue Hammersley
and Sibylle Batten*

*Saturday 25th May 2024
2-5pm with afternoon tea*

*Being in the present,
preparing for the future*

A warm welcome to everyone...

*RSVP to office@stmarkssheffield.co.uk
for transport arrangements and catering.
The environment group are arranging a mini bus, RSVP
for transport by the end of March.*



MARCH ECO TIP

This year, we will be supporting the Eco Tip calendar provided by [Rocha](#), who gave us our Gold Eco Church Award last year, follow along for a new tip every month:

CELEBRATE SPRING- Immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of the season – breathe in the fragrance of blossoms, observe budding catkins, note different bird songs, spot footprints, or use the Pl@ntNet app to identify spring flowers. Nature can boost our happiness, so spend time in your garden, on your balcony, and in local green spaces. Dedicate quality time to appreciate creation's beauty and thank God for the hope that spring can bring.