



Notices for 28 April

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:

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The meeting will be held this Sunday, **28 April at 11am** in the building and on Zoom following a shortened morning service. Prior to the meeting, please take a moment to view the following documents which [can all be seen here](#):

- Annual report
- 2023 minutes
- 2024 agenda
- Annual accounts
- Nomination forms
- The current electoral roll

SHARED LUNCH AFTER THE ANNUAL MEETING, 28TH OF APRIL- there will be a buffet – type lunch after the meeting, to which all are welcome to stay. Thank you

FAITH PERSPECTIVES ON THE MIDDLE EAST CRISIS – 28 April 7pm

You are invited to a meeting at St Mark's Church, Broomfield Road, Broomhill, Sheffield from 7 pm to 8.45 pm on Sunday 28 April at which we will consider the current Middle East crisis from the point of view of the three religious faiths that are involved -Jewish, Muslim and Christian. How can a just and lasting peace be secured?

The meeting will begin with four short talks by the following speakers:

- Revd Dr Casey Strine, Senior Lecturer in Ancient Near Eastern History and Literature and the Bishop of Sheffield's Adviser on Inter Faith Relations – on Palestine as a Holy Land for three religions.
- Dima Shami – from Sheffield's Palestinian community.
- Professor Jane Ginsborg – Chair of Seven Hills Shul, formerly Sheffield and District Reform Jewish Congregation.
- Mark James – Kairos Sheffield, a network of Christians in Sheffield concerned and active for justice and peace in the Holy Land.

These talks will be followed by Q and A and discussion. The meeting will end with a period of private prayer.

LENT COURSE REVIEW - On 1 May at 7.30pm the leaders of the lent groups are meeting on zoom to review this year's lent course and share some ideas about planning for next year. We

would like to open this meeting up to anyone who attended a lent group and would like to input into the meeting. If you would like to attend please let Beth know (beth@stmarkssheffield.co.uk).

The Zoom code is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87695182787> Meeting ID: 876 9518 2787

Doreen Godden's Funeral will be held at St Mark's on Thursday 2 May at 10.30 am and will also be available via Zoom. The service will be followed by refreshments in the lounge whilst the family go to the crematorium. Please hold her family and many friends in your prayers at this time. Shan



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK MAY 12th - 18th 2024

Why do we bother? **275 projects across Africa, Asia, Europe, Middle East, and the Caribbean. Including: Water for Gaza; new farming techniques in Malawi; Promoting women's Rights in Afghanistan; supporting communities affected by climate change in Haiti and ...**

*"We need to enthuse the congregation about the work of Christian Aid and help us all to realise the **extraordinary** work that they do on our behalf throughout the world. They have been at it so long that I think the danger is we take what they do for granted."* **Michael Bayley**

Please offer just a few hours of time to help us raise more than ever for Christian Aid this year; deliver only envelopes, serve tea in our pop-up café 17th May in Broomhill, promote our online envelope on your social media

<https://fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/envelope-2024/st-marks-broomhill-and-broomhall> and our own QR code for donations

It works and so does Christian Aid!!!

Please contact me Dilys if you can help 07817651178

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LIFT SHARING TO SUE & SIBYLLE'S LICENSING –

The cost of hiring a coach to attend Sue and Sibylle's licensing is prohibitive, so Margaret Ainger and Zoë are organising car sharing instead. Are you willing to o drive, and could you offer others a lift? Please let Margaret or Zoë in the office know. Thank you.

Saturday 8th June 4pm Celebration of 30 years of Women Priests - a service with bubbly and buns to follow. Three short videos of ordained women in the Diocese will be woven into the service, and the preacher will be the Rt Revd. Alison White, former Bishop of Hull. Invitations have been sent nationally to all women who were ordained in Sheffield Cathedral so the day promises to be a day of reunions as well as celebrations. If you haven't got around to booking yet, you can do so at sheffdio.org/30Years.



ST. JOHN'S RANMOOR are celebrating their 150-year anniversary in 2029 with a project called Paper, Scissor, Stone! [More information about this event and the celebrations can be found here](#)

HAVE YOU LEFT ANYTHING? There will be a display of lost property and items from the Flower Room, in the corridor on 5 and 12 May. Please have a look and take anything of yours. On 19 May the items will be for sale, with donations to church; anything left will go to a charity shop.

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 .

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](#)

APRIL 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:

Fit more active travel into your day and daily routine. Reevaluate your journeys: explore walking or cycling options, or modify your route to include some form of active travel, i.e. disembark a stop early and complete the remaining part of your journey on foot, indulge in a leisurely stroll, or opt for a bike ride along a cyclist-friendly route. Consider connecting with your local Ramblers or cycling group for shared experiences. Use the extra steps or the changed travel arrangements as a prompt to pray for God's creation, nature's preservation and the reduction in fossil fuel usage

Michael Miller writes:

I am concerned that the world's attention and support for Ukraine's resistance against Russian aggression is waning. Please keep thinking of them. If you want to help directly here are some worthwhile charities.

The initiative of President Zelensky, **United24** is the official fundraising platform of Ukraine <https://u24.gov.ua/>

Medicines To Ukraine Pharmacists across Europe are using their expertise to organize the sourcing, logistics and the safe delivery of specialist medicines to where most needed by Ukrainian casualties. <https://medicinesoukraine.com/>

Insulate Ukraine windows are triple-glazed polyethylene windows designed provide cheap replacements for war damaged ones. They insulate like double glazing, let light through, cost only £12 per square metre, and can be built at home in 15 minutes from basic materials.

<https://www.insulate-ukraine.org/>

Serhiy Prytula Charity Foundation is focused on strengthening the Defence Forces of Ukraine and providing assistance to the civilians affected by Russian aggression.

<https://prytulafoundation.org/en/>

ENVIRONMENT GROUP UPDATE - A few weeks ago, Margaret Ainger emailed to Sheffield Central MP Paul Blomfield (St Marks is in his constituency), to express concern on behalf of the Environment Group at the pulling back of the Labour Party of the £28b Green Plan. Some of you may have also written. Here is Paul's reply:

Dear Margaret,

Thank you for writing to me about Labour's green investment plans. I'm sorry not to have replied sooner, as I would normally have done, but I've had a huge number of additional emails (around 5,000 to date) on the Gaza crisis - and I'm just catching up.

Addressing the climate emergency is the most important issue facing us; all the other challenges will count for little if we fail to provide a sustainable planet for future generations. That's why I've consistently worked on the climate emergency throughout my 14 years in Parliament (read more [here](#) and [here](#)) and am a Vice-Chair of the [All-Party Group on Climate Change](#), chaired by Caroline Lucas.

So Labour's position on climate action matters to me and I was disappointed that circumstances beyond our control has forced us to row back a little, although the green prosperity plan remains one of our five key missions for government. You'll know that, after we made the £28billion pledge, the Truss government pushed up the cost of borrowing - transforming the ability to deliver on the pledge.

The core commitments of the green prosperity plan remain - to deliver on clean power by 2030, permanently taking hundreds of pounds off energy bills, creating half a million good jobs, making Britain energy independent, and delivering on our climate commitments.

It's right that governments borrow to invest and grow, but it requires a credible plan and responsibility with the public finances – Liz Truss showed what happens when governments get this wrong. And unfortunately, the circumstances have worsened further, with the Government damaging the economy, increasing debt and putting people's livelihoods at risk. The electorate punished Labour in 2019 when they thought we lacked a credible plan – and there's no point in having great policies if we can't implement them.

Labour though remains committed to an ambitious and bold climate and energy agenda and to the investment plans that are vital to Britain's future, funded by a proper windfall tax on oil and gas giants, alongside borrowing to invest within fiscal rules. Our plans will invest in good jobs in all parts of the country in gigafactories, clean steel plants, renewable-ready ports, green hydrogen and energy storage, through a £7.3 billion national wealth fund that will unlock tens of billions of private sector investment. The warm homes plan will upgrade Britain's homes and cut energy bills, investing a further £6.6 billion to double the money already committed by the Government.

On top of this, we will establish Great British Energy, a publicly owned energy company to invest in clean homegrown power, with capital of £8.3 billion, including £3.3 billion for a local power plan to invest in clean energy for local communities and enough funding to accelerate nuclear projects and position the UK as a world leader in floating offshore wind.

I hope this response has reassured you that we have the right plan for our economy and climate action, because we can't have another Tory Government with neither.

Thanks again for writing.

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BROOMHILL COMMUNITY LITTER PICK

Every 3rd Saturday in Month
10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Meet at Broomhill Community Library

- ✓ Wear comfortable clothes/shoes
- ✓ Bring friends/family
- ✓ Bring gardening gloves if you have them
- ✓ Equipment will be provided
- ✓ SPREAD THE WORD!



**NEXT DATES: Saturday 20 April, 18 May,
15 June, 20 July**

Thank you for caring about our planet.....

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