

# St Mark's Sheffield

## Notices for 11 August

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

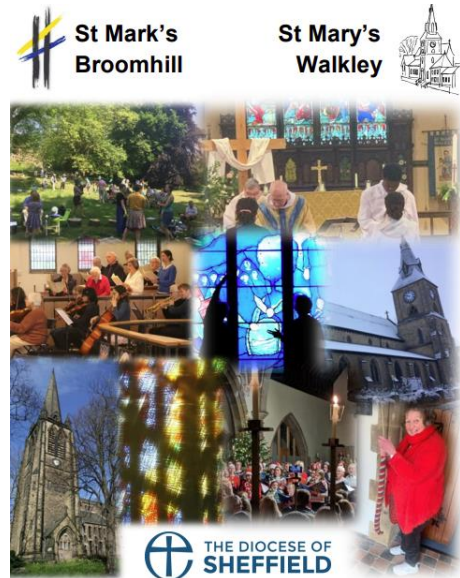
Patterns of worship [here](#), Children's [here](#), church calendar [here](#) and giving [here](#).

### ST. MARK'S NEWS:

**OUR AD IS LIVE** - Vicar of St Mark's Broomhill, Priest in Charge of St Mary's Walkley and joint Oversight Minister in the Three Spires Mission Area. Please help get the word out and share the following information: [click here](#).

### ST MARK'S STANDS AGAINST HATE –

At St Mark's we stand alongside our brothers and sisters from other faith communities, our neighbours, asylum seekers and refugees, united in our opposition to hate in all its forms, including islamophobia and antisemitism. We celebrate the wonderful diversity of human life, welcoming and serving all people. We are praying for all the communities affected.



### THIS WEEK - GOD AFTER DECONSTRUCTION

**TUESDAY 13 AUGUST 7.30 PM** - In conjunction with the Progressive Christianity Network, St Mark's Sheffield presents an evening with American theologian Thomas Jay Oord dealing with the challenging topic of faith deconstruction. More [here](#).

### BOOKING FOR THREE SPIRES MISSION AREA WEEKEND IS NOW OPEN -

**Friday 20 - Sunday 22 September 2024, Across our 3 parishes.** This Weekend at Home is the chance to for us to get together in an informal way and build relationships across the 3 parishes. Benefits include meeting together in comfortable surroundings, provision for all ages and abilities, hospitality, and fun! **Bookings**



**needed by August 18<sup>th</sup>.** You can see a full copy of the brochure on the notice boards in church or by clicking [here](#)

To book you place [please click here](#)

**HAZEL ELLIOTT-KEMP** – I am saddened to have to let you know that Hazel, a long term and committed member of our congregation and choir, died peacefully on Thursday 1 August. Her funeral will be held at St Mark's on Wednesday 21 August at 3.30 pm. Further details are in our weekly e-mail or can be obtained by contacting the office by e-mail at [office@stmarkssheffield.co.uk](mailto:office@stmarkssheffield.co.uk).

Donations in memory of Hazel and in lieu of flowers can be made to The Alzheimers Society [here](#) Please hold Catherine, Nick and Simon, their families and her many friends in your prayers. *Shan*

### **NO NIGHT SERVICE ON 25 AUGUST**

Due to the bank holiday weekend and lots of people being at Greenbelt Festival, there will be no night service on the 25 August.

**DIOCESE OF SHEFFIELD PODCAST** - Beth was interviewed recently. Please have a listen here or wherever you get your podcasts from. [Podcast - The Diocese of Sheffield \(anglican.org\)](#)



56. Revd Dr Beth Keith – Associate Vicar and Liberal Theologian at St Mark's Broomhill and Broomhall



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47:01

"When I read the gospels – when I read those stories of Jesus and his teachings, he went to where the mess was in life"

Revd Dr Beth Keith, Associate Vicar and Liberal Theologian at St Mark's Broomhill and Broomhall, joins Paul and Ben on the podcast today.

**ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION - From 21 July**, we are offering both the Common cup and intinction as a trial over the summer holidays. Knowing some people will be anxious about this move, I did a quick literature search. There is not much documented evidence specifically about Covid, but the research that has been done shows little evidence of risk of transmission of infection from sharing the Common Cup.

This first paper was from June 2020 and cited knowledge prior to that time. To read the full document [click here](#)

The following paper discussed return to the Common Cup in March 2022. They reiterate Covid's route of transmission is airborne, and people are at much higher risk because they are no longer wearing face masks than they are from sharing the chalice. To read the full document [Click here](#) To minimise the risk our chalice assistants are taught to wash / gel their hands before administering Communion and will resume the practice of 'wiping and rotating' the chalice after each person has consumed. We can all play our part by being considerate towards one another by staying home if we are unwell or have respiratory symptoms or by just receiving the bread that week.

We will watch and see what the next few weeks bring, and it is our intention that we will move to one option only once we see whether intinction or the Common Cup is most popular. During the transition, we will continue to use wafers, however, if we move to receiving the Common Cup, we will also return to having a single gluten free loaf that can be shared with everyone. The most important thing to remember is that you do what you feel comfortable with and remember that in the Anglican church, communicating in either kind, just bread or just wine, is considered full communion so you need not share the cup if you feel uneasy about doing so. If you have questions about any aspect of this, please talk to Beth or me, Shan.

## WHAT'S ON AT ST MARK'S:

### CHILDREN'S CHOIR – STARTS SEPTEMBER

New for Sept' 24!



Singing / Games / Snacks & Fun!

**4.30-6PM, KS2 (7-11) CHOIR**  
**@ ST MARK'S CHURCH, BROOMHILL**  
**EVERY THURSDAY (TERM-TIME)**

Attendance free, £1 / wk donation towards snacks.  
Use QR code to book your place now; or visit  
[www.stmarksheffield.co.uk](http://www.stmarksheffield.co.uk)



## PLEASE SAVE THE DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:

### TRAUMA INFORMED MINISTRY DAY, 19 OCTOBER, 9.30-14.00

An interactive workshop by Rev Hilary Ison at St Mark's Church. For more information and to book [Click Here](#)

### COME AND SING EVENSONG WITH STEEL CITY CHORISTERS – Sunday 24

November at St Marks, 2-5.30pm [More info here.](#)

## THE ENVIRONMENT:

### AUGUST 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:

Assist local wildlife during very hot weather. Provide hedgehogs with hedgehog biscuits (available at many pet stores and online) or dog biscuits (small/ crumbed) as their prey of slugs, snails and worms diminishes, and ensure a safe exit for them and other small mammals if you have a garden pond. Help garden birds by maintaining a filled bird bath and supplying supplementary food including black sunflower seeds, pinhead oatmeal, soaked sultanas, raisins, currants, mealworms, waxworms, and a nutritious seed mixture, when natural supplies become scarce.