

## **Notices for 25 August**

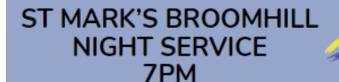
Information about upcoming events, news and how to get involved below. Patterns of worship <a href="here">here</a>, Children's <a href="here">here</a>, church calendar <a href="here">here</a> and giving <a href="here">here</a>.

### ST. MARK'S NEWS:

**CHANGES TO NIGHT SERVICE** - From September our pattern at Night Service is changing. Please do save the date for our first Thinking Faith panel discussion on September 8.

Please note that there is no Night Service this Sunday 25 August.

This is due to the bank holiday weekend and lots of people being at Greenbelt Festival





# 1ST SUNDAY CONTEMPLATIVE COMMUNION

A simple and contemplative service, with the focus on remembering Jesus in sharing bread and wine.

### 2ND SUNDAY THINKING FAITH

Each month we tackle a different topic, with a panel discussion, and lots of time for questions and responses from quest speakers.





### 3RD SUNDAY TAIZÉ PRAYER

service of singing, prayer, and silence, using the pattern and style of worship practised at the Taizé Community.

# 4TH SUNDAY CONTEMPORY WORSHIP

An informal service with an open and inclusive style, modern liturgy, and contemporary worship.





### 5TH SUNDAY HEALING & WHOLENESS

An informal service of readings, music, and time for reflection. There is the opportunity to receive anointing and prayer, and stillness and space to reflect.

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# St Mark's Broomhill presents

# THINKING FAITH

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# 8 SEPTEMBER 7PM

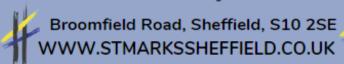
### PLANET CRISIS: A STRATEGIC RESPONSE A PERSONAL RESPONSE

With guests speakers:

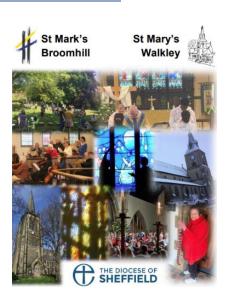
Jo Chamberlain is the Church of England's National Environment Policy Officer, working to engage with the world and the church on the crucial environmental issues facing us. She was previously the Diocesan Environment Officer for Sheffield and part of the Church Engagement team at Christian Aid.

Dr Will Rolls is the strategic lead on Climate Change for Chesterfield Borough Council, and is about to start working for Derby Diocese managing the diocesan Net Zero Programme. His background is in natural resource management and his doctoral research was into the sustainability of solid forest-sourced biofuels.

Revd Michael Bayley is part of St Mark's Environment Group, and instrumental in St Mark's achieving the Gold Eco Award.



**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.





THREE SPIRES MISSION AREA - 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! If you would like to attend but missed the booking deadline, please contact <a href="mailto:Shan@stmarkssheffield.co.uk">Shan@stmarkssheffield.co.uk</a>.

You can see a full copy of the brochure on the notice boards in church or by clicking <a href="here">here</a>.



### **GOD AFTER DECONSTRUCTION WITH THOMAS**

JAY OORD - This week St Mark's held an evening with American theologian Thomas Jay Oord dealing with the challenging topic of faith deconstruction. The session offered a hopeful and hope-filled vision of Christianity that doesn't rely on the traditional toxic traits of a violent and domineering deity. Watch the talk here

**LITTER-PICK** – we're looking for 3 or 4 volunteers willing to do a litter pick around church on Monday 9th Sept at 2pm. We hoping to clear up the church grounds in time for the Heritage Open Days. Tim the caretaker can provide you will gloves, bags, and grabbers. It should take an hour max. Please let him know if you intend to help on <a href="mailto:caretaker@stmarkssheffield.co.uk">caretaker@stmarkssheffield.co.uk</a>. Thanks.

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

Heritage Open Days 2024 Tuesday 10 September &

Saturday 14 September: 13:00-17:00

We will be open on the above dates. Please do invite friends and family to come along and enjoy



our beautiful building. Explore the architecture of George Pace with its stunning east and west windows at St Mark's Broomhill, which was selected by the National Churches Trust as one of the UK's Top 10 Best Modern Churches and is the only church in the Sheffield Diocese to be featured in a book on English churches. This year will focus both on the past and on the present role of St Mark's as an eco-church with a chance to see what the church has achieved both inside and out. Activities will be available for children and fair-trade refreshments will be on offer. For more information about Heritage Open Days please click here.

Starting on Thursday 5 September - sign up now or for more info talk to Hannah



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.stmarkssheffield.co.uk



# Saturday 28th September 2024 7.30 pm

St Marks Church, Broomhill, S10 2SE

**Sheffield Sinfonietta** 

Directed by Gordon Busbridge from the Harpsichord

### The programme includes:

Bach - Brandenburg Concerto No.1 in F major Vivaldi - Concerto for Four Violins in B minor Bach - Violin Concerto in A minor Handel - Allegro & Adagio from the Water Music Suite

Including soloist Hannah Thompson-Smith - Violin

No Tickets required - Please come and bring friends These concerts have been truly amazing

For more information please contact Dilys Noble on 07817651178 St Mark's facilities are all suitable for disabled access.

Retiring Collection for PHASE Worldwide - Changing lives in Nepal

PHASE Worldwide Reginald Arthur House, Percy Street, Rotherham, S65 1ED. Registered charity no: 1112734



### 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.

#### **OTHER OPPORTUNITIES:**

**SKIN MICROSTRUCTURE RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY -** Volunteers of any age with healthy skin i.e. not had eczema, are sought for non-invasive assessment of skin ageing involving photography and hand held ultrasound scanning of accessible areas (face, lower arms and legs) and a sample of saliva. Takes about two hours and you get £30 in Amazon vouchers! Pauline and I have taken part. Details at <a href="https://sheffielddermatologyresearch.com">https://sheffielddermatologyresearch.com</a> Contact Kirsty Brown tel. 0114 215 9539 *Michael Miller* 



**SINGLE FRIENDLY CHURCH** have a quarterly Network Zoom, it is an informal meeting for churches and individuals. This is an opportunity for churches to share stories and best practice, and for anyone to bring questions or discussion topics, whatever your stage on the journey. Click here for more or to sign up

### THE ENVIRONMENT:

**CLIMATE NATURE BILL** - There's a golden opportunity to follow the science by fast tracking the Climate and Nature Bill—one that can't be ignored by the new Government during their first 100 days in office. We need your help! Can you lobby your MP and ask them to prioritise the CAN Bill in the private members' bill ballot?

For more information contact Michael Bayley (mjbayley36@gmail.com).



Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

# Support the campaign for the Climate and Nature Bill

The CAN Bill will address the full extent of the climate and nature crisis in line with the most up-to-date science. In May 2024 it had cross party backing of over 150 MPs. Help get it into the next Parliament!









# Now that we have a new government, we want every MP to support the Climate and Nature Bill. It will make us:

- Better off by ensuring our homes are properly insulated, and our energy is cleaner, less expensive and more secure
- Healthier by reducing air pollution, and by encouraging healthier, more sustainable food consumption, while supporting our farmers
- Happier by protecting our green spaces and the wildlife that depends on them, ensuring everyone has access to nature
- More resilient by reducing the threats from extreme weather, such as flooding, erosion, and crop failure

The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.

LET'S CALL FOR THE LEGISLATION WE NEED TO TAKE CARE OF CREATION.

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# What action can we take to get the Climate and Nature Bill passed into law?

At the beginning of each session of Parliament there is a Private Members Bill Ballot which all backbench MPs can enter. All the MP has to do at this stage is to enter his or her name in a book. The ballot will be drawn on 5 September. Only 20 MPs will be successful and they will be ranked. The higher the ranking the better the chances of success. At this point the MPs do not have to say what their proposed bill is. They have to do this by October 15.

Open At this stage of Parliament the best prospect of getting the Climate and Nature Bill passed is by getting it adopted as a private members bill. Provided one of the successful MPs is prepared to adopt the bill the chances of it being passed are good because it has wide cross-party support and very wide public support. On August 15 all MPs are being sent a letter from over 500 scientists and this letter is being published.

### What you can do now!

Write to your MP. If you are doing so before September 5 ask them to enter the ballot and if they are successful to nominate the Climate and Nature Bill as the bill they want to support. If you are writing after September 5 write to your MP as soon as possible to ask them to lobby successful MPs in the Private Members Bill Ballot asking them to adopt the bill. Note that this must be done before October 15 but it needs to be done as soon as possible.

Please ask family, friends and neighbours to do the same. If we act swiftly now there is a good chance we can get this critical legislation in place but it needs action now. There is more information on the Zero Hour website. If you could arrange to see your MP that will be even better. If you would like advice about that contact Michael Bayley (mjbayley36@gmail.com) or Margaret Ainger (margaret.ainger3@gmail.com).

### **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. 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.