

Notices for 19 January

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

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

NEWS AT ST MARK'S:

CHRISTMAS CARDS & POST – Please check the pigeon-holes at the back of church by the library to see if you have any post or Christmas cards in there. If you spot post for someone who no longer gets to church and can deliver it to them, please do. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will be held in church on May 11.

FOR SALE TO AVOID WASTE – Re Beth's service on Wednesday: the catering was a bit too generous, and we have some unused items for sale - 2x 700g boxes of felafels and a 500g tub of hummus, each costing £4.99; or they could be split. If interested, see Briony or Mary-Jane on Sunday.



UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST MARK'S:

THINKING FAITH - this monthly event explores diverse topics with panel discussions, guest speakers, and time for questions and responses. Also on Zoom.

February focus: **The spirituality of children**, featuring:

-*Dr Emily Baughen* (University of Sheffield) –

History of childhood and its intersections with humanitarianism and politics.

-*Canon Dr Jane Brooke* (RE Specialist) – Insights into faith development and spiritual education.

-*Huw Thomas* (Director of Education, Sheffield Diocese) – Church schools and the spirituality of children.

Join us for this engaging and reflective session, open to all. [Click here for more.](#)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89515577906>

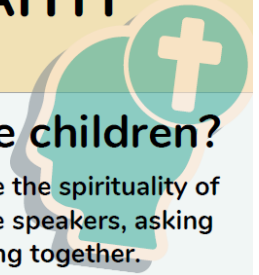
Meeting ID: 895 1557 7906

THINKING FAITH

9 FEBRUARY 7PM

How spiritual are children?

Join us as we start to explore the spirituality of children by listening to three speakers, asking questions and reflecting together.



HELP OUT AT ST MARK'S:

NAMASTE - There is an ongoing collection at St Mark's of good quality warm clothes and coats, as well as toiletries, shower gel and period products for refugees. Please bring items to the building to be passed on. Do keep this in mind if you received relevant gifts surplus to requirements for Christmas!!! Thank you so much for your generosity. Dilys, St Mark's International Donations Committee chair



MESSENGER CONTRIBUTIONS - The editors are always glad to receive articles or reviews from members of the congregation. The issue due in February is currently a bit thin so Michael Miller mgm@mm1728pm.plus.com would be delighted to be sent offerings ASAP.

FLOWERS- Contact Mary-Jane Ryder if you could help arrange the flowers occasionally, training provided. With thanks to Arthur Button, Charles Stirling & Pauline Elliot for donating flowers, and Mary-Jane Ryder, Jean Baxter & Jennifer Hurrell for arranging them during January

WHAT'S ON IN THE COMMUNITY:



DREAMS & REALITIES HOMECOMING

Sheffield Cathedral
Tuesday 4 February 2025
Evensong 5:30PM
Reception 6:00PM

Welcome home this powerful and moving portrait exhibition by Sheffield artist Stephen Martin as it finishes its UK tour.

See the paintings and hear about the impact they've made.

Book your place at
[dreamsandrealities.
eventbrite.co.uk](https://dreamsandrealities.eventbrite.co.uk)



DREAMS AND REALITIES HOMECOMING

Members of the congregation are warmly invited to Sheffield Cathedral at 530pm for Evensong and 6 pm for the reception on Tuesday 4 February. It is an event co-sponsored by the Cathedral, St Mary's Bramall Lane and Church Action on Poverty. David Price

MENTAL HEALTH & CHRISTIANITY CONFERENCE – 22 March, Wesley Hall Crookes.

Aimed at ordained or lay, who are working or volunteering with people in churches and Christian organisations. However, it is open to anyone who is interested. The Conference aims to deliver a high standard of information based upon both science and experience while respecting and incorporating the Christian faith. **The Keynote Speaker is theologian Dr Simon Hewitt—Lecturer in Philosophy and Religion at Leeds University, he also** draws on his own experience of bipolar disorder. Lunch and refreshments will be provided throughout the day. Suggested donation of £12.00 but pay as you can also available. [Tickets and more information here](#)

Mental Health & Christianity

MENTAL HEALTH & CHRISTIANITY CONFERENCE

Book now

<https://MHandCConference.eventbrite.co.uk>

Organised by Sheffield Methodist Circuit

Dr Simon Hewitt
Lecturer in
Philosophy &
Religion, Leeds
University

Saturday 22nd
March, 2025
Wesley Hall
Methodist Church,
Crookes, Sheffield

THE ENVIRONMENT:

ECO TIPS

Coming together is the best way to make change happen. And there's nothing like the power of community to make us feel inspired and more hopeful about the future.

Join the Environment Group, sign petitions, write to your MP about things that concern you or sign up to emails from Friends of the Earth for great tips on simple changes to live more sustainably and ways you can join others in taking action.

Source: Friends of the Earth

Eco tips from congregation members are welcome - please send them to the church office.

'EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN ST MARK'S ENVIRONMENT GROUP AT THE BROOMHILL COMMUNITY LITTER PICK- tomorrow, Saturday 18 January from 10.30 - 12.30. Meet at the back of Broomhill Community Library. Equipment provided for all ages. Hot drinks and cake on return!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!
Join us! Fit, fun
and friendly for us
and our streets.....



BROOMHILL COMMUNITY LIBRARY
10 TAPTONVILLE ROAD, BROOMHILL
SHEFFIELD, S10 5BR



BROOMHILL COMMUNITY LITTER PICK

with **St Mark's Environment Group**

Saturday 18 January

10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Meet at rear of Broomhill Community Library

REFRESHMENTS after your pick!

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



NEXT DATE: SATURDAY 15 FEBRUARY

EVERY 3RD SAT IN THE MONTH

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

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THE RSPB BIG GARDEN BIRD WATCH time is upon us again. The Environment Group is going to survey our Green. Please survey your own gardens/local green spaces as monitoring our birds is essential in protecting them" You can do this on line or by ordering a paper pack at <https://www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch>.

For more information [watch this video](#)

