

Notices for 12 January

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

Patterns of worship <u>here</u>, Children's <u>here</u>, church calendar <u>here</u> and giving <u>here</u>.

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.

CONTINUING WEATHER WARNINGS – Please be aware that St Mark's carpark has not yet thawed from last weekends snow. Although the forecast for Saturday II January is that it will be largely bright and cold, there is still the chance of wintery showers into the evening and temperatures could be freezing until 10am on Sunday. Please continue to be safe and utilise the option of Zoom which is available for the 10am service if it is not safe for you to travel or walk.

ZOOM CODES FOR SERVICES AND EVENTS - If you have not signed up to receive our weekly e-mail which is where we share the Zoom codes, please e-mail office@stmarkssheffield.co.uk on Friday before Ipm or shan@stmarkssheffield.co.uk before pm Sunday.

THINKING FAITH 12 January at 7pm– Due to the adverse weather conditions, our Thinking Faith event exploring aspects of the life of Seven Hills Schul, Sheffield's Progressive Jewish Synagogue, will now be held on Zoom instead of in the church. See notice above if you need the Zoom code.

This event will be devoted to exploring aspects of the life of Seven Hills Shul.

There will be short talks by members of the synagogue congregation on the following themes:

- The history and character of the synagogue;
- · A personal journey; and
- Reflections on the Middle East crisis by the chair of the Shul management Committee



BETH'S SERVICE OF WELCOME - will be held in the building as well as being offered on Zoom. Please note spaces in the car park are being reserved for our visiting guests and anyone who has impaired mobility or a disability who needs to park closer to the church. Please try to use public transport, lift share and to leave spaces adjacent to the church free for those who are less familiar with the area.

If you are unable to find street parking, alternative parking can be found at -

- Q Park, Durham Street, Sheffield, S10 2JA
- Indigo Parking, Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Glossop Road, Sheffield, S10 2JF
- The Francis Newton Pub, Clarkehouse Road, Sheffield, S10 2LA
- Broomhill Rooftop, above the Broomhill shopping parade, accessed via Spooner Road, \$10 5BA

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.



SUIRREL DAMAGE - You may have noticed some issues in church a couple of weeks ago with AV and Zoom. These arose due to an internet outage which an engineer discovered was caused by a squirrel chewing through the wire! Thankfully, the problem has now been fixed. A huge

thank you to all our tech volunteers for their continued dedication to St Mark's. Your calm and capable handling of the situation was greatly appreciated. If you would like to consider joining the team, please talk to one of the existing volunteers and find out what is involved.

THE ENVIRONMENT:

ECO TIPS

If you see a discarded can do pick it up and recycle it. Aluminium cans are the most beneficial thing to recycle as their reuse uses only 5% of the energy of smelting new aluminium from bauxite. Steel cans are good too, much more impact than recycling plastic.

Michael Miller

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 on 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!'







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

LAST CHANCE TO SUPPPORT THE CAN BILL - The Climate and Nature bill is really important. Click here to discover more. Please write to your own MP asking them to support the bill on **Friday**, **24 January**.