



St Mark's Sheffield

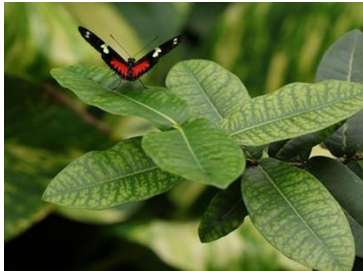
Notices for 13 April

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

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

NEWS AT ST MARK'S:

2024/25 ANNUAL REPORT – [This report can now be found on our website here](#). There will be some paper copies at the back of church also. Please do take a moment to have a read prior to our APCM which will be held after the 10am service on 27 April, followed by a bring and share lunch.



ST MARK'S ENVIRONMENT GROUP 2025 NATURE PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 'NATURE IN MY BACK YARD'

Join in the fun and capture pictures of your local environment on the theme of 'Nature In My Back Yard'. There are three age categories: Primary school age children, Secondary school age children and Adults. Maximum of 3 photos per person. Closing date 25th May. Entries to be emailed to: participatestmarks@gmail.com. Look out for the poster for more information

COVER OPERATIONS COORDINATOR – With Zoe heading off on parental leave we are looking for cover of the roll of Operations Co-ordinator. We are looking for someone with excellent administrative skills to join the St Mark's team on an 8-month fixed term basis. Duties include maintaining the church office and systems, communications, managing our room hire, working with volunteers and supporting the staff team. 20 hours per week at £17 per hour. More information on the St Mark's website. Apply by letter with CV to Revd Beth Keith beth@stmarkssheffield.co.uk by Sunday 27th April. Interviews planned for 7th May. [More information here](#)

ST MARK'S CHURCH HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

Palm Sunday - 13 April

8am BCP Communion
10am Parish Eucharist*
7pm Via Dolorosa
reflective service of readings and music

Good Friday - 18 April

9.45am All Age Activities
crafts, walk and picnic
12-3pm Meditation
at the foot of the cross

Maundy Thursday - 17 April

5.15pm Godly Play Story & Meal
Age 4+, please book in advance
8pm Last Supper, with stripping
of the altar and The Watch

Easter Day- 20 April

5.45am Taizé Dawn Service
on The Green
8am BCP Communion*
10am Festive All-Age Service*
followed by Easter Egg Hunt

*Service also on zoom

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HOLY WEEK & EASTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Palm Sunday - 13 April **All-Age**

10am Gathering on the Green:
Re-Telling the story of Holy Week

Good Friday - 18 April **All-Age**

9.45am Crafts & Hot Cross buns
10.30am Porter Valley Walk &
Picnic (leaving from Church)

Maundy Thursday - 17 April **Age 4+ please book in advance**

5.15pm Arrivals and foot washing
5.30pm Godly Play Story & Meal

Easter Day- 20 April

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followed by Easter Egg Hunt

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WEEKLY E-MAIL & CONTACT - As part of our efforts to improve communication, we would like to invite you to receive our **weekly email**. If you do not already receive it and would like to do so, please complete this form so we can gain your consent in line with GDPR: [click to sign up](#)

CONGRATULATIONS to our current Archdeacon of Sheffield and Rotherham, the Venerable Malcolm Chamberlain, who is going to serve as the Suffragan Bishop of Wakefield from June this

year. His duties in Sheffield will end on Easter Sunday and he will be consecrated Bishop in York minister on 11 June. Malcolm has been a great advocate and encourager of the ministry of St Mark's and we wish him well as he moves onto the next phase of his ministry.



ELECTRIC BIKE FOR SALE - 2019 Giant E-bike for sale £600 ono. In near new condition (less than 250 miles), Giant Dailytour e+1, Frame size Medium, has all manuals. Contact Zoe office@stmarkssheffield.co.uk

HELP OUT AT ST MARK'S:

LUNCH CLUB - If you have some free time on Wednesdays around midday and are interested in helping at **Lunch Club**, please speak to **Jean** or **Briony** to find out more – hot lunch included!

WELCOME TEAMS - would very much appreciate some additional help. If you would like to be involved (one morning every 6 weeks) in this role of welcoming people and serving refreshments, please speak to **Jean** or **Maria** or email jean_baxter5@hotmail.com. Thank you.

COULD YOU WRITE AN ARTICLE FOR MARK'S MESSENGER? – The next edition of Mark's Messenger will be in June and will be edited by Shan. If you have an article, book review or photograph you would like me to consider for inclusion, please send it to me by the end of April. The theme for this edition will be healing, wholeness and peace. Thank you. Shan

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST MARK'S:

27 APRIL - Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will be held in church immediately after the shortened morning service. At the meeting, we review the past, assess where we are now and look ahead at where we are heading over the next year or so. We'll hear something of Beth's vision for St Mark's, receive the Annual report in which we share various aspects of the ministry of St Mark's over the last year, thank those who are standing down from lay and ordained service, elect new people into various roles, our treasurer presents the budget and there is an opportunity to ask questions or express concerns before we look forward to how we can work together to support the mission and ministry of St Mark's as we reach out to the world. Please do save the date so you can attend and be part of this important meeting. *Beth & Shan*

27 APRIL BRING AND SHARE LUNCH - After our APCM we plan to have a bring and share lunch to which all are welcome.

CIVIL PARTNERSHIP: Christa Beaumont and her partner Matt Voice will be having their Civil Partnership celebration at St Mark's on 17th May at 1pm, and the congregation is warmly invited to attend. No dress code - just wear whatever makes you happy! Please e-mail matthew.a.voice@gmail.com if you're planning to attend.

St Mark's Broomhill presents

THINKING FAITH

On the second Sunday of each
month we tackle a different topic

11 MAY 7PM



WHY THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS MATTER FOR CHRISTIANS

The talk introduces the Scrolls & trends in modern understanding. Special attention is given to the Jewishness of the New Testament, & to fresh thinking about the authority of scripture, the place of prayer, & religious diversity.

Professor George Brooke: Rylands Professor Emeritus of Biblical Criticism & Exegesis at the University of Manchester, he taught Biblical Studies & Early Judaism from 1984-2016. He completed his MA at Oxford, his PhD in 1978 at Claremont Graduate School, California. He was President of the European Association of Biblical Studies from 2021- 2024.

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WHAT'S ON IN THE COMMUNITY:



The Importance of Being Earnest by Oscar Wilde is the next production by Sheffield University Drama Society with a stellar cast including Anne Padget as Lady Bracknell and Richard Carwardine as Dr. Chasuble. Wilde's satirical comedy focuses on the social and moral hypocrisy of late Victorian society, but it's the show's ageless wit and unforgettable characters that give Wilde's best remembered play its lasting appeal and relevance. -*"The truth is rarely pure and never simple."*

9 -12 April at 7.30pm at Sheff Uni Drama Studio. To book visit ticketssource.co.uk/suds.
For enquiries 0114 255 3417

ST JOHN'S – OUR MISSION PARTNER - Scissors Paper Stone is hosting a series of events at St John's Church in 2025, exploring the lives of those who shaped the Ranmoor community.

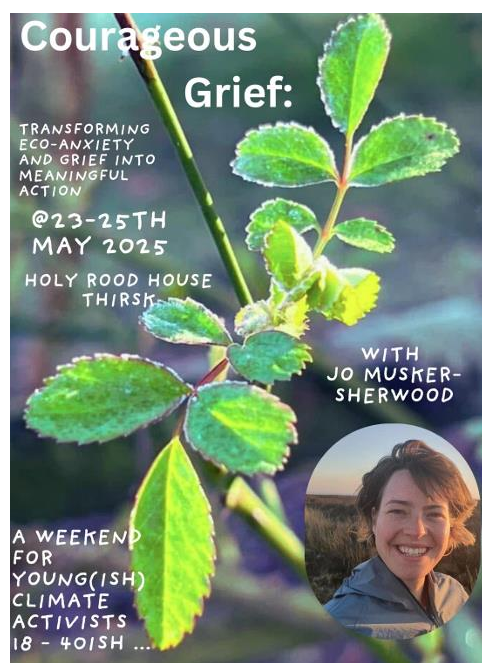
These events include guided tours, talks, exhibitions, and workshops, offering a fascinating insight into local history. Please support them by attending events or spreading the word. More details can be found [HERE](#)

TO ALL THOSE WITH TEENAGERS: The National Youth Orchestra will be performing at the City Hall on Wednesday 16th April and tickets are free for teens! “The musicians will bring Stravinsky’s Petrushka to life, with shifting rhythms and harmonies dancing between each instrument, creating an intoxicating world of sound. A palpable connection between the Orchestra and the soloist is central to Jennifer Higdon’s Percussion Concerto with Jordan Ashman, BBC Young Musician of the Year 2022, as soloist. Tickets £22 | Tickets free for teens”

THE ENVIRONMENT:

COURAGEOUS GRIEF – Transforming Eco-anxiety and Grief into Meaningful **Action** 23-25th May 2025 at Holy Rood House in Thirsk. [More here](#)

SUPPORT DAVID CASTLE - Some of you will know David Castle who was a congregation member for a while and is Net Zero Officer for Sheffield Diocese. He is abseiling from the bell tower at Rotherham Minster on 7 June to raise money for their heat pump plans. Please support him if you can, [click here](#)



CLIMATE AND NATURE BILL (CAN) - Thank you to all who took the time to write to their MP after the 10am service last Sunday to request ongoing support for the bill - due to be debated in July but at risk of further prevarication. 23 letters have been sent to 5 MPs. Please share responses with the Environment Group. If you missed it, you can still write to your MP here: www.writetothem.com.

SHEFFIELD ROUND WALK - The Environment Group would like to invite you to join them on the Sheffield Round Walk over the Easter weekend. This is a 15-mile circular walk around south-west Sheffield. We will be walking a different part of the route over each of the four days of Easter, and you would be welcome to join us for all or part of the walk. You may bring a friend if you wish. If interested please call, text or WhatsApp Alan on 07958 079048 or email alan@platform5.com. Details of the route can be found at www.welcometosheffield.co.uk/content/articles/sheffield-round-walk/.

ECO TIPS

Plan in some plant-based dishes

Make saving the planet taste good! Switch some of your meals to veggie or vegan recipes and indulge in some tasty plant-based treats, cakes and desserts. Cutting back on meat and dairy really reduces your impact on climate change, as they produce more carbon and methane and use more water and land than producing the same amount of calories from plants.

Have a look at the recipe book we produced at Harvest last year with recipe ideas from members of the congregation. St Mark's Sheffield : Recipes for Today's World

(Source Friends of the Earth)

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