



Notices for 11 May

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

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

THIS WEEK CONNECTED TO ST MARK'S:

The flyer is a vertical rectangle with a white background. At the top left is the St Mark's Church logo and the text "St Mark's Church" with the tagline "Living Thinking Loving Faith" below it. To the right of the logo is an orange rectangular box. Below the logo is a yellow box containing the time "10.30am". A red banner across the middle contains the text "Saturday 10 May: Sponsored Walk". Below this is a photograph of a stone bridge over a river in a valley. To the right of the photo is a green box with the text "6.2km / 3.9 miles" and "Looping round Monsal Head and Ashford-in-the-Water from Thornbridge." Below the green box is a red box containing a QR code. At the bottom right is a yellow box with the text "To sponsor us, please use QR code or sponsor form. Thank you!". At the bottom left of the flyer is a red arrow-shaped logo with the text "christian aid" and a black arrow-shaped logo with the text "80 years".

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Living Thinking Loving Faith

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If you'd like to join us contact Hannah.



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11-17 May 2025 CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Please participate in St Mark's fundraising activities to provide vital tools and training, so farmers can support their community to escape hunger as well as offering disaster relief.



To **give directly** [click here](#) or scan this QR code

- This year we want to **deliver Christian Aid envelopes** to as many houses, flats, student accommodation as possible in the parish.
- We are holding a **cake / traybake sale** after the service on Sunday 18 May. Please let Dilys know if you can help with baking or on the stall.
- The young people and families are doing a **sponsored walk** on Saturday 10 May in the Peak District. Do sponsor them via the QR code and send them a message of support if you can't join them.
- Attend the **REPAIR CAFÉ** at St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church Saturday 10th May, 10am – 2pm where their Eco Group will hold a Repair Café. Volunteer repair people will be on hand to make small repairs and teach people how they can do these themselves, with the aim of reducing waste by re-using and recycling items that would otherwise be thrown away. Please come along with your wonky stuff and get it fixed! Refreshments and lunches available. There will also be a Fairtrade stall selling a range of fairly-traded products from around the world. No charge for repairs, but any donations, and profits from the refreshments, will be in aid of Christian Aid Week.

Thank you, Dilys Noble, St. Mark's Christian Aid Lead

St Mark's Broomhill presents

THINKING FAITH

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11 MAY 7PM

**WHY THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS
MATTER FOR CHRISTIANS**



THINKING FAITH: On the second Sunday of each month we tackle a different topic. This 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.

This session on 11 May will be offered on Zoom as well as in the building.

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

Meeting ID: 895 1557 7906

CIVIL PARTNERSHIP: Christa Beaumont and her partner Matt Voice will be having their Civil Partnership celebration at St Mark's on 17 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST MARK'S:

BAPTISM / CONFIRMATION - If you are interested in getting baptised and/or confirmed please email or talk to Beth. We are running two sessions aimed at 10-17 years olds exploring the Christian faith with St Mary's on 18th May and 8th June from 3-4.30pm at St Mary's Church. These are open to everyone that age even if you have been baptised/confirmed before or if you are not yet sure if you want to be baptised/confirmed. Please let Beth know if you are planning to attend.

MISSION AREA ASCENSION DAY SERVICE – Thursday 29 May 7 pm at St Mark's
Do save the date in your diaries.

WEDDING - Rosie Hunt and Jon Hughes are getting married on Saturday 7th June at 12.30pm at St Marks. Everyone is warmly welcome for the service and for cake, cheese, coffee and bubbly afterwards

CONFIRMATION & LICENSING – 15th June 10am

On June 15th Bishop Pete will be coming to our 10am service. Alongside Ian Wallis' licensing there will be baptisms and confirmations and a picnic lunch afterwards on the green with activities organised by the environment group.

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION AT ST MARK'S:



ENVIRONMENT GROUP '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' – photos should be taken this spring.

There are three age categories: Primary school age children, secondary school age and children and adults. How to enter: please submit up to 3 digital photos. All entries to be emailed to participatestmarks@gmail.com. Please give your entry a title, and submit it with your name, age category, and contact details.

Photos will be printed and displayed at the back of church. All members of the congregation will be able to vote for their favourite picture in each category. 1 vote per person per category! Prizes on an environmental theme will be presented to the winner in each category.

Closing date for entries 25th May 2025

Photos displayed from Sunday 1st June for viewing and voting

Voting ends and winners announced on Sunday 15th June at the Church Picnic.

HELP OUT:

STORAGE SPACE - Does anyone happen to have any attic/garage space for some boxes and/or a couple of chairs for a year or so? If so, could you let Rosie Hunt know (rosiehunt@hotmail.co.uk). Many thanks

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.

FLOWERS- With thanks to Eve Saunders, Helen Fisher, Judith Price & Susan Whitmill for donating flowers, and Rachel Pilkington, Jean Baxter, Briony Tayler & Sue Godley for arranging them during May. Contact Mary-Jane Ryder if you could help arrange the flowers occasionally, training provided.

Two opportunities to help - and have a good time too!

- If you will be at *Rosie and Jon's wedding* on 7 June and could offer to serve tea, coffee, fizz and cake etc, please be in touch with Briony as soon as possible.
- *Midsummer music, 9 - 13 June*: If you would be interested in helping serve light lunches before any of the concerts - from c.11.30 - 1.30, please also contact Briony.

SHEFFIELD MINISTRY EXPERIENCE SCHEME:

Interested in a year out to explore your calling?

St Mark's is one of the placement options for the **Sheffield Ministry Experience Scheme (MES)** – a brilliant opportunity to spend a year discovering more about who God is and who you are. The scheme includes:

- A placement in a local church (like St Mark's!)
- A chance to study and grow in faith
- Support from a placement supervisor and spiritual mentor
- Time to reflect on where God might be leading you

Want to know more? Watch a [video here](#) or visit the [website here](#):

We'd love to have you with us!



WHAT'S ON IN THE COMMUNITY:

BROOMHILL METHODIST CENTRE - is working to transform their building into a hub for community, well-being, and faith, including an exciting new project: a community bouldering wall open to all ages and abilities. They are aiming to raise up to £15,000 to unlock match funding from Sports England. To give or find out more: [click here](#). Please make your donations by **6 June** so they stand the best chance of getting matched funding.

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](#)

Are churches losing faith in low-income communities?

Broomhall Centre, Broomspring Lane, Sheffield
Thursday 29 May, 7:30pm – 9:30pm

Speakers will include:

Niall Cooper, CEO of Church Action on Poverty

Revd Lucy Sablan, who has been working in Arbourthorne and is now Rector of the Manor

Nick Waterfield, Pioneer Methodist minister and community worker in the Parson Cross community

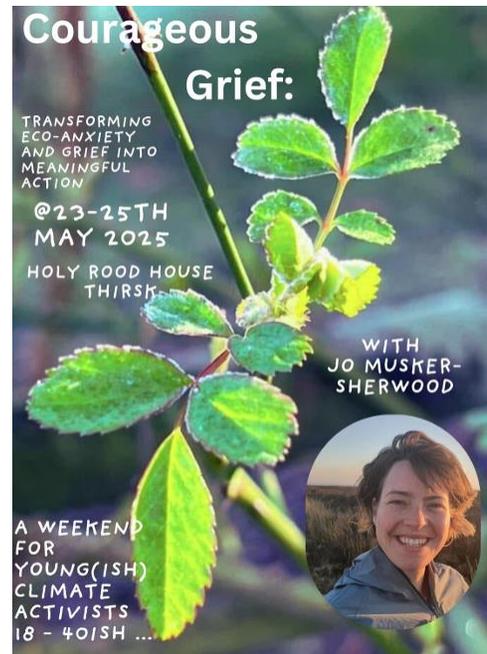
Admission is free and there is no need to book.
For more information, contact Briony Broome:
briony.broome@hotmail.co.uk or 07801 532 954.



**Church Action on
Poverty in Sheffield**

THE ENVIRONMENT:

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



ECO TIPS

Eco Tip - where to take Tetra Pak cartons?

In Sheffield, you can now recycle Tetra Pak cartons at the High Green Household Waste Recycling Centre, the Shirecliffe Household Waste Recycling Centre, The Deepcar Household Waste Recycling Centre, The Beighton Road Household Waste Recycling Centre and the Blackstock Road Household Waste Recycling Centre.

Source: Margot Fox

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