



## Notices for 22 June 2025

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:



**HOLBERRY:** You are invited to attend the dramatised play reading of this new historical play by David Price at 7 pm on Saturday 21st June 2025 at Upper Chapel, Norfolk Street, Sheffield S1 2JD. The play tells the story of a Chartist plot, led by a young ex-soldier called Samuel Holberry, to seize control of Sheffield on the night of 11/12 January 1840. The cast includes 16 members of our congregation. Entry is free and no tickets are required. There will be a retiring collection in aid of St Mark's Church and Upper Chapel. (Bas relief of Holberry, left, by Isobel Baxter)

**EXPLORATION OF HEALING DAY** Saturday 28 June 9am-2pm, at The Vine at St Barts, Primrose Hill, Langsett, Sheffield. S6 2UW. The program has been designed both as an introduction to Healing Ministry and also to build on last year's event. It will finish with a Service of Healing and Anointing. Join with colleagues from around the diocese to learn from each other, pass on your experience, and network at this free event. For more information and to book click [here](#) Don't forget to bring your lunch - see you there!

### NEWS:

**UPDATED THANK YOU** to everyone who organised or supported our fund-raising activities for **Christian Aid Week**. Through the envelopes in church and online, envelopes delivered, church cake sale, family sponsored walk and the book sale at the church picnic, we raised an amazing **£2380.33** and there will be an additional **£600+** to add from Gift Aid. For 80 years, Christian Aid has been fighting poverty and injustice and your support means they can continue this vital work with communities who need it most. Thank you! Dilys and Shan

**MEALTRAIN** – Just as we support families with a new baby, we would like to support Zoë and Leyla as they adopt 2 children (Age 2 & 4 years) into their family. They would prefer to have a meal a week for several weeks than a block of daily meals as this will help them establish a routine. If you could prepare meat or vegetarian cottage pie, cheesy pasta, meatballs in sauce, sausage and mash or spaghetti bolognese (the children's favourite) for a Wednesday starting on 18 June and ending on 10 September, please contact Shan who will send you the link for the MealTrain. Thank you

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MAY PCC

1. Finance – we are currently expecting a significant surplus this year. This is because we have not been employing an associate priest since Beth became vicar in January.
2. New clergy post – work is being done on a new associate priest post and we hope to advertise later in the year.
3. The children and families had a fabulous time away camping at Thornbridge.
4. Improvements have been made to smoke detectors, safety lighting and smoke alarms.

Minutes from meetings can be found on our PCC noticeboard in the corridor. We are in the process of updating our PCC noticeboard so it should be up to date in a few weeks' time.

## UPCOMING AT ST MARK'S:

### FINDING GOD IN NATURE – 29 June 7pm Night Service on the Green

You are invited to a gentle and reflective service of healing and wholeness, held outdoors in the church grounds. This is a space to slow down, to explore the beauty of our outdoor space, and to encounter God in creation. There will be time for quiet reflection, meditation on the green, and simple liturgy and prayers for healing, peace, and renewal. The service is being led by Beth and will last about 45 minutes.

**JUDY ROBINSON** – There will be a celebration of Judy's life at St Mark's and on Zoom on 6 July at 2pm. Judy was part of many different communities and aid in planning the executors would like an idea of rough numbers of those coming. If you hope to attend, please email [catherineellis29@gmail.com](mailto:catherineellis29@gmail.com). Many of you will have worked on various projects or committees with Judy while she worshipped with us, anecdotes or information about your shared experiences would be appreciated – please email [lynn\\_pocock@yahoo.com](mailto:lynn_pocock@yahoo.com). Additionally, if you would like to help serving teas, let Lynn know. Please hold Judy, her stepfamily and friends in your prayers.

### LUNCHTIME SUMMER BBQ 13<sup>TH</sup> July.

PLEASE JOIN US!

**13 JULY 2025**

@ ST MARKS

**LUNCHTIME**

**SUMMER BBQ**

BOUNCY CASTLE  
OUTDOOR GAMES

SAUSAGES/BURGERS IN ROLLS PROVIDED -  
SUGGESTED DONATION £1.50 EACH

PLEASE BRING & SHARE SALADS / DRINKS ETC

**TAIZE SUMMER BBQ** 20<sup>th</sup> July 5-8pm BBQ followed by Taizé service on the green from 7pm. Salad and bread provided, please bring things to put on the BBQ (meat and meat free BBQ)

### **‘JUST’ ECONOMICS??? A DAY CONFERENCE WITH ANN PETTIFOR**

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2025 10am-4pm. Ann Pettifor has a formidable international reputation as an economist. Her books include *The Case for the Green New Deal* and the forthcoming *The Global Casino: How Wall Street Gambles with People and the Planet*. Ann argues that austerity measures are not needed, will not work and are undoubtedly unjust. Her approach brings a breath of fresh air and hope to a situation which increasingly looks hopeless – an approach we need to hear and weigh carefully. **Save the date!** Booking opens shortly.

### **HELP OUT:**

**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](mailto:jean_baxter5@hotmail.com). Thank you.

**FLOWERS**- With thanks to Dilys Noble, Rosalind Rogerson, Alan North, Wendy Mass & Mabel Padfield for donating flowers, and Trisha Morgan, Briony Tayler, Alan & Sue Godley for arranging them during June. Contact Mary-Jane Ryder if you could help arrange the flowers occasionally, training provided.

**CLIMBING EXPERTISE WANTED** -There is a 7.6 metre long ladder leading up to the spire balcony. This has no handrail and climbing it is a daunting prospect for non- climbers. We would like advice about providing a safety rope. If you can help please contact Briony Tayler phone number 011 42350174 or email [briony@professor3.f9.co.uk](mailto:briony@professor3.f9.co.uk)

### **WHAT'S ON IN THE COMMUNITY:**

**MUSICALS, MOVIES AND MORE** -5<sup>th</sup> July 7pm, at St Mark's.

A concert for all ages

**MUSICALS, MOVIES & MORE**  
To fund library improvements

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July  
7pm

St Mark's Church  
Broomhill S10 2SE

Tickets £10/£5 + fee Eventbrite,  
from the library and on the door

**STEEL CITY CONCERT BAND**

\* access for all \* new rooms \* community hub \* heritage gardens restoration \*

## 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](#)

**Summer Fair – Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July 12:30pm to 4pm**



**ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR**

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

**12.30pm-4pm**

**Lots of fun for all the family.**

Bouncy Castle, Stalls, roast pork sandwiches,  
traditional crafts, lots of Entertainment,  
Bell Tower tours, Music, Ice-cream  
& so much more.

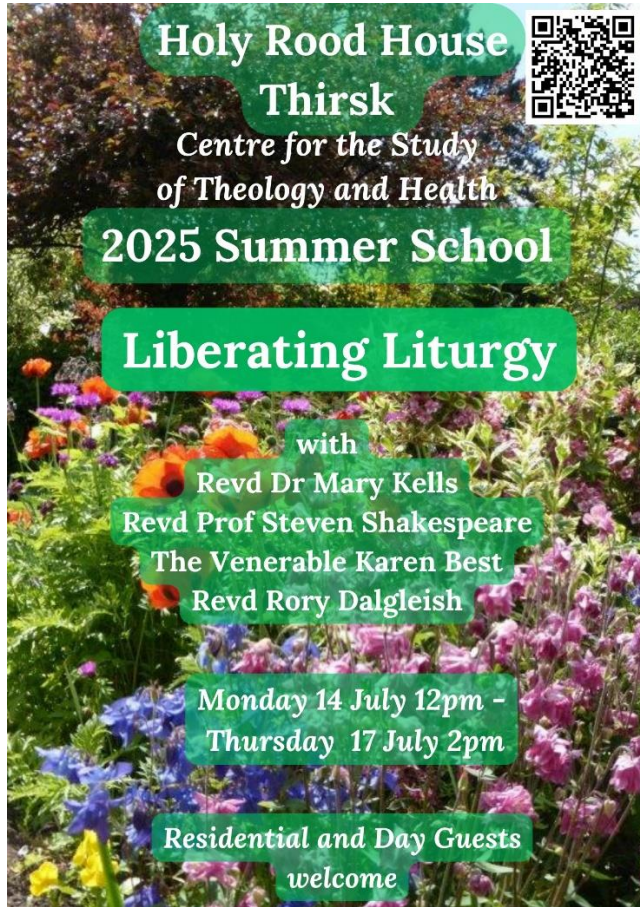
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**LIBERATING THEOLOGY** Summer School at Holy Rood House, Thirsk, 14-17 July.



**Holy Rood House**  
**Thirsk**  
Centre for the Study  
of Theology and Health


**2025 Summer School**

**Liberating Liturgy**

with  
Revd Dr Mary Kells  
Revd Prof Steven Shakespeare  
The Venerable Karen Best  
Revd Rory Dalglish

Monday 14 July 12pm -  
Thursday 17 July 2pm

Residential and Day Guests  
welcome



## FROM OUR ENVIRONMENT GROUP:

**CAN BILL** - Thank you to the 23 folk who wrote letters to their MPs in support of the Climate and Nature Bill after the morning service a few weeks ago. Replies have been coming in. [See here for the responses.](#) Coming up: Read more about the mass lobby of MPs being planned by the Climate Coalition for July 9th <https://www.theclimatecoalition.org/act-now-change-forever>. The Bill is scheduled for debate in Parliament on July 11th. Let's keep letting our MPs know our concern for God's creation.

## ECO TIPS

### Eco Tip - Spend time in Nature

Research shows that time outside in natural landscapes is good for our physical and mental health, but 69% of people in the UK told Friends of the Earth that they don't experience nature as much as they'd like to. The more people get to know local green spaces and the wildlife that lives there, the more they'll want to protect them. And reconnecting with Mother Nature can also help calm the feelings of stress and fear associated with eco-anxiety.

Source: *Friends of the Earth*

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

