



# St Mark's Sheffield

## Notices for 05 July 2026

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

**FUNDRAISING CONCERT FOR ST JOHN'S RANMOOR SPIRE FUND** - July 4<sup>th</sup>, 7pm at St John's Ranmoor. Our last fund-raising event of the summer for our spire, now on the at-risk register. It promises to be a memorable evening of choral favourites in support of our Save Our Spire appeal. Tickets (which include complimentary refreshments) are available [HERE](#).

**CHRISTIAN AID SHEFFIELD NIGHT HIKE** -Saturday 4 July 2026, An ideal mid-summer evening walk this year's Sheffield Night Hike is on Saturday 4 July. With a 9-mile countryside walk, chosen by local volunteers to make an interesting dusk till midnight adventure. Setting off from Hathersage Methodists Church, all you need are some good boots, a torch and bring a friend if you can! Come and join us to raise vital funds for Christian Aid's work to tackle global poverty and injustice. Find out more and register <https://sheffieldnighthike.org.uk/>

**VENEZUELA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL** - On Wednesday 24 June, two catastrophic earthquakes hit Venezuela within seconds of each other. The UN estimates that millions of people have been affected, with more than two million in the worst impacted areas. Families have lost loved ones, homes and the sense of safety and security they once knew.

Rescuers are searching for survivors, but the scale of loss is already significant. Together with the 14 other charities that make up the DEC, Christian Aid are launching a UK-wide appeal to meet the escalating needs of people affected by the earthquakes.

Christian Aid colleagues are already working hard with our partners to assess the needs of our neighbours in Venezuela and ensure that our emergency response is exactly what and where it needs to be.

If you are able to, you can donate [here](#) or via a bucket collection in church on Sunday 5 July

### NEWS:

#### NEWS FROM BETH

*Beth is planning to return to work next week and will be attending the Mission Area Weekend. She is returning gently, with a phased return, beginning part time and gradually building up her hours over the summer.*

“ Thank you so much for all the care and support we have received during my time away. I am deeply grateful for the many ways my absence has been covered, and for the cards, prayers, messages, gifts and kindness that have meant so much to me and my family.” Beth

## MISSION AREA WEEKEND UPDATE

Sadly, the planning team for the Mission Area Weekend have agreed that despite intensive encouragement in all 3 churches over the last couple of weeks, the number of people who have signed up is not sufficient to make holding the full weekend a viable prospect.

**We have therefore decided to cancel the planned activities for Friday 10 July in the evening and Saturday 11 July during the day and to focus energy into the following acts of worship and activities which will be held on Sunday 12 July across the Mission Area:**

8am BCP Holy Communion in the Chapel at St Mark's Broomhill  
10am All Age Parish Eucharist at St Mark's  
10.30am Parish Communion with confirmations by Bishop Leah at St John's Ranmoor  
10.30am Eucharist and Diddy Disciples at St Mary's Walkley  
11.45 – 2.30 pm BBQ and bouncy castle on the green at St Mark's  
4pm - Open Communion Refreshments will be served from 3.30pm. at St Mark's  
6.30 pm Choral Evensong at St John Ranmoor  
7pm – Thinking Faith 2 – The Peoples Emergency Briefing Film followed by discussion and plans for action at St Mark's

Please sign up to let us know you are coming to the BBQ and any dietary requirements by Monday 6 July at the latest either by signing the sheet at the back of church or e-mailing [shan@stmarkssheffield.co.uk](mailto:shan@stmarkssheffield.co.uk)

**NEW SEATING ARRANGEMENT CONSULTATION:** June 2026. This is to understand how the removal of the pew to create a second children's area has affected the needs of the community. Please do share your initial thoughts [by following this link](#) no later than Sunday 5th July. There will be further opportunity to reflect towards September.

**FIRE PRECAUTIONS AT ST MARK'S** – Please take a moment to watch of our new fire arrangements video [by clicking here.](#)




**JOHN BRAMLEY** - I am sorry to have to let you know that John, a faithful member of St Mark's for many years prior to his move to Yateley in 2019, died on Monday 22 June, following a stroke. John was involved with helping to maintain the building and a regular fundraiser for Christian Aid on the May Day Treks. There will be a short cremation service on Tuesday 7 July at 11am at Easthampstead Park Cemetery and Crematorium which anyone who knew him is very welcome to attend or to watch the livestream of the service. The code for this will be on the weekly e-mail. Please hold John and his family in your prayers.

## COMING UP AT ST MARK'S:

**SAVE THE DATE** – for our next Thinking Faith session. [More here](#)

# Thinking Faith



The People's  
Emergency Briefing  
Film – Discussion – Action

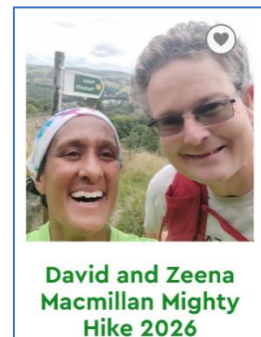
Sunday 12 July 7pm  
at St Mark's Broomhill and Broomhall

## HELP OUT:



**BIG WALK** - On Friday 3 July, Mark and Alice will be taking part in the University of Sheffield's Big Walk, raising funds for vital lung disease research. [Donate here](#)

**MACMILLIAN MIGHTY HIKE** - Our music director David is doing a sponsored walk, [donate here](#).



## FROM OUR ENVIRONMENT GROUP:

THE NEB campaign continues to encourage people to show the film to local groups and to lobby their MPs to “tell the truth” about climate change.



National Emergency Briefing

**You can see the film at St Mark's at Thinking Faith on Sunday 12 July at 7pm**

There is now a UK parliamentary petition calling for a UK-wide public briefing from independent experts on the risks posed by climate change and nature loss - and the opportunities if we respond at scale and with urgency saying “The UK faces growing risks from climate and nature breakdown - from extreme weather to economic disruption and national security threats. Yet the public has never been given a clear national briefing on the scale of these risks. Government should hold an emergency briefing from leading experts. These risks could have serious consequences across UK society, with threats to health and food supply which could become irreversible if without urgent action. Many people are unclear how these risks may affect them, and information in the public domain is often misleading.

A credible national briefing from independent experts would give people clear, trusted guidance on what these risks mean in practice, and what we can do - both together and individually - to prepare and respond.”

The aim is to reach 100,000 signatures to secure a Parliamentary debate, generate media attention, and significantly raise the profile of the National Emergency Briefing in Parliament. If you support this idea, please could you sign - and, crucially, share it with friends, family or colleagues who might be interested?

You can sign here [Petition to hold a national televised briefing](#)

For other upcoming opportunities to see the film:

[Sheffield Peoples Emergency Briefings](#) including:

- Monday 6 July Sheffield Showroom 6pm
- **Sunday 12 July at 7pm St Mark's at Thinking Faith**
- Thurs 16 July 7-9pm Hallam Hall SHU, Level 6 Owen Building, Howard Street

**This is a big event which local councillors and MPs will attend, plus local campaign groups and businesses.**

## ECO TIPS:

**Plastic Free July** focuses on microplastic pollution. Fibres from synthetic clothes (eg polyester, nylon and acrylic) shed tiny fibres during washing and drying. These enter the sewage systems and are hard to filter out. Use a micro-fibre bag or ball to catch the fibres. [www.Plasticfreejuly.org](http://www.Plasticfreejuly.org)

A Guppy Friend Washing bag is 87% effective in catching microfibres and costs £25

A Cara Ball costs £30 and is 26% effective

A Microplastic Filtration device which fits onto the side of a washing machine is 90% effective and costs £52 from [www.PlanetCare.org](http://www.PlanetCare.org)

Bosch Microplastic Filtration device – filters up to 97% of microplastics and costs £199.

Compatible with any washer or washer dryer [WMZMPF10 Microplastic filter | BOSCH GB](#)

*Monthly tips supplied by A Rocha*

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