



St Mark's Woodthorpe

A heart for the Community

11th November 2018

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Vision and Values, visit
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Welcome to St Mark's

Welcome to this growing church! We hope you feel at home. If you have any questions, just ask. We regularly hold welcome afternoons.

New entrance area including toilets

The building work is now underway and is expected to take around 6 weeks. We shall be temporarily using the side 'ramped' entrance. The staff toilet is available during and after Sunday services and may be accessed using the door opposite the chapel.

CYM Meeting

The next CYM meeting will be in the chapel on Monday 12th November. This meeting is for everyone who is either currently involved in children's work or wanting to know more about what we do. Come along to find out about all of the exciting things that are happening as well as to discuss future plans. Church will open at 7pm for refreshments with a planned 7.30pm start.

Thursday Club.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 15th November at 3pm. Entertainment will be provided by Voice Versa, a female piano and singing duo, who proved very popular last year. Our usual quality afternoon tea is also offered for the last time this year, as tickets for our December Christmas Dinner will be on sale. Newcomers are very welcome, but please ring Bryan (07884 062337) to confirm attendance.

The Church Friendship Group

This group seeks to bring kids together to have fun and build lasting friendships. Meets once a month, alternating between Friday after school & Sunday afternoon: Fri 16 Nov, Sun 9 Dec, Fri 18 Jan & Sun 10 Feb. Venues through WhatsApp group. For more information contact Kari Lao/Jo Pratt.

Guitar Magic

It's not too late to get tickets for this social event, to be held in the Church Hall on Saturday 17th November at 6.30pm. You will be entertained by the very talented Martin Perry on his electric guitar, putting his own interpretation on memorable riffs from the past. What's more, you can enjoy a fish and chip supper (with mushy peas) and tea/coffee later.....all for the amazing ticket price of only £8. This is an adult only event and you are invited to bring your own drinks. At this stage, ring Bryan on 07884062337 or e-mail:bryan.mallows@ntlworld.com

Great Notts Christmas Toy Appeal

Donations of new toys (unwrapped) and gift cards (for older children) will be gratefully received at our services on 25th November. Please contact the church office if you are able to take the gifts to the collection point in Bilborough (mornings of 4th-6th December).

Experience Christmas

If you are involved with the Experience Christmas event in any way (or would like to be!) Jackie Fuller would like to have a chat with you after the 10.30 service next week (18th Nov). Please grab a drink and pop through to the chapel after the service for half an hour to make sure everyone knows what's they're doing. If you cannot make it please see Jackie or contact her on 07305 073898.

Somersby Shops Community Garden

Outside the shops on Somersby Road is a small community garden which is currently under threat due to a lack of volunteers. A small group get together for a couple of hours on a Wednesday morning to tend this garden but they really need more help. If you want to get involved please contact Madeline who organises this - details on community notice board outside the shops.

Knit 'n' Natter

Mondays 1.30-3.30pm in the Garden Room in the church hall, during term time. Bring your own knitting, crochet, colouring or any craft activity to do while having a natter. Good coffee, tea and cakes on offer too! Come and go as you please. All ages welcome.

St Mark's Book Group

The book group's next meeting will be on Monday 14th January, 2 pm at Catherine's house. We'll continue discussing Rhythms of Grace but are also suggesting we link it with the book The Practice of the Presence of God by Bro.Lawrence. This links to the later, practical chapters of Tony Horsfall's book. Further details please chat with John Sargent, Chris Doig or John Carey. Everyone welcome.

Dates for your diary

Please share these dates widely:

Sunday 25th November 10.30am: Gift Service
25th November 4pm: Woodthorpe library Christmas Tree
Thursday 29th November 3.30pm: Get set for Christmas at Somersby Road shops
Friday 30th November: Mapperley Top Christmas lights
Sunday 2nd December 6pm: Service of Light
Saturday 8th December 10am: interactive Christmas experience at church
Sunday 9th December 4pm: Café and Carols at Gedling Country Park
Sunday 16th December 6pm: Candlelit carol service
Sunday 23rd December 10.30am: Nativity
Christmas Eve 3.30 & 5pm: Christingles
Christmas Eve 11.15pm: Midnight Communion
Christmas Day service at 10am

Would you like to join a home group?

The majority of adults at St Mark's are part of a mid-week small group. These give opportunities to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. Each group has a unique flavour...

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About Us – Mid-week Groups

All Welcome – All Involved – All Sent

St Mark's is a caring church where every member is encouraged to love and support others. In pastoral situations, home groups are normally the first point of contact. We also have a pastoral team. Our local hospitals have trained chaplains available who offer support, prayer and Holy Communion. However, if you urgently need to make contact with a member of clergy, please use the following numbers when the church office is closed:

Bryan Mallows (Warden) 07884 062337
John Sargent (Warden) 0115 952 2275
Pat Simpson (Safeguarding) 07816 908133
Sue Roberts (Pastoral Team) 0115 953 7949



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Church Office:

Monday 9.30am – 11.30am
Wednesday 9.30am – 11.30am
Friday 1pm – 3pm

Telephone: (0115) 926 7859

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Facebook: [stmarkswoodthorpe](https://www.facebook.com/stmarkswoodthorpe)

If you would like to receive a weekly e-mail about news and upcoming events at St Mark's, please e-mail stmarkscirculations@gmail.com. This e-mail address will also send prayer requests and any urgent information

Please note that photographs/videos may be taken, but exercise discretion and consideration.

Safeguarding legislation requires us to make referrals without consent, if a child or vulnerable adult is potentially at risk

THIS WEEK

Sunday 11th November – Remembrance Day

8.45am Holy Communion CW
Micah 4:1-5; Matthew 5:1-12
Leader: Peter & Matt, Preacher: Peter

10.30am Morning Worship
Mark 1:14-20
Leader: Matt, Preacher: Pat S

6.00pm Evening Remembrance Service
Rev 21:1-7
Leader: John, Preacher: Alan

Monday

1.30pm Knit & Natter

Wednesday

10.00am Tiddlywinks

Thursday

2.00pm Thursday Club

Saturday

9.00am Hospitality & Welcome Team
7.30pm Guitar Magic and Fish & Chip supper

Sunday 18th November – 2nd before Advent

8.45am Morning Prayer
Leader: Jack, Preacher: Peter

10.30am Morning Worship
Leader: Jack, Preacher: Matt

6.00pm Holy Communion CW
Leader: Matt, Preacher: Matt

Let's pray for the following:

Parish Prayer

Whitby Crescent
Mother & Toddler Groups

Friends in Burundi

We are asked to continue to pray about the 3 month suspension of all non-governmental organisations (NGOs) working in Burundi. Guy writes, "the negative impact is now obvious and people are suffering. Prayer can make a break through."

Azaria Spencer in Guatemala

Pray for Azaria's protection as she engages with kids on the streets. Her blog is found here:
<https://www.streetkidsdirect.org.uk/index.php/blogs/st-aff-blogs/azaria-spencer>

This month's Person to Pray for

Rev. Celestin Niyongere and his family who have been living as refugees in Uganda since 2015 - and for many like them.

