

GIVING TO MISSION

Here at St Mark's we give 10% of our core income to support Christian mission at home and abroad. In addition, a substantial proportion of the Parish Share which we pay to our Diocese goes towards mission outside of our own area. We are proud to be able to support so many gospel based, kingdom initiatives which are bringing light, hope and practical help to people across our town, nation and globe.

There are two easy ways in which you can give to St Mark's Church to help maintain this valuable work:

- Regular giving
- One-off giving

Find out more, download a form or make a one off donation on our website: www.smch.org.uk/give or call the church office on: **01423 544528 and we'll send you the information.**

Every penny donated to us is spent in support of the mission and ministry of the church.



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PRAYER DIARY

FOR JUNE AT ST MARK'S

Please use this prayer diary to join with the St Mark's church family to pray together for our community, our mission partners and the wider world. We pray each week for different areas of our community life and a different Mission focus. This month our mission partner focus is Latin Link.

Sun 6th – Sat 12th June

God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son.

We praise you, Father for our mission partners Paul and Ruth Turner, leading teams across Europe and Latin America with Latin Link. Help them to “keep your law of love, and to walk in ways of wisdom” in all their conversations and decisions. We thank you for the encouragement Paul and Ruth offer to so many people and churches, including us at St Mark’s. We ask you, Father God to go ahead of them as they return to Peru in July.

We thank you for the St Mark’s church garden, and for all who care for the grounds, weeding, mowing, clearing and planting. Thank you for your glory revealed in Creation, Father God. Please guide Jen and all on the gardening teams, and our Environment officer, Deborah, and help us to manage our building and grounds in more and more sustainable ways.



Sun 13th – Sat 19th June

Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord.

We thank God together for all our children and young people, and for the hope they bring into our lives. Join us at our prayer meeting this Tuesday 15th June at 7.30pm, to pray for our children and young people, for their future at St Mark’s and the future of this earth, their world. Give us grace to hear and respond to the challenges that face us in our children’s and youth ministry, and also in the climate crisis, and give us courage to serve you, Lord, with faithfulness and love.

This week we pray for Natalie Jones as she continues to discern what God is calling her into next. Father God, we thank you so much for Natalie, for all that she is, and all that she has done among us, especially our young people, whilst at St Mark’s. Give her grace and obedience to follow you in this next phase, and bring her assurance by the presence and power of your Holy Spirit as she moves on. .



Sun 20th – Sat 26th June

God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Daily headlines remind us that the world needs peace. This week we lift to God and pray for the ongoing humanitarian crises in Syria, Yemen and the surrounding nations. Jesus, Prince of Peace, we pray for those in refugee camps, for the medical staff struggling to provide adequate treatment, for the ruined cities and towns, for all who are longing to return home and rebuild, for the leaders of these divided nations. Bring your peace, Lord, we pray.

Closer to home we seek God’s healing and comfort for those listed below. Spend time this week lifting each person by name to God, praying for Him to hold them fast in His perfect peace.



Sun 27th June – Sat 3rd July

Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world: draw us into harmony with your will that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Lord Jesus, thank you that you alone can restore and renew all Creation. We praise you for your Spirit’s transforming power, and for the resurrection life in Christ that gives hope and purpose to all living things. Help us each to play our part to breathe your life into our communities, our town, our district, by living lightly together on the earth. We thank you for recent commitments by our government towards a greener future. Can you join with others on 1st of the month to Pray and Fast for the Climate?

This week we thank you for all who work or volunteer in crucial administration roles in our church family, especially Cathy, Janet, Susie, Mark, Rachel and many, many more. We pray for each one of them, thanking you, Father God, for their gifts and skills, and asking that you fill them with your love as they carry out each task, and as they interact with so many different people each week.

We pray for the continuing needs of Anne-Marie Atkinson, Michelle and Ethan Beckett, Christina, Merle Clayton, Helen Hardie, Frances and Andy Kershaw, Aidan and the Newton family, Janet, Julie, Maureen Preston, Pat, Rosie Rant, Liz and Shirley Ruddle, Amber Seaver, Carole Tooke, Eliza Webster, Dave Worthington. We pray also for their families and friends and all those who care for them.

We pray for all those who are bereaved, including: Lynda Corner and family and Jan and Robin Corner, Chris Hawkin, Hannah Ives, Ruth James, and the family of Jean Hodson.