St Mark Bilton

Worshipping God
Sharing his love
Making him known

Sunday 15th November 2026

2nd Sunday before Advent



Welcome to St Mark's

This week's services

Sunday:

8am	BCP Communion
10.00am	Holy Communion
12.15pm	Holy Baptism
6.00pm	Evening Compline

Readings Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-end
1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11
Matthew 25: 14-30

Weekdays:

9am Mon & Tues - Morning Prayer via **Facebook**

10am Wed - BCP Communion Service

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The Prayer for the week:

God of glory, touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit, that we with all creation may rejoice to sing your praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.



Please remember in your prayers:

The Sick: We pray for those in our Parish who are particularly ill at this time.

Deaths this month: Roy & Josie Barnes & John Plowman.

Church and Linked Groups: Worship & Service Team, Holy Dusters and Churchyard Gardening Team.

Mission Link: Fashion with a Heart & Jacobswell Project and Street Pastors, Christian Aid and Bilton Poor's Land.

Church Events and Issues: On this Safeguarding Sunday, we pray for all survivors of abuse. Help us to play our part ensuring our church is safe and welcoming.

The World Around Us: We pray for local workplaces and companies - that they may be places where God's kingdom flourishes.

Advanced Diary Dates:

- **21st Nov -** Pudding & Party Pieces
- **25th Nov -** Prayer Meeting
- **28th Nov -** Welcome to Advent
- **29th Nov -** Advent Sunday

General Notices:

A Warm Welcome - If you are visiting us today, please say hello to one of the Clergy or a member of the '*Welcome Team*'. Toilets & disabled facilities are at the back of church. Tea & Coffee is served after the service which we hope you can stay for.

Office- the office will be closed Monday & Tuesday.

Poppy Cascade - the cascade is currently at St Peter's in Dunchurch if you would like to go and see it.

Easy Fundraising - with Christmas approaching & the use of online shopping increasing, why not raise money for St Mark's while shopping online at no extra cost to yourself. You will need to set up an account on the website. There are posters around church to help explain how it works or, you can use this link www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-marks-church-bilton/.

Or the QR code takes you straight to the website. Thank you.

Winter Clean - please come and help clean the church (especially the silver & brass) on **22nd Dec** at 2pm. There is a sign up sheet at the back of church.

Christmas Angels - please could you bring your knitted angels to church by **Sun 6th Dec** or phone Alison Price (07980 500783) to arrange collection from you. If you can deliver to Alison please phone for her address.

Prayer Meeting - Federation of schools is holding a prayer meeting on **Wed 25th Nov** at 7pm in the Upper Room of the Church Centre.

Rugby Christmas Cracker - will be opening a café and evening restaurant in the former Boots shop in Rugby Central from **Fri 27th Nov.** Open Mon-Fri 10-2 and Sat 10-5. Bookings for evening meals are now being taken. TWAM will be selling second hand tools. We would love some volunteers to help, young people of any age are welcome to come and help. Please contact Katie Thomas 07757562504 katiethomas@ntlworld.com

Puddings & Party Pieces - is on **Saturday 21st November** at 6pm in church. Tickets are £7.50 in advance, under 16's are free and are available to buy from the office. Sign up at the back of church to entertain, bring a pudding or just enjoy the evening. The money raised will be split between Christian Aid and the church. Contact Penny Street 07929835617 or Alison Price 07980500783 for more details.

Welcome to Advent Lunch - on **28th November** 12-2pm in church. There will be a variety of soups & bread, shortbread & mince pies. All are welcome by donation. There is a sign up sheet at the back of church.

Rugby Foodbank - please take part in their Giving Calendar throughout November where a suggestion for a donation per day is on the poster in church. Please make sure all donations reach the foodbank by **4th December.**

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