Weekly news & notices

Sunday 20 September

Welcome to St Mark's. If you are new or visiting we hope you feel at home.

Please complete our 'Get Connected card' to stay in touch. For more events and news please read our monthly newsletter available on our website or at the back of the church.

St Mark's has a hearing loop (best reception within the pillars) and is wheelchair accessible.

Please pray for:

- **Andy** leading & Al Simms preaching today
- All on our Safeguarding Team
- Crossbarr Café /Communitea & ManChat & Curtis Room Crafting
- A Rocha & Eco Church
- **Street Pastors (September mission partner)**
- *Salisbury Churches*
- Nepal
- For those who need our prayers
  Kyra, Mary Fisher,
  Yvonne Banton's Son Harry,
  Peter Dominy, Christopher & Sarah Panes,

House Groups

We have several house groups meeting on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, weekly or fortnightly around the parish for fellowship and prayer. If you'd like to join one please see the poster for contact details of house group leaders or a member of the team to discuss this.

St Mark

SERVING JESUS, EACH OTHER, OUR WORLD

Today @St Mark's
Sunday@10 Mission Sunday with guest Al Simms

Readings:
Hebrews 13:1-3
2 Timothy 4:9-18

Please be aware Sunday@10 is livestreamed via our website and YouTube and some central seating areas may be caught on camera.

Also Today

- **CHURCH ON THE GREEN 5th BIRTHDAY PARTY 'The Big Party'**
  Hampton Park Pavilion @4.00-5.30pm
- **StMARKS@SIX (SMS)** An hour of worship, prayer and more
- **6pm QUIET EVENING PRAYER at St Andrew's followed by 7pm SLOWCOOKER SUPPER**

Collect
Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Mission Sunday Today

Al Simms joins us for our **Mission Sunday** today and will be speaking at Breakfast@9, StMark's@10, StAndrew's Quiet Evening Prayer at St Andrew's at 6pm, and will join our Slow-Cooked Supper at St Andrew's at 7pm. Speaking on a theme of ***"Challenges and Opportunities in the Persecuted and Suffering Church"***. Click here to access a digital version of our Mission 2026 Brochure

We have a **thank you letter from Nepal**. Please find that through this link and at p7 online.

Through the week:

Mon 21st 11am-2pm **Crossbarr Café** (Barrington Centre, Bishopdown)
7.30pm **PCC Meeting at St Mark's Church**

Tues 22nd 2-4pm **Communitea** (St A)
7.30pm **The Prayer Course** (St Marks)

Wed 23rd 9.30am **Holy Communion** (St A's)
11.00-noon **MAN CHAT** (St A's)

Thur 24th 7.30pm **Midsummer Music Festival Planning** (St A)

Fri 25th 10am **Magpies Toddler Group** (St M)

Sat 26th 2pm **Men's Walk,** Meet at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral west door. Walk via Britford to meet up with the Avon valley path back to the Cathedral, approximately 5 miles. End with refreshments in Salisbury.

Parish Notices:

Harvest Lunch Sunday 4 October at 12.30 Laverstock Village Hall. All welcome. Donations to Salisbury Food Bank. Please sign up in church or through Church Suite or with the office.

Community News :

LUNCH TIME ORGAN RECITALS AT SALISBURY METHODIST CHURCH FOR CHRISTIAN AID: Saturday Sept 26 with John Challenger, Asst Organist, Salisbury Cathedral and Saturday Oct 3 with Ollie Macmullan, organ scholar, Exeter University. 12.00 noon to 12.50 followed by a light lunch. £10 in advance using QR code on poster or £12 on the day.

Coffee morning in aid of Alabaré - at St Thomas's 10 a.m.- 12 p.m. Saturday 26th September, Please come along and support."

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Deadline for items for Sunday notice sheet: *Thursday morning*.

www.stmarkstandrew.org

To celebrate refurbishment of organ

SOUNDS FROM THE LOFT:

Organ music for all

Salisbury Methodist Church SP1 1EF

12noon

Saturday September 26th: JOHN CHALLENGER
Assistant organist, Salisbury Cathedral

Saturday October 3rd: OLLIE MACMULLAN
Organ scholar, University of Exeter

Tickets: £10 from Eventbrite or £12 on the day.
Light lunch avaiable – donations welcome

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ALL IN AID OF CHRISTIAN AID

ST MARKS GARDEN

H E L P NEEDED PLEASE

to do the final clearing of the back garden of the church grounds before the winter. Please come and help if you can on Saturday 19 September 10 am – 1 pm. Refreshments provided!!

OMEGA CHURCH

Kathmandu, Nepal
15 September 2026

APPRECIATION LETTER

To:

Rev. Andy
Salisbury St Mark's & Laverstock St Andrew's
64 Barrington Road
Salisbury, Wiltshire SP1 3JD
United Kingdom

Subject: Appreciation for Your Generous Support to Bhotekoshi Flood Victims

Dear Rev. Andy and the Congregations of Salisbury St Mark's & Laverstock St Andrew's,

Jaimashi and greetings in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

On behalf of the Omega Church, we extend our heartfelt gratitude and sincere appreciation to Rev. Andy, Salisbury St Mark's, and Laverstock St Andrew's for your generous donation of Rs. 4,00,888 (Nepalese Rupees Four Hundred Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Eight only) towards the relief of the victims of the devastating Bhotekoshi floods in Nepal.

Your generous gift has enabled us to provide much-needed relief materials to families affected by the disaster. The support has been used to provide essential household items and basic necessities, bringing practical help, encouragement, and hope to people who have suffered significant loss.

The photographs sent to Rev. Andy as updates of the relief work made possible through your kindness show our relief team preparing and transporting supplies and distributing essential items to affected communities.

We are deeply grateful that, even from thousands of miles away, you have stood alongside the people of Nepal in their time of need. Your generosity demonstrates the love of Christ in action and reflects the biblical call to "carry each other's burdens" (Galatians 6:2).

Please convey our sincere thanks to all the members of your churches and everyone who contributed to this generous response. May the Lord richly bless Rev. Andy, Salisbury St Mark's, Laverstock St Andrew's, and your entire church family for your compassion, partnership, and faithful support.

Rev. Bikash Shrestha
Omega Church
Kathmandu, Nepal

"Let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth." — 1 John 3:18