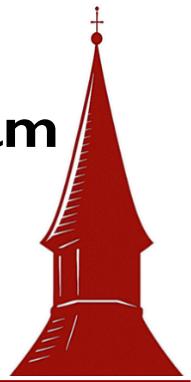


Welcome to St Mark's Church, Newnham

Sunday, 11th January 2026

Baptism of Christ

Jesus Christ ... forever



Today's services

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Service Leader and Preacher: The Revd Jim Robinson

9.30am Morning Worship

Service Leader: The Revd Kennedy Emokpaire

Preacher: Alison Rose

6pm Choral Evensong

at St Andrew and St Mary's, Grantchester

Practicalities

There is a fully accessible toilet as well as baby-changing facilities in the Community Centre across the car park behind the church.

Children

All are welcome in God's house and we delight in all ages gathering for worship. Please don't worry if your little ones make a noise or need to run around. There is a play area at the back; if younger members are more comfortable there, they are very welcome to dive in. Junior Church runs at the same time as the 9.30am service every week during term time. It is open to all ages and is based around storytelling and wondering, with art and craft too.

We begin in church and then head round to the Community Centre, returning for the Eucharist and then back out for a feast!

Collection

We are not taking an offering during our services at this time, but there is a collection plate at the back of the church along with a giving station where you are able to donate via card payment. You can also give via our website.

Visit us online at: <https://stmarksnewnham.org> where you can sign up for our email.

Hymns: 75 Long ago, prophets knew

68 In the bleak mid-winter

103 O worship the Lord in the beauty of Holiness

Anthem: Nativity Carol - Rutter

Collect Prayer for the Week:

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Isaiah 42.1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.

He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the Lord, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.

See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,

I tell you of them.

Matthew 3.13-end

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

Useful contacts

For pastoral enquiries or questions about special services (baptisms, weddings, and funerals) please contact our vicar. For information about our visiting group please contact our administrator.

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Services this week

Tuesday, 13th January

I I am, Holy Communion (BCP) led by The Revd Jim Robinson

Sunday, 18th January

8am, Holy Communion (BCP) led by The Revd Andrew Hurst

9.30am, Holy Communion led by The Revd Andrew Hurst with The Revd Kennedy Emokpaire preaching

Morning Prayer is said in church at **9am** on **Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.**

Notices and Dates for your Diaries

For your prayers: The King; Anne Howie; Michael Wallis.

Foodbank Collections

Please bring donations for the foodbank to church on Sunday 11th January. The weekly email has an up-to-date list of what's needed.

The Not So Bleak Midwinter, TODAY at 3pm

St Mark's Arts & Events Team presents an afternoon of songs, readings and music to cheer a cold winter's day, featuring members of the congregation and special guests the Cantores Singers. Free entry, no need to book. Refreshments provided

Choral Evensong TONIGHT at 6pm in Grantchester

In a change to what was previously advertised, tonight's service of Choral Evensong, with music provided by the choir of St Mark's and friends, will be at Grantchester church. The music includes the Ferial Responses, Canticles from Gibbons' Short Service, Praetorius' 'A great and mighty wonder' and the Coventry Carol by Shaw.

St Mark's New Year Parish Lunch

To beat the January blues, and mark the beginning of the new year, you are heartily invited to join us for a parish lunch, on Sunday 18th January, 12.30 in the Community Centre. £5 per person (cash on the day please!).

You are welcome to bring a bottle!

If anyone is willing to contribute a quiche, or a crumble, then please contact Sarah Perry: sarahperrywarden@gmail.com

A sign up sheet for attendance/helping can be found in the narthex.

Charity of the Month: ITAC (Cambridge Churches Homeless Project)

It Takes A City (ITAC) manages the emergency winter accommodation for rough sleepers in Cambridge. Over the course of the winter about 50 men, women and their dogs are supported in the accommodation including people who come in off the streets during periods of severe cold or wet weather. Many of the people accommodated have high support needs because they have complex mental health or substance use issues and have already been banned from other accommodation in the city. The ITAC staff provide personalised trauma informed support and look to resettle them in longer term accommodation where they will receive appropriate support. ITAC is a local homelessness partnership which works by partnering with other organisations in the city to ensure people receive specialist support. ITAC partners with the Cambridge Churches Homelessness project (CCHP) who help with recruitment and management of volunteers. About 120 volunteers support the provision with about 75% coming from churches in the city.