

# Weekly Link

22nd February

## Sharing the love of Jesus with All

### Services and activities

#### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

- ⇒ 9.30am Holy Communion at St Mark's
- ⇒ 11.00am Morning Praise at All Saints'

#### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

- ⇒ 9am Edward Bear Club in the hall at Weston

#### Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February

- ⇒ 9.30-11am Toddler Group in the hall at St Mark's
- ⇒ 1 pm Funeral of Frederick Edward Shone at All Saints' Church
- ⇒ 7.30pm Singers at St Mark's Community Choir in St Mark's church

#### Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February

- ⇒ 9am-3pm Cafe @ All Saints' in the hall at Weston
- ⇒ 9.10am Morning Prayer online via Facebook page\*

#### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February

- ⇒ 7pm Night Prayer online via parish Facebook page\*

#### Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February

- ⇒ 9am-3pm Cafe @ St Mark's in the church hall

#### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March

- ⇒ 9.30am Sunday Celebration at St Mark's
- ⇒ 11.00am Holy Communion at All Saints'

Sunday services at St Mark's are streamed to  
[\\*https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsandstmarks](https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsandstmarks)

Service materials can be found on Facebook and on our website: [www.all saints and stmarks.com](http://www.all saints and stmarks.com)

All Saints' is open every day for private prayer.

St Mark's church is open for private prayer during Friday café hours (9am-3pm)

During the current Vacancy period please use the following means of contact: Tel.: 01270 582585 or Email: [vicar@allsaintsandstmarks.com](mailto:vicar@allsaintsandstmarks.com)

If you would like to have anything included in the Weekly Link, please send to Sharon by midday on Wednesday [sharonmspooner@outlook.com](mailto:sharonmspooner@outlook.com)

### Prayer for the week

Gracious God,  
I thank you for the time spent by Jesus in the wilderness, tested there to the limit but refusing to be deceived. Help me to learn from his example; to be awake to temptation and ready to withstand it; to make time to hear voice and reflect upon your word. Help me to follow you and to do your will, regardless of the cost.  
So may I grow closer to you and stronger in faith.  
Amen

### Reflection for the first week of Lent.



#### Bible reading - Mark 9:30-31

They wanted a different sort of Messiah. He had confounded them, and now they were embarrassed by him, endangered: and so they had left him. They were somewhere in the shadows. Not the shadow of the cross, but the shadow you create yourself when you turn your back on the light. They were nursing their disappointment. Carrying it like a trophy. Complaining how deceived they had been. Soon they would forget. Or else start saying it was better this way. In years to come, when they were fat and fifty, they would lean back in their chairs and smile at the foolishness of youth.

From -The Things He Carried by Stephen Cottrell ©

#### Reflect

How does it feel to be let down, misunderstood?  
How would it feel to think all you have done is for nothing, no-one really listened, no-one learned?

#### A Prayer for the First Week of Lent

Lord God, you who breathed the spirit of life within me.  
Draw out of me the light and life you created.  
Help me to find my way back to you.  
Help me to use my life to reflect your glory  
and to serve others as your son Jesus did. Amen

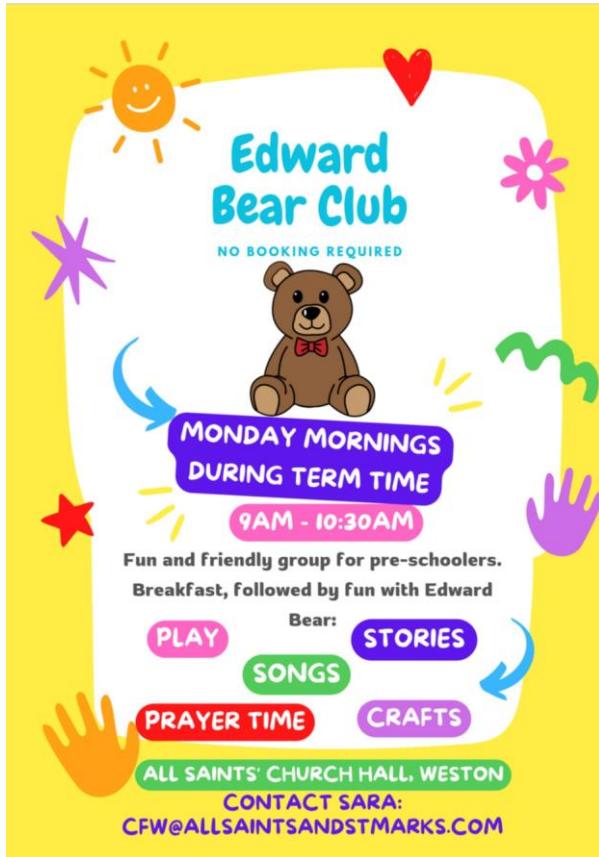
### SAFEGUARDING

The parish of All Saints' Weston and St Mark's Shavington is committed to making our churches welcoming and safe places for all. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you see or hear anything that you feel concerned about, please do not delay. Share your concerns with Shaan Shepherd, our Parish Safeguarding Officer: 07824 696006 or email: [safeguardingwestonparish@gmail.com](mailto:safeguardingwestonparish@gmail.com). Alternatively, contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team on:

01928 718834 (option 4) between the hours of 9am and 4pm, Monday to Friday.

For out-of-hours safeguarding advice, ring our partner organisation Thirtyone:eight on 0303 003 1111.

If there is immediate risk or danger, please contact the police on 999.



## FULL MARMALADE RANGE NOW AVAILABLE AT OUR CAFES

- Orange
- Dark Chunky Orange
- Lemon
- Pink Grapefruit

Also still plenty of stocks of

- Granny's APPLE CHUTNEY



If you can't get to a cafe, give Robert a call on 01270 584922 to place an order

## Can you help at St Mark's on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March?

Help is needed for setting up for Sunday Celebrations at St. Mark's on 1<sup>st</sup> March - all the usual helpers seem to be on holiday or unavailable. Suggested time 10.00am Saturday 28th February, (will take about half an hour) and please let Margaret know ASAP if able to help.

## Old Spectacles and Used Postage Stamps

We collect them – don't throw them away!

Old spectacles help to support ophthalmic clinics in Africa and used postage stamps help to fund charities at home.

Just drop them in the collecting boxes in our churches and halls and we will do the rest – thank you!

## Craft Chatter

Share ideas, meet like-minded crafters and get help with current and future projects. Come along for a cuppa and a chat!



## St Mark's diary dates and help needed

Saturday March 21st - 10.00 am - church garden working party

Saturday June 13th - Village Festival stall

For more information or to volunteer, please see Roger Bracey or Sheila McAlpine.



Please scan the QR codes to visit the Church website for more information about the churches or the giving pages to make a donation to All Saints' and St Mark's.

QR Code for Church website



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