

St Mark's Eco Church News – October 2024

New Eco Church Survey

A Rocha UK's survey from 2018 has been refreshed to have the most impact on climate and nature, with new resources to explore. We would love you to join St Mark's Eco Team, we will be meeting once a term to review St Mark's progress and plan our journey to an Eco Church Gold Award. Please contact [Karen Park](#) for more information.

Recycling - Visit Holbrook Wombles

Thursday 14 November 2pm – 4pm in the hall.
Bring your recycling, see our displays and find out what to recycle where.

Crisps, Nuts and Popcorn Wrappers

14 November will be our last day for taking wrappers from crisps, nuts and popcorn, but you can still recycle them with these soft plastic wrappers and bags at supermarkets:

- Sweets, chocolate, fruit, veg, cereal, dried food, clothes, crisps, nuts & popcorn
- Fridge Raiders, film lids, pet, baby, sauce & microwaveable food pouches
- Bubble wrap, cling film, multipack, flower, nappy, sanitary, toilet & kitchen roll

We can still recycle wrappers from cakes, sweet and savoury biscuits and Jacob's snacks

Toothpaste Squeezy Tubes

Good news! In West Sussex squeezy toothpaste tubes can now be recycled in our kerbside recycling bins. Please ensure they are as empty as possible with lids on. Hard toothpaste tubes with pumps on, can be recycled at larger Boots stores via the Scan2Recycle scheme.

Creation Care

We will be presenting more certificates soon! Creation Care is a free online questionnaire for households with ideas for your next steps towards a Bronze, Silver or Gold Award. Personal lifestyle is a key part of Eco Church. Register your household online and link to St Mark's, so that we can award your certificates. If you're already registered, please review your progress. <https://creationcare.org.uk>



Sussex Green Hub

Visit [Sussex Green Hub](#) at Horsham United Reformed Church with [Horsham Repair Cafe](#), Refills for personal care and cleaning product bottles, Zero Waste Shop, recycling advice, Horsham Community Fridge, Transition Horsham, Horsham Eco Churches and a Café.

Saturday 26 October 10am to 2.30pm, with **Sustainable Energy at Home** 1pm-3pm, in St John's Catholic Church, opposite Sussex Green Hub.

Saturday 30 November 10am to 2.30pm, with **Horsham Fair Trade Christmas Market** 10am to 4pm in St John's Catholic Church Hall, opposite Sussex Green Hub.

Horsham Community Fridge at St Mark's

Free good food rescued from local supermarkets to prevent it being wasted, Tuesdays 11.15am in Holbrook Heart Café and Saturday 23rd November 10am in the church hall.

Sustainable Energy at Home

"Everything you wanted to know about Solar, Batteries, Insulation & Heat Pumps, but did not know who to ask"



Saturday 26th October, 1-3pm

St John's Catholic Church, 3 Springfield Rd, Horsham RH12 2PJ
(opposite the Sussex Green Hub at the URC)

An afternoon of two parts;
starting with short talks from both Solar, Heat Pump/Insulation companies,
and from locals who have recently had these technologies installed
then
the opportunity for informal discussions and Q&A with any of the above

Speakers on the day;
Snugg Systems (Heat Pumps)
Solar Dynamics (PV Solar)

AND local householders

Free event organised by Transition Horsham Energy Group

ST MARK'S CLOTHING EXCHANGE

WHEN
Tuesday 24th Sept
Tuesday 26th Nov

WHERE
St Mark's Church Hall
North Heath Lane
Horsham RH12 5PU

10AM - 12.00PM

HOW IT WORKS:

- Check in donations of good, clean, in-season clothes at church hall **10am - 10.20am**. Collect a shopping token and queue number. If you are in need you are welcome to check in without donating
- Go and enjoy **free coffee and cake** at Holbrook Heart Cafe in church while we hang up donations.
- The exchange opens for choosing approx 10.30am
- Left over clothing is donated to charity.

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St Mark's Church, Holbrook
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DIocese OF PORTSMOUTH NET ZERO CONFERENCE 2025

HOPE

in the face of climate change

An inspirational, interactive and practical conference to help you on your NZC journey

Saturday 18th January, 10am to 4pm
Portsmouth Cathedral

Speakers include: Rt Rev Jonathan Frost, Bishop of Portsmouth; Rt Rev Paul Davies, Bishop of Dorking; Rt Rev Will Hazelwood, Bishop of Lewes; Andy Atkins, CEO of A Rocha UK; Richard Abraham, COO of Portsmouth Cathedral.

£5 registration (includes lunch and refreshments)



Travel with Karen Park to this inspirational, interactive and practical day conference.
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hope-in-the-face-of-climate-change-diocese-of-portsmouth-nzc-conference-2025-tickets-1023423696827>

More Information

Webpages <https://stmarksholbrook.org.uk/EcoChurch>

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