

What's On in Warwick (and What's Not)

A long-term calendar of events for residents and visitors compiled by Unlocking Warwick



**National
lockdown:
stay at home**

January 2021 onwards (Revised 5.1.21)

www.unlockingwarwick.org

Warwick Market is every Saturday from 9am. Farmers' Markets are usually on the 2nd and 5th Saturdays of the month.

The latest rules from the government

In England

On January 5th, **The National Lockdown 'Tier Five'** was introduced. The details of the rules and exemptions are here: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home>. In summary:

- You must not leave, or be outside of your home except where necessary. You may leave home to: **shop** for basic necessities, for yourself or for a vulnerable person; **go to work**, or provide voluntary or charitable services, if you cannot reasonably do so from home; **exercise** in a public outdoor space, with your household (or support bubble) or one other person; this should be limited to once per day, and you should not travel outside your local area; meet your **support bubble** or childcare bubble if necessary; seek **medical assistance** or to avoid risk of harm (including domestic abuse); attend **education or childcare** - for those eligible; attend a **place of worship**.
- **Schools and colleges** are closed (except for vulnerable children and the children of key workers). Lessons will be by 'remote learning' until the February half term. Higher education colleges will remain online until mid-February. Nursery schools remain open.
- **No socialising**. You cannot meet other people indoors unless you live with them or they are part of your support bubble. Outdoors, you can only meet one person from another household for exercise.
- You cannot leave your home or the place where you are living for holidays or overnight stays unless you have a reasonable excuse for doing so. This means that **holidays** in the UK and abroad are **not allowed**. This includes staying in a second home or caravan, if that is not your primary residence.
- **Only 'essential' retail outlets** can remain open. These include food shops, pharmacies, pet shops, garden centres and building suppliers. Market stalls can only be for essential goods (mainly food). You must wear a face mask in shops and on public transport.
- **Pubs and restaurants remain closed** except for takeaways and deliveries.
- **Entertainment venues** and tourist venues including museums are closed.
- **Hotels** and guest houses are closed.
- All indoor and outdoor **sports facilities** such as gyms and golf courses are closed.
- You can attend **places of worship** for a service. However, you must not mingle with anyone outside of your household or support bubble. You should maintain strict social distancing at all times. No more than 6 people at a wedding and 30 people for a funeral.

In Warwick

- Free **parking** in the Warwick District Council's off street car parks **ended** on New Year's Day.
- **Museums, the Lord Leycester and the County Record Office** are closed to the public. The Market Hall Museum is posting activities for children on its website, ranging from Arty Tots to 'Show and Tell' talks. You can see them at: <http://heritage.warwickshire.gov.uk/> 01926 412500
- **Warwick Castle** has announced a 'temporary' closure from the start of Tier Four restrictions. Those who have bought tickets for the winter attractions will be reimbursed. <https://www.warwick-castle.com/explore/events/christmas/>
- Several **churches** will offer opportunities for private prayer. **St. Mary's** is open for individuals on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1pm to 3pm. Please wear a mask. Sunday services at 10.30am are streamed on the stmaryswarwick Facebook page, and then uploaded on to their You Tube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/c/CollegiateChurchofStMaryWarwick> .
- **Warwick Town Council** will be providing updates on local developments: <https://www.warwicktowncouncil.gov.uk/coronavirus>
- **The Visitor Information Centre** is closed but there is a click and collect service on most mornings for gift shop items. See available items at www.visitwarwick.co.uk. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WarwickVisitorCentre/> Phone 01926 492212 or email: info@visitwarwick.co.uk and collect by arrangement at the Castle Street door.
- **Warwick District Council** has information on the infection rate in the district and local services on its website: <https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20827/coronavirus> There is a Covid-19 Helpline: 01926 456111 (Mon-Fri. 9am – 5pm)
- During the restrictions you can enjoy **Virtual Tours** of The Court House, St. Mary's Church and The Lord Leycester Hospital via the QR code below, or go to <https://warwicktour.oncell.com> and watch online.



The Town of Treasures Web-based App

- The Warwick **Saturday Market** will reopen on January 9th with food stalls only and with social distancing measures in place.
- **Warwick Racecourse:** The Jump Racing Season continues but behind closed doors. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- **Guy's Cliffe Walled Garden** will be open every **Sunday** in January and February from 1pm. Entry is free but numbers are limited so you must book a time slot at Eventbrite. Details here: <http://www.guyscliffewalledgarden.org.uk/>
- **Unlocking Warwick** have cancelled until further notice their 'In The Ballroom' Socials, their Tea and Dance Lessons, and special events.

2021

January

- Until 17th** **Christmas at the Castle.** The castle attractions and ice rink planned until 17th Jan are currently **closed**. The castle staff have posted an online notice saying 'Please do not travel to the castle'. www.warwick-castle.com/explore/events/christmas-at-the-castle/
- 2nd** The Warwick **Library** in Shire Hall is expected to reopen after New Year with a Click and Collect service, or you can request books by phone to collect at the door. 0300 555 8171. libraryenquiryteam@warwickshire.gov.uk
- 3rd** **Guy's Cliffe Walled Garden** will be open on every **Sunday** in January and February from 1pm. Entry is free but to control numbers you must book a time slot at Eventbrite. Details here: <http://www.guyscliffewalledgarden.org.uk/>
- 4th** **Hill Close Gardens** reopen after the Christmas and New Year break. Monday - Friday. 11am to 4pm. www.hillclosegardens.com
- 8th** St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm. **Lunchtime Recital: Mark Swinton** (organ). Recitals will be open to members of the public if government guidelines permit, and will be streamed online at the St. Mary's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stmaryswarwick. Free with a retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 9th** The **Saturday Market** reopens for stalls selling 'essential goods' (mainly food), and with Tier Four social distancing in place.
- 15th** **A Gin and Tonic Soiree with The Warwick Piano Trio.** 6pm. Roger Coull, violin; Nick Roberts, cello; Lynn Arnold, piano. Pieces by Beethoven and Arensky. This **virtual recital** will be live-streamed on You Tube. Follow the link to the Eventbrite page to make a donation and join the concert, perhaps with a G&T in hand. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bmcs-gt-soiree-warwick-piano-trio-perform-beethoven-arensky-tickets-135194373009> Proceeds to be split between the artists, The Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, and Butlers Marston Concert Soc.
- 16th** Warwick Racecourse. **Classic Chase Day.** Seven races from 12.40pm. Currently being held behind closed doors. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 22nd** St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm. **Lunchtime Recital: Oliver Hancock** (organ). Recitals will be open to members of the public if government guidelines permit, and will be streamed online at the St. Mary's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stmaryswarwick Free with a retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk

February

- 3rd** Warwick Racecourse. **The Willoughby de Broke Hunter Chase.** Seven races from 1pm. Currently behind closed doors. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 5th** St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm. **Lunchtime Recital: Lucy Morrell** (organ). Recitals will be open to members of the public if government guidelines permit, and will be streamed online at the St. Mary's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stmaryswarwick Free to attend with a retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 12th - 13th** **The Court Leet Winter Beer and Cider Festival** in the Pageant Garden, Castle Street. 20 different beers and 7 ciders; hot food available. Numbers must be limited, so advance tickets only from the Lord Leicester or the Visitor Information Centre. Entry £5 to include a commemorative glass. All money raised goes to CV34 charities and worthy causes. www.warwickbeerfestival.com 07710 373267 Email: warwickbeerfest@gmail.com
Currently under review.
- 13th** Warwick Racecourse. **The Agetur Kingmaker Chase Day.** Seven races. Currently happening behind closed doors. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk
- 16th** **Warwick Pancake Races** in the Market Place. 1.30pm - 3pm. The popular Rotary Club event for teams of children from local schools. To enter a team contact Jackie Crampton: 01926 492496. **Currently under review.**

- 19th St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm. **Lunchtime Recital: Richard Lewis** (piano). Open to the public if government guidelines permit, (free with a retiring collection). It will be streamed online at the St. Mary's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stmaryswarwick
- 26th Warwick Racecourse. **Fiver Friday featuring the Budbrooke Chase**. Currently to be held behind closed doors. www.warwickracecourse.co.uk

March

- 5th St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm. **Lunchtime Recital by Pupils from Warwick School** (tbc). Recitals will be open to members of the public if government guidelines permit, and will be streamed online at the St. Mary's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stmaryswarwick
Free to attend with a retiring collection. www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 7th Warwick Racecourse. 9am. **The Wigley Group Half Marathon**. A 13.1 mile course through the countryside. Entry £31 plus booking fee.
<https://www.thejockeyclub.co.uk/warwick/events-tickets/warwick-marathon/>
- 14th Warwick Racecourse. **The Four-legged Friend Raceday**. (T.b.c.)
<https://www.thejockeyclub.co.uk/warwick/events-tickets/four-legged-friend-raceday2/>
- 19th St. Mary's Church. 1.15pm. **Lunchtime Recital: Mark Swinton** (organ). Recitals will be open to members of the public if government guidelines permit, (free with a retiring collection), and will be streamed online at the St. Mary's Facebook page:
www.facebook.com/stmaryswarwick www.stmaryswarwick.org.uk
- 30th Warwick Racecourse. **Coventry City F.C. Raceday**. Seven races from 2pm.
www.warwickracecourse.co.uk

Some Dates Later in the Year (Clearly under review depending on restrictions)

- July 2nd- 4th **Pub in the Park** with Tom Kerridge and friends. St. Nicholas Park.
- July 15th - **Warwick Folk Festival** at a new location in the Castle Park. www.warwickfolkfestival.co.uk
18th The **Smith Street Party** will be on 17th.
- July 16th - **The Court Leet Beer and Cider Festival** in Pageant Gardens, Castle Street.
17th <https://warwickbeerfestival.com/>
- July 20th **Olly Murs in Concert** at the Castle
- July 23rd **Michael Bublé in Concert** at the Castle.

Please check events with the organisers. Unlocking Warwick cannot take any responsibility for any errors or changes.



The Court House Volunteers

To alert us to forthcoming events in Warwick, or send news of cancellations, email whatson@unlockingwarwick.org