

Sunday 15th April 2007

2nd Sunday Of Easter

St. MARY'S

Newsletter



Sunday Worship

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| 10.30 Parish Communion | Reader | Eunice |
| | Drinks | Christine |
| | Communion Assistants | Caroline & Veronica |
| | Prayers | Giles |
| | Junior Steward | Kara |
| | Steward | Margaret A |
| | Music | Steve, Kara, Angi |

If you would like someone to pray with you after the 10.30 service please feel free to approach anyone with a prayer badge or ask the clergy.

Collect For 2nd Sunday Of Easter

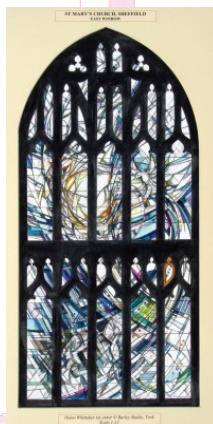
Almighty Father,
you have given your only Son to die for our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and
wickedness
that we may always serve you
in pureness of living and truth;
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our
Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

St Mary's Window

Julian writes:

We are looking forward to our reception and preview of our window design by Helen Whittaker on **Thursday 26th April at 7.30pm.**

Food and drink is provided by the centre, with several centre people coming. This is a great occasion for the parish and an opportunity for members of the congregation to mingle with guests including Bishop Jack and people from Sharrow, the city and region.



Please make this a priority and let Julian know if you are coming.

Annual Meeting (APCM)

Julian writes:

You will notice the signs on the door which remind us that our annual meeting is approaching on **Sunday 13th May**. It is a time to review various aspects of church life at St Mary's.

Come and take part. If you are writing something for the booklet, it would be helpful to have this asap, by email to Julian if possible.

Electoral Roll Review.

This year we are reviewing our membership roll which involves everyone filling in a simply form to indicate a wish to remain or become a member of St Mary's Church.

We are giving out these forms at services for you to complete. Eunice B (our Electoral Roll Officer), will collect them from you and answer any questions you may have.

This Week At St Marys

'Women Exploring Faith' restarts this **Thursday, 9.30-11.30am** looking at Pilgrims Progress.

'Parents and Toddlers' restarts this **Wednesday, 9.30-11.30am.**

'Sharing Music, Sharing Lives'

This **Tuesday 24th April, 7.30pm**: Sheffield-based refugee musicians from all over the world will be performing at Firth Hall, Firth Court, Western Bank. This concert is organised jointly between City of Sanctuary, ASSIST, Sheffield University Music Department and Multi Lingual City Forum, to showcase the musical contribution of refugees and asylum-seekers to our city.

Tickets £8/£5/£2.50 available on the door.

All proceeds will go to ASSIST to support destitute asylum-seekers in Sheffield.

Volunteering With ASSIST

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ASSIST Volunteer Introductory Evening.

(ASSIST Sheffield was set up in the Autumn of 2003 and is working to provide some support to destitute asylum seekers in and around Sheffield.)

Thursday 19th April 7-9 pm at Central United Reform Church, 60 Norfolk Street. An opportunity to sample all the volunteering possibilities with ASSIST, including role plays and hands on experience with the various teams.

This event will allow existing volunteers to learn about other facets of ASSIST's work as well as to enable new volunteers to choose the jobs that suit their talents and availability.

Contact: admin@assistsheffield.org.uk if you are planning to attend.

May Day Trek

Monday 7th May Have you registered yet? Its time! (Yo has spare forms). Christian Aid week is **13th-19th May**.

Shared Lunch

Next Sunday (22nd April) is to be a Christian Aid-themed service with guest preacher Robert Spooner. Yo could do with six people to help clear up afterwards, and has had no volunteers so far – (any takers?). Please also sign up for what food you would like to contribute to the shared lunch.

Trim And Shape

Learn how to maintain your weight in a friendly environment: Tips for healthy eating – food and your mood – food labelling – weight management – gentle exercise.

The course begins on **Friday 27th April** and runs every Friday 10am-12pm for 7 weeks. Open to men and women from all walks of life and is *free of charge!* Book now, call Shipshape on 2500 222 or drop in at 222 London Road. Supported by Sharrow Community forum.

Small Ad

Kate writes:

PLANTS FOR SALE – Cultivated from Seed

Vegetables ready for planting for sale – 30p each (helps me to buy more seed & compost) - cabbage, brussels sprouts and cauliflower.

Speak to Kate or ring her on 255 3571 if your would like one or two.

If anyone is interested I will also have some flowers and raddichio lettuce grown from seed ready shortly

The Art Of Colin Brown

Colin Brown (artist, and 'fresh expressions missioner' attached to St Marys) is coming to preach at St Marys on 6th May. Colin writes:

33 Artists are opening up their studios at Persistence Works. You are invited to view the latest paintings from my recent visits to Holy Island. Come to Studio 23 on the 2nd floor See you there! Open Studios **Saturday 5th & 12th May, 11 am–5 pm.**

Baby Memorial Service

The Chaplains and staff from the Jessop Wing are holding the annual Baby Memorial Service at St Andrew's Psalter Lane on **Sunday 22nd April** at 2.30pm. This service is for those who have suffered the loss of a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth or neonatal death.

Refreshments will be provided after the service by the WRVS.

Trade Justice Action

This Thursday (19th April), Christian Aid and Trade Justice Movement campaigners will be taking action against the unfair 'Economic Partnership Agreements'. People are invited to take action with campaigners from across Europe, Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific and demand that the EU stops negotiating unfair trade deals with developing countries. If you can't go, please pray.

Praying For Zimbabwe

The "Help Zimbabwe Campaign" is holding a prayer meeting in the Peace Gardens on **Wednesday 18 April from 7.00 – 8.00pm**. The title is "Prayer for Restoration of Human Rights in Zimbabwe".

Further information from Robert Mackay on 07706228492.

Next Sunday – 22nd April

10.30am Parish Communion

People with jobs to do next Sunday: Veronica (readings); Carol (drinks); Della (prayers); Lydia & Molly (junior stewards); Doreen & Joan (steward); Jon, Jess, Veronica (music)

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