

Sunday 20th April 2008

Fifth Sunday Of Easter

St. MARY'S

Newsletter



Sunday Worship

10.30am Parish Communion	Readings	Giles
	Communion Assistant	Carol & Penny
	Intercessor	Steve
	Stewards	Margaret A
	Music	Steve

We welcome today The Revd Paul Oakley of the Church Army, who is going to speak to us on mission.

Collect For Easter 5

Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the
gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Fellowship Lunches

On **Sunday May 18th** we will be holding a fellowship lunch after church. All are invited, please let Peter Rowe know if you intend to be there so that we know how many to cater for. If you want to know any more please speak to Peter or Karen Cribb - we will be asking for volunteers for practical help too.

Mens Group

The next meet is on **this Friday 25 April 7.30pm.**

Graham has recommended a city-wide Mens Group that meets at SWFC ground. The meetings have a very good reputation.

The event is free. Bar - Food - Quiz - Friendship

and a talk about someone in public life about how their Christian faith affects their life. Details of the event are on www.onsideevents.co.uk

Please let Andy know if you can make it. Its suggested that we meet at St Ms at **7pm** and travel on together.

This Week At St Marys

Youth Fellowship	This evening 6pm at Steve and Yo's home.
Parent & Toddlers	This Wednesday morning 9.30-11.30am in the hall.
Women Exploring Faith	On Thursday from 9.30am in the Parish Room. An opportunity to share fellowship and pray. Looking at the Epistles of Peter. Please ask Helen, Karen or Kate if you are interested in knowing more.
Faith and Life	Wednesday 8pm For anyone wanting to explore and deepen their faith. This week: <i>Mission and Service.</i>
Ecclesall Homegroup	Meets this Tuesday . Venue to be confirmed - please speak to Andy.
St Marys Prayers	For all at St Marys. Friday from 10.30am in the Parish Room

Christian Aid Week

11-18th May. *Raising awareness and money to relieve poverty. Please support this in prayer and...*


- We are asking who would like to collect door to door this year - we need 6 more people to go ahead with the street collection.
- Take up your own £50 challenge - do what you like (within the law!!) to raise the cash. yo will give you a red tin. You have 1 month (18th April - 18th May)
- Annual May Day Trek May 5th. A family-friendly sponsored walk from St Luke's Church, Lodge Moor into the Peak District with a choice of 5, 10 or 15 mile circular routes. For further information and registration forms phone 0114 233 6885 or see the web-site, www.sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk

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Quizaid at the Sportsman

 St Marys will be holding a quiz evening for Christian Aid on **16th May** at the Sportsman pub, Denby Street. Its a conventional, decent pub-quiz, designed for teams to enter. Could you get a team together from your colleagues or friends? See Steve to register interest.

St Marys Music Evening

Friday 9th May - the present lineup of performers includes Purple Cats choir, Zeela Gospel choir, guitarists, singers and drummers, Jellybean Jazz, piano and organ solos, and salsa, and Liberian dancers. It will be a fantastic and colourful evening. Tickets will go on sale from **Yo today**.

Individuals £5 / £2.50 concessions

Families £10 / £5 concessions

In aid of our Stained Glass Window Fund. Please pray for the success of the evening. Yo would like people to take a batch of 10 tickets to sell.

St Marys Cricket Team

Andy is considering restarting St Marys cricket team (formerly known as 'The Scrubbers'), and entering in the Sheffield Diocesan League.

Light Factory Leaders Meeting

Tuesday 29th April at Tom and Jo's - please have a word with Karen or any of the other regular children's leaders if there is anything you would like them to consider.

Highfield Celebration

The scaffolding is up at Highfield Trinity Church, Highfield Place, London Road! Work has begun to restore the fabric of their fine building. Please join church members in celebrating the past, present and future life and work of their church.

Next Sunday 27th April 6.30-7.30pm. Music by *Outcry*, and refreshments, from 5.45 p.m.

www.highfieldtrinitychurch.org

Free Tour Of Sheffield

Learn about the history of The Moor with a free tour.

Local historian Ron Clayton will be sharing the history of one of Sheffield's oldest trading centres on **Sunday 27th April**, when he leads a free walking tour of The Moor. The tour will meet at the top of The Moor, near Debenhams, at 2pm, so feel free to pop along.

Coffee With The Bishop's Wife

Mrs Judith Nicholls warmly invites you to a Coffee Morning on **Wednesday 21st May 10-12.30** at: Bishopscroft, Snaithing Lane, Sheffield, S10 3LG, In aid of Sheffield Mencap & Gateway.

Coffee, Tea and Orange Juice will be served with Homemade Cakes for a suggested donation of £3. All proceeds will go towards Sheffield Mencap's work with people with learning disabilities.

Shoestring Retreat

A Shoestring Retreat will be held at Christ Church Stannington - **10th-13th June** led by Inspir Sheffield. This is an excellent way for church members to go on retreat extremely cheaply and without having to travel to a retreat centre. These retreats are always excellent and much appreciated. For more information please contact either Philip West on 2324490, email philipwest@fish.co.uk or Jane Lander, 51 Peterborough Road, Sheffield, S10 4JD.

Jazz In The Field (Edale)

Jazz (and a bit of folk) in the Field in Edale - an annual concert in aid of Medical Foundation for Torture Victims. 7.30pm onwards. Fairtrade food and drinks available. Tickets available on the gate only: under-12s: free - asylum seekers: free - adults: £10 (£6 teen, student, unwaged) - family ticket (two adults and up to 3 teenagers): £25. £1 discount for anyone arriving by train. Tell your friends! Info coming shortly to the website:

<http://www.jazzinthefield.org/>

Prayer Triplets



Hope 08 - one of their suggestions for the year is to rediscover Prayer Triplets - so if you have ever been part of a prayer triplet why not meet again - or if you would like to be part of one - find two other like minded people and go for it.

Next Sunday – 27th April

10.30am Parish Communion

People with jobs to do next Sunday: Rachel M (readings); Helen & Margaret A (communion assistants); Maureen F (intercessions); Doreen & Joan (stewards); Jon, Yo, Veronica (music)

6.30pm Farewell to Bishop Jack with prayer and a party at St Marys

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