

Sunday 22nd June 2008

Fifth Sunday After Trinity

St. MARY'S

Newsletter



Sunday Worship

10.30am Parish Communion	Reader	Keith
	Drinks	Elaine & David
	Communion Assistants	Helen and Margaret A
	Prayers	Giles
	Steward	Doreen and Joan
	Music	Steve

We are delighted to have Revd Paul Oakley with us this morning as Celebrant and Preacher.

Paul is Tutor in Christian Doctrine of Wilson Carlile College of Evangelism (Church Army) in Sheffield.

Bible Readings And Collect

Genesis 21.8-21
Romans 6.1-11
Matthew 10.24-39

Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,
that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

This Week At St Marys

Parent & Toddlers This **Wednesday morning 9.30-11.30am** in the hall.

The 'Faith and Life' (Wednesday) group is taking a break now until Wednesday 2nd July.

There will also be no Women's Group this week.

Congratulations!

To Rachel and Giles, a son, and to Benjamin, a brother: Toby Dominic was born at 3.17am on Wednesday morning, weighing in at 7lb 13oz.

There were two winners of the Baby Shower 'guess-the-weight-of-Rachel's-baby' competition: Carol got within 4.5oz, but Jo was within 12oz of the correct weight *and* got the gender right.

Of course, the biggest congratulations go to Rachel as Toby was bigger than *anyone* expected!

Can You Help With Soup?

Several churches have been working together for years to provide soup and sandwiches to homeless and needy people in the city centre (Eldon Street car park). Cemetery Road Baptist Church are keen to help but haven't got enough volunteers to run a whole session every week.

This requires teams with an absolute minimum of 4 people, to prepare food at the church from 7pm and then hand it out from 8-9pm at the car park.

CRB want to run the session on **Wednesday** nights from September. If you think you might be able to help, even on an occasional basis, please contact Gary Stutton at CRB on 273 9669 or email him on missioner@crbchurch.org.uk

Coming Up Soon At St Marys

Parish Day: This is an annual event when the whole church meets together on a Saturday, with a guest speaker, to look at a particular theme. This will take place at the Ranmoor Parish Centre on **5th July**, but transport will be provided for all.

Please make sure you indicate on the board if you require transport, and/or talk to Steve this morning.

Hospitality Lunch: We will be sharing a fellowship meal together, provided mostly by the Centre catering staff, after church on **6th July**. The first time we tried this (last month) this proved a

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very successful way to get to know each other over a meal.



THE 23rd SHEFFIELD GREEN FAIR
SATURDAY 28 JUNE
11am to 5pm
ST. MARY'S COMMUNITY CENTRE, BRAMALL LANE
ENTERTAINMENT • LIVE MUSIC • DJ'S
BAR • WHOLEFOOD CAFE • CHILDREN'S FUN

RiverSwale whizzgo.co.uk BI UK FUELS LTD REGAHER Green Party

Taizé Prayer At St Andrews

St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church will be hosting Evening Prayer in the style of Taizé once a month **7.30 - 8.30 pm**, normally on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. All are welcome.

The dates for 2008 are: 18th June, 16th July, 17th September, 15th October, 26th November, 17th December.

Communication Group

The Church Council (PCC) has set up a small group to try to help describe the core values of St Marys: the nature and facts of its ministry, and its role and aims in the community. It has been trying to identify St Mary's important 'assets', including successful projects and relationships.

It is hoped that this process will allow St Marys to describe its own work to other people and groups. This is not about 'vision setting' but just trying to define and explain what we are about here and now.

The group has met once and there is a draft document describing their first attempt.

There will be an opportunity to discuss the

document on **Thursday 3rd and Thursday 10th July at 10am** in the Parish Room. Karen is organising this, but won't be in church this morning.

The people on the Communication Group are Julian, Peter, Giles, Andy, Kim and Elaine. Please talk to any of these if you'd like to know more about this process.

Godly Play

An opportunity for individuals and families to experience Godly Play and receive training at St Stephen's Church, Netherthorpe, Sheffield (Phil & Christine Batchford's church) on **next Saturday, 28th June** from **10.30am till 4.30pm**. The day will be orientated around families and will have a special emphasis on how Godly Play can be used in alternative church settings. For further information please contact Kathryn Lord on 0114 2662941 or email kathrynandrobert@hotmail.com. All bookings must be made in advance and can be made through: <http://blahsheffieldgodlyplay.eventbrite.com/>

Price for individuals £10.50; Price for families £17

Distinctly Welcoming
Christian presence
in a multifaith society



A study day with Richard Sudworth of the Church Mission Society

Saturday 5th July

10am to 4pm

Christ Church Pitsmoor

Cost £3. Bring your own packed lunch.

Contact 01142757240 office@christchurchpitsmoor.com

Next Sunday – 29th June

10.30am Parish Communion

People with jobs to do next Sunday: Della (Readings); Andy & Kate (Communion Assistants); Giles (prayers); Veronica (Stewards).

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