

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2008

Sixth Sunday After Trinity

St. MARY'S

Newsletter



## Sunday Worship

<b>10.30am Parish Communion</b>	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 Canon Michael Jarratt with us this morning as Celebrant and Preacher.

## Bible Readings And Collect

Zechariah 4.1-6. 10-end;  
Acts 12.1-11  
Matthew 16.13-19

Merciful God,  
you have prepared for those who love you  
such good things as pass our understanding:  
pour into our hearts such love toward you  
that we, loving you in all things and above all  
things,  
may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
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

<b>Friday Prayers</b>	10.30am in the Seminar Room. Prayers for all at St Marys Church and Centre. See Della for more.
<b>Parent &amp; Toddlers</b>	This <b>Wednesday morning 9.30-11.30am</b> in the hall.

## Margaret To Be Ordained Deacon

Some of you will remember Margaret Baker, who

trained with the Church Army after working as Deputy Officer in Charge of a Social Services Day Nursery in Bristol, will be ordained deacon this morning.

Margaret, who arrived in Sheffield twenty years ago, will join the ranks of the Church of England's clergy in Sheffield Cathedral on Sunday (29th June, 10.30am) in a service led by the Bishop of Doncaster, Cyril Ashton.

She has worked in various churches across the Diocese over recent years, including St Marys for several years in the 1990s.

Margaret, who originates from the West Country, will be based at St Cuthbert's Herringthorpe. As a deacon she will assist the priest in a range of duties. Deacons usually serve for at least a year before eventually becoming priests.

Margaret said this week: "I begin another new area of ministry being ordained deacon, and look forward to this challenge working with and alongside many different folk as we journey together finding out more about our faith and the local communities of which we belong".

## Congratulations, Julian!

This week we are celebrating with Julian, the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood at St Paul's Cathedral on 26 June 1983. The Gospel was from John 20 "As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you."

## 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 **5<sup>th</sup> July**, but transport will be provided for all.

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

**Hospitality Lunch:** We will be sharing a fellowship meal together, provided mostly by the Centre catering staff, after church on **6<sup>th</sup> July**. The

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first time we tried this (last month) this proved a very successful way to get to know each other over a meal.

## Welcome George

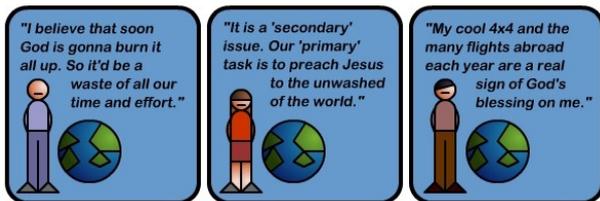
Can you spot the theological student in the congregation this morning? Georg(ina) Huysse-Smith is on placement at St Marys till the end of July, lodging with Steve and Yo. Apparently she's into Marilyn Manson and Metallica. Great [Steve].

## Diocesan Development Day

**Saturday 4th October 2008** at The Cathedral led by the Diocesan Environment Group

Key Note Speaker: Revd Dave Bookless Director of A Rocha UK.

The 2008 Diocesan Development Day will take the form of a conference to explore issues of creation care and contemporary spirituality within the Church. The main sessions will be led by the Revd Dave Bookless, Director of A Rocha UK and author of the recently published: Planetwise'. For more details see Julian who has an outline of the day and a booking form.



Just three awful reasons why stewardship of the creation is a non-issue for many Christians.

<http://asbojesus.wordpress.com/>

## 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.

One opportunity to discuss the document will be

on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 9.45 for 10am** start in the Parish Room. Karen is organising this.

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.

## 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

Hope In Sharrow

HOPE 2008

Sharrow churches will be holding the second of three community barbeques on the Lansdowne estate on Saturday 5th July 12-2pm - helpers welcome from 11.30. The event is held on the greenspace behind the SureStart building on Sharrow Lane.

There will also be a showing of the Jesus video followed by refreshments on Saturday 19th July at 2pm at Cemetery Road Baptist Church again all welcome and invite others.

## Next Sunday – 6<sup>th</sup> July

### 10.30am Parish Communion

People with jobs to do next Sunday: Margaret I (Readings); Giles and Karen (Communion Assistants); Della (prayers); John & Margaret I (Stewards); Jon, Veronica, Ortrude, Jess (music)

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