

5<sup>th</sup> October 2008

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity

St. MARY'S  
Newsletter



## Sunday Worship

<b>10.30am Parish Communion</b>	Reader	Maureen
	Communion Assistants	Giles & Karen
	Steward	John & Margaret I
	Drinks	Veronica
	Music	Steve, Veronica, Ortrude

## Collect For Today

Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; 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.

## A Reminder For Parents

A reminder for all parents and those who bring children to church on a Sunday morning - that you are responsible for your own children before they go out into Light Factory and after they return to Church for communion. Please note that although we do our best as a whole congregation to safeguard children we cannot monitor who is in the building or in the Churchyard outside. A letter outlining specific reminders is available from Karen Cribb.

## Supporting Odette

If anyone knows Odette and would like to support her in her present difficult circumstances, we are looking for households to write to her and pray for her and her children once a week. Days to be covered are Sundays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Please speak to Kate, Karen or Yo after the service if you can help - thanks.

## This Week At St Marys

<b>Parent &amp; Toddlers</b>	This <b>Wednesday morning 9.30-11.30am</b> in the hall.
<b>Tuesday Group</b>	This group meets in various homes and is following a 7-week course on Christian maturity. This week it will be at Dave and Penny's (238 Carterknowle Lane) at 8pm. All welcome. See Andy (266 3496) or Giles for further details.
<b>'Faith and Life'</b>	A central meeting for all every <b>Wednesday at 8pm</b> in St Marys. The aim is to explore 'practical' faith, by sharing stories together, reflecting on the scriptures, discussing questions and praying with each other. Looking for God at work in grass-roots Christian lives. Julian 2724987
<b>Women Exploring Faith</b>	Meet every <b>Thursday from 9.45 am</b> . Please join us for fellowship, prayer and learning together. For more information please speak to Kate or Helen.

## Bishop Cyril On His Bike

If you missed our Cyril at St Marys last week, the BBC have got a little video of him talking about 'Back to Church Sunday'.

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/uk/7640683.stm>

## Highfield Trinity Holiday Club

Highfield Trinity Church are planning to run a Kids Holiday Club over the half-term break. They are asking Sharrow Churches for help with this so if anyone is able to help for one or more mornings **Monday 27th - Friday 30th October**, please speak to Karen. Both those who enjoy work with children and those who prefer behind the scenes jobs like serving refreshments or preparing activities etc. Invitations for the event will also be available nearer the time.

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## Iona Big Sing

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# IONA BIG SING



Led by  
Philip Jakob  
Master of Music at St Marie's Cathedral  
Member of the Iona Community

Saturday 15 November 2008; 7pm-8.30pm

Central United Reformed Church  
(Norfolk Street, Sheffield)

A 'Big Sing' features songs from the Iona Community. It is an opportunity to gather with people from a variety of Christian traditions who enjoy singing some favourite songs from Iona and perhaps take home a few new ones.

No great singing ability is required, just a willingness to join in. The Big Sing is free but there will be an opportunity to make a donation to ASSIST, which supports destitute asylum seekers in Sheffield. For further details, ring 0114 258 7616 or 0114 288 6437 [www.assistsheffield.org.uk](http://www.assistsheffield.org.uk)

## Deanery Synod

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On Wednesday this week, the Anglican Churches in our local 'Ecclesall' Deanery will meet. Among items on the agenda are

- Louise Yauil from Church Army will explain her role at Greystones GP Surgery.
- Sandra Newton, the new Chair of Diocesan Board of Finance will speak and answer questions.
- General Synod July sessions - Report from Matthew Porter
- Ven Richard Blackburn - Deanery Review, an Archdeacon's perspective

Please pray for Julian, Veronica and Steve who represent St Marys. And ask them next week whether anything interesting came up.

## Faith Leaders, Workers And Volunteers

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An opportunity to work with members of other faith communities. From November, free training will be held at the Pakistan Muslim Centre, Woodbourn Road Faith leaders, volunteers and

workers from all communities are invited to apply for this training, together with people from no faith background.

The course will cover:

- Diversity and faith
- Equal opportunities
- Leadership skills
- Legal obligations for the Voluntary Community and Faith Sector
- Safeguarding children
- Working with vulnerable adults

You will also get a qualification accredited through the Open College Network .

What they said last year...

'I've been living in this country for 40 years, but this was the first opportunity for me to sit with people of a different faith and discuss things.'

'To me one this is one of the strengths of the group - we got to the point where we trusted each other enough to discuss the issues.'

'I've learnt a terrific amount, and I'm very grateful to have had the opportunity.'

If you are interested in taking part then please contact:

Irshad Akbar 0798 455 3107  
thirdsectorsolutions@live.co.uk or Dave Sutton-  
Jones 2536730 davesj@offer.org.uk or see Steve or Yo who have a leaflet.

## Youth Fellowship

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Will be meeting will be visiting another group of young people at Dore and Totley tonight. See Yo for details.

## International Feast

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**Thursday 6th November, 4th December** and then first Thursday of every month - 7pm at the Welcome Centre, Nottingham Street, Pitsmoor. [Buses 47, 48, 75, 76, 88]

A regular evening of bring and share food, conversation and friendship. Single people, families and children are all welcome. People seeking sanctuary are especially welcome

## Next Sunday - 12<sup>th</sup> October

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### 10.30am All Age Harvest Communion & Pet Service

People with jobs to do next Sunday: Elaine & David (drinks); Della & Caroline (Communion assistants); Kate (steward); Jon, Yo, Jess (music)

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