

22nd November 2009

Christ The King

St. MARY'S
Newsletter



Welcome to St Mary's Bramall Lane this morning.

There are supervised activities for children of all ages during the service, please follow us out after opening worship. Parents are welcome either to leave their children or stay with them.

Refreshments including tea and coffee will be available at the end of the service.

An induction loop is available for those who are hard of hearing. Please turn your hearing aid to the 'T' setting.

Toilets, including disabled and nappy changing facilities are situated at the west end of the church. Follow signs past reception and the main hall.

TODAY Living Nativity On The Moor

After service today: Today!! (1-3 & 3-5)



This Morning's Worship

10.30am Parish Communion	Music	Jon, Veronica, Keith
	Readings	Tom
	Prayers	Maureen F
	Steward	Doreen & Joan

Collect For Sunday Next Before Advent

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The Week Ahead

Monday 23 November: St Mary's Board of trustees meets. Prayers please.

Faith & Life 8.00 Wednesday evenings: CANCELLED THIS WEEK

Gift Day

Last week we held our gift day for this year. Looking ahead, we are taking stock of our finances to see how much we need to keep afloat in the coming year. There is still time to respond if you missed it, just peak to Margaret I or Giles M. Above all pray that we will continue to pay our way.

Advent Tea

Next Sunday 4.00pm Advent Tea at the vicarage plus some Christmas songs to learn and enjoy.

Diary Dates

Sunday 13th December 10.30am: Christingle family service and 9.30am communion,

Saturday 19th December 10.30am: Carols on Lansdowne

Sunday 20th December 4.00pm: Carols by Candlelight;

Christmas Day 10.30am: Christmas Family Celebration.

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Activities For Kids

The Oakes Christian Activity Centre runs an annual "**Discipleship weekend**" for kids involved in local churches. This year they will be held on 4-6th December for 8-11yr olds; **27 -29th November** for 11-15's and **11-13th December** for 14 - 18 yrs. Karen has booking forms but Lydia, Hannah, Josh and Bryony have all stayed there so speak to them for inside information or look at their website www.oakes.org.uk .

Upcoming Concerts

Friday 27th November 7.00pm: Sheffield Philharmonic sing Haydn's Creation at City Hall

Saturday 28th November 7.30pm: *Carbon Free Cabaret* at Heeley Institute, 147 Gleadless Road

Acoustic music, local acts, solar & bike-powered lighting and dance-powered heating... A new concept in carbon-free partying - don't miss it! Please bring local food and drink to share. Free entry: donations welcome for Transition Heeley/Meersbrook.

(NB: This concert will feature the Dry Stone Wailers, two thirds of who's lineup will form St Marys Music Group the following day). See Steve for details.

Saturday 12th December 7.00pm: The Philharmonic Carol Concert featuring the Black Dyke Mills Brass Band City Hall

The Wave - 5th December 2010

The UK's biggest ever climate change demonstration.

On Saturday 5 December 2009, ahead of the crucial UN climate summit in Copenhagen, tens of thousands of people from all walks of life will flow through the streets of London to demonstrate their support for a safe climate future for all.

Part of a global series of public actions, The Wave will call on world leaders to take urgent action to secure a fair international deal to stop global warming exceeding the danger threshold of 2 degrees C.

The Wave, organised by the Stop Climate Chaos Coalition, will show mass support by people from all backgrounds for a better, low carbon future for the UK and the world.

There are coaches being organised very cheaply from sheffield (a 500 seater train from Yorkshire is

already full) . See Steve if you're interested in going.

On a similar subject, **Sunday 13 December** marks the height of the negotiations in Copenhagen. To echo our concern and to encourage us all to rise to this challenge, churches around the world are going to ring their bells 350 times. Starting at 15.00 in the Fiji Islands in the South Pacific, where the day first begins and where the effects of climate change are already felt today, we will create a chain of chimes and prayers stretching in a line to northern Europe and across the globe, each Church ringing at 15.00, local time. For more information and to find out why 350 follow <http://www.bellringing350.org>

St Mary's Youth

A new group for our older teenagers has just started. The plan is to meet every other week on a Sunday evening in St Mary's cafe.

Please pray for Hannah, Francine, Josh , Cedric and Lydia and also for the (temporary ?) hosts, Andy and Penny.

The aim of the group is for "chillin' and prayin' " in an environment of time and space that isn't available on a Sunday morning.

If anyone would like to volunteer to make a cake for any future sessions , that would be "cool"- please speak to Penny or Andy

Other plans are afoot and we shall keep you informed as things develop.

Cash And Credit This Christmas

Leave your credit cards at home and use cash when you are Christmas shopping if you want to stick to your budget - that's the advice from Dr John Preston, the Church of England's National Stewardship Officer.

The Wishing You an Affordable Christmas video casts are available to view at

<http://www.cofe.anglican.org/debt/christmas>

Next Week – 29th November – Advent Sunday

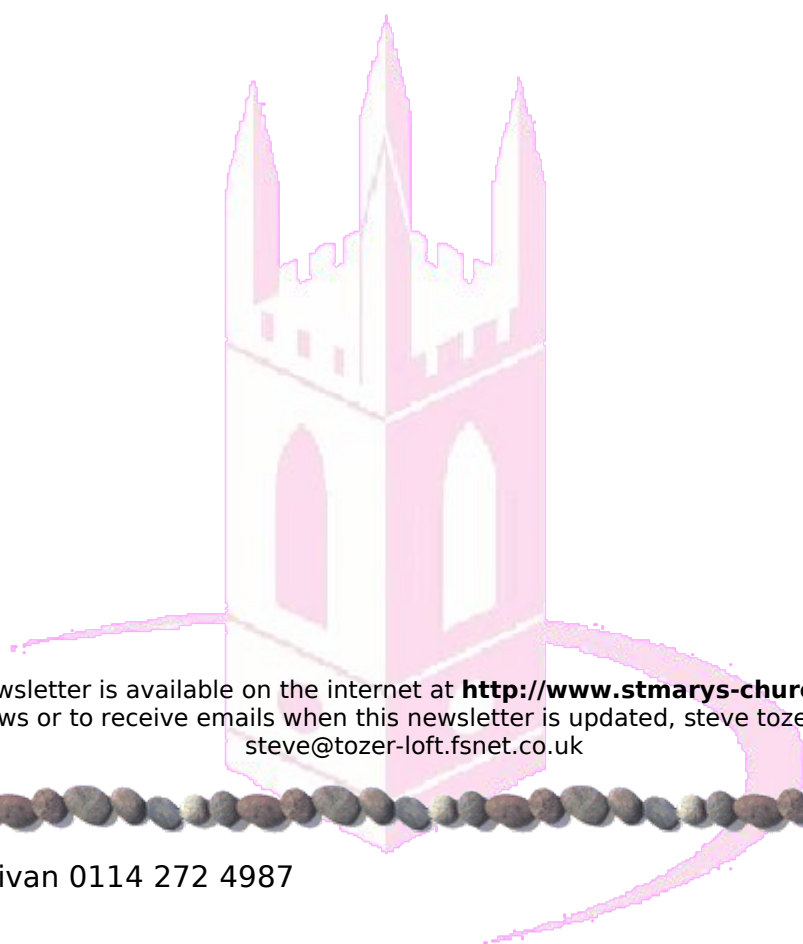
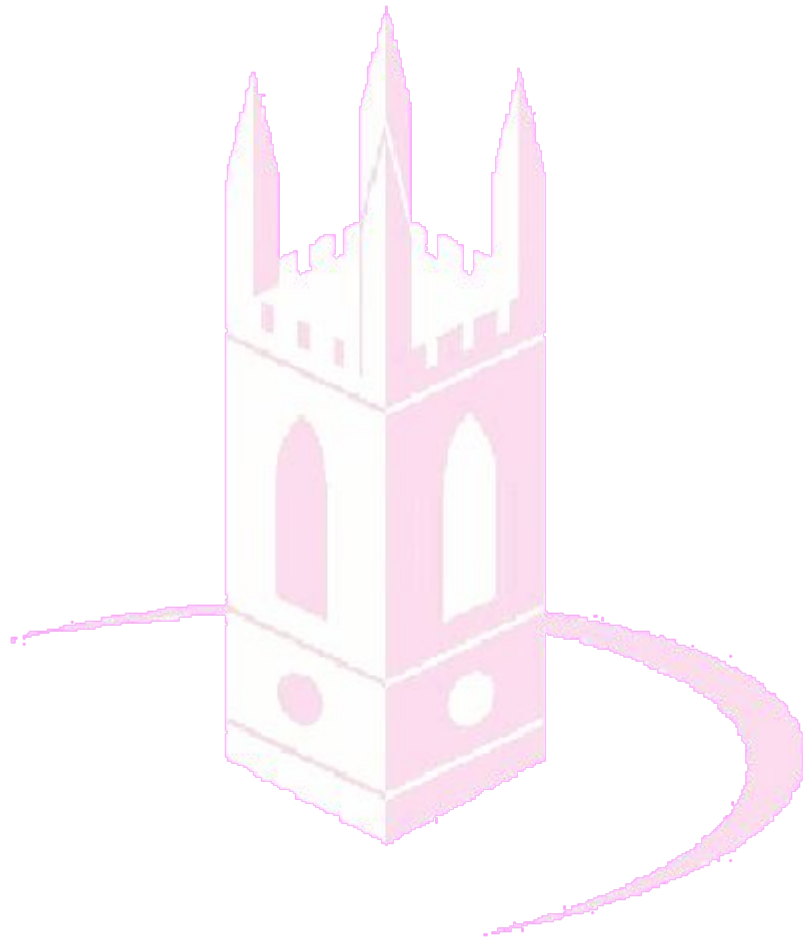
10.30am - Parish communion

People with jobs to do next Sunday: Veronica (stewards); Steve, Yo, Margaret S (music); Margaret I (readings).

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