

22<sup>nd</sup> August 2010

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

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.

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**The Week Ahead**

**Weekly Monday–Wednesday: 8.30am**  
Morning Prayer in the Chapel

**Weekly Thursday 8.30am** Holy Communion

**Monday 7.45pm:** Prayers for Congo in the Chapel.

**Wednesday 10am-12noon:** Toddler group summer meet up at Graves Park. See Karen or Rachel M for details.

**Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting:** in St Mary's Cafe **8.00pm:** Come and pray for our community, our nation and our world. There will be opportunity to share concerns to pray for each other and our church / centre. Biblical reflection will be woven into the evening.

**This Morning's Worship**

<b>10.30am Parish Communion</b>	Prayers	Della
	Communion Assistants	Margaret A & Penny B
	Readings	Rachel M
	Drinks	Dorothy
	Music	Jon, Steve, Yo, Keith
	Stewards	Doreen & Joan

**Website Information**

Restored : Ending Violence Against Women. A global Christian alliance, established by the former International Director of Tearfund, which seeks to transform relationships and end violence against women. (Karen will refer to this in her sermon today)

[www.restoredrelationships.org](http://www.restoredrelationships.org)

**Collect For 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray  
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:  
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,  
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid  
and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask  
but through the merits and mediation  
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,

**Music And Movement!**

Being run by friends at St Stephen's Netherthorpe...

Join us for singing, dancing, activities and games. For young children (max age 7) and their parents/carers.

At St Stephens Church, Fawcett Street, Netherthorpe **Tuesday 24th August 10.00-11.30 am.** £1 per child, 50p each additional sibling.

We plan to bring a picnic for lunch afterwards in the Ponda Rosa playpark. Please come!

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## Family News

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Congratulations to Hannah who got the A Level grades she needed to study Geography at Leicester University from October.

## From Cofe.anglican.org

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### Prayers for those receiving exam results and considering their options

Heavenly Father,  
We thank you that you love us  
Whatever qualifications we hold, or  
whatever path we take.  
Help us, wherever we can,  
To follow in the footsteps of your son,  
Jesus Christ.  
Amen.

Lord, we cannot always make sense of what  
is happening to us. Help us to trust you,  
help us to have big ideas and help us to  
rely to you to make them happen.  
Amen.

Heavenly Father,  
We thank you that you have given us the  
freedom  
To make decisions about the shape of our  
life;  
And also that you go on loving us  
When the choices we make  
And the patterns we follow  
Take us far from you.  
Amen.

## Ringling out the Bells

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Church  
bells ring  
to highlight  
toll of  
biodiversity

Church bells across the country will ring in tune with the United Nations next month to mark crucial international talks on biodiversity. As the bells toll at the UN headquarters in both New York and

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Nairobi, bell ringers from small parish churches to large cathedrals and minsters are being encouraged to ring on September 22. This year was declared the UN 2010 International Year of Biodiversity (IYB) and the Church of England is one of the official partners in the UK. More here

<http://cofe.anglican.org/news/pr6910.html>

## Faith Communities In The 'Big Society'

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Together with the Chief Rabbi and Archbishop of Westminster and leaders of other faiths, the Archbishop of Canterbury hosted a discussion with the Secretary of State, Eric Pickles, and the Minister for Decentralisation, Greg Clark. In the course of the very constructive and positive discussion which focussed on the government's approach to the 'Big Society', participants shared their optimism about the sense of a 'new moment' arising from the government's willingness to see Church and faith communities as providing a model to be appreciated, rather than as a group to be shaped by government. The approach is one of co-operation rather than co-option.

<http://archbishopofcanterbury.org/2939>

## Next Sunday – 29<sup>th</sup> August

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### 10.30am Parish Communion

People with jobs to do: Kate K (readings); Michael E (prayers); Lucy (drinks); Veronica (steward); Andy & Kate K (communion assistants)

and no newsletter next week I'm afraid, so here's the jobs list for the following Sunday...

## 5<sup>th</sup> September

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### 10.30am Parish Communion

People with jobs to do: Kate K (readings); Della (prayers); Christine M (drinks); John & Margaret I (stewards); Giles & Karen (communion assistants); Steve, Yo, Jess (music)