

**17th March 2013**

**5th Sunday Of Lent**

**St. MARY'S**

**Newsletter**



### Welcome to St Mary's Bramall Lane

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.

### This Morning's Worship

<b>10.30am Parish Communion</b>	Stewards	Margaret A & Raman
	Leader, Celebrant	Revd Karen Cribb
	Preacher	Revd Julian Sullivan
	Reader	Giles
	Readings	Isaiah 43. 16-21 Phil 3.4b - 14 John 12. 1-8
	Prayers	Barbara
	Drinks	Dolly
	Music	Steve, Veronica

### Collect For 5th Sunday Of Lent

Gracious Father,  
you gave up your Son  
out of love for the world:  
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his  
passion,  
that we may know eternal peace

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through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Youth Group – TONIGHT

Meets **6.30pm** in the café tonight. See Clare or Karen for details.

### Lazy Sunday Planning Meeting

Lazy Sunday is a day of events run in church (previously has included serving food all day, films, quizzes) which is St Marys big effort to raise money during Christian Aid week. There will be planning meeting on **Monday** at **12 noon** open to anyone who would like to help organise this years event on May 12th. Bring a packed lunch with you! Please see Karen for more information.

### Lent Groups

**Monday 1.30pm** Daytime study group

**Tuesday 8pm** Evening study group at 114 Ringinglow Road

**Wednesday Evening 8pm** in St Mary's cafe. The last of our Lent groups exploring baptism, confirmation and Holy Communion.

Please speak to Julian or Karen for more information.

### Community Singing

On **Wednesday**, this week - children and families community singing group at St Mary's at **4pm** please invite those who might enjoy this and pray for Yo and Claire as they lead this exciting new project.

### New Youth Group

Claire is currently in the process of forming a new

youth group aimed at those in and around the Bramall Lane area aged 11-17. This Youth Group is not going to be focused on faith, more on community, and plans to meet twice a month on a Thursday. Currently, Claire has managed to recruit 7 female volunteers and is looking for a few more. She is particularly keen to try and create a gender balance, however any willing (18+) volunteer is welcome. Please speak to Claire or e-mail her [c.a.wood@sheffield.ac.uk](mailto:c.a.wood@sheffield.ac.uk) to arrange a time to chat through this a little more with her. Due to the numbers of volunteers it may be more of a monthly commitment.

## Easter Activities

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Claire is organising activities for families during the Easter holidays **Tues 2nd - Fri 5th April**. For more details please see the list in church. Volunteer helpers always welcome - please sign up on the board. Speak to Karen this week for more information (Claire is away this coming week).

## Events For Holy Week

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Advance notice of Easter services:

### **Maudy Thursday 28th March**

**4pm** Easter Activities for the whole church family.

**6pm** Shared evening meal incorporating elements of a Passover celebration.

**7.30pm** Service of Foot Washing and Holy Communion.

### **Good Friday 29th March**

**10am?** Morning Walk of Witness in Sharrow with local churches;

**12 noon - 3pm** Silent reflections around the cross in Church.

### **Easter Sunday 31st March**

Sunrise Service above Ringinglow

**10.30am** Family Communion with Baptism for Easter Day.

## Odette News

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Odette is still at Yarl's Wood. The campaign, with which many at St Marys are involved, has been successful in making the case for a judicial review of her status, and there will be a bail hearing soon, which might allow her to come back to Sheffield in

the mean time.

But Odette is still receiving terribly inhumane treatment at the detention centre. Several people are in touch via mobile and have been to visit - if you would like to help support Odette by praying, or by writing, or to offer help in any other way, please speak to Kate or Penny, and join the facebook group at

<http://tinyurl.com/sefuko>

Don't forget to tell everyone about the online petition at

<http://goo.gl/KHEI2>

And read the online Guardian articles, featuring appearances and quotes from many St Marys members at

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/the-northerner/2013/mar/05/immigration-sheffield-odettesefuko>

## Christians And Sheffield Schools

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CaSS annual conference with Bob Hartman as keynote speaker (Storyteller, author of the Lion Storyteller Bible, President of Open the Book) also workshops, exhibitions and marketplace of resources, at Wilson Carlile Centre Sheffield. Saturday 8th June 2013 10 - 3 pm including lunch. further information and to book: email: [fiona.walton@cass-su-org.uk](mailto:fiona.walton@cass-su-org.uk) 0114 2495343



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## Next Sunday – Palm Sunday

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### **10.30am Parish Eucharist**

A reminder that we usually walk in procession together around the immediate area so please come prepared, with the safety of children in mind in particular.

People with jobs to do: Elaine C (readings); Louise/Jem (prayers); Doreen & Joan (stewards); Jon, Rachel, Veronica (music)

**6.30pm Reflective Evening Prayer** - preparing for Holy Week

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