

10th November 2013

Remembrance Sunday

St. MARY'S

Newsletter



Welcome to St Mary's Bramall Lane

We welcome members of the Sheffield Branch of the Royal Artillery Association and their families to our service of Remembrance today.

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's Worship

10.30am Holy communion	Celebrant	Revd Julian Sullivan
	Preacher	Revd Karen Cribb
	Communion Assistants	Elaine C & Kevin
	Stewards	Kate & Odette
	Drinks	Barbara

4pm - A Space To Remember

Our annual memorial service to remember and give thanks for all those we have loved but see no more. An open invitation to all those who have been bereaved - both recently and for many years.

Tonight - Youth Group

This evening 6pm: Youth group in the cafe to look at women in the Bible.

This Week At St Marys

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 11.30 - 2pm
Centre community Café open.

Monday evening: St Mary's Centre Board meeting incorporating the AGM. Speak to Pete Rowe for more details.

Wednesday 9.30-11.30am Toddler Group.

Wednesday 4-5pm Children and Families Choir will start again on learning traditional carols and Christmas songs. (see Yo for more info).

Wednesday 8pm: Life and Faith Group.

Friday 4-6pm: Messy Church in Pavilion and Garden room. (see notice below). If you have spare shoeboxes (or similar) please can you let Claire or Karen know as we need them for a craft activity.

Messy Church Needs Cakes!

Messy Church needs your British Bake Off Skills!

We are looking for people willing to produce some cake/pudding for our next Messy Church on November 15th from 4-6pm. Currently we are averaging between 30-40 children and adults each time which equals a lot of cake! Please let Claire, Karen, Chris or Dawn know if you are happy to produce a cake/pudding for this church led outreach project.

Fischy Music

Saturday 23rd November 10am for a 10.30am start Fischy music concert at St Stephen's Church, Fawcett St. Netherthorpe S3 7PL. It is followed by an afternoon workshop for adults and young leaders. Bring your own lunch. Refreshments provided. More details from Karen.

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ASSIST 10th Birthday

Sheffield celebrates 10 years of ASSIST offering help and support to destitute asylum seekers who have no money, no accommodation, and no right to work. ASSIST provides the most vulnerable with food, shelter, friendship, advice, opportunities for volunteering and, wherever they can, help in moving forward and getting out of destitution altogether.

Join us here at St Mary's for our fundraising events on the weekend of November 15th – 17th.

Friday 15th November 8pm. You will perform with the Beeline Quartet as they play Jazz standards and more at the White Lion Chesterfield Road. Free door donations to Assist.

Sunday 17th November We will have a speaker from ASSIST at the end of our morning service, and afterwards 12noon – 1pm we are inviting everyone to come and join us for Tea/Coffee and cake with all monies going to ASSIST.

Miriam writes:

If you can bake your favorite treats, whether it's Biscuits, Cakes, Cupcakes or just come and support us by buying a cake or two, that would be very much appreciated. We would be very grateful if you could kindly let us know if you were able to attend or donate some cakes.

Please email miriam.cavanagh@virginmedia.com or [Maureen maureenfood@gmail.com](mailto:Maureen.maureenfood@gmail.com)

Loxley Silver Band

Saturday 16th Nov 7.30pm at St Andrew's Psalter Lane. Fantastic concert, Loxley Silver Band and West Side Singers, and fundraising for Christian Aid. Adults £10, Concessions £7, Children under 16 £4, Under 12s free. You happy to order tickets for a group of us to go- phone or text her on 07925 634 420 or buy/reserve tickets direct from Rob Jackson tel.269 5263 or caidsheffconcert@btinternet.com

Living Nativity

Sunday 17th November on the Moor. As usual Sharrow Churches have been invited to bring the real story of Christmas to the Christmas Lights events in the city centre. Volunteers required to wear our excellent costumes and take their Nativity character into our stall on the Moor. The first group

meets at St Mary's at about 12.30 to be ready to go for 1 pm and the second group taking over at 3pm through till 5pm. If you would like to be part of this then please speak to Karen who will liaise with Peter Eggington who is organising it.

Church Finances

As we approach the end of St Mary's financial year I would like to thank you all for the support you have given to our work here, the ministry to the area and to each other, to the running of the building and to our services.

As ever I have been taking stock of the current position and find that it does raise some concerns. At the end of October we had a deficit of nearly £840 on our unrestricted funds and I have already received the reclaimed tax for this year which amounted to nearly £4700.

I estimate that we will need a further £6000 before the end of December to cover what I know we are going to have to pay out. Covenants and planned giving will hopefully raise £3200. Therefore in order to break even we require £6840 (£840 + £6000) less £3200 which comes to **£3640**. If the loose collections follow the present trend we could expect to receive a further £340 before the end of the year. This still leaves a **shortfall** of **£3300**.

I know that we all face increasing costs at home and so does the Church. Please pray and think about whether you could find a little more to further God's work in this place. We will be holding a Gift Day on **Sunday November 24th** to endeavour to raise the necessary funds but any contributions at any time will be gratefully accepted.

To put our giving into context..... As a rough calculation 72% of our income goes in mission, 8.5% supports Julian and Karen in their work and 19.5% is needed for church and parish expenses.

Margaret Ibbetson (Church Treasurer)

Next Sunday – 17th November

10.30am Holy Communion (with Assist tea party cakes after)

People with jobs to do: Giles and Karen (lead), Giles (preach); Giles (reading); Barbara T (prayers); Margaret A and Raman (steward); Barbara and Giles (communion assist); Kev, Veronica, Steve (music). Got enough to do Giles?

4pm: FIX

6pm: Youth Group.

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