

26<sup>th</sup> January 2014

3rd Sunday After Epiphany

## 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.

### Today's Worship

<b>10.30am Holy Communion</b>	Leader & Celebrant	Revd Julian Sullivan
	Preacher	Revd Karen Cribb
	Communion Assistants	Giles & Kate
	Reader	Chester
	Readings	Isaiah 9 :1-4 p.693 1 Corinthians 1 : 10-18 p.1144 Matthew 4 : 12 -23 p.968
	Prayers	Steve T-L
	Drinks	Dorothy
	Stewards	Doreen & Joan
	Music	Steve T-L, Veronica, Jem

### Collect 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany

God of all mercy,  
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,  
release to the captives,  
and freedom to the oppressed:

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anoint us with your Holy Spirit  
and set all your people free  
to praise you in Christ our Lord.

### This Week At St Marys

**Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 11.30 - 1.30pm** Centre community Café open.

**Tuesday 8pm** Home Bible Study Group at the home of John and Sally Ross, please see them for more information.

**Wednesday 9.30-11.30am** Toddler Group - please see Miriam for more information.

**Wednesday 4-5pm** Children and Families Choir Cost £2.50 or Timebuilder credit. See Yo for details.

**Wednesday 8pm** Life and Faith Group meets in the Café, currently reflecting together on prayer. Speak to Maureen for more details.

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**Wednesday 8pm** Faith and Life Group meet in the cafe. See Maureen for more details.

### Street Pastors

Street Pastors are exploring the possibility of extending their work to cover the London Road. They are currently recruiting for new volunteers for whom training will start on Sat 8th Feb. Please speak to Karen and pick up an A4 sheet of information from her, it is also displayed at the back of church. Their website will also have the information: [sheffield.streetpastors.org.uk](http://sheffield.streetpastors.org.uk)

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## Thank You From Finance

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Margaret writes:

*I would like to thank you all for the financial support you have provided for continuing God's work in our parish and beyond throughout the year and especially for your responses to the gift day in November. You have found a number of ways to respond: a nominated contribution, an increase in your covenant, by not claiming expenses owed to you or a combination of these. The result of the nominated contributions was a magnificent **£5655** which means we have more than covered our outgoings for 2013 .*

*Once again thank you all very much.*

## Other Fundraising Successes...

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News from Christian Aid -

*"Congratulations and thank you to carol singers!*

*£1500 was raised on Saturday 7 December by various church groups from around the Sheffield area coming along throughout the day to sing and play instruments in the city centre."*

Also, thanks from the Children's Society - £120 raised from our offering at the Christingle All Age service in December.

## Messy Church Social

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You are invited to a Messy Church Social on **Friday 31st January from 3.30pm** in the Garden Room. We are watching a film together (from 4pm) with some teas/juices and biscuits. A great chance for our other church congregations to come along and meet the Messy Church congregation.

Film will be a U and will be voted on, on the day.

## Petition Against Unpaid Internships

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Please consider adding your name to a petition about unpaid internships in Parliament. Parliament is currently holding an official consultation about this issue, and if enough people write in there is a good chance they will end unpaid internships.

If you want to see a Parliament of the most able, rather than simply those who can afford to work for

free, please visit:

[www.internaware.org/pay-in-parliament](http://www.internaware.org/pay-in-parliament)

and add your name. For more information please see Yo.

## He Who Sings, Prays Twice

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At Whirlow Grange on **Monday 3rd February, 7.30pm**. We had a taste of this on our Parish Day last year, joining with others to sing in four-part harmony (it's easier than you think). A wonderful experience as the music washes over you and leads into times of quiet and meditation. No musical experience is necessary. Karen has more information.

## Reflecting On Psalm 95

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Bishop Steven has asked the Diocese to take Psalm 95 as the text for the first part of our centenary year and to use the Psalm in private prayers and public worship over the coming weeks. In January, Bishop Steven will be posting a short reflection on Psalm 95 each weekday on his blog. The short reflections are designed to be used as part of daily prayers as we begin to explore this text together. They can be used at any time of the year and are not date specific.

To find them go to

[www.bishopofsheffield.blogspot.co.uk](http://www.bishopofsheffield.blogspot.co.uk)

or follow Bishop Steven on twitter for regular posts: @Steven\_Croft.

## Next Sunday – 2nd February

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### 10.30am Holy Communion.

People with jobs to do: Karen (lead); Maureen (preach); Chris R. (read); Kate K (prayers); John & Margaret I (stewards); Michael & Miriam (communion assistants).

### FIX – 4.30-6pm

Youth group in the hall for all those in school years 5-7 - a fun time of active Bible Exploration.

### Youth group 6pm - 7.30pm

In the Café - learning from each others experiences of Oakes weekends and Breathe.

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