



St Marys Church Newsletter

16th March 2014

2nd Sunday in Lent & APCM

Welcome to St Marys

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.

FIX: today 4.30 - 6pm

Active bible exploration for all those in years 5-7. See Karen for more details.

Youth Group: today 6 - 7.30pm

Meet in the cafe. See Claire for more details.

This week at St Marys

Women Exploring Faith	Monday 12.30pm An opportunity to explore our own journeys of faith together in the light of some Biblical journeys. Meeting in the Parish room for an informal time of study, reflection and conversation, bring your own lunch, tea and treats provided! Please speak to Karen or Kate for more information. Invites also available to give to others.
Community Café	Open Tuesday & Wednesday 11.30 - 1.30pm
Ecclesall Deanery Synod	Tuesday 7.30pm at St Chads Church. More details overleaf.
Toddler Group	Wednesday 9.30am - 11.30am
Life and Faith group	Wednesday 8pm - in St Mary's Café. The group are exploring prayer this Lent. Barbara has more details.
Messy Church	Friday 4-6pm in the church. We will be exploring Lent themes, preparing the way and turning to the cross.

Today's Worship

10.30am Holy Communion & APCM	Leader & Celebrant	Revd Julian Sullivan & Revd Karen Cribb
	Preach	Revd Julian Sullivan
	Reader	Kate K
	Intercessor	Michael E
	Comm. Assistants	Barbara and Giles
	Drinks	Barbara
	Music	Kev, Yo, Steve
	Stewards	Margaret A and Ramen

Collect

*Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's
sufferings,
and by following in his Way
come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Shared Lunch next Sunday

We will be having a shared lunch on **Sunday 23rd March** after our morning service - all are welcome to stay. Lunch is provided but gifts of cakes and biscuits will be very welcome. The children and families choir will be performing some of their recent repertoire as part of our time together.

Reading Responses in Lent

During Lent we will be using an alternative response to our Bible readings which will give us a little more space to reflect on what we have heard. After EACH Bible reading the reader will say "Let us wait upon the Lord" our response is "in whose word is our hope." after which we will take a short time of silence to reflect before moving on. The response will be displayed on the OHP and a copy is on the lectern for those who are reading.

Deanery Synod

Tuesday 18th 7.30pm Ecclesall Deanery Synod at St Chads church - the licencing of Toby as the new Area Dean of Ecclesall and an opportunity to welcome Malcolm the new Archdeacon of Sheffield. All are welcome to this meeting and service - not just Deanery Synod reps - if you are considering becoming a Deanery rep for St Mary's this may be a good opportunity to explore that further. Please speak to Julian or Karen for more information.

Easter Holiday Club: help needed

I am looking for people who are free and happy to help me, Karen (week 1) and Bethan and Aroose (week 2) run an Easter Holiday Club. There are loads of different roles we are looking for with each volunteer being paid in Time Credits which can be used in another Timebank Initiative or saved up for the end of Easter Holiday Club Trip. People we need:

1 person who is happy to help Claire in the Risk Assessment for various Activities (to meet and plan this together during the week beginning the 17th March.)

1 person who is happy to design a leaflet by the 28th March 2014 to advertise the club.

1/2/3 people who are happy to leaflet and advertise the Holiday Club around the local area (1st- 9th April).

Big Need: DBS Cleared Volunteers/ general volunteers who are happy to help run a craft during the Easter Holiday Club.

For each hour of work you will roughly get 1 Timecredit. Trip to be announced soon that will follow this but can be paid for either in cash or several Timecredits.

If you are interested see Claire Wood or e-mail her on c.a.wood@sheffield.ac.uk.

Planning for Christian Aid week.



We are beginning to plan our annual celebration of and fundraising for Christian Aid week (11th - 17th May) including our Lazy Sunday here. If you have any suggestions or would like to be involved in this please get in touch with Karen or Yo.

Real Easter Eggs

See the posters up in church or go to www.realeasteregg.co.uk and speak to Karen if you would like to put an order in - free delivery extended to March too.

Thursday Lunch Club

Are looking to recruit some new volunteers to help in the general running of this valuable weekly provision for local older people. For more information please speak to Odette, Ann and Andrea who all currently volunteer and ask Julian or Karen for more details.

New Website and Newsletter

Please have a look at <http://www.stmarys-church.co.uk/> and let Steve T-L know what you think. Clare R and Steve T-L are experimenting with this new layout for the weekly church news sheet. Please let us know what you think.

Notice from Tearfund:

What does our lifestyle say about our faith? What action is taking place in Sheffield that promotes justice and sustainability? Tearfund would love to hear about your experiences, start a conversation and explore issues such as food, climate and consumption together.

Wednesday 19th March 7:30 - 9.30pm at St Mary's - Drinks and cake provided

Email hannah.cribb@tearfund.org for more info.

Next Sunday

10.30am Parish Communion and Shared Lunch

People with jobs to do: Julian (leading); Karen (preaching); Keith H (reading); Elaine C (intercessing); Veronica (drinks); Doreen & Joan (stewards), Kate & Michael (communion assist); Rosie, Jess, Veronica, Jon (music)

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