

# St Mary's Church Newsletter 11th May 2014 Fourth Sunday in Easter

### WELCOME TO ST MARY'S

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.

## 9.30 BCP HOLY COMMUNION

In the Chapel

### 10.30 ALL AGE SERVICE

Lead	.Revd. Karen Cribb
Preacher	. Claire Wood
Reading	. Light Factory
	John 10 v 1-10
Prayers	. Light Factory
Drinks	. Barbara
Stewards	. Kate & Odette
Music	.Kevin, Tom

### COLLECT

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.



### THIS WEEK AT ST MARYS

### Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

Cafe open as usual, **11.30 - 1.30pm** - come and meet Jo our new café manager.

### Monday

**12.30pm** Women Exploring Faith in the Parish Room. Beginning to look at the Beatitudes together. Please see Karen for more information.

**2pm.** Planning for Messy Church. Please see Claire if you would like to be involved.

St Mary's Board meet in the evening, please remember their work in your prayers.

# Wednesday

**9.30-11.30am** Parent and Toddler Group. See Miriam for more details

**4pm** Children and Families Choir are singing Fischy music songs and celebrating their first birthday! Please see Yo for more details.

**8pm** Life and Faith Group in the café. We will be exploring the Beatitudes.

### **Friday**

**4-6pm** Messy Church. A time for all ages to make mess, pray, sing, be creative, chat, explore the bible, share ideas and eat a light evening meal together. This month on the theme of Christian Aid week, and taking place in the Garden Rooms. See Claire for more details.

### STUART TOWNEND GIG

Christ Church Pitsmoor are hosting a Stuart Townend gig on **Tuesday 13th May, 7.45pm**. Stuart wrote some of the modern church hymns we sing here including 'In Christ Alone' and 'Knowing you, Jesus'. Contact Huwthomas75@googlemail.com, though be aware it might have already sold out.

### LAZY SUNDAY 18TH MAY

Our annual fundraiser for Christian Aid - please do let Karen, Barbara or Miriam have your "entry forms" for the talent show and your pledges to make cakes. Volunteers to help in the café on the day are still needed - please speak to Barbara or Miriam today if you are able to help. Publicity/invites to the day are also available - please do collect some of these and invite others to join us for food, worship, cakes, car wash and talent show.



### RED TIN CHALLENGE

Could you raise money at your place of work, social or community group or with your friends and neighbours by making cakes, selling crafts etc etc with the proceeds collected for Christian Aid. If you can, tins and supporting publicity are available from this week - again ask Barbara or Miriam.

### HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

As the next General Election looms, its the best time possible to raise the issue of climate change with our elected politicians.

A national campaign has emerged from Sheffield churches, called "Hope for the Future", and is supported by (among others) Rowan Williams, who has written...

"If ever there were an urgent moral and spiritual issue, this is it. We risk a twofold betrayal – of our responsibility to the Creator for the good stewardship of His creation, and of our responsibility to our vulnerable neighbours, here and worldwide – not to mention our responsibility to generations to

come, our own children and grandchildren. We need to show a deeper faithfulness to God and our neighbour, and this campaign calls us to do just that."

### - Rowan Williams

The campaign is based around mobilising churches to contact their MPs, asking for a positive commitment to radical carbon reduction in the party manifestos, and to persuade their friends, family and colleagues to do the same. It can be especially effective if groups like churches all send letters in together, maybe as a result of an organised 'climate write-in'.

If you would be interested in helping organise this at St Mary's, please contact Steve T-L. http://www.hftf.org.uk/

### UPDATE ON MAUREEN

Maureen is about to enter her fifth week of radiotherapy. Please keep her in your prayers - particularly that she would continue to know God's peace that passes all understanding, that her nausea and cough would continue to improve and for the on-going management of the side effects of her treatment. She currently signs off communications as "an ever hopeful seeker of peace & joy." Amen.

### THE NEXT...

PCC: Monday 19th May, 7.30pm.

# NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY 18TH MAY LAZY SUNDAY

### 10.30am Holy Communion

People with jobs to do: Julian (lead); Karen (preach); Ann B. (read); Michael E. (prayers); Veronica (drinks); Margaret A and Raman (stewards); Michael and Miriam (Communion Assist), Steve, Yo (music).

...find out more...talk to someone...send some news...

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