



St Mary's Church Newsletter

19th October 2014

Giving Sunday

WELCOME TO ST MARY'S

Gluten free wafers are available for communion. Please ask a steward or member of the clergy before the service.

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.

10.30AM PARISH EUCHARIST

Reading.....Revd Julian Sullivan
Reading..... Veronica
Prayers..... Sam E.
Drinks..... Della
Steward..... Margaret A & Raman
Communion
Assistants..... Kate & Michael
Music.....Kevin

COLLECT FOR 18TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

*God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday

7.30pm PCC at the Vicarage

Tuesday

Sheffield Diocese Minority Ethnic Anglican Concerns (CMEAC) meet sat St Mary's Church.
6.30pm refreshments for **7pm** start. Please see Miriam for more info.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

St Mary's Café open **11-2pm**.

Wednesday

9.30-11.30am Toddlers Group. Please see Miriam for more information.

4-5pm St Marys Family Choir. Come at 3.30 for a drink. See below.

8pm Life and Faith group in the café. See Julian for more information.

GIFT DAY - OCTOBER 19TH.

Our Treasurer, Margaret Ibbetson, writes:

I would like to thank you all for your contributions to the work and upkeep of St Mary's. I know that a number of people have been able to increase their giving this year and it is much appreciated.

Our main income comes from the contributions of those who attend Church and other supporters. We also receive some money in interest and fees for weddings and funerals but this is very unpredictable.

At the end of August our overall income was slightly less than at the same stage last year and we had a £4700 deficit in our unrestricted/general fund. Fortunately we should be able to make most of that up from the income tax I will reclaim from Gift Aid.

However from September to December we have monthly outgoings of £3080 and will have further expenses of at least £2000. We usually receive about £1600 a month from covenants. This means we will need a further £7840 extra income to break even. The average collections for the last three months have been £460 per month and we received £250 in interest payments. I expect to receive about £500 interest in the rest of the year. At that rate our expected income is £2340 meaning that an additional income of £5500 is required.

Please consider prayerfully if you can give a little extra today to help to bridge the gap. Every little helps and that being the case if you pay income tax and you can gift aid your contribution on this occasion or indeed all contributions in the future please come and talk to me about it. I can reclaim 20p from the government on every £1.00 you give to us.

Thank you very much for your help.

CHRISTMAS MINSTRELS

Dust off your musical instrument and come and join us to learn Christmas Carols together and play at a few local events. Three rehearsals will be here in St Marys 7.30-9pm



Tue 18th November, Wednesday 3rd December, Thursday 11th December

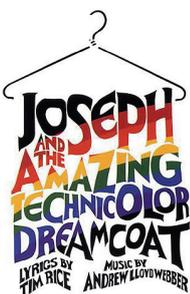
See Steve today (contacts below)

FAMILY CHOIR SING 'JOSEPH'

Here every Wednesday 4-5pm

If you know this musical why not come and rehearse with us? Last three rehearsals 22nd October, none at half term, 5th and 12th Nov.

We will be performing the songs here on Wednesday 19th November 6pm - save the date! Suggested door donation £2 for Christian Aid. Details from Yo today or 07925 634 420



CHURCH LIBRARY

Are you an orderly person with a few hours you could give?

Could you help relabel and reorder the books in our Church Library?

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

Follow @marys_church on twitter for congregational news, or text follow marys_church to 86446 for news via text message (may be a charge)

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We have a great and underused resource here that with a bit of time and TLC could enhance the life of our Worshipping Community

Please speak to Yo or phone 07925 634 420

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SHEFFIELD & SOUTH YORKSHIRE AREA

Diocesan Choral Festival

**'Come let us sing
for joy to the Lord'**

Saturday 15th November

4.00 pm ALL
WELCOME

**St Andrew's Church,
Psalter Lane, Sheffield**

including the presentation of RSCM Awards 2014

(Rehearsals from 10.30 am)

Conductor: Andrew Reid

Director of the Royal School of Church Music

MUSIC GROUP WELCOMES HELP

Do approach Yo if you are a musician or singer wishing to join our merry band, but we also need help clearing away after the services and maintaining the overheads (sellotaping!) Let Yo know or phone 07925 634 420 if you can help out.

NEXT SUNDAY - 26TH OCTOBER

10.30am Holy Communion

People with jobs to do: Julian (Preach & Celebrate); Elaine C (readings); Jem/Louise (prayers); Barbara (drinks); Doreen & Joan (stewards); Miriam & Christine (communion assistants); Steve (music)