



# St Mary's Church Newsletter

19th April 2015

Third Sunday of 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 far end of the church. Follow signs past reception and the main hall.
- There are supervised activities for children of all ages during the service, please follow us out after opening worship. Parents are welcome to leave their children or stay with them.
- Gluten free wafers are available for communion. Please ask a steward or member of the clergy.

## 10.30 HOLY COMMUNION

Bible readings..... Acts 3 : 12 - 19;  
..... 1 John 3 : 1-7;  
..... Luke 24 : 36 - 48  
Lead..... Revd Julian Sullivan  
Preach..... Revd Karen Cribb  
Reader..... George R  
Prayers..... Margaret I  
Drinks..... Veronica  
Stewards..... Margaret A & Raman  
Communion Assistants....Caroline, Veronica  
Music.....Kevin, Yo

## YOUTH EVENTS - TODAY

4.30pm FIX - active Bible exploration for all those in years 5-8

6pm Youth Group - Year 8 upwards thinking about life and faith - continuing in our series "Who am I ... Who is God"

Please speak to Georgia or Karen to know

more about either of these groups.

## COLLECT

*Risen Christ,  
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:  
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life  
and fill us with your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.*

## THIS WEEK AT ST MARYS

**Café open Monday - Thursday 11 am - 2pm**

Timebuilders activities **all week** - see noticeboard under the stairs.

**Monday** evening PCC

**Tuesday** evening Home group - please speak to George or Chris Rees for more information

**Wednesday** 9.30 - 11.30am Parent and Toddler Group

**Wednesday** evening 8pm Faith and life group - using the Pilgrim material to explore The Creeds. Julian has more details.

**Thursday** Lunch Club

## MISSION ACTION PLANNING

As part of our service this morning we will be thinking together about some areas of our shared church life. Some questions which help us do this are :

1. What was your experience of welcome when you first came to St Mary's. What is your experience of welcome now ? How might we improve our welcome and hospitality ?
2. What do you appreciate about our shared life of worship and prayer ? How could we do things better ?
3. In what ways does St Mary's encourage and develop you in your faith ? How could we improve or build on this ?

4. How does St Mary's help and encourage you to be involved in mission and ministry both in church and the rest of life? How else might we do this?

5. Is there something you feel called to, or would like to be involved in.

If you would like to respond to these further after this morning please speak to Karen or any member of the PCC.

## CONGRATULATIONS

.... Rosie, Holly and Ryan on the safe arrival of baby Elizabeth early on Thursday morning. We look forward to seeing them soon. In the meantime we would like to be able to offer practical help especially with prepared meals. If you are able to make Rosie and Holly a meal this week or next and take it to them please sign up with Karen who can give you more information.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Little Lights Friday **1st May**

Wardens Licencing at the Cathedral Tuesday **5th May**

Confirmation Service at St Mary's Tuesday **12th May**.

**Saturday 27th June** - St Mary's Community Fete. A day of fun, stalls, performances and food for all. Come and enjoy the day...come and help with some of the activities. More details to follow.

## MUSIC GROUP INVITATION

If you have thought of dusting off your instrument but never got round to it how about digging it out during your spring clean and getting going? If you think you'd like to join us and be part of the music team leading worship

why not have an informal chat with Kevin? (Your voice is an instrument, by the way!). It could be the beginning of something very enjoyable and rewarding.

## SLAY THE DRAGON OF DEBT

On **Wednesday April 22nd 2015** at 7.30pm (the night before St George's Day) Christians Against Poverty are hosting a local fundraising dinner. In honour of St George, come and enjoy all things English with Pie, Peas and Pud and a free soft/hot drink at The Harland (<http://www.harlandcafe.co.uk>). They also have a licensed bar so you can purchase further drinks if you'd like to. Live music, great food and great company: what more could you want for a great evening out? Add to that the satisfaction of knowing that you are helping Sheffield families get out of debt. Tickets are available from £15 and need to be booked by Tuesday 14th April, available from Eventbrite (search for Slay the Dragon of Debt or go to <http://bit.ly/1FnZsuM>)

## HUSTINGS - TOMORROW

Come and question candidates in Sheffield Central Constituency at Broomhall Centre, Broomspring Lane on Sunday 19th April at 4.00pm – 6.00pm for the General Election on 7th May. Please see poster in the foyer for more details or contact David Price on 296 0806.

## NEXT SUNDAY 26TH APRIL

**10.30 Holy Communion**

**We will welcome Ven. Malcolm Chamberlain, Archdeacon of Sheffield and Rotherham as our preacher**

Those with jobs to do: Karen (lead); Julian (celebrate); Paul U (reader); Michael E (prayer); Doreen & Joan (stewards); Della & Andy (communion assistants); Steve, Rachel, Veronica, David (music)

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

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