



St Mary's Church Newsletter

3rd March 2019

Last Sunday Before Lent

WELCOME TO ST MARYS

- Refreshments including tea and coffee will be available at the end of the service.
- 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.
- 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.

10.30 Holy Communion

Lead, Celebrate, Preach ... Revd Claire Dawson
Reader..... Melvyn
Stewards..... Chris R
Intercessions..... Steve T-L
Drinks..... Margaret & John
Music..... John, Yo

TODAY there will be a shared lunch after church - please stay as we eat together and get to know one another better - please bring something savoury or sweet to share if you are able.

COLLECT FOR TODAY

*Holy God,
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills to love your goodness
and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord.*

THIS WEEK AT ST MARYS

Monday

10am -12 noon. Hospitality and Holiness St Mary's Café will be open for free tea, coffee and cakes! This will be run and hosted by the church community. Please drop in/lend a hand.

Wednesday

9.30 - 11.30am Toddler Group. At St Marys. Please see Miriam for further info.

3.30 drinks, 4pm singing. Family Choir will be honing our Queen Songs for a Spring Equinox Performance **Wednesday 20th March**. Still time to come and join us ..its free and you'll find it's also... a kind of magic! (see overleaf for more choir news)

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Ash Wednesday Service 6th March 7pm at St Oswald's, Bannerdale Road, S7 2DL – let Claire or Margaret know if you need a lift.

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

Wednesday's in Lent: 7pm in St Mary's Café Hot Baked Potatoes and Reflections. Starting **Wednesday 13th March to Wednesday 10th April** except **Wednesday 20th March** when we will be joining Family Choir for their performance.

DUCHESS ROAD

Connecting locally and building community. Following on from various events we now have some 'Awards for All' funding which encourages us to develop this work. On **Thursday 11th April** we will have a Community Planting Day and finish with a Community Meal. On Good **Friday 19th April** we will have a Family Activity Morning (10.30 -1pm). Please put these dates in your diaries and join in.

ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES AT ST MARY'S

Please see separate sheet. We do need a new

Church Warden this year – is this something you may consider?

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

Our Annual Church Meeting will be on **Sunday 7th April** - advance notice for your diaries - but also the first request for reports photos etc to be included in our annual report - please send these to Catherine Rooker-Brown by **Friday 15th March** - her details are at the bottom of the newsletter.

YOUTH EVENT DATES

Please book these dates in your youth diary!

Higher Tour at O2 Academy, **15th March**

Shine Live at St Thomas, Crookes, **26th April**

and Shine Live **at St Mary's 21st June!**

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY TRAINING

St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church has organised a Dementia Friendly training session for **Friday 15th March at 2pm**. There are a limited number of places for the Mission Partnership churches. If anyone at St Marys would be interested please contact Catherine Rooker-Brown (contact details below).

HELP WITH ASSEMBLIES

If anyone would be interested in helping with Open the Book Assemblies at Porter Croft Academy, please speak to Amy or Karen. We're hoping to do this twice each half term this year. Thanks.

JOINED UP CONFERENCE

children families youth schools

Saturday 9 March will be the fourth annual Joined Up Conference in Sheffield for youth, schools, children's and families workers, as well as parents, church leaders and schools'

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

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Venue: St Thomas Church, Philadelphia
(Gilpin Street, Sheffield, S6 3BL)

joinedupconference.com.wordpress.com/

HELP FAMILY CHOIR MAKE A VIDEO



Yo is raising money using a crowdfunding website to pay for a professional promotional film to be made of the community choirs she runs at St Marys and Meersbrook United Reformed Church. If any kind and generous supporters would like to contribute, they can do so online at

www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/yoyochoirs



NEXT SUNDAY AT ST MARYS

9.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

Upstairs in the Chapel

10.30 All Age Worship

People with jobs to do: Karen (lead); Della (drinks); Barbara (steward); Steve, David, Nate, Rachel (music)