

St Mary's Church Newsletter September 2022

WELCOME TO ST MARYS

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

REMEMBERING HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

A book of condolence is open at St Mary's for anyone wishing to write messages of tribute and thanksgiving. It will also be available during the week alongside the opportunity to all those who might wish to offer a prayer and light a candle. The Church of England have published this prayer for our use:

Gracious God, we give thanks for the life of your servant Queen Elizabeth, for her faith and her dedication to duty. Bless our nation as we mourn her death and may her example continue to inspire us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

More prayers can be found here

https://www.churchofengland.org/

Our Bishops' statements on the death of Her Late Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II can be found



Her Majesty the Queen in Sheffield in 2015 presenting Maundy money (the recipients including our own Chester Gold).

here:

https://www.sheffield.anglican.org/news/bishops-statements-on-the-death-of-her-late-majesty-queen-elizabeth-ii

SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

Sunday 11th <u>Greenbelt All Age Celebration</u> with informal Holy Communion

Sunday 18th <u>Holy Communion</u> with separate groups for children and youth

Sunday 25th All Age Worship including a baptism for one of our youth group

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY GROUPS

We are limited in what we can currently provide so the children's sessions will aim to broadly cater for the 5-11 age group. Children under 5 are welcome to come out but need to have a parent with them - this would also help for children under 7yrs.

There will always be a carpet and a few quiet toys and books for under 5's in church.

Please do speak to Karen about our group for children if you have any thoughts or suggestions or could volunteer to help with that group.

ADVANCE NOTICES

Sunday 9th October <u>Harvest Celebration</u> with a shared lunch after the service

Next Messy Church: Friday 14th October

CONGRATULATIONS!

...to Fred and to Zara who are both off to start University this term. Fred is going to Hull University to do Biomedical Science, and Zara is going to Cardiff University to do Philosophy. Please keep these twoyoung adults in your prayers as they begin this new chapter in their lives.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITES

All St Mary's current weekday community activities are detailed in a separate Autumn newsletter - please pick one up from the reception desk and use it for your prayers.

UNCONSCIOUS BIAS TRAINING

27th September at St Marys 2.30-4.30

Sometimes our ignorance, prejudices and blind-spots can prevent us treating people fairly and showing God's love equally to everyone. This course is a short introduction to this important area of our lives. Free.

For more details click here

HOPE, ART AND SANCTUARY

Highfield Trinity Church Highfield Place S2 4UR

An exhibition (wood work and photography) to celebrate Hope, Art & sanctuary with work to be displayed by (old friend of St Mary's) Michael Bayley & Kevin Bonnett in aid of Refugees & ASSIST Sheffield.

https://artfromtheoaktree.wordpress.com/

A live auction will be held on the Saturday for sculptures by Michael. Reproductions and prints will also be available for sale throughout the week

Thursday 6th October 11-5

Friday 7th October 11-5

Saturday 8th October 11-9 with live auction at 6.30

Printed leaflets are available at St Marys, and



Steve has a document describing the thinking behind this exhibition. Please ask Steve (details below) for more information.

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