



St Mary's Church Newsletter

2nd April 2017

Passion Sunday

- 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

We will be looking at Jesus encounter with Mary Martha and Lazarus - the last of our Lent reflections, and looking back over the previous weeks.

Preach, Celebrate..... Revd Karen Cribb
Bible Readings..... Ezekiel 37 : 1-14;
..... Romans 8 : 6-11;
..... John 11 : 1-45
Readings..... Ro
Intercessions..... Giles
Stewards..... John & Maureen
Music..... Yo, Steve, Jess, Jem
Drinks..... Margaret and John
Communion Assts.... Christine R, Barbara, Sally

COLLECT

*Gracious Father,
you gave up your Son
out of love for the world:
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,
that we may know eternal peace
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
Jesus Christ our Lord.*

THIS WEEK AT ST MARYS

Monday

Centre Board of Trustees meet this evening.

Wednesday

9.30 - 11.30am Toddler Group. See Miriam.

12.30pm Midweek Communion

5.30pm Family Choir Concert (see below)

8pm Iona Communion

Thursday

9.30am Porter Croft Academy Easter Celebration Service in Church

Friday 10.30 Little Lights

PRAYER FOCUS

Bishop Peter has asked that we use the coming week as a time of prayer for unity healing and reconciliation in our Diocese. The prayersheet can be downloaded from the Diocese website ([click here](#)) and there is also a copy on our Facebook page and paper copies are also available at the back of church.



REV CLAIRE DAWSON WRITES

I grew up in Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands and on leaving school trained as a Social Worker in Nottingham. Having been a local authority social worker I then managed and developed The Edge Project, an innovative project supporting young people who were being sexually exploited in prostitution.

I trained for ministry on the East Midlands Ministerial Training Course alongside my work on the Edge Project. I was ordained in 2004 in Southwell and Nottingham Diocese before moving to Liverpool Diocese in 2008.

I have continued with my theological studies through a DProf in Practical Theology at Chester University. I am concerned with how

the Church engages with the wider issues of society and retains a heart and priority for those who are on the margins.

I enjoy the outdoors and love to climb mountains and am looking forward to exploring the Peak District. I am also looking forward to reconnecting with friends from Nottingham and Sheffield. I have family in North Yorkshire and two cats Bailey and Tiger!

CONFIRMATIONS

Confirmations now take place in Sheffield annually on a Deanery basis. These will be held in May this year. Confirmation is an affirmation of faith and of baptism vows which were made on your behalf. If anyone is interested in confirmation and would like to know more please let Karen know.

FAMILY ACTIVITY DAY

This will be held from
**10.30 - 2pm on Tuesday
11th April.**

Can you help us to plan and lead our Family Activity Day? Get involved as part of a team, take responsibility to run Easter Activities. Please speak to Miriam or Karen for more information or to volunteer.

LOOKING FORWARD TO EASTER

We are planning to hold our usual Easter Activities this year -

Sunday 9th April

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

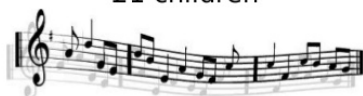
Follow @marys_church on twitter for congregational news.




St Mary's Family Choir performs
Classic Film Songs
All Welcome



Wednesday 5th April 2017
St Mary's Bramall Lane
5.30pm
Vegetarian Meal included
£3 or 2 Time Credits
£1 children



Enquiries to Yo
07925 634 420

Odette Sefuko cordially invites you to

Thanksgiving Service
With Baptisms of her Children
Sunday 23rd April 2017
@ St Mary's Bramall Lane Sheffield S2 4QZ

10.30am Service followed by Shared Lunch
Please bring drinks and a dessert or fruit to share
RSVP to Odette 07405 440 590

If you would like to give a gift to the family
cash donations to Maureen at St Mary's Church
or online by PayPal follow link

<https://www.paypal.com/uk/webapps/mpp/send-money-online>

Julie@sublime.org

by Easter Day 16th April

**10.30am Palm Sunday
Procession.**

Monday 10th April

7pm Chrism Mass at Cathedral

Maundy Thursday April 13th

4.30pm Easter Activities for all.

6pm Shared meal "Remembering
Passover".

7.30pm Holy Communion.

Good Friday April 14th

10.30am walk of witness with
Sharrow churches. Beginning
from Highfield Trinity walking
down London Road onto the
Moor where we gather for a short
act of witness outside the
Markets entrance about 11.30 as
per last year.

12noon - 3pm

Meditations at the cross.

Easter Sunday

10.30am Holy
Communion (and
possibly sharing
breakfast first if we can
gather a team to do this !)

**NEXT WEEK:
PALM SUNDAY**

**9.30am BCP Holy
Communion in the
chapel**

**10.30am - A short local
Palm Sunday Parade and**

**prayer walk as usual and we look
forward to welcoming Claire who will lead our
reflection and Holy Communion.**

People with jobs to do: Barbara (drinks); Kate &
Odette (stewards); Kate, Andy, Caroline
(communion assistants)

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