



St Mary's Church Newsletter

18th March 2018

Passion Sunday

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.
- An induction loop is available for those who are hard of hearing. Please turn your hearing aid to the 'T' setting.
- Gluten free wafers are available for communion. Please ask a steward or member of the clergy.
- 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
Stewards..... Maureen & Michelle
Drinks..... Christine P
Music..... Yo, Jon, Reuben
Readings..... Martin Loft
Intercessions..... Steve

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.
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

6.30 TONIGHT - EVENING PRAYER AND (7PM) AGES OF THE SOUL

Final session this Sunday Jeremy Clines will

be leading us through a series of 4 studies on Ages of the Soul helping us reflect on Christianity now.

NEXT SUNDAY

is Palm Sunday 25th March: 10.30am at Duchess Road Community Centre.

Our service is at Duchess Road there will be NO service at St Mary's Church. We will be inviting our local community to join us as we make connections with the Easter Story. We shall start at 10.30am at Duchess Road Community Centre for reflections/activities and refreshments and then journey out onto Duchess Road open space for the story of the Passion and a Picnic afterwards. See Barbara and sign list for food contributions – thank you.

THIS WEEK AT ST MARYS

Wednesday

3.30ish - 5pm St Marys Family Choir with Abba! Drinks from 3.30pm singing from 4. Performance date for diary will be March 28th..Would love to see you there..invite a friend to join us.. all welcome! x Yo

7pm Lent Taize every Wednesday at St Andrews Psalter Lane church. All Welcome.

Thursday

7.30pm #LiveLent Group (see below)

#LIVE LENT

There will be a meeting weekly at St Marys' on **Thursday evenings at 7.30pm** using the #LiveLent "Let your light shine" study material. Please speak to Christine Rees for more information. We will also have resources for individual use - more information explore



the #LiveLent 2018 social media info produced by the Church of England nationally.

PUBLIC THEOLOGY

All Saints Church Ecclesall, Wednesdays 7.30 - 9.30pm.

21st March, Christian Perspectives on Immigration Post-Brexit Ben Ryan.

ARE YOU ON THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL?

If you are aged 16 or over and either live in the parish or have come to St Mary's as your chosen church for over six months you are eligible to go on the church electoral roll.

There is a copy of the names on the current roll at the back of church. If you are not on the roll but are eligible please ask Margaret for an application form. It means that you can ask questions and vote at the annual church parish meeting (APCM) to be held in April. This is where we vote for the members of the PCC and other officers and hear reports on the work of the Church in the last year. Please note that anyone can attend the meeting.

Have you moved since 2013?

If you are on the roll but have moved since 2013 please make sure that we have your current address by talking to Margaret, George, Claire or Karen.

LANTERN MAKING

Help make a monster for the Sharrow Lantern Festival (on Sunday 1st April). Free workshops... Saturdays and Sundays 1-5pm at The Old Junior School (South View Road, S7 1DB). At St Marys on Tuesdays 5.30 - 8.30pm.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Christian Aid Week is in the middle of May each year. Recently we have had a "Lazy Sunday" to support Christian Aid - with breakfast and lunch, car wash and cake sales. What shall we do this year - please speak to

Karen with your thoughts and suggestions and volunteering!

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Maunder Thursday 29th March 7pm at St Augustine's Church for Soup and bread and cheese and then a reflective service at about 8pm.

Good Friday 30th March 11 am - 1pm: Easter Experience connecting with Lansdown Road Flats and Cemetery Road Baptist Church (CRB). An outside activity morning based around Easter on the green space adjacent to Cliff Road. Volunteers needed - speak to Claire or Karen (Inside at CRB if really wet!).

Good Friday Afternoon Reflections: 2pm at CRB also between 12pm and 3pm at St Andrew's Psalter Lane - half hour reflections which you can come in and out of.

Easter Day: 10.30am All Age Celebration and Eucharist. Alleluia He is Risen Indeed!!!

From the fear that holds me rigid,
God of gentleness, ease me forward.
In my fear of surrender,
God of warmth, melt the ice round my heart.
From my fear of making decisions,
God of power, release me.
In my fear of losing respect,
God of courage steady me.
From the fear of facing my fear,
God of laughter loosen me.
But in the fear that marks your presence,
God of love, keep me in awe and wonder.
(Jim Cotter)

NEXT SUNDAY 25TH MARCH

10.30am Palm Sunday Service at Duchess Road.

See notice above for details. People with jobs to do: Steve, David, Jess (music)

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

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