St Mary's Church Newsletter

12th February 2017

3rd Sunday Before Lent

- *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.*
- *Gluten free wafers are available for communion. Please ask a steward or member of the clergy.*

Today Karen is leading the service at St Augustine's.

9.30 BCP HOLY COMMUNION

10.30 ALL AGE WORSHIP

Lead/Preach..... Revd Chris Rees
Stewards..... Kate and Odette
Music.....Kevin, Jon, Yo, Nate.
Drinks..... Maureen & Michelle

COLLECT

Eternal God,
whose Son went among the crowds
and brought healing with his touch:
help us to show his love,
in your Church as we gather together,
and by our lives as they are transformed
into the image of Christ our Lord.

THIS WEEK AT ST MARYS

Monday

No Monday meditation until further notice.

Tuesday

11am Coffee and Chat for the Young at Heart. At Des Amis (meaning 'my many friends' on Chesterfield Road opposite Lidl) - Please Come! see notice ->.

Wednesday

9.30 - 11.30am Toddler Group. See Miriam.

12.30pm God at the Table (notice overlead)

3.30pm Family Choir

8pm Lifeand Faith group.

Thursday

7.30pm Deanery Synod prayer initiative meeting (see notice overleaf)

Friday

4-6pm Messy Church

PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for our Diocese and all who serve as deacons and priests, particularly for Peter the Bishop of Doncaster, and Philip the nominated Bishop of Sheffield.

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 1st March Ash Wednesday 7.30pm Service of Ashing and Holy Communion.

Sunday 19th March: Annual Church Parish Meeting

Tuesday 28th March: Induction Service of Claire Dawson as Vicar of St Marys.

NEW BISHOP OF SHEFFIELD

It was announced this week that the new bishop of Sheffield will be Rt Rev Philip North the current Bishop of Burnley. You can read more about him on the Diocesan website .http://www.sheffield.anglican.org/news/bishop-philip-s-announcement-speech

CAKE AND CHAT (CCYH)

CCYH = Coffee & Cake for the Young at Heart

Time to chat and care for each other. First meeting on **Tuesday 14th February** at 11am (and after that monthly on the third Tuesday of each month) at Des Amis on Chesterfield road (opposite Lidl). Please see Kate or Margaret about getting there if you hope to come.

GOD AT THE TABLE

God at the Table is a new exploring your faith group. We will be sharing the stories using the Bible and Godly Play materials and a shared meal of soup. This will held in the Parish Room. If you would like to be part of the leading team or would like to attend please call Miriam on 07828710634 or email Miriam.cavanagh@virginmedia.com All are Welcome!

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

Annual Church Meeting (APCM) will be held on **Sunday 19th March** - like last year we will have a short service immediately followed by this meeting - an opportunity to hear from one another, do a few important legal things and give thanks to God and one another for the past year. As usual we will put a booklet together to report and reflect on the year, if you usually contribute to that please let Karen or Catherine have your contributions by early March - if you would like to offer to write something please do speak to Karen.

MISSION PARTNERSHIP REQUEST

All the churches in the Mission Partnership have been invited to send a representative to St Andrews Psalter Lane Church "Away day" on **Sunday 19th March** to be held at a nearby venue- they promise good food and good fellowship. If anyone wold like to go to represent us please contact Karen who has more details.

DEANERY SYNOD PRAYER INITIATIVE

This **Thursday 16th February 7.30pm** there is an open meeting of the Deanery Synod which will take time to consider how churches might respond to the "Your kingdom come" prayer initiative and aspects of "Leading your church into growth". If either of these are something you would like to know more about or can contribute to please do come to the meeting - there will be opportunity to discuss in smaller groups with our mission partnership churches. It will be held at St Pauls Church Norton Lees.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

For Our Family Activity Days on **22nd Feb** Baptist Church Cemetery Road & **23rd Feb** St Mary's.

For information please contact Miriam on 07828 710634 – Thank you

ARE YOU A FIRST AIDER?

Please can you let Karen or Margaret know if you have a current first aid certificate?

SUNDAY 19TH FEBRUARY

10.30am Holy Communion

People with jobs to do: Mike West (lead, celebrate, preach); Chris R and Barbara (steward); Martin L (read), Margaret I (prayers), Kevin, David, Collins (music), Barbara and Claire (drinks)

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