

**Sunday 27th April 2008**

**Sixth Sunday Of Easter**

**St. MARY'S**

**Newsletter**



## Sunday Worship

<b>10.30am Parish Communion</b>	Communion Assistants	Helen & Margaret A
	Intercessor	Maureen
	Stewards	Doreen & Joan
	Light Factory	Jo
	Music	Jon, Yo, Veronica

## Collect For Easter 6

God our redeemer,  
you have delivered us from the power of darkness  
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:  
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to  
life,  
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us  
to eternal joy;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Tonight – Farewell Bishop Jack

St Marys hosts 'Prayer and a Party' to say  
goodbye to Bishop Jack, who retires shortly.  
There will be short service at 6.30pm  
followed by a party. All welcome.

## Sponsoring Pentecost Flowers

Would you like to sponsor one special flower  
arrangement for Pentecost? £20-£30. See Kate.

## Light Factory Leaders Meeting

**Tuesday 29th April** at Tom and Jo's - please  
have a word with Karen or any of the other  
regular children's leaders if there is anything you  
would like them to consider.

## This Week At St Marys

<b>Parent &amp; Toddlers</b>	This <b>Wednesday morning 9.30-11.30am</b> in the hall.
<b>Women Exploring Faith</b>	On <b>Thursday</b> from <b>9.30am</b> in the Parish Room. An opportunity to share fellowship and pray. Looking at the Epistles of Peter. Please ask Helen or Kate if you are interested in knowing more.
<b>Faith and Life</b>	<b>Wednesday 8pm</b> For anyone wanting to explore and deepen their faith. This week: <i>Mission and Good News</i> .

## **Christian Aid Week**

**11-18<sup>th</sup> May.** *Raising awareness and money to relieve poverty. Please support this in prayer and...*

- We are asking who would like to collect door to door this year – we need 15 people to go ahead with the street collection.
- Take up your own £50 challenge – do what you like (within the law!!) to raise the cash. you will give you a red tin. You have 1 month (18<sup>th</sup> April - 18<sup>th</sup> May)
- Annual May Day Trek May 5th. A family-friendly sponsored walk from St Luke's Church, Lodge Moor into the Peak District with a choice of 5, 10 or 15 mile circular routes. For further information and registration forms phone 0114 233 6885 or see the web-site, [www.sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk](http://www.sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk)

St Marys Trekkers from 2007 may like to know that their photos are being used on the official website, and may soon be viewed on the CAFOD website.

## **'Quiz Aid' At The Sportsman**

On **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May**, at the Sportsman Pub, Denby Street. It's guaranteed to be a fun way of exercising the grey matter and helping people in the world's poorest communities to live better lives.

**Q**  
**Quizaid**

Come along yourself, or why not organise a team to compete? We need teams of ... and it costs just £2 per entrant to join the fun. Ask Steve for more information.

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## St Marys Music Evening

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**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May** - International Song and Dance Evening! Please pray for the success of this event.

Lively and Colourful entertainment provided by....Purple Cats Natural Voice Choir, Mambo Salsa dancers, Zeela Liberian Gospel Singers, Dancers and Drummers, Madge Classical Piano and Organ Music, Jellybean Jazz and more!

A Celebration of the Arts in aid of contemporary Stained Glass Window that will be enjoyed by all people in and around St Mary's.



Light refreshments included in ticket price, and 6 Artists will be selling cards during interval (Jenny Mather, Colin Brown, Christine Peacock, Duncan Twigg, Lucy Lauener and Chester Gold).

Tickets £5 / £2.50concs or Family Ticket £10 / £5concs available from Yo by return email/phone 258 4382 or from St Mary's Reception.

Whitsun Witness

HOPE 2008

Venue: City Hall Steps, Barker's Pool, Sheffield, **2.30-4pm, Saturday 10th May**  
Speaker: Rt Revd David Hawtin, former Bishop of Repton, current Assistant Bishop to the Bishop of Sheffield.

## Diary Dates

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**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May** Open Air Pentecost Celebration, jointly with other Sharrow Churches at St Marys at **3pm**  
**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May** **8pm** PCC meeting  
**Saturday July 5<sup>th</sup>** Parish Day at Ranmoor Parish Centre

## Jazz In The Field (Edale)

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Jazz (and a bit of folk) in the Field in Edale - an annual concert in aid of Medical Foundation for Torture Victims. 7.30pm onwards. Fairtrade food and drinks available. Tickets available on the gate only: under-12s: free - asylum seekers: free - adults: £10 (£6 teen, student, unwaged) - family ticket (two adults and up to 3 teenagers): £25.

£1 discount for anyone arriving by train. Tell your friends! Info coming shortly to the website:  
<http://www.jazzinthefield.org/>

Prayer Triplets

HOPE 2008

Hope 08 - one of their suggestions for the year is to rediscover Prayer Triplets - so if you have ever been part of a prayer triplet why not meet again - or if you would like to be part of one - find two other like minded people and go for it.

## Today - Pray For Zimbabwe

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The Archbishops of York and Canterbury have this week issued a joint statement supporting the calls from other Christians for 27<sup>th</sup> April to be an international day of prayer for Zimbabwe, as part of a search for increased solidarity and justice for the people of Zimbabwe at home and in the UK.

"Ecumenically, and as part of a broad based coalition, we must work to build a civil society movement that both creates political will and gives voice to those who demand an end to the mayhem that grows out of injustice, poverty, exclusion and violence."

The average life expectancy of Zimbabweans hovers around 35, lower than any war zone. Since 1994 it has fallen from 57 to 34 for women and from 54 to 37 for men.

Zimbabwe has the highest proportion of orphans in the world (1.3 million), largely due to the devastation caused by HIV and Aids. AIDS related illnesses kill 3,200 people each week.

Full press release at [www.anglicancommunion.org](http://www.anglicancommunion.org)

## AB Of C On U Tube

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A busy week for Dr Williams: he's posted a video about the forthcoming Lambeth Conference on youtube.

[http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=vCJ1G\\_3WPjw](http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=vCJ1G_3WPjw)

## Next Sunday - 4<sup>th</sup> May

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### 10.30am Parish Communion

People with jobs to do next Sunday: John & Margaret I (steward); Kate K (prayers); Margaret I (readings); Dolly (drinks); Andy & Kate (Communion Assistants); Jon & Veronica (music).

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