

1st February 2009

The Presentation Of Christ In The Temple (Candlemass)

**St. MARY'S
Newsletter**



Sunday Worship

10.30am Parish Communion	Readings	Michael K
	Drinks	Margaret A
	Communion Assistants	Margaret A & Penny
	Prayers	Steve
	Steward	John & Margaret I
	Music	Ortrude, Jess, Steve, Yo

St Marys Centre AGM

This will be held on **9th February at 8pm**. This is an opportunity for church members to raise any questions/make comments to Graham/The Trustees. A special effort is being made this year to encourage dialogue at the AGM so it would be really good to support this event. If you would like to raise questions it would help the flow of the meeting to get these in advance.

A "Centre AGM Box" will be placed at the back of church each Sunday before the AGM date - please put any questions you wish to raise in the box or email Andy at familycribb@btinternet.com

Collect For Today

Almighty and ever-living God,
clothed in majesty,
whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple,
in substance of our flesh:
grant that we may be presented to you
with pure and clean hearts,
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Confirmation Journey - Today

Our 'whole church experience' preparation for confirmation starts **today at 5.00pm** with 'The Fish' - a fish & chip supper to start the journey and a look at some basics of the Christian Faith. Venue: 41 Brook Road .

The next meeting, 'The Cross' will be on **Sunday 15 February 6.30pm**. Artwork through the ages helps us look at the cross and focus on the person of Jesus. Venue: St Mary's Church 6.30pm

This Week At St Marys

Toddler Group **Wednesday 9.30-11.30**



Some of St Mary's congregation in York last Sunday for the enthronement of Bishop Stephen



Iona News

If you are joining the group travelling to Iona, would you like to start saving towards the cost? Cash, or cheques to St Marys Bramall Lane PCC, can be given to Church Treasurer Margaret I on any Sunday.

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Vicar: Julian Sullivan 0114 272 4987

IONA TASTER EVENTS FOR ALL

Sunday 8th February 7.30pm : Iona-style Healing Service

Sunday 29th March 1pm : Iona Style Bread and soup Lunch after morning service

Sunday 3rd May 4pm : Iona Fundraiser - Teatime fun. Crafts : Games : Food : Tickets + details after Easter

Wednesday 8th July 8pm : Final Briefing for all travelling to Iona

Any enquiries to Julian 272 4987

Dave Bilborough At St Marys

Saturday 7th March. Tickets are on sale today or phone Yo 258 4382. These will sell like hot cakes so buy soon for a great evening of live music.

Yo needs 10 volunteers to help on the night.

Black Gold On TV On Tuesday

Fairtrade fortnight is coming up: Saturday 21st February to Sunday 1st March

The award-winning film BLACK GOLD will be shown on **Tuesday 3rd February 10:00pm** on More 4.

"As westerners revel in designer lattes and cappuccinos, impoverished Ethiopian coffee growers suffer the bitter taste of injustice. In this eye-opening expose of the multi-billion dollar industry, Black Gold traces one man's fight for a fair price."

"EXCELLENT - angry, good-humoured and essential" - The Observer

"Remarkable - a moving but scandalous story" - The Daily Telegraph

Onside Event For Men

This Friday 6 February 7.30pm

The speaker at the next Onside event for men is Tim Ellis the Bishop of Grantham. This event will be held in the Riverside Suite as the Sheffield Wednesday football stadium S6 1SW. Entry is free. Please contact SWFC chaplain Peter Allen or visit the Onside website for more details Rev Peter Allen prallen3@yahoo.co.uk
www.onsideevents.co.uk

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This **Saturday February 7th, 7.30pm** , Broomhall Centre, Broomspring Lane S10 2FD

Come and dance to the Well Dressed Band, with caller Dave Ball. Tickets are available in advance at the special price of £5, and can be booked by phoning 0114 268 2483.

Darwin And God

The Bishop of Sheffield's Shrove Tuesday Lectures: Nick Spencer of THEOS - Darwin and God

Tuesday 24 February, Lectures: 1000 - 1300; Seminar 14.30-15.30 at Victoria Methodist Mission, Norfolk Street, Sheffield.

The 12th February is the bi-centenary of Charles Darwin's birth and the 150th anniversary of the publication of On the Origin of Species.

Nick Spencer worked as a researcher and consultant for Research International, The Henley Centre, the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity and the Jubilee Centre before joining Theos. The author of the first and fourth Theos reports, he has also written a number of books including Asylum and Immigration: A Christian Perspective on a Polarised Debate and Christianity, Climate Change and Sustainable Living.

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Redemption Song

Performed by Riding Lights Theatre Company

Wednesday 11 March at St Luke's, Lodge Moor, Sheffield. Tickets at £5 (no concessions) from Colin Peskett 0114 230 7740

A moving combination of powerful theatre, meditation, prayer and corporate worship. Shot through with moments of great joy and great conflict, robustly and compellingly performed, *Redemption Song* asks each of us to review our understanding of our own faith in the searing bright light of the crucifixion of Christ.

Next Sunday – 8th February

3rd Sunday before Lent

9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) in the Chapel

10.30am Family Service

People with jobs to do next Sunday: Christine (drinks); Kate K (stewards); Steve & Yo (music)