

14th March 2010

Mothering Sunday

St. MARY'S
Newsletter



Welcome to St Mary's Bramall Lane this morning.

There are supervised activities for children of all ages during the service, please follow us out after opening worship. Parents are welcome either to leave their children or stay with them.

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 west end of the church. Follow signs past reception and the main hall.

This Week At St Marys

Wednesday 9.30am – Parent & Toddlers in the hall.

Wednesday 8pm – see below...

Lent Course

York Lent Course entitled: "When I Survey" led by members of St Mary's. It includes CD introduction, Bible notes and questions for discussion.

The focus is primarily on the cross with the use of core biblical texts which follow the story of the crucifixion. Other material is drawn on to broaden the outlook which is committed to "wondering" about mystery and the reality of life.

This is an opportunity to challenge and refresh your faith this Lent season.

Session Three: This **Wednesday 17th March 8pm in the Cafe** "Outside a City Wall" led by Maureen Food.

This Morning's Worship

9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) in the Chapel

10.30am Mothering Sunday All Age Worship	Drinks	Della
	Steward	Kate K

Collect For Mothering Sunday

God of compassion,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,
and on the cross drew the whole human family to
himself:
strengthen us in our daily living
that in joy and in sorrow
we may know the power of your presence to bind
together and to heal;
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.

Campaign To Stop Odette Being Deported

Grateful thanks from Odette and Liliane - £128 was raised on the Sunday before last and this has been sent to Liliane. Gideon has been sent home with antibiotics and ibuprofen and no referral to a heart specialist. He is 13 and this could disable him for the rest of his life!

I have asked their Social Worker if he could find out how much it would cost for Gideon to see a heart specialist in the hope that we might be able to help. Gloire & Sandra are sick with throat infections, Liliane is not well herself. It has been raining very heavily in Kampala. Thank you from me too.

Kate

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The date for the 1st Meeting is **this Tuesday 16th March 7.30pm** in the 1st Floor Meeting Room at St Marys. Everyone is welcome. Kath from CDAS (*Ed: Coalition of Anti-Deportation Campaigns, I think*) will come and talk with us and encourage us to bring forward suggestions/ideas. I am hoping that people will be able to offer help in various small ways to spread the load.

I realise some people, who would be keen to support Odette, who have young children might find an early evening meeting difficult but I would still like your names; e-mail, telephone numbers, that is one of the first priorities to get this organised to people can be easily contacted to keep everyone informed of proposed actions.

See you there hopefully!

Kate

Feeding The 500 Thousand

The Future of Food for Sheffield

A 1 day event exploring the future of food for Sheffield. Join people involved or interested in food related projects and organisations from across the city to meet each other and learn about the current developments around food for Sheffield, which include a Sheffield food plan, food partnership and food festival, a range of local growing and food related initiatives, and the Making Local Food Work programme.

Saturday March 20 10 - 4

Centre in the Park, Norfolk Heritage Park

<http://feeding500k.eventbrite.com/>

More details from website or talk to Jess who is going to attend.

Good News For Sheffield From Church Army

This announcement from Mark Russell, who is head of the Church Army:

"On Friday we announced that we are relocating our offices from Sidcup in Kent to Sheffield. This is a major move, to create an exciting home for Church Army in the centre of Sheffield.

We will spend around £2m to refurbish the Wilson Carlile Centre to house our leadership, training, admin, research and xplore gap year, alongside a modern conference facility with 24 bedrooms, and a centre for mission, complete with cafe.

This is an exciting vision for a dynamic centre of life and mission for Church Army. The building will have a library and be able to be a place for learning, training, retreat and the day to day administration of the movement.

The offices will move by the end of 2010, and the project will be self financing, so not taking away from our front line work across the UK and Ireland. The Bishop of Sheffield, Dr Steve Croft said "I warmly welcome the decision of the Church Army Board to move their offices to Sheffield and create a dynamic centre for mission here. Sheffield is a wonderful, vibrant, welcoming city. Church Army will bring significant gifts, expertise and challenge to the life of the diocese and the region. It has been a delight for me personally to work in close partnership with Church Army for a number of years now, and I look forward to that partnership strengthening and deepening in the years to come"



I am very excited by this announcement, and the vision for an integrated team based in Sheffield, located in a centre of mission itself. To have our offices in a mission centre seems to fit the DNA of Church Army well.

However as in all announcements like this, alongside the vision is the very real awareness that many of our talented, gifted and committed staff in the London area will not be able to join us on this move. I am conscious for them this is painful and challenging news, and ask you to join me in praying for them at this time."

Next Week – Passion Sunday

10.30am Parish Communion

People with jobs to do next Sunday: Kate (readings) ; Elaine C (prayers); Elaine & David (drinks); Margaret A (steward); Veronica & Elaine C (communion assistants); Jon, Veronica, Keith (music); Penny, Tom (Light Factory)

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