

18th July 2010

180 Years Of St Marys

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 Morning's Worship

St Mary celebrates her 180th birthday today close to the festival for Mary Magdalene from whom our church takes its name. We welcome the Revd Philip Roderick, our new diocesan spirituality advisor to lead us in an imaginative celebration.

10.30am Parish Communion & Birthday Celebration	Prayers	Kate K
	Communion Assistants	Andy & Kate
	Readings	Rachel M
	Music	Steve, Yo, Veronica
	Steward	Margaret A



Last time we 'clipped' St Marys - Christine's photo

Collect For Mary Magdalene

Almighty God,
whose Son restored Mary Magdalene

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to health of mind and body
and called her to be a witness to his resurrection:
forgive our sins and heal us by your grace,
that we may serve you in the power of his risen life;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The Week Ahead

Weekly Monday-Wednesday: 8.30am
Morning Prayer in the Chapel

Weekly Thursday 8.30am Holy Communion

Wednesday: 9.30am Parent and Toddlers is end of term party with bouncy castle - over the summer the group plans to meet up in different local parks each Wednesday morning - details to follow or speak to Karen or Rachel Morrison.

Wednesday: 8.00pm in St Mary's Cafe:
Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting: Come and pray for our community, our nation and our world. There will be opportunity to share concerns to pray for each other and our church / centre. Biblical reflection will be woven into the evening. Our prayer meetings complement 'Midweek Worship' on the first Wednesday of the month.

New Appointment



Many congratulations to Maureen Food on her re-licensing as a Reader in the Diocese of Sheffield. It was inspiring to hear her testimony last week of how she was called to this ministry and we look forward to having the benefit of her pastoral skills in the future.

Karen Writes...

A huge THANK YOU to everyone for you love, support, prayers, cards and presents on the

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occasion of my Ordination. It was a fantastic day and I was so glad that we were able to enjoy it together. Looking forward to all that God holds for us in the future at St. Mary's. Karen.



Lots more pictures from front of church website.

Hidden Houses Of Prayer

From Philip Roderick, Adviser in Spirituality and Chaplain to Whirlow Grange

(and our preacher today)

Philip writes: For some time I have been nurturing and working with a simple vision for an invisible network of people drawn to the practice of contemplative, creative and intercessory prayer in their own homes. For those who are able, we'd like to meet together to explore the idea and identify ways in which we might support each other in this 'connected solitude'.

If you're interested, talk to Philip about joining in on **Thursday, 9 September, 2pm - 5pm** in the Chapel at Whirlow Grange Spirituality Centre, Ecclesall, Sheffield S11 9PZ. The afternoon will include some time for discussion and reflection, stillness and prayer, and conclude with a cup of tea and a piece of cake.

Speak to Philip today if you're interested.

Diocesan Development Day

Saturday 2 October: 9am - 3.30 pm at Philadelphia Campus, Sheffield S6 3BL.

This event is for both clergy and laity and is free of charge

"Growing fresh expressions of church within a mixed economy church"

Booking Now: We can take up to 5 lay people plus Clergy so please sign up if you would like to come. Della, Jess & Maureen went last year and can tell you about it.

Workshops are displayed for you to browse and choose any two. Try to find ones that are interesting to you personally and you think would

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be useful for the church family.

there will be 20 workshops on a variety of Fresh Expressions Themes such as Messy Church, Planting a New Church, Café Church, Leadership in Fresh Expressions, Fresh Expressions and the Future, Theology and Fresh Expressions, Fresh Expressions for Beginners, Sustaining Fresh Expressions, Contemplative Fire, Fresh Expressions in the Catholic tradition and more.

Might be possible for people to go for part of the day in partnership with others.

THE KEY NOTE SPEAKERS:

Graham Cray is Archbishops' Missioner and Team Leader of Fresh Expressions. His special concerns are the engagement of the Gospel with contemporary culture, youth ministry and the theology of renewal. He has been chairman of the Greenbelt Festival and is currently chairman of the Soul Survivor Trust. *[Editors note: also a world authority on the music of U2 and I once had breakfast with him].*

Martin Warner has wide cultural interests, including architecture, medieval, renaissance, and contemporary art, and the cinema. He enjoys travel and has led pilgrimages in Europe and the Holy Land.

For more information on the diocesan day: www.sheffield.anglican.org

Christian Aid Week – Result

At last the final final total is in for all our Christian Aid Week fundraising efforts - remember Lazy Sunday?

Along with other ventures such as the sponsored walk, £50 Challenge and Red Tins in Local Shops, we raised £1107.54 - Brilliant! Well done everyone. Special thanks to Dave Bickley who has counted and banked the money, now on its way to supporting the poorest communities of the world. £1200 next year?!

Next Sunday – 25th July

10.30am Parish Communion

People with jobs to do: Keith (readings); Steve (prayers); Doreen & Joan (steward); Giles & Karen (communion assistants); Jon, Jess, Keith (music)



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