

17th April 2011

Palm Sunday

**St. MARY'S
Newsletter**



Welcome to St Mary's Bramall Lane this morning.

Refreshments including tea and coffee will be available at the end of the service.

There will be toys available in the hall for anyone to use with their small children. No light factory (Sunday School) today.

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.

Today's Worship

10.30am Parish Communion	Readings	Rachel M
	Prayers	Kate K
	Drinks	Christine P
	Steward	Margaret A
	Communion Assistants	Giles & Karen

Collect For Palm Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the human race
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh
and to suffer death upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example of his
patience and humility,
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;
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.

Childrens Easter Activity

An activity afternoon will be run here at St. Mary's from 4-6pm on Thursday 21st April, with Easter crafts, games and hunts. For all children aged 5 - 11. Please speak to Karen if you are able to help with this or you would like invitations to give to others. This will be followed by a shared Passover themed meal to which everyone will be welcome, and an Upper Room Holy Communion for Maundy Thursday later in the evening.

The Week Ahead

No Youth Fellowship Tonight

Wednesday 7.30pm: Confirmation Preparation in St Marys Cafe.

Parish Picnic

Advance notice - **Sunday 1st May** Parish Picnic lunch - please bring your own lunch and we will go out for a picnic together. Those able to offer transport spaces or who would need a lift please speak to Andy Cribb.

Confirmations & Baptisms

Confirmations will be on **Holy Saturday 23rd April at 7.30pm**. The service will start with a bonfire and conclude with fireworks! Come and support those being baptised or confirmed on that occasion:

Baptism & Confirmation: Raman Deep Kaalia; Yisau Oluwole; Huixuan (Phoenix) Pi.

Confirmation: Jude Harrison, Ayotunde Ojo, Aster Abraham.

Easter Eggs

The "Real Easter Eggs" have arrived from Traidcraft. If you ordered some please can you collect and pay for them, if you did not order

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one there may be a couple left over to purchase. £4.50 per egg. See Karen for more information/to collect your eggs.

Youth Club Photo Exhibition

On **Wednesday April 20th at 6pm** a group of young people from St Mary's youth club will be holding a photography exhibition in the church,

This will be the culmination of a film project they're doing in which they express their views on the area that they live in through photography. The exhibition will only be on for that evening, please do try to pop in and show your support for this.

St Marys Cafe – Parents & Kids Menu

In the two Wednesdays of the school holidays St Marys Cafe are putting on a Parent & Kids special menu at lunchtime - please see the poster in the cafe for more details. Parent and Toddler group are also meeting as usual in the school holidays.

For Your Prayers

Streets of the Parish we are praying for this month: Fieldhead Rd; Wolsley Rd; Glover Road; Witney Street.

Lazy Sunday 15th May



Our effort for Christian Aid week. Can you help? Have you returned your leaflet?

Christian Aid/Cafod May Day Trek



This is a sponsored walk raising funds for the work of Cafod and Christian Aid taking place on **Monday 2 May**. The Trek will be starting and finishing again at Bolsterstone Village Hall. As usual it offers a choice of 5, 10 and 15 mile routes but this year the routes have been revised to make them more walker-friendly. Further details: www.sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk or T:0114 275 9828.

St Marys On Your Phone

We've set up a system for communicating with the congregation via text message on mobile phones. It doesn't cost anything (unless you are usually charged for receiving text messages, but there are no extra or hidden charges). You'll only get 2 or 3 message per week at most.

The Quick and Easy Way

If you'd like to be part of it, please send the following text message to the number 86444

follow stmarysnews



That's it.

Another way is to sign up for a (free) account on the web at www.twitter.com then use the tools there to follow 'stmarysnews' and to send updates to your mobile phone. This allows you to do more things such as sending messages back to us. You can also do this directly from your phone via text messages.

Do let Steve know if you are receiving messages (he can't tell otherwise!) and ask him for help with any of this if required (email below or next Sunday in church).

Holy Week / Easter Services

Thursday 21st April Maundy Thursday

4 pm Children's Activities

6pm Shared Meal and Celebration of Passover

7.30pm In the Upper Room

Good Friday 22nd April

9.45 am United Walk with the Cross starts at Waitrose Car Park



12 Noon-3 pm Prayer at the Foot of the Cross

Holy Saturday 23rd April

7.30 pm Cathedral - Baptism and Confirmation

Easter Sunday 24th April

6.15am Easter Worship at Sunrise above Ringinglow

10.30am Easter Celebration with Holy Communion

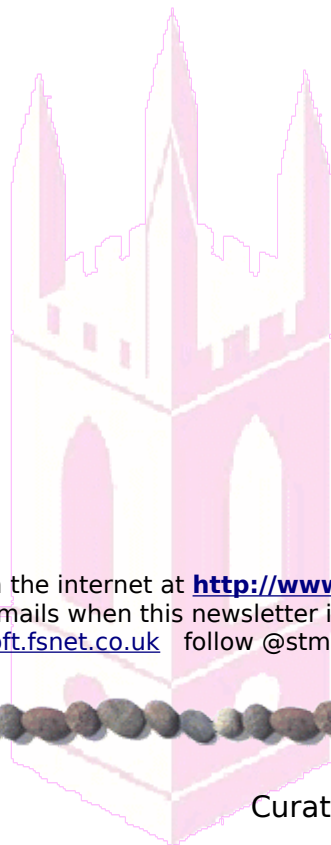
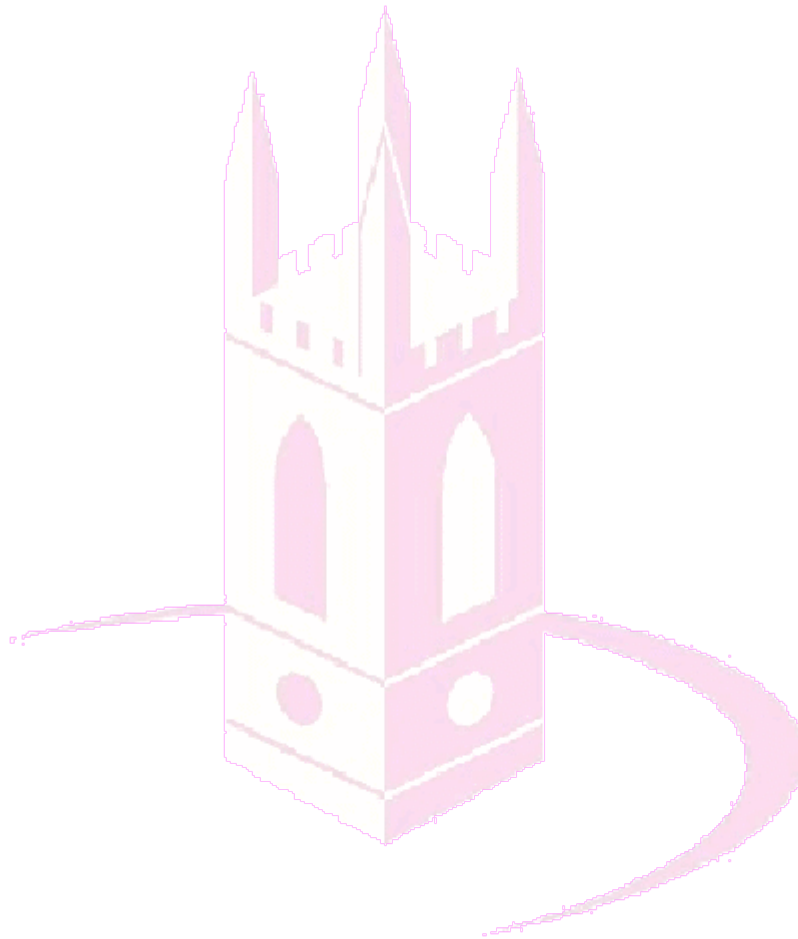
People with jobs to do at the 10.30 Easter service: James / Claire (readings); Barbara (prayers); Doreen & Joan (stewards); Della & Caroline (communion assistants); Steve, Yo, Veronica (music)

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