

18th March 2012

Mothering 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.

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.

Easter Diary

Thursday 5th April - Maundy Thursday

4pm Easter Activities Afternoon for families.

6pm Shared meal remembering Passover.

7.30pm Holy Communion for Maundy Thursday.

Good Friday 6th April

9.45am Waitrose car park for local churches

12-3pm Meditations around the Cross.

Holy Saturday 7th April

Easter Eve Service with Baptism and Confirmation at the Cathedral.

Easter Sunday

6am Sunrise service at Ringinglow

10.30am Family Holy Communion.

Easter Procession.

Today's Worship

9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) in the Chapel

10.30am Family Service	Stewards	Margaret A & Raman
	Bible Reading	Exodus 2:1-10 p.58
	Drinks	Peter R
	Music	Steve, Jon, Yo

This Sunday we welcome the friends and families of Ethan and Ryan who will be baptised this morning.

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.

Easter Eggs

Easter Eggs - The Real Easter Eggs are on sale again this year - " The only fairtrade chocolate Easter Egg to explain the Christian understanding of Easter on the box. It also supports charity and development projects." Karen will have a limited number of these at a cost of £4 each, which you may be able to snap up after this morning's service. Otherwise, please speak to her if you would like to place an order.

This Week At St Marys

Foundation s in Faith	Wednesday at 7.30 pm at St Mary's - the last session
Parent and Toddler Group	Wednesday 9.30-11.30am

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Cathedral Lent Course	7.30pm meet at the Cathedral for the fourth evening in the Lent course looking at The Lords Prayer - "...forgive us our sins..."
Conversation Club	Friday 10am - 2pm English Conversation Club including simple lunch. Call in any time for help with confidence in English conversation, homework or basic English. If you are able to offer to help provide this in a voluntary capacity please speak to Maureen or Miriam, and encourage those you know who might benefit from attending to join us.

Wednesday Nights At The Cathedral

If you have not been able to make these evening you can still hear the talks on line from the following link http://www.esnips.com/displayimage.php?album=4686400&pid=33735380&uid=1142136%20-%20top_display_media

This last Wednesday we considered the line "give us today our daily bread". Bishop Steven highlighted three passages from the Bible which help us to understand this part of the Lord Prayer - God's provision of manna for the Israelites in the wilderness each day for 40 years following their escape from Egypt; The feeding of the 5000 and 4000 and Jesus teaching "I am the Bread of Life" as recounted in all the Gospels; and the events of the Last Supper and Jesus words as he broke bread with his disciples "this is my body given for you". This line is a prayer for what we need each day - both physically and spiritually, it is a prayer for just enough and provides a counter balance to the culture of greed and materialism, and it is also an acknowledgement that everything we have comes from God. In closing we were encouraged to continue the practice of sharing (simple) meals together, practising hospitality and saying grace (giving thanks to God) at every meal.

Lazy Sunday 13th May



Our annual fundraiser for Christian Aid.

Would you think joining about a team of volunteers who make the day happen?

- Deliver leaflets in this area
- Make a cake
- Help serve food or clear up on the day

More details next month.

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We'd also like to send a small group of walkers on the sponsored May Day Trek from Bolsterstone on **Monday 7th May** - 5, 10 or 15 miles.

<http://www.sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk/>

Last year, all our efforts at St Mary's raised over £1,000 for Christian Aid. All this money changes the lives of the world's poorest people in 45 countries.

Contemplative Fire Pilgrimage To Now/here: Walking With Christ On The Way

Saturday 31 March (9.30 for 10 - 3pm) at Longshaw Estate. Led by Revd Philip Roderick. Transformation happened for the woman at the well and the man at the pool when Jesus encountered them. As we gather and walk contemplatively, we'll explore these two stories (John 4, 4-29; John 5, 1-18) and be open to the questions and compassion of Christ. Cost by donation, between £10 - £20. Packed lunch and outdoor wear needed. See website for further details and booking info: www.contemplativefire.org.

New Wine

A group of us from St Marys will be going again to 'New Wine' this summer 2012 (**Saturday July 28th - Saturday August 4th**). This is a week-long Christian conference - held at Newark Showground, with inspiring teaching, lively worship, great kids clubs and a chance to be community together.

It is a camping event which is suitable for all (if you are prepared to chance the British weather).

If you are interested in joining us, please see either Tom & Jo / Penny / Karen & Andy for details.

Next Sunday - 25th March

10.30am Parish Communion

People with jobs to: Barbara (readings); Maureen (prayers); Chester & Joan (drinks); Doreen & Joan (stewards); Kev, Jem, Veronica (music); Miriam, Jo, Kim, Rachel (Light Factory).