

13th January 2013

The Baptism Of Christ

St. MARY'S Newsletter



Welcome to St Mary's Bramall Lane

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.

glue, scissors, 'Pritt' stick, paper etc...This is a post Christmas plea - if anyone has any extra or unwanted gifts/ objects hidden away in cupboards which you believe may be of use to Messy Church please can you bring them in and give them to Karen or Claire for The Messy Church cupboard. This is another way of supporting Messy Church and is much appreciated!

This Week

Collect For The Baptism Of Christ

Heavenly Father,
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son:
may we recognize him as our Lord
and know ourselves to be your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Monday	for your prayers - Meeting of Porter Croft School Governors and St Mary's Board.
Wednesday	9.30 - 11.30 Toddler Group
Friday	10.30 - 12 English Conversation Group in the Cafe. Please speak to Maureen or Miriam for more information.
Friday	4-6pm Messy Church. Activities for all ages followed by a short time of worship and reflection and a simple meal together. This is particularly for those who might not come to Church on a Sunday so please see it as an opportunity to invite others. There are also lots of ways to help in this exciting new venture, so for more information please speak to Claire or Karen

This Morning's Worship

9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) in the Chapel

10.30am All Age Epiphany Service	Steward	Kate & Odette
	Bible Readings	Luke 3 15 - 17, 21-22 p 1029
	Music	Yo, Teresa, Steve

Diary Dates

Monday 21st January PCC at the Vicarage 7.30pm for 7.45pm start.

PCC Members – Please Note:

Saturday 19th Jan 9.30 - 12.30: PCC Quiet

Messy Church: Resources

We are looking to build up our resource cupboard with items of general use - such as cardboard,

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Morning at the cathedral and after at The Blue Moon Cafe for lunch.

Please be there if you can. 2013 has exciting potential for mission and ministry as the re-imagining process gathers pace.

Sat 26 Jan 9.30 - 12.30: Diocesan Mission / Finance Conference at St Thomas Philadelphia, Gilpin Street, Sheffield, S6 3BL

We will be represented at this by Margaret, Andy and Julian, but we can take more if you would like to attend.

The Bishop Of Sheffield's Shrove Tuesday Lectures

With Dr Paula Gooder

'Participation in Christ and with each other: Reflections on a Pauline Theology of Transfiguration'.

Dr Paula Gooder is a freelance writer and lecturer in Biblical Studies. Her research areas are the writings of Paul the Apostle (with a particular focus on 2 Corinthians), New Testament Interpretation and the development of Ministry in the New Testament Period.

Paula is Canon Theologian of Birmingham and Guildford Cathedrals, Lay Canon at Salisbury Cathedral, Visiting lecturer at King's College, London, Associate lecturer at St Mellitus College, London, and Theological Adviser to the Bible Society. She is a Reader in the Church of England and a member of General Synod.

Monday 11th February

19.30 at the Exhibition Space in the new Jessop West Building, Sheffield University (for any who cannot attend on Shrove Tuesday)

OR Tuesday 12th February

9:30 for 10.00 – 15.30 at the Victoria Methodist Mission, Norfolk Street, Sheffield.

German Exchange

A friend of St Marys, Derek Ames, has asked whether any family at church would be interested in hosting a German teenager over the summer. A boy and a girl have already visited Sheffield and are keen to come and improve their English (they need separate hosts). Ideally this would suit a family with a young person who would like

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a return visit to Germany, but there are other possibilities. Please talk to Steve if you have any interest, or ring Derek on 0114 236 7108.

Save Our Early Years

Supported by Christians Against the Cuts - Save Our Early Years Services demonstration called by The Community Childcare Forum.

Saturday 19th January 11am at Devonshire Green

The Demonstration has been called in response to the brutal cuts which Sheffield City Council are proposing to inflict upon our communities who are already suffering from the Government's austerity measures.

The Council want to cut £3.6 million from the vital early intervention and prevention services our communities rely on.

What does £3.6 million in cuts mean?

1. The closure of up to 20 Nurseries and Children Centres.
2. The loss of up to 150 fully trained staff.
3. The loss of nursery places for children with disabilities.
4. The weakening of intervention and prevention services.
5. The loss of advice work and in-home support.
6. Working Mums won't be able to work.
7. Unemployed mums won't be able to re-train and look for work.

JOIN THE FIGHT TO SAVE OUR EARLY YEARS

Sign the petition:

<https://sheffield.moderngov.co.uk/mgEPetitionDisplay.aspx?id=90>

Join the Demonstration:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/178075509001549/>

Next Sunday – 20th January

10.30am Parish Eucharist

People with jobs to do: Ann B (readings); Kate K (prayers); Margaret A & Raman (stewards); Kevin, Veronica, Jon, Rob (music)

6.30-8pm Youth Group

6.30pm Service for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



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