



St Mary's Church Newsletter

1st February 2015

Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

WELCOME TO ST MARY'S

There are supervised activities for children of all ages during the service, please follow us out after opening worship. Parents are welcome to leave their children or stay with them. Gluten free wafers are available for communion. Please ask a steward or member of the clergy.

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

10.30 ALL AGE WORSHIP

Celebrant..... Revd Julian Sullivan
Preacher..... Revd Julian Sullivan
Readings..... Margaret I.
Intercessions..... Elaine C.
Steward..... John & Margaret I.
Communion Assistants.... Kate and Michael
Drinks..... Steve
Music..... Kevin & Veronica

COLLECT

*Eternal God,
as Mary waited for the birth of your Son,
so we wait for his coming in glory;
bring us through the birth pangs of this present
age
to see, with her, our great salvation
in Jesus Christ our Lord.*

4.30 FIX

6.00 YOUTH GROUP

Please speak to Georgia for more information

about either of these groups for young people.

THIS WEEK AT ST MARYS

Mon-Thurs Café 11-2pm

Monday

7.30pm Life Group for Students plus! See Georgia for more details

Messy Church review meeting

Porter Croft Academy Governors meeting

Local TARA meeting

Wednesday

9.30 - 11.30 Toddler Group - see Miriam for more information

3.30-4.40pm Family Choir Songs from Frozen.
Enchoiries: Yo 07925 634 420

8pm Monthly informal Iona Communion

Friday

10.30 Little Lights. A special time in church for under 5s and their grown-ups. Please speak to Yo or Clare for more information.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Next Messy Church: **Friday 27th Feb**

MESSY CHURCH REVIEW

The team who organise Messy Church will be meeting on Monday to review the past year and to make plans for the future - they would value the views and comments of all those who have been or might come to Messy Church. Please feel free to do this verbally by speaking to one of the team - Miriam, Margaret, Georgia, Chris and Karen - or by filling in a review question sheet available from them, at the back of church and on St Mary's Messy Church Facebook page.

FAMILIES AND YOUTH WORKER REPORT

This is now available in paper form at the back of Church with a copy on the Notice Board and available on the church website. (From the main St Mary's homepage, look for 'news' towards the bottom of the page).

Please do read of all the encouraging things that are happening and keep them in your prayers. Please also remember that we are responsible for contributing to this post financially - Margaret will be pleased to talk with you about this if you are able to make an offering towards this area of work.

HALF-TERM ACTIVITY SESSIONS

Tuesday and Wednesday Feb 17th & 18th Feb 11-2pm we will be running Family Activity Sessions in St Mary's with crafts, games, bouncy castle etc. If anyone would like to volunteer to help with these sessions please speak to Karen or Georgia - Timecredits for those who do !

POVERTY SUNDAY

Church Action on Poverty have designated **15th February** this year as Poverty Sunday. There will be a service at Victoria Hall Methodist Church, Norfolk St, at 6.30pm.

The preacher will be the Reverend Dr Alan Billings - who will be having a busy day as he will be our preacher at St Mary's that morning as another one of our occasional series hearing from people in public life - Alan is also the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner. www.church-poverty.org.uk

SHEFFIELD GREEN COMMISSION

Thursday 12th February 2015

Hearing 2: Communication, engagement and behaviour change

...find out more...talk to someone...send some news...

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Vestry Hall, Burngreave, 6-7.30pm
followed by Sheffield Climate Alliance
Workshop 7.30-8.30pm

For more information please look for Green Commission at sheffield.gov.uk

MISSION ACTION PLAN

As part of the diocese's strategy for growth, St Mary's is going to produce a Mission Action Plan. The PCC has got a short questionnaire to complete and at decided last week to open this up to the whole congregation.

Its really quick to do, you can either get a form from Karen or complete the questionnaire online at

<http://goo.gl/6ZctgM>

(or ask Steve T-L to send a link). Please don't do both!



PART-TIME FINANCE OFFICER

All Saints Ecclesall have a vacancy for a part-time finance officer, 20 hours a week, closing date Monday 16th February. More info: <http://bit.ly/1yREK1C> or phone 0114 268 7574.

NEXT SUNDAY 8TH FEBRUARY

9.30 BCP communion.

10.30 All Age Service with Thanksgiving for Hannah Thompson.

Those with jobs to do: Karen and Georgia (lead and preach); Light Factory (readings and prayers); Della (drinks); Kate and Odette (stewards); Miriam and Christine (Communion Assistants); David F, Yo and Nathaniel.