



# St Mary's Church Newsletter

8th May 2016

Lazy Sunday

## WELCOME TO ST MARY'S

- 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.
- 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.

**Today is Lazy Sunday - our annual fundraising day for Christian Aid - please stay and enjoy breakfast lunch and cream tea, play some games and enjoy being together.**

## 9.30 HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)

In the Chapel.

## 10.30 ALL AGE WORSHIP

Stewards..... Kate & Odette  
Music..... Rachel, Yo, Steve,  
..... Reuben, Nathaniel

## COLLECT FOR EASTER 7

*Risen, ascended Lord,  
as we rejoice at your triumph,  
fill your Church on earth with power and  
compassion,  
that all who are estranged by sin  
may find forgiveness and know your peace,*

*to the glory of God the Father.*

## 5-7PM MADE OF MORE

No "Made of More" youth group this week - the course restarts on Sunday 22nd May..

## THIS WEEK AT ST MARYS

### Monday - Thursday

**11.30am - 2pm** Cafe open as usual. Lovingly made and tasty food at low prices.

### Wednesday

**9.30 - 11.30am** Toddler Group, church centre.

**3.30 for 4pm start.** Family Choir. Food Glorious Food Singing in the City project. Bring friends, nice easy songs! See Yo for info.

## 10 DAYS OF PRAYER

This week we continue in our 10 days of Prayer - there are three opportunities to join with others to do this:

Monday 12.30 Mediation in the chapel - an opportunity for silent prayer reflecting on Scripture, the Lords Prayer and our communities. Led by Karen Cribb

Tuesday 8pm Meeting at St Mary's in advance of "prayer walking" parts of the parish - an opportunity to walk, look, listen and pray. Led by Chris Rees

Wednesday 8pm Meeting at St Mary's to pray together. Led by the Wednesday evening fellowship group.

Leaflets for the ten Days of prayer are available at the back of church and many more resources can be explored online. More information overleaf

## ADVANCE NOTICES

### PCC

**Monday 16th May** from 7.30 in the Parish Room



Messy Church

**Friday 20th May**

Messy Church Team Review

**Thursday 26th May**

## FOOD BANK

St Mary's is now a collection point for Gleadless Valley Food Bank. Please consider bringing any of these to St Mary's whenever you can: Milk (uht), 500g sugar, carton fruit juice, pasta sauce, tins (tomatos, puddings, fruit, meat, fish, soup), cereals, tea bags, instant coffee, instant mash, rice, pasta, jam, biscuits. Thank you.

## TIMEBUILDERS

Free open day on **Tuesday 10th May**

**2-4pm** at St Marys. Drop in and try activities on offer: Art, craft, choir, knitting, walking, beauty, gardening, sewing, board games, philosophy, Spanish, photography and many more.

## 10 DAYS OF PRAYER:

Thy Kingdom Come

Ascension to Pentecost: 5 - 15 May

Each year for the past six years Bishop Steven has led and encouraged the Diocese to pray individually and together in the 10 days between Ascension and Pentecost. This year this time coincides with the Archbishop of Canterbury writing to every Parish inviting them also to join together in a time of prayer for the evangelisation of our nation.

The focus for our prayers as a Diocese during this time is: for all Christians to deepen their relationship with Jesus, so that we may have confidence to share our faith; and that all may respond to the call of Jesus Christ to follow

Him. "Jesus Christ calls every person to follow him. As Christians it's our duty and joy to share that invitation."

On Sunday 15 May at 4pm there will be a service in Rotherham Minster led by Bishop Steven to celebrate Spirituality and Evangelism in the Diocese to which all are invited. This will mark the end of the 10 Days of Prayer.

Sheffield Cathedral will set aside 25 minutes each weekday for prayer and meditation for the duration of the 10 Days of Prayer in The Chapel of the Holy Spirit.

During this time you can share your prayers on Twitter using the hashtag #10Days16. For information, resources and prayer ideas visit [www.sheffield.anglican.org/10days16](http://www.sheffield.anglican.org/10days16)

## WALK FOR REFUGEES

On Sunday 5th June people from Sheffield, along with University of

Sheffield staff, students and alumni, will go on a five-mile walk from the edge of the city to the University to show their support for refugees – both here in Sheffield and further afield. Kevin and Barbara have signed up.

## NEXT SUNDAY - 15TH MAY

### 10.30 Pentecost Eucharist

People with jobs to do: Karen (lead, celebrate); Jeremy (preach); Kate K (read); David F (prayers); Christine R & Ann B (steward); Steve, David, Rachel (music)



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