



St Mary's Church Newsletter

18th September 2016

17th Sunday in Trinity

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.

10.30 HOLY COMMUNION AND CELEBRATION OF LAY MINISTRIES

We particularly welcome Revd Mark Cockayne to preach at our service today. Mark leads the Parish Support Team in the Diocese supporting and encouraging parishes in their mission and ministry. Yesterday Miriam was licensed as our Lay Pioneer - we will hear more about that and celebrate Maureen's 25 years as a Reader in the Church of England as well as giving thanks for our other licenced lay ministers, Yo (Worship Leader), Giles (Reader), Della (Pastoral Worker).

Lead..... Revd Mark Cockayne,
..... Revd Karen Cribb
Stewards..... Kate K & Odette
Readings..... Elaine C
Prayers..... David F.
Drinks..... Barbara, Kevin
Music..... Jon, Kevin, Yo

Communion Assistants....Elaine C, George & Michael

TONIGHT

6.30pm Worship Group rehearsal - please speak to Kevin if you are a musician or singer and would like to be involved.

THIS WEEK AT ST MARYS

Monday

12.30 - 1.30pm Guided Meditation hour in the Chapel, with breaks at 12.50 and 1.10 for people to come and go. Please speak to Maureen for more details.

PCC meet on Monday from 7.30 in the Parish Room

Wednesday

9.30 - 11.30am Toddler Group, see Miriam for **3.30 for 4-5pm**. Family Choir, see notice below.

8pm Renovare Lifestreams group, see notice overleaf or speak to Maureen or Michelle for details of this particular group.

PRAYER FOCUS THIS WEEK

For all those who serve as licenced lay ministers in our parish - Maureen; Giles; Della; Yo; Miriam, for all those who serve on PCC, and for those on the Centre Board of Trustees - Andy, Peter, Steve and Chris. For each of us as we are ministers in our homes, families, communities and places of work.

DIARY DATES

Harvest Thanksgiving - **Sunday 2nd October**

Our gifts will go to the Chocolate Box project. Their requests include : knickers, socks, gloves, umbrellas; biscuit and chocolate treats; ready meal meat in tins eg chilli

Little Lights **Friday 7th October** - a special time for children under 5 and their parents and carers.

Gift Day Sunday 16th October with
Congregation meal after
the service.

Diocesan Development
Day Saturday 1st Oct.

St Marys Centre annual
open meeting 14th
November

FAMILY CHOIR

Hello Singers! You are invited to come to St Mary's Family Choir this week on **Wednesday** 3.30pm for 4-5pm singing. Free! We will be learning "Swinging Samson"... 6 jazzy songs that tell the story of Samson and Delilah. Look forward to seeing you, Yo.

GROWING IN FAITH

A number of small groups are planning to meet from September to follow the Lifestreams material which have been introduced through our sermons recently. If you would like to be part of a small group of about 3 - 5 people please speak to Maureen or Chris Rees who are co-ordinating this initiative to encourage us to grow in our faith together.

DEEP AND WIDE

"Deep and Wide" - the Diocesan Development Day on **Saturday 1st Oct** in Sheffield will look at how we can develop a mixed or blended economy in which both traditional and fresh expressions of church can thrive and offer ways to reach out creatively to the full breadth of our society. The workshops will include opportunities to look at this with different age

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groups, and in relation to different church

traditions. It is always a thought provoking and encouraging day with good worship and teaching - see Karen if you would like to go for all or part of the day.

GLEADLESS FOODBANK

The food we donate goes to this foodbank.

We are looking for a volunteer to co-ordinate the collection process and to arrange its transfer to the foodbank. It will involve putting out the box for collecting food each week, and putting it back in the vestry soon after the service. When the box is full it will mean contacting the foodbank to arrange for a foodbank volunteer to come and collect the contents. If you can help please see George or Margaret.

All contributions are still very welcome. We ask for tinned food, packeted items like tea,

coffee, biscuits. cereal etc or fruit juices/squashes. Please help us to make a difference to those struggling to feed their families.

NEXT SUNDAY 25TH SEPT

10.30 Holy Communion

People with jobs to do: Chris R (Lead, Celebrate); Giles (preach); Virgilia (readings); Sam D (prayers); Barbar, Margaret, Christine (communion assistants); Kevin, Yo, Jess (music)

A Journey round the Lord's Prayer

Art Exhibition & Prayer Trail

*Explore the Lord's Prayer with us and
renew your relationship with it*



Highfield Trinity Church, London Road
Friday October 7th - Saturday 8th 10 am
- 7 pm

If you have any art work that relates to the prayer and would like to include it in the exhibition contact Peter Egginton
egginton298@btinternet.com

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