



St Mary's Church Newsletter

23rd October 2016

Last Sunday after 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.

We welcome Revd. Eileen Turner, one of the priests based at St Augustine's Church, to celebrate Holy Communion this morning. Giles Morrison will lead and preach today.

10.30 HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant.....Revd Eileen Turner
Preacher.....Giles Morrison
Reader.....Martin L
Prayers.....Barbara T.
Drinks.....Maureen, Michelle, Jannick,
.....Bilomda
Stewards.....John, Margaret
Communion Assistants.....
.....Michael, Elaine C, Margaret
Music.....Kevin, Yo, Jess

COLLECT

*Merciful God,
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,
that trusting in your word
and obeying your will*

we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord

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.

Tuesday

7.30am Early Morning Prayers in the Chapel

Wednesday

9.30 - 11.30am Toddler Group, see Miriam for details.

3.30 for 4-5pm. Family Choir

8pm Renovare Lifestreams

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

PRAYER FOCUS THIS WEEK

In this week of half-term lets give thanks for the benefit of a free national education system and pray for all those who work within it. Together we give thanks and pray for the two Universities of our city, for all students, both undergraduates and those engaged in further studies, and for all those employed in different capacities in those institutions, remembering especially those from within our own congregation.

GRANDPARENTS FESTIVAL

Has unfortunately been cancelled

Family Activity Day Admission: £1 per child
Friday Oct 28th
11-2pm
at St Mary's on Bramall Lane

Games and activities to enjoy. Bouncy castle, arts & crafts and much more.
Open to families with children aged 0-11 years. Children must be accompanied by an adult

For further information contact Aroose 07771630024
TimeBuilders.org.uk

NEW LIFESTREAM GROUPS

... will begin in a couple of weeks :

Tuesday 1st November 7.45 at the home of George and Chris Rees - a starter meeting which will continue to meet weekly on a Tuesday evening.

Wednesday 2nd November 12.30 at St Mary's - a daytime group which will continue to meet on a Wednesday lunchtime.

There will also be another group which will meet less frequently and more flexibly - date and time yet to be confirmed.

Please speak to Chris Rees, Karen or Maureen to know more about these groups and the course material. Course books are also available from Chris.

MISSION PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT WORKER

Together with the other parishes in our mission partnership - St Augustines, SAPL; St Oswalds w. St Peters - and with funding from the Diocese, we are looking to appoint a development worker to work across the churches doing both administrative and mission-focussed work. All the details can be found at <http://www.sheffield.anglican.org/mission-partnership-development-workers>

STORYTELLING FOR CHRISTMAS

More collective storytelling coming up, this time for Christmas. We are telling the story of not one but two baby boys, all straight from the gospel of Luke. At Easter we had 12 members of our congregation involved in learning by heart, and then the telling together of the story, and we warmly welcome new people to get involved. It's not acting, and apart from an optional early get together, and one rehearsal, there's no other meetings. You can choose to have a shorter or longer piece

(and overall it will be shorter than the Easter one). Chat to anyone who was involved last time if you would like to find out more!

The storytelling event will take place on **Sunday 4th December** in the afternoon. Please contact me if you want to take part by October 31st, I'll distribute passages early November. Thanks Clare mob: 0775 4730507. email: crishbeth@googlemail.com

UNDERSTANDING ISLAM

Understanding Islam: the first steps – St Cuthbert's, Firvale

5 Nov at St Cuthbert's Church Firvale (S5 6WL) 10am-3.30pm. A day to begin to explore what Muslims believe led by Dr Chris Hewer. The day covers Islam before the time of Muhammad, Standing Before God, Building a Just Society and a chance to ask your own questions. No charge but donations welcome on the day. Bring a packed lunch. Anyone with an interest welcome to attend. Contact

susan.vinall@sheffield.anglican.org

CENTRE OPEN MEETING

Open Meeting with St Mary's Centre Director and Board of Trustees - Monday 14th November 7.30pm an opportunity to come and hear about the ongoing work of the Centre, to ask questions and to show our continuing support. Please speak to any of the Trustees about this - Andy Cribb; Peter Rowe; Steve Tozer-Loft; Chris Rees.

NEXT SUNDAY ALL SAINTS DAY

10.30 Holy Communion

People with jobs to do: Karen (lead, celebrate); Chris (preach); Ro B. (reader); Virgilia (prayers); Margaret, John (drinks); Andy, Michael (stewards); Christine, Barbara, Sally (communion assistants); Kevin, Jon, David (music)

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