



St Mary's Church Newsletter

7th May 2017

Fourth Sunday After Easter

- 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

Celebrate..... Revd Claire Dawson
Preach..... Giles Morrison
Readings..... Michael E
..... Acts 2: 42-end
..... 1 Peter 2: 19-end
..... John 10: 1-10
Intercessions..... Steve T-L
Stewards..... Maureen and Michelle
Music..... Jon, Steve, David
Drinks..... Barbara and Claire
Communion Assts.... Sally, Christine R, Andy

COLLECT

*Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one
flock,
to the glory of God the Father.*

THIS WEEK AT ST MARYS

Wednesday

9.30 - 11.30am Toddler Group.

12.30pm God at the Table

3.30pm for 4pm start Family Choir

8pm **Life and Faith Group**

PRAYER FOCUS

Giving thanks for recent opportunities to connect with others and enjoy Gods good creation - for the Youth trip into Derbyshire last Sunday, for the Toddler Group trip to Cannon Hall Farm last Wednesday and for our churchyard and greenspace here as a place of community and encounter.



LAZY SUNDAY

Our annual fundraising day for Christian Aid will be on Sunday 21st May - come to church...come for breakfast and lunch.....have your car washed ...buy a cake... and help raise money for some of the worlds poorest communities. Volunteers needed to bake cakes, and to help prepare and serve lunch, and wash cars - please let Karen know if you are able to help in any way - there will also be a sign up sheet at the back of church.

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Saima on the safe arrival of baby Maryam, born early morning last Sunday.

Also Katie and Rob Taylor on the safe arrival of baby Emma, new sister to Max and Alice.

Also Congratulations to Belonda and Frederick who will be getting married at St Mary's on

Sunday 4th June at 12.30 - everyone is invited to stay after our morning worship for their wedding service and there will be refreshments afterwards.

DIARY DATES

Christian Aid Week - 14 - 21st May

Next Messy Church Friday 19th May

Ascension Day Service - this will be held at St Augustine's on the evening of Thursday 25th May. This will mark the launch of 10 days of prayer for both our parishes.

Next Family Activity Day - Friday 2nd June

PCC - Monday 5th June

10 DAYS OF PRAYER

10 days of prayer in the Diocese and Your kingdom come prayer initiative nationally 25th May - 4th June - including our own Mission Partnership walk on Saturday 3rd June and an afternoon of activities at Sheffield Cathedral on Sunday 4th June.

MISSION-SHAPED TRAINING

Recommended Training Day - Saturday 1st July - Mission Shaped Introduction Course in a day - at St Chads Woodseats- exploring what church could look like to be relevant in 21st century an opportunity to study and reflect with others drawing on current best practice. More information to be found at <https://www.stpeterscollege.org.uk/courses/mission-shaped-intro>

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY 14TH MAY

9.30 BCP Communion in the chapel.

10.30am All Age Service. People with jobs to do: Karen (preaching); Margaret, John, Jannick and Michou (drinks); Kate and Odette (stewards); Steve, Reuben, Nate, Rachel, Jem (music)

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