

ST MARK'S BROOMHILL

WEEKLY NEWS

SUNDAY 22 April 2012 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00 am	Parish Eucharist (<i>Preacher: Captain Ian Maher</i>) with young people's groups & crèche
11.30 am	Open discussion with the preacher (Chapel)
11.30 am	Open PCC meeting for the Accounts (Upper Room)
2.30 pm	Baptism of Isla Button
8.00 pm	Night Service – Theme: Inclusion

Flowers in memory of Eileen Stirling

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday	9.00am	Holy Communion
	7.30 pm	SRG Meeting
Tuesday	8.00 am	Silent Prayer
Wednesday	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	12.00 noon	Lunch & Friendship Club
	7.00 pm	Bring & Share meal
	8.00 pm	Annual Parochial Church Meetings
Thursday	10.30 am	Holy Communion
	11.00 am	Discussion Group
	6.30 pm	MADCats
	6.45 pm	CRC Conference meeting
Friday	8.00 am	Holy Communion
Mon – Fri	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer
Saturday	10.00 am	Godly Play meeting

SUNDAY 29 April 2012 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00 am	Parish Eucharist (<i>Preacher: George Pitt</i>) with young people's groups & crèche
11.30 am	Open discussion with the preacher
8.00 pm	Night Service - Wholeness

NOTICES

WELCOME especially if you are new to St Mark's or visiting. May you find here what you are seeking.

COMMENTS BOX for feedback on the services and other aspects of church life can be found at the back of church.

ELECTRONIC VERSION of Sunday's liturgy can be emailed to you in advance. Please contact Anne in the office.

MARTIN LIGHTOWLER, our locum Director of Music, began last week. We welcome him and offer our good wishes.

FACES OF INCLUSION Recently, our PCC reaffirmed its commitment to St Mark's being an inclusive church. But what does this mean? A sermon series starting this week will help us reflect and engage. Please collect a flyer.

CHURCH ELECTIONS for Churchwardens, Parochial Church Councillors and a Deanery Synod Rep. will take place at the Annual Parochial Meetings. Nomination forms for the former and a nominations register for the latter can be found on the notice board in the entrance lobby. Who would you like to serve as a Churchwarden or represent you on the PCC? Are you willing to serve?

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL MEETINGS will be held on Wednesday 25 April. There will be a shared supper at 7.00 pm, followed by the meeting at 8.00 pm. We will be reviewing the past year and looking forward to the next as well as electing two Churchwardens and up to 18 members of the Parochial Church Council. These are open meetings. Please **sign up** at the back if you are able to contribute some food.

ANNUAL REPORT, reviewing all aspects of church life through 2011, is now available, together with papers for this year's Annual Parochial Meetings.

CONGREGATIONAL LIST is to be updated shortly. If you are new to St Mark's or have changed any of your contact details, please fill in a form at the back of church. If you are unsure whether you are currently on the List, please consult the schedule of names at the back.

SOUP RUN This is a service that is greatly appreciated by those who turn up, and some of our stocks are getting low. If anyone was able to pop a few tins of baked beans (ideally ones with sausages in them), or soup - tomato, chicken, oxtail or vegetable - in their trolley when they go shopping, all donations would be gratefully received. Many thanks. Gary.

SUNDAY LUNCH Due to falling levels of attendance, it has been decided to hold Sunday lunches only about once a month at least until the new academic year in the autumn. It is hoped to have the next lunch on Sunday 6th May. Please email Alan_yearsley@hotmail.com or call or text 07958 079048 if you may be able to help with cooking or hosting.

THANK YOU to everyone who supported the work of USPG by providing or enjoying the Lent lunches. £172 will go to them as a result of your generosity.

ST MARK'S WEEKEND Only **23 weeks** to go! Are you among the **70** who have already booked? If not, please complete an application asap so we know how many rooms to reserve. Don't forget, there are some great discounts (under 5s – free; 5-18 year olds - £50; students - £50; non-residents - £70) as well as reductions available for all ages if that would enable you to come. See the stall in church.

SHAN will be ordained Priest by Bishop Steven in St Marks, Sunday 20 May, 5.00pm. **ANNE PADGET** will also be licensed by Bishop Steven as a Lay Reader at this service. Please make every effort to be there and give your support to both. Thank you.

CRC SPRING CONFERENCE will be with Tariq Ramadan, Professor of Contemporary Islamic Studies at Oxford University. It promises to be a stimulating and enjoyable day. Details at back of church.

CHRISTIAN AID

CHRISTIAN AID MAY DAY WALK 7th May, starting Bolsterstone, 5, 10 or 15 mile sponsored walk. Sign up online at <http://www.sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk/> or contact me (Charlotte Humble) at charlotte.heron@yahoo.co.uk for more information.

OTHER DATES: 12 May - Busk Aid event in Sheffield city centre, musicians and collectors needed!; 13-19 May - Christian Aid Week - parish street collection; 7 July - Sheffield Night Hike, Lodge Moor to Hathersage. There are letters for those who kindly took part in last year's parish house to house collection during Christian Aid week in the church pigeon holes - we raised over £2,000. New collectors are always welcome. If you want to find out more about any of the above events, please contact Helen (2584241) or Alison (2214578).

INTER-FAITH PILGRIMAGE of Prayer for Peace, TODAY, starting 2.30 pm at Al-Rakman Mosque, Ellesmere Road. Further details, www.isb-sheff.org.uk.

EAT, MEET & GREET. An informal inter-faith evening THIS THURSDAY at 7.00 pm, Shirley House, 31 Psalter Lane, featuring a 'Bring & Share' meal. Further info: office@sapl.ecclesallmethodist.org or 0114 267 8289.

VAT ON CHURCH REPAIRS The abolition of the VAT exemption on listed buildings, announced in the budget, will have a serious impact on churches. please sign the E- petition:

petitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/32229. It will be even better if you could write a letter to your local MP with a copy to George Osborne. There is a copy of the excellent draft letter at the back of church. You can download a copy of the letter from the St Mark's website. The letter has a place for examples. In Sheffield St Peter's Greenhill may well be thwarted in their plans to install a more efficient boiler which would make a useful contribution to reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

TROUBLEMAKERS' WALK: This walk will be held at 3.00 pm Sunday 6 May and Sunday 13 May starting at Paradise Square. The charge is £5. If you are interested but did not bid for it at the auction, please contact David Price

davidprice2@googlemail.com. There is also a list at the back of church for the **Ecclesfield Church Tour.**

A NEW 'HOMELESS' HOSTEL Kevin Bradley of St Wilfrid's Centre in Queen's Road has launched an appeal for a new 50 bed hostel for the homeless. To support this BBC Radio Sheffield's Andy Kershaw is arranging a sponsored cycle ride across Scotland in May. Please donate by going to www.justgiving.com/andykershaw01

GET INVOLVED A free workshop on how to engage with Parliament's work for the benefit of your community. FRIDAY 10.00 am to 1.00 pm, The Circle, 33 Rockingham Lane. For further information, please contact 020 7219 1650 or parliamentaryoutreach@parliament.uk

GLASS COMPUTER DESK, suitable for teenagers or students, or as good computer/keyboard desk. Nearly new. 61x14x90cm. Contact Pat Hunt - 2851473. Suggested donation to ASSIST.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

*For the international charities we support,
including World Development Movement (National)*

*For the UK charities we support,
including Family Action*

*For members of the House of Bishops as they finalise legislation
relating to the ordination of women as Bishops*

*For Kevin Bradley and all involved in planning and fundraising for
a new 'homeless' hostel at the St Wilfred's Centre*

For those serving on Sheffield City Council Fairness Commission

For former ministers and members of St Mark's

For the people of Syria and for those who determine their future

*For those facing persecution for their beliefs,
including Christians in Egypt, Kenya, Nigeria, Pakistan and Turkey*

*For residents of this parish who struggle with poverty,
loneliness, depression or addiction*

*For those we continue to remember in our prayers,
including Mary Sharrock*

*For those who are unwell or recovering from illness or accident, including:
Marjorie Atkinson, Vicki Ofori-Dei, Ian Smith, Sophie, Ian Yearsley*

*For those who have died recently in this community and beyond,
including Brian Mills, Lily Rowe*

In remembrance of those whom we love, but see no longer, including Richard Wingfield.

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