



# St Mary's Church Newsletter

20th March 2016

Palm 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.

We will be walking and praying round a small corner of our Parish this morning before returning to St Marys to celebrate an All Age Communion for Palm Sunday together. There will be the opportunity for quiet prayer and reflection at St Mary's for those who would prefer not to walk.



## 10.30 ALL AGE EUCHARIST

Lead, Preach, Celebrate.... Revd Karen Cribb  
 Readings..... Ro B  
 Prayers..... David F  
 Stewards..... Christine R & Ann  
 Communion Assistants.... Barbara & Giles  
 Music..... Kevin, Reuben, Nate, Yo

## HOLY WEEK AT ST MARYS

### Monday - Thursday

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

### Monday

**12.30 - 1.30pm.** Guided meditation in the chapel. Please see Kate for more information.

### Wednesday

No toddler group

### Maundy Thursday 24th March

4.30pm Film show - The Miracle Maker

6pm Shared meal

8pm Story: The Week Jesus Died (see below).

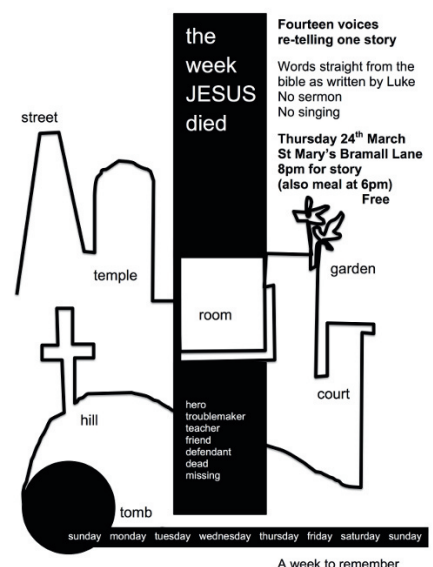
### Good Friday 25th March

Walk of witness with Sharrow churches leaving from Highfield Trinity at **10.30am**

Good Friday Meditation **12 noon - 3pm** in church with Sharrow Churches.

## THE WEEK JESUS DIED

Fourteen voices, re-telling one story. Words straight from the bible, as written by Luke. No sermons, no singing. By church members, at St Mary's, on **Maundy Thursday (24th March)**. Meal 6pm onwards, Story 8pm. Free. See Clare Rishbeth for more info.



## 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 (tomatoes, puddings, fruit, meat, fish, soup), cereals, tea bags, instant coffee, instant mash, rice, pasta, jam, biscuits. Thankyou.

## VACANCY UPDATE

We have moved into a time of prayer, reflection and listening as we put together a Parish profile and other information which will guide those responsible for appointing a new Incumbent for St Mary's. It is important that we listen to each other at this time as we reflect on our church life together and where under God we will develop. So we have three key starting points (1) what do we value most about St Mary's? (2) how might we grow and develop in the coming years? (3) what are the attributes and skills we want our new Incumbent to bring? We will make opportunities to talk about this together but please do make time to think and pray about your response. Please speak to Margaret or George for more information.

Feel free to send your thoughts to these questions to [church@stmarys-church.co.uk](mailto:church@stmarys-church.co.uk), especially if you haven't had an opportunity to feed all your thoughts in.

Steve's working on an interactive parish map - have a play at and tell him what he's missed off.

<http://www.stmarys-church.co.uk/church/parish/>



## NEW WINE

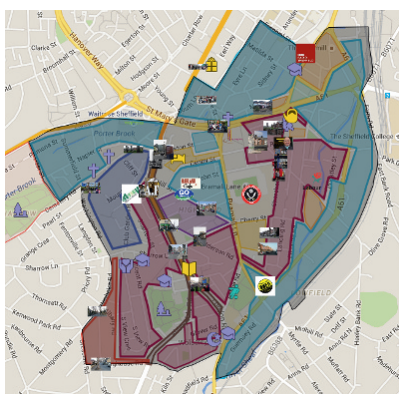
New Wine Inspire - New Wine is putting on a weekend in Thirsk from 19 to 23 August 2016. This is a much smaller event than the National Gatherings, and is planned for about 1000 people. It involves camping and self catering and will be a weekend of worship and teaching. If you might be interested in going and you are not sure what to expect speak with Tom and Jo Mather or have a look on the website at [www.inspirenewwine.com/](http://www.inspirenewwine.com/). Cost is £85 for adults and £45 for children/youth up to 30 April and then £10

extra after that. There will be groups and various organised activities for children and youth. The Mather family are going and would love to have others from St Mary's there also.

<http://www.inspirenewwine.com/>

## GREENBELT

Save £20 on an adult ticket with earlybird prices (by 31st March). See Andy Cribb for info. <http://www.greenbelt.org.uk>



## NEXT SUNDAY - EASTER

**9am onwards:** Breakfast at St Mary's.

**10.30am** All Age Holy Communion.

People with jobs to do: Karen (lead, preach), Michelle W (read), Della (intercessions); Barbara & Michael E (stewards); Kate & Michael (communion assistants); Jem, David, Jess (music)

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