

Prayers for Today



The Diocesan Prayer

Living God, Jesus calls his followers to seek first your Kingdom.

Renew us as we make your love known;
Release us to share freely together in mission; and

Rejuvenate us to be fruitful in your service.

Give us courage, wisdom and Compassion, that strengthened with the grace of the Holy Spirit, we may, as the Diocese of Sheffield, both flourish and grow through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Collect for Safeguarding Sunday

Free us, God of mercy,
from all that keeps us from you;
relieve the misery of the anxious and the ashamed,
and fill us with the hope of peace:
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Post Communion Collect

Living God,
deliver us from a world without justice
and a future without mercy:
in your mercy, establish justice,
and in your justice, remember the mercy
revealed to us in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Extra extra ...



The Christmas Carol Challenge



St Mary's Church, Sprotbrough

Carol Service

Wednesday 11th December at 7pm

We are challenging YOU to choose a favourite carol and focus on one particular verse and we may include it in our service!

How can you join in?

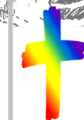
Pop in to the Church and pick up a leaflet and a Bethlehem Carol Sheet to make your choice and return the leaflet to us either filled in or provide your feedback to the email address provided on the leaflet.

Alternatively, the same leaflet and Carol Sheet will be available in the Stable building at the weekly café – Tuesday morning 9.45-11.30am.

Secretary to the Church Council & Parish Admin :
Miss. Rachel Towers Office hours Thurs 9am-2pm
Tel: 01302 570971 Any notices for the newsletter
please let Rachel know before midday on a Thurs.

NEWSLETTER

St Mary's Church 17th November 2024



Worshipping God—Welcoming All

Today's Service

Thought for the day:



Church should be a Safe Space


Today's Readings

Hebrews 10.11-14, 19-25
Pew Bible Page 208
(The New Testament)


Gospel
Mark 13.1-8
Pew Bible Page 46
(The New Testament)


Next week's readings will be:
Revelation 1.4b-8 & John 18.33-37


Notices


Foodbank Your contributions continue to support local families help ends meet. Thank you. 

 **Saturday 7th Dec - 9.30am**
Can you spare an hour or so to help give the Church a deep clean after the upheaval and dust over Oct/Nov as we see the new kitchen being installed. It will be nice to celebrate a clean Church with a cuppa in the new space too!

Explore Christmas - afternoons of 10th & 11th December - Volunteers are needed to help resource these two school group based events in Church. Please speak to Amanda if you can help. 


Christmas Fayre - 30th Nov can you help by providing the following:
Gift stall, Tombola items, Toys (good condition), Teddy tombola, Chocolate (items suitable for a lucky dip), Hamper items, Bottle stall (any fun items plus a few alcoholic!) and Bottle bags. Cakes, preserves on the day (name of item plus ingredients). Thank you from the Events Team. 


Postcards collected - 3kg have been sent to the Charity and gratefully received. 


 an online way to support St Mary's. If you shop online then all you have to do is register with Easyfundraising online or download the App. If you use this platform to find your business/shop of choice your purchase will be linked and a percentage donated. Links on our FB page and Website. There is no cost to you to sign up!


Flowers in Church this week are in memory of Sheila Wood. 


What's On


 **The Stable—Every Tuesday 9.45-11.30am** Coffee, cake & chat, it will be nice to see you. Monies raised for the Stable Renovation Fund.


Forget Me Not Café- First Tuesday of the month in the **Church Hall** **1.30-3.30pm** - All welcome 


 **Jigsaw Library Second Thursday** of the month. An opportunity to borrow a jigsaw and have a coffee with friends in The Stable. **NEW TIME 10.30am-1.30pm**


Craft-antics - 10am-3.00pm
The Stable Third Friday of the month, just bring a packed lunch, or drop in when you want. A craft & chat. 

 **Singing Group - Wednesday at 11.15am** in the Church - everyone welcome.

Informal meeting of our **male parishioners in the Ivanhoe at 7.30pm**  **Third Monday** of each month.

 **Mothers' Union 7.30-9.30pm** Meetings **Third Monday** of each month in The Stable. If you would like more details or to join, please speak to Helen.

The Ecumenical Bible Study Group - Fortnightly study of 2.00-3.30pm -  **Copley House, Park Drive** -speak to Betty for more details.

 *The Church bins have been moved away from the front of the building. They are now position at the end of the path near cottage (this is a trial to see how well it works).*