

St Mary's Church Arnold



Welcome to St Mary's. Please join us for coffee after 9.15am in the Family Centre or 11am at the back of church. If you are new, please make yourself known to one of the service leaders or wardens.

A collection is taken during the services. Please give generously to the work of St Mary's in the parish of Arnold.

February 11th Sunday Next Before Lent

Morning Readings: 2Kings 2:1-12, 2Cor 4:3-6, Mark 9:2-9.		
8.00am	BCP Morning Prayer	Preacher: Anne Elphick
9.15am	Morning Service <i>Hymns: 36, 516, 79, 205.</i>	Preacher: Alan Langton
11.00am	All Age Gathering	Preacher: Rev Margaret Caunt
6.00pm	Evening Communion <i>Readings: Genesis 9:8-17</i> <i>1Cor ch13</i> <i>Luke 18: 31-43</i> <i>Hymns: 30, 93, 63, 373, 192.</i>	Preacher: <i>Canon Sylvia Griffiths</i>

Ash Wednesday

This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday which marks the beginning of Lent. There will be a service of Holy Communion, including the Ashing, at 7.00 in church. I hope that many of you will be able to come to begin this penitential season in the way that many people throughout the world will also be doing. The preacher will be Canon Sylvia Griffiths.'

NEXT Sunday

February 18th First Lent 1

Morning Readings: Genesis 9:8-17, 1Peter 3: 18-end, Mark 1:9-15		
9.15am	Morning Communion	Preacher: Annie Hill
11.00am	Morning Gathering	Preacher: Annie Hill
6.00pm	Sacred Space	Leader: Canon Sylvia Griffiths



Growing Disciples Prayer

Lord, take us from where we are, to where you want us to be; make us not merely guardians of a heritage, but living signs of your coming Kingdom. Fill us with that faith, hope and love which embody the Gospel; and through the power of the Holy Spirit make us one. That the world may believe, that your name may be enthroned in our nation, that your church may more effectively, be your witnesses. We commit ourselves to mission, love and service, in your name and for the sake of your Kingdom. Amen.

St Mary's Lent Course

Lent is traditionally a time of discipline and study, so as a church we are going to look at the subject of Discipleship and Giving. Copies of a short four session course are at the back for people to pick up. This resource can be used individually at home or in any number of home- groups. It can be used alongside Bishop Paul's 'Refresh' course.

Refresh in Lent 2018 with Bishop Paul

During Lent, Bishop Paul will be leading a series of *Refresh* meetings.

The nearest venue for us is St Mark's Woodthorpe.

Thurs 1st 8th March 7.30-9.30pm.

It is a mini series so we are encouraged to attend both sessions.

There is a poster at the back of church with more information

Why not join us for midweek communion?

These are on 1st Wed of each month at 10am. This is followed by a 'cuppa'. Our next service will be March 7th with Rev John Parfitt.

Why not join a homegroup this year?

For details of groups and Saints Alive course see Vicar Margaret

ST MARY'S PRAYER PAGE



AROUND THE PARISH

In our prayers this week we pray for those who live and work in Edison Way, Elder Close, Ellesmere Close, Ellington Road and Elm Grove.

Long Term Care

Please pray for: May Terry, John Shooter, Heather Christian, Susan Bloomfield and Mary Whitehurst

Recent Illness

Pray for those recently ill and in recovery: Margaret Richardson Kathleen Millward, Eddie Smith and Julie Ellis, Margaret Lockyer.

Those who have recently died

and the family and friends of those who have died: Eileen Norman, John Banks, Harry Thompson, Michael Truman, Edwina Farr (Pat), Maryse Newton, Sidney College, Audrey Rose Marriott and Eileen Norman.

Other Prayer Items:

- **Prayer for Colleen Barnes and her family as they start a new phase of the life and faith.** *At the back of the church there is a collection box at the back of church for donations towards a leaving gift.*
- **Please continue to pray for HOPE 2018.** This is a nationwide initiative to reach out to our community with the Good News of Jesus. Please see the St Mary's website for the Friday Focus topic for this week or poster on the board.
- Please continue to pray for St Mary's Finances which are causing some concern. There is a **gift day planned for Sunday April 29th** here at St Mary's. Please be praying about how much you may be able to offer in thanksgiving.

General Information and Notices

The clergy surgery on 3rd Wed of the month 6pm-8pm. Surgery is to book weddings, baptisms and for anyone who needs a word with the vicar. Longer appointments can still be made with the vicar in the usual way.

There is a 'thank you' letter from the Leprosy Mission on the porch notice board, acknowledging St. Mary's contribution of £1100 last year. Much appreciation for all the efforts made.

Mothers' Union Thank you to all those who supported the New Year lunch. £182 was raised for church.

The funeral of Rev John Banks is at St. Peter's Church, Ravenshead Church at 1.30pm on Tuesday February 13th.

Ian and Alan would like to thank everybody who sang with the augmented choir for the Candlemas service and helped make it such a meaningful service. We must get together again sometime!

The next **Man Alive** breakfast is on Saturday April 28th 8.15 – 10.30 am (including breakfast) at Betel Community Church Rawson Street NG7

Faith in our Fathers - Using Fathers' Day to reach out to and encourage dads, stepdads, grandads. email bishopsherwoodpa@southwell.anglican.org if you'd like to go. Bishop Tony.

Get in Touch

Parish Administrator Janice Yelland-Sutcliffe
Tuesday 9 – 1pm 01159209848 (Office) or leave a message
Or email: admin@stmarysarnold.org.uk

Job Shop, Volunteering, Training

WANTED BELLRINGERS! If you fancy having a go at ringing the bells, we need more ringers. Contact Ian or Sue Baxter, or turn up at 7:45pm on a Thursday night and have a go. No experience needed!

HELP PLEASE VOLUNTEERS are needed for the various children's groups. If you have experience and would like to join an enthusiastic team who have vision to see this area of ministry grow and develop please contact Andrea Sands.

Please remember that any items for the pew sheet need to be sent or given to Lucille Porter by Tuesday. 07833781770 or lucilleporter@yahoo.co.uk

For details of WHAT'S ON WEEK beginning 12th February

Or why not subscribe to our Compass Magazine

Monday	9.00am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
Tuesday	2.00pm	<i>St Mary's Tots</i>
Wednesday	9.00am 2-4pm 7.00pm	<i>Morning Prayer</i> <i>Church open</i> <i>Ash Wednesday Communion including 'ashing'</i>
Thursday	9.00am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
Friday		
Saturday	8.30am	<i>Time for Prayer in Church</i>
Sunday	6.30pm 8.00pm	<i>Rock Solid Youth Club</i> <i>R2 Youth Club</i>

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