

St Mary's Weekly Bulletin 16th February 2014

THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

A very warm welcome to everyone!

If you are a visitor or newcomer please introduce yourself to the clergy or a member of the congregation. Please join us for refreshments after the service.



An **induction loop system** is provided to assist hearing aid users. Please switch your hearing aid to the 'T' position.

Anyone wishing to receive Holy Communion at home, a visit or wishing to arrange a funeral please contact **David** directly.

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Norma Howie is the benefice administrator, and enquiries re baptisms and weddings should be made through her. The office is open Monday and Wednesday 8.30am - 4.00pm, Thursday 12.30pm - 3.00pm and Friday 12 noon - 3.00pm.

Services Today

No 8.00am Said Eucharist

10.00am Presiding Preaching Hymns Sides Duty Warden Reader Intercessions Offertory	Sung Eucharist Canon David Lawson Canon David Lawson 163, 70, 22, 757, 428 Rosemary Bladon Chris Bentley Daphne Arnott Chris Bentley Daphne Arnott and Jean Chrisp
Chalice Organist Coffee	Peter Bladon Chris Muhley Laura and Harry Graham-Brown
3.00pm	Messy Church - the theme is 'Ruth and Family.'
	No Evening Prayer

Please pray for Eileen Kemp, Madge Harrington, Vera Pocock, Riskala Dekki, Gemma Jakeman, Tony and Irene Mayes, Paul Boggis, Pam and Ivor Stringer, Richard Wyatt, Doreen and Hedley Crago, Sister Margaret ASSP, Molly Witts, Shirley Godson, Nancy Abraham.

Deanery prayers this month are asked for St Mary's, Apsley, and for the wedding preparation evening this month.

Please also pray for Alan, Bishop of St Albans; Paul, Bishop of Hertford; Richard, Bishop of Bedford; the Church of the Province of Central Africa, and the Archbishop, Albert Chama, also Bishop of Northern Zambia; the parish of St James, New Barnet, and the priest, Barry Unwin; flower arrangers at St Mary's; Aspen Park; the SOLO Lunch on Thursday; all those who continue to be affected by the very severe weather; the continuing efforts to end the conflict in Syria.

THIS WEEK

Monday 17th

9.00am Staff meeting at The Rectory
10.00am Working Party
8.00pm Bellringing practice
8.00pm Monthly home group with prayers for healing meets at 23 Bunkers Lane

Tuesday 18th

9.00am Morning Prayer
9.30am Eucharist at Florence Longman House
No Buzzy Bees

Wednesday 19th

10.00am Said Eucharist at Holy Trinity

Thursday 20th

9.00am Morning Prayer
9.30am Eucharist - followed by study group in the Refectory
12.45pm SOLO Lunch in Refectory - sign the list at the back of church if you intend to come.

Friday 21st

No Morning Prayer
10.00am Working Party

Saturday 22nd

9.00am Morning Prayer
10.00am Saturday Cafe in the Refectory
10.00am Thanksgiving for the Gift of a Child

Sunday 23rd THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

No 8.00am Said Eucharist
10.00am Sung Eucharist with Baptism
6.30pm Evening Prayer (said)

It is disappointing that there has been no response to the suggestion that another home group is formed. Our Mission Action Plan is about deepening our love and knowledge of God. So if you are interested in being part of a new home group contact David.

NOTICES

The diocese has in place a strategy for developing ordained and authorised ministry. It is now proposing a strategy for lay ministry. To that end the diocese wishes to collect information as to how lay people regard their ministry. To do this a very simple questionnaire has been constructed and can be accessed at:

www.surveymonkey.com/s/LayMinistry

Please complete this survey and ensure there is a good response from St Mary's, Apsley! Unfortunately, there is no hard copy available.

With the Bulletin today is the **2014 Prayer Diary** for St Mary's as well as the diocesan prayer card 'Living God's Love.' Also there is a flyer about the **Lent meetings**.

Quiz Evening - Nash Mills C of E School Saturday 1st March. Tickets available from Rosemary Bladon at £10 each (includes supper).

Tuesday 4th March - Shrove Tuesday - a **Pancake Evening** in the Refectory. The following evening at 8.00pm is the **Ash Wednesday eucharist** at St Mary's - a benefice wide service. It is hoped that the choirs of the churches will take part.

A very big thank you to Jean and Mike Chrisp for the hospitality they offered the church yesterday in their home.