

St. Mary's Church Kempsey

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10th JANUARY 2010

Epiphany 1

Welcome to our Church,
especially if you are a visitor or a newcomer.

*Please take this sheet home with you as a reminder or to pass on
to someone who was unable to be in Church today.*

For Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals please phone
Peter Holzapfel 820202

For all other church bookings please phone
Libby James 353935 or Alan Plowman 769214
For bookings of St. Mary's House please phone
Julia Grant 820138

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We hope you find the Weekly News Sheet helpful. Please let us know what you think or if you have any ideas or suggestions or if it would be helpful to have the Weekly News Sheet available in large print.

It is also available on our website – www.stmaryskempsey.org.uk
click on Newsletters.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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As the News Sheet will be available on our web site each week, it would be very much appreciated if you could check that people are willing for their contact details to be on the web site before forwarding any notices with phone numbers or email addresses. Thank you very much.

Libby, Alan & Edna

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If you have items for the Weekly News Sheet please email

Edna Cope: emcope@talktalk.net

put a paper copy in the BLUE tray in the vestry or

Phone Libby on 353935

By WEDNESDAY LUNCH TIME

Heavenly Father, we pray for all who are seriously effected by the snow and very cold weather. We ask that you bless all who are homeless and we pray that those in this area may find warmth and shelter in the Maggs Day Centre or St Paul's Hostel. We pray too, for all who are cold and isolated in their homes. Please help us to be aware of those in need and to give comfort and support to those who are finding this severe weather difficult. We ask that you bless us all with you love and grace at this winter time and always. AMEN

SERVICES TODAY

8.00 Holy Communion BCP
10.30 Informal Family
Communion and
Children's Church
6.00 Evensong BCP

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

8.00 Morning Prayer BCP
10.30 Family Service
and Children's Church
6.00 Holy Communion BCP

SERVICES THIS COMING WEEK

Thursday 10.30 Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel
Followed by Age Concern Coffee Morning at St. Mary's House
Friday 11.00 "Little Angels" Pram and Toddler Group starts
again this Friday in St. Mary's Church.

PRAYER MINISTRY

There will be someone available to offer prayer or a listening ear every Sunday after the morning service in St. Andrew's Chapel. Please make your way there if you would like to talk or pray in confidence.

HEALING PRAYER

If you have a concern for yourself or for someone else and would like regular prayers for God's healing and wholeness please contact:–

Gill Warfield 820074
or Sheila Cook 831829

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

A Children's Church will take place at every 10.30 Service
All children are very welcome – please come.
We should love to see you.

ALSO THIS COMING WEEK

Mon. 10.30 – 1.00 Coming Together Speaker **Ken Baker**
Mon. 8.00 United Benefice Prayer Meeting
Wed. 12.00 Women's Fellowship Lunch at The Walter de Cantelupe
Wed. 7.30 Social Committee Meeting at St Mary's House
Friday 10.30 Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy Sale at the home of Jean and Hugh Hanmer in Severn Stoke.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon. 18th, Jan. 7.30pm: PCC Meeting at St Mary's House
Wed. 20th, Jan 2.30 The Cornflower Club resumes in the Parish Hall. A warm welcome is assured and a good time promised.

IN SORROW

We commend **Geoff Long** to God's loving keeping and we pray for Christine and for all his loved ones at this time, Geoff's funeral will take place in St. Mary's Church at **11.30 on Monday 11th. January.**

We also commend **Kenneth Charles Annetts** to God's loving keeping and we pray for all his loved ones at this time, Kenneth's funeral will take place in St. Mary's Church at **1.30pm on Monday 11th. January**

There will be a A Service of Thanksgiving for **Doreen Anstey** in St. Mary's Church at **3.00 on Tuesday 12th. January.** We commend Doreen to God's loving keeping and we pray for Colin, Jane and all her loved ones at this time.

We also commend **Gwen Prince** to God's loving keeping and we pray for David, Colin, Michael and all her loved ones at this time.
Gwen's funeral will take place at St Mary's Church on **Thursday, 14th. January at 12.30pm.**

ST. MARY'S & ST. DENYS' WEBSITE

New On-line Donation Facility

A new On-line Donation Facility is now available via the Church website:
www.stmaryskempsey.org.uk

It can be found on the Donations page where the "Donate Online Now" link will take you to the Charity Giving website (who help us with the on-line donations process).

This new on-line facility is very easy to use and will let you donate as a one-off contribution or on a regular basis – monthly, quarterly or annually. A few simple clicks of the mouse and a short on-line form are all that is needed. They will even claim the tax back for the Church under Gift Aid. All you need to provide are your card details (debit or credit) and Charity Giving will debit that card to make your donation – so just like buying an item on-line.

So could you spare just £2.30 a week to help? Doesn't seem like a lot does it - one drink in a pub perhaps? This small weekly amount equates to a £10 per month donation which would make a real, much needed difference to Church funds. Any donation, no matter what the size, is helpful to your Church in continuing its work so please do consider donating. Of course you can continue to give in 'the old fashioned way' if you wish.

Thank you so much for any donation you can make.

TEXTILE RECYCLING Can you help us to fill the bin?

A textile bin is now available in the car park of **The Talbot Inn** to recycle textiles, clothes, curtains, sheets, blankets & shoes. for **Melvyn's Trust**

the charitable arm of. European Textile Recycling, a wonderful fund raising activity for the Church as well as providing for those in need in Africa and Europe.

Our first bin is now half full. Please help us to fill it. Please tell your friends and neighbours.

HELP for SCHOOLS in GAMBIA

We have received a request for reading books, text books, stationery and equipment for schools in Gambia.

If you have any suitable books or school items please could you put them in the box at the back of Church. or see Mary Read. Thank you.

GREEN TIPS

TIP 15. Use a plug in wash basins and sinks rather than washing under a running tap.