

St. Mary's Church Kempsey

www.stmaryskempsey.org.uk

17th JANUARY 2010

Epiphany 2

For Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals please phone
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For all other church bookings please phone
Libby James 353935 or Alan Plowman 769214
For bookings of St. Mary's House please phone
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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

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.*

Heavenly Father, we pray for all the people of Haiti. Please may they know that you are with them in their isolation, horror and fear. Hold each hand and heart and do not let them go. We pray that you will give them courage and the will to go on.

May your spirit move through the whole land lifting these deeply shocked and desperate people to a place of calm and safety. May the work of all involved in the Rescue Mission be blessed with your love and power that they may have the determination, energy and insight to help all those in great need. Be with all in distress this day and always. AMEN

SERVICES TODAY

8.00 Morning Prayer BCP
10.30 Family Service,
Open the Book and
Children's Church
3.00 Holy Baptism
6.00 Holy Communion BCP

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

8.00 Holy Communion BCP
10.30 Family Communion and
Children's Church
6.00 Evening Praise at
The Firs

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

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.

ALSO THIS COMING WEEK

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

IN SORROW

Many people will remember Mary Pugh who left her home in Lyf's Lane some years ago to be near her daughter, Jane. She was 102 when she died. We commend her to God's loving keeping.



We commend Jennifer Kershaw to God's loving keeping and we pray for Melvyn, Rachel, Emma and all her loved ones at this time. Jennifer's funeral will be held at St Mary's Church on Monday, January 18th at 12.45pm

BAPTISM

We thank God for the Baptism of Sophia Adele Atkins and we pray for God's Blessing on Sophia and her family in the years that lie ahead.

**SAVE the CHILDREN
East African Appeal**

Twenty million people are facing severe hunger, leaving them in desperate need of emergency food aid.
Bags of sweets are on sale at the back of Church at 40p a bag.
All proceeds will go to the East African Appeal

**HAITI EARTHQUAKE
APPEAL**

A plate is available at the back of Church for anyone wishing to support the desperately poor people of Haiti

**ST. MARY'S
SCHOOL CLUBS**

The Spring Term Clubs have started this week at Kempsey Primary School - Dance, The Swinging Singing Club and Orchestra. We very much look forward to welcoming the children who have been taking part in the clubs, to morning Sunday Services later in the term.

**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

To reduce our impact on the beauty and magnificence of God's creation follow this tip

TIP 16. Avoid choosing food with excessive packaging.