

St. Mary's Church Kempsey

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14th. FEBRUARY 2010

Sunday Before Lent

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 all things come from you and of your own do we give you. We pray that you may give us generous hearts, both materially and spiritually, so that the work of your Church may be secured for this and future generations. AMEN

SERVICES TODAY

8.00 Holy Communion BCP

**10.30 Informal Family
Communion and
Children's Church**

We welcome Mel Smith who is going to talk about the importance of "Giving To The Lord"

6.00 Evensong BCP

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

8.00 Morning Prayer BCP

10.30 Family Service
with Open the Book
and **Children's Church**

6.00 Holy Communion BCP

SERVICES THIS COMING WEEK

Wednesday 7.30 pm Ash Wednesday: United Benefice Holy Communion Service

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 will not be meeting this coming Friday as it is half term. We look forward to starting again on 26th. February. Please come – we should love to see you.

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

Wed. 2.30 Cornflower Club
in the Parish Hall

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

This Wednesday at 7.30: Service of Holy Communion with the choir. Ash Wednesday marks the start of Lent. It would be lovely to see as many people as possible as we begin this most Holy of Seasons.

LENT LUNCHES

Lent Lunches at The Firs will start this Wednesday from 12.30 to 2.00. There is a list at the back of Church for anyone willing to help or to make soup. We should be grateful if you could sign the list. If you have any queries please contact Linda Jenkins or Mary Read.
Thank you.

FAIR TRADE FORTNIGHT

Starts on Monday 22nd. Feb
On Saturday 27th. Feb. there will be a Coffee Morning and a sale of Fair Trade goods in Church from 10.30 to 12.00.
Everyone Welcome

ST. MARY'S AGM

This will be held in St. Mary's House at 7.30 on Wednesday 24th. March.

Lists are now available on the blue table at the back of Church for nominations for Church Wardens, Officers and Members of the PCC.

Please pray for these nominations and consider whether God is calling you to these offices. If you do make a nomination please could you check that the person you nominate is willing to stand before adding their name to the list.

Photo's of current officers and members of the PCC are on the blue board.

"THE BRIDGE"

On Sunday Evening, 28th. February at 7.00pm we will be showing, in Church, the film of "The Bridge".

It is a heart rending and glorious story that portrays the greatest meaning of love, sacrifice, hope and forgiveness known to man.

The film lasts for 35 minutes and will be followed by coffee and discussion.

Everyone very welcome. Please come – it should be a very interesting evening.

ELECTORAL ROLL

2010 REVISION

The Church Electoral Roll is revised every year just prior to the Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting. This provides an opportunity for additions to be made or names to be removed where appropriate.

This year's annual meeting will be on Wednesday 24th. March at 7.30 pm in St. Mary's House.

A 'Notice of Revision' is on the notice board at the back of Church.

If you are not on St. Mary's Electoral Roll and wish to be put on, please read the notice and complete a form as requested.

Blank forms are in a purple ring binder on the table under the notice board. Please put your completed form in the transparent pocket in the binder. Please ask if you have any queries.

Colin Burnsnall,
Electoral Roll Officer

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 20th. Feb. 7.30
Severn Stoke Parish Hall

Run by The Friends of St. Denys'. Light refreshments will be available. Everyone welcome. It would be lovely to see you and we should really appreciate your support. Tickets on the door.

GREEN TIPS

TIP 18. If you use a washing machine or dishwasher reduce the frequency of running it by always having a full load.

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 traditional way if you wish.

Thank you so much for any donation you can make.