

St Mary's Newsletter

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Week beginning Sunday 2nd March 2014



THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

**11.00am Family Service & Holy
Baptism**

~ Donna Jones ~

12.15pm Parish Eucharist

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please switch to the 'T' position.

WE WELCOME all who join us for our services
today, especially the family and friends of Donna.
Please feel welcome to stay for coffee or squash
after the Family Service - the time to meet and
greet.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

...those who suffer in mind, body or spirit: Angie
Rigney; Sue Denwood; Jean Mattock; Mark
Williams; Yvonne Milne; Bert Hobby; Doreen
Howe; Eli Garland; John Searle; Ben Pratt;
Philippa Mace

...those in care homes: Jessie Child; Pat Cook;
Clemency Clarke; Sarah Scott

...R.I.P: Sally Brandham

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday 3rd March – 9.00am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 4th – 7.00pm Choir Practice

8.00pm Bellingringing practice

ASH WEDNESDAY 5th – 9.00am Morning Prayer

10.00am Holy Communion

10.45 am Church Coffee Morning

**2.00pm Bereavement Team Meeting at 1 Jordan
Close**

8.00pm Holy Communion at St Andrew's

Friday 7th - 9.00am Morning Prayer

2.15pm Women's World Day of Prayer at St

Francis of Assisi RC Church, Shefford

**Saturday 8th - 4.00pm Reverend Sue's installation
as Honorary Canon at Cathedral Evensong in St
Albans**

NEXT SUNDAY 9th MARCH

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

11.00am Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club

**12.30pm Benefice Bring & Share Lunch in
Langford Church Hall**

NOTICES

If possible, could you please let Rev Sue have
any old Palm Crosses for turning into ash for
Wednesday asap!

The next **coffee morning** will be on **Wednesday 5th
March** at the usual time of 10.45 am in the church.

As announced in church, the Bishop of St Albans has
invited **Sue Groom** to be an **Honorary Canon of
the Cathedral and Abbey Church of St Alban**.
Sue's installation will take place during Cathedral
Evensong at 4 pm on Saturday 8th March and
parishioners are invited to attend.

St Mary's APCM is on Sunday 16th March at 12.15
pm in the church and that there are lists at the back
of the church for nominations.

There is also a list at the back of the church for
the **Benefice Bring & Share** lunch to celebrate
Reverend Sue's appointment as Honorary
Canon.

**Ash Wednesday services, Wednesday 5th
March – Holy Communion with Imposition
of Ashes, 10.00am at St Mary's and 8.00pm
at St Andrew's**

The **Women's World Day of Prayer** this year
comes from Egypt and the service is at 2.15 pm
on Friday 7th March at the Roman Catholic
Church in Shefford, followed by refreshments.
Details are on the Notice Board.

The first meeting of the **Henlow Lent Group** will
be on **Wednesday 12th March at 2 pm** at 13
Park Lane - forms to sign up for this are at the
back of the church. Other groups will be meeting
in Langford on Tuesday afternoon at 2 pm and
Wednesday evening at 7.45 pm. Details on the
application forms.

Take a fresh look at life this Lent.

Jesus said "I came that you may have life, and have it abundantly"
LifeSigns is an opportunity to take hold of that life and live it to the full.

Stop and think. Pray and act

Receive a brief email - a bible verse, a short reflection, an image and a challenge each day.
More simply get texts to your phone, or follow @live_challenge.
The bible verses follow the life and words of Jesus from John's Gospel.

The email will also contain discussion points and activities for **families and children**.

LifeSigns begins on Wednesday 5th March 2014.

Sign up at www.livethechallenge.co.uk



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