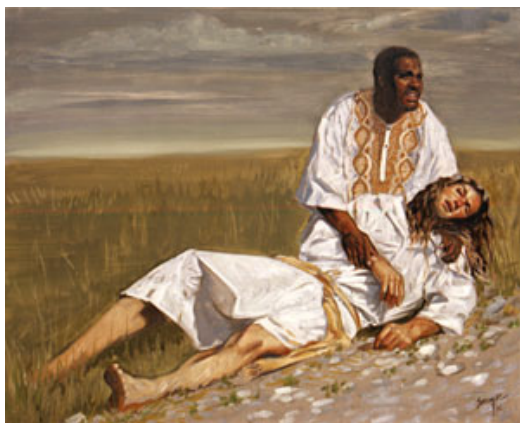


St Mary's Newsletter

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Week beginning Sunday 14th July 2013



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

**11.00am Parish Eucharist and
Sunday Club**

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please switch to the 'T' position.*

WE WELCOME all who join us for our service today. Please feel welcome to stay for coffee or squash after the Eucharist - the time to meet and greet.

Luke 10. 25 – 37

The point of the story is not quite as obvious as it seems. The priest and Levite were correct - according to their lights; for the Law forbade pollution by attending to a possible corpse. The Samaritan's triumph is in going beyond any demand that his society could make of him - where loving your neighbour meant caring for those of your own community, and why should a heretical and rejected Samaritan (as seen in orthodox Jewish eyes) care for those not of his own kind? In fact he leaps over the boundary - and finds heroic truth and goodness.

** How ready is our generosity to go beyond easy or conventional bounds (the goodness of the flag-day contribution)?*

** Can we recapture the greatness of what God has done to reconstruct our whole standing in life?*

** How should we be looking at life if God had not touched us for good?*

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER TO THE EDITOR, JAMES BURGESS (Tel 01462 700115)

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ASSISTANT CURATE - The Reverend Patsy Critchley BA

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FOR YOUR PRAYERS

....those who suffer in mind, body or spirit: Angie Rigney; Sue Denwood; Jean Mattock; Mark Williams; Yvonne Milne; Bert Hobby; Jean Williams; Doreen Howe; Jim Gregory

....those in care homes: Florence Emery; Jessie Child; Pat Cook; Clemency Clarke; The Most Rev'd Dr John Sentamu, Archbishop of York; Eli Garland

....R.I.P: Alan Hope

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday 15th July - 9.00am Morning Prayer

Tuesday 16th - 7.00pm Choir Practice

8.00pm Bellingring Practice

Wednesday 17th - 9.00am Morning Prayer

10.00am Holy Communion

Friday 19th - 9.00am Morning Prayer

Saturday 20th - 10am-4pm Church open

NEXT SUNDAY - 21st July 2013

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

11.00am Parish Eucharist

12.30pm RUFUS Lunch

NOTICES

Please make a note that the next Coffee Morning is on Wednesday 7th August at 10.45 am in the church. All welcome for coffee/tea and chat!

This year's **RUFUS Lunch** will be on Sunday 21st July at 12.30pm. The venue is Northill Village Hall. Please speak to Issy Taylor for tickets. Contributions for the raffle will be gratefully received.

A reminder that the next **meeting of the PCC** is on Wednesday 24th at 7.30 pm in the church.

Congratulations to the 'Church Mice' (Alan & Jasmine; Hilary & Saul; James & Anne) who were victorious in the Five Bells quiz last Sunday Evening. The proceeds of the quiz were kindly donated to St Mary's roof restoration - £186 in total (including the £30 first prize which the team returned). Many thanks to Tony and Iona, our hosts, and to all who took part in this fun event.

Alan Hope's funeral will be at St Neots Parish Church (St Mary) at 1.15 p.m. on Tuesday 23rd July, followed by cremation at Bedford Crematorium. There will be ringing at St Neots after the service and a bite to eat at the Chequers, Eynesbury.