St Mary's Newsletter

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Week beginning Sunday 22nd September 2013



THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

11.00am Sung Eucharist

3.00pm Holy Baptism ~ Charlie & Lucy Flint An audio loop is installed for those with hearing aids: 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.

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; Jim Gregory; Eli Garlant; Jasmine Dorricott

....those in care homes: Florence Emery; Jessie Child; Pat Cook; Clemency Clarke;R.I.P: All the faithful departed

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday 23rd – 9.00am Morning Prayer Tuesday 24th – 7.00pm Choir Practice 8.00pm Bellringing Practice Wednesday 25th – 9.00am Morning Prayer 7.30pm PCC meeting in church Friday 27th – 9.00am Morning Prayer Saturday 28th– 10am to 4pm Church open

NEXT SUNDAY – 29th September 2013

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.15 am Benefice Eucharist at St Andrew's
2.00pm Thanksgiving for
the Birth of a Child ~ Cruz James ~
3.00pm Holy Baptism ~ Jacob Tekell ~

NOTICES

The next **meeting of the PCC** is on Wednesday 25th September at 7.30 pm in the church.

We are arranging another **Bring & Share Lunch** following the Harvest Festival Morning Service. A list for donations is at the back of the church.

Unfortunately it has been necessary to CANCEL the proposed Harvest Barn Dance due to lack of support.

The church will be being decorated for **Harvest Festival** on Saturday 5th October from 9.30 am and contributions of flowers, produce, tinned and dry goods to decorate the church would be much appreciated as would help on the day please.

There will be a service of **Evensong on Harvest Festival Sunday** (6th October) at 6.00pm and the collections at both this and the morning service will be given to this year's Bishop's Harvest Appeal - A Sweeter Deal, which is funding a project in Ethiopia that is teaching farmers about better bee keeping methods.

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Repairs to the West Wall of the Tower.

You will all have noticed that work is currently being undertaken on the tower; this means that the beautiful stained glass window, donated by the family of Philip Rogers in his memory, can soon be safely installed. However, as is always the way with projects of this nature, close inspection of the brickwork revealed the need for more work than had been anticipated, and thus our contingency fund has been used up to allow this work to be completed.

The PCC would be very grateful if anyone felt in a position to make a small donation to help restock the fund, in preparation for the next project involved in keeping our church building in a good state of repair. Please talk to one of the Church wardens if you feel you could help in this way.



On Friday 27th September Hilary, Anne and I, in company with friends old and new from Linslade and Harlington, will be making a weekend Pilgrimage to the Shrine of our Lady of Walsingham. Please let me know if there is anyone you would like to be remembered in prayer in this holy

place ~ England's Nazareth. Also, if you are interested in taking part in a future pilgrimage to Walsingham, I will be happy to talk to you about it. This will need to be done soon as deposits are already being taken for next September.

James Burgess

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

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