

St Mary's Newsletter

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Week beginning Sunday 27th March 2010



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

11.00am Sung Eucharist

President & Preacher: the Rev'd Sue Groom

3.00pm Holy Baptism ~

Sydney Millicent Reid

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WE WELCOME all who join us for our service today....

John 4. 5 – 42

John presents Jesus under two images, and he 'plays' with both. Jesus is the giver of the 'water' (baptism?) that alone can slake our real thirst; and he is the 'place' where God is most truly worshipped, our bond with God.

** Can we really be heartened when our faith is tested or do we fight shy?*

** We pray – to keep to the faith that God's love is beyond all we have a right to expect.*

** Jesus fulfils all our good and godly hopes, whatever shape we give to them.*

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

....Allen Waithaka, Suffragan Bishop of Mount Kenya Central; Timothy Ranje and Joseph Kagunda, Bishops of Mount Kenya South and Mount Kenya West

...those who suffer in mind, body or spirit: Jean Mattock; Angie Rigney (Reader); Ann French; Wallace and Judy Clarke; the Rev'd Jim Broadbridge; Heather Jewell; Tom and Eileen Vincent; James Lloyd; Anthony Smith

....those in care homes: Margaret Pickles; Jessie Child; Pat Cook.

....R.I.P. Margaret Millard

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday 28th - NO Morning Prayer
Tuesday 29th - 11.30am Funeral of Margaret Millard

7.00pm Choir Practice

8.00pm Bell Ringing Practice

Wednesday 30th - 9.00am Morning Prayer

2.00pm Lent Course at 1 Jordan Close

Friday 1st April - 9.30am Morning Prayer

Saturday 2nd - 10am - 12 noon Church open

NEXT SUNDAY – 3rd April 2011

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT MOTHERING SUNDAY

11.00am Family Service for Mothering Sunday

12.15pm Holy Communion

NOTICES

Lent Lunch - The second of these will be on Wednesday 20th April - list at the back of the church.

Family Lunch - It is still hoped to hold a Family Lunch on Saturday 7th May - further details and list to follow.

There will be a plate at the back of the church for the next few weeks for contributions to help the Christian churches in Japan with their work in the wake of the tragedies there and towards rebuilding.

The Henlow Singers' Easter concert is on Monday 18th April at 7.30 pm in the church with Music for Holy Week. Admission £5 to include refreshments. Tickets available at the back of the church.

....A Prayer for the people of Japan

O loving Creator,

bring healing and hope to our struggling brothers and sisters on earth.

We pray for all in Japan who grieve, suffer pain, or whose homes have been destroyed by the earthquake and tsunami.

We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their deaths.

May your compassion, O God, calm troubled hearts and shelter anxious souls.

We dare to hope that through the generosity of the privileged, the destitute might find warmth and life again, and those who despair might glimpse hope.

We make our prayer through our Saviour Christ who defeated death and reigns with you in glory. Amen.