

St Mary's Newsletter

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Week beginning Sunday 4th March 2012



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

11.00am Family Service

12.15pm Parish Eucharist

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WE WELCOME all who join us for our services today. Please feel welcome to stay for coffee or squash after the Family Service – the time to meet and greet.

Jesus' picture of what 'following' him entails is uncompromising. There must be a real choice to enter the new world which he makes available, with its unknown risks and surrenders of life's familiar props.

- *Thank God for his constant faithfulness to his people.*
- *We rejoice to be joined to God by faith, not by any power of our own to earn his love.*
- *What does it mean for us to 'take up the cross'?*

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

....those who suffer in mind, body or spirit: Angie Rigney; Sue Denwood; Val Heaps; John Seal; Pam Marsh; Janet Bradford; Jean Mattock; Tom Vincent; Julia Noikovich, Peter Pringle; Jasmine Dorricott; Jim Gregory

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

....R.I.P. Carlos Gonzalez; Kenneth Prior; Eileen Vincent; Mary Jennings

THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday 5th March - 9.00am Morning Prayer
9.30am - Standing Committee at 1 Jordan Close
2.45pm Celebration of the Life of Mary Jennings at

St Andrew's

Tuesday 6th - 7.00pm Choir Practice

8.00pm Bell Ringing Practice

Wednesday 7th - 9.00am Morning Prayer

10.00am Holy Communion

11.30am Funeral - Kenneth Prior - at St Mary's

2.15pm Henlow Hippos

Friday 9th - 9.00am Morning Prayer

11.30 am Funeral - Eileen Vincent - at St Mary's

NEXT SUNDAY – 11th March 2012

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11.00am Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club

NOTICES

Mary Jennings - There will be a Celebration of Mary's Life at St Andrew's tomorrow at 2.45pm

The funeral of **Kenneth Prior** will take place at St Mary's at 11.30am on Wed 7th March

The funeral service for **Eileen Vincent** will be at St Mary's on Friday 9th March at 11.30am

The funeral of **Carlos Gonzalez** of Groveside will take place in church on Friday 16th March at 10.30am

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Standing Committee meeting is on Monday 5th March at 9.30am at 1 Jordan Close

The Rufus Lunch will be on Sunday 15th July at Northill Village Hall

The Barn Dance Some photos from the Barn Dance are now available on the updated Friends of St Mary's web page: www.henlowchurch.org.uk/henlow-friends.htm

Lent Lunches We are arranging for two Lent Lunches on Wednesday 21st March and Saturday 7th April at 12.30pm - please see the list at the back of the church.

Mothering Sunday 18th March - This will be a Family Service to be followed by a service of Holy Communion after refreshments. All those who have been baptised at St Mary's in the last three years have been sent an invitation to come and join this special service with their family.

Diamond Jubilee in June. Looking ahead to this, the church will be running a Tombola stall with proceeds to St Mary's. This will be another of this year's fund raising events so could you please start to look out items and bring them along. The box for Tombola items is now in place at the back of the church

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

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