

DIARY

Monday 16th January

10am-12noon The Coffee Shop is open in the Church Room (see news)
7.30pm Bible Study in the Church Room (see news)

Sunday 22nd January - The Third Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am Holy Communion (CW)
10.30am Holy Communion (CW) (No baptisms booked)

Monday 23rd January

7.30pm Bible Study in the Church Room

Sunday 29th January - Presentation of Christ

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Candlemas Christingle



Sunday 5th February - The Third Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Holy Communion (CW)

Monday 6th February

8.00pm PCC meet in the Church Room

Sunday 12th February - The Second Sunday before Lent

8.00am Holy Communion (CW)
10.30am Morning Worship (CW)

SUNDAY CLUB welcomes all children aged 3 to 12 in the Church Rooms on two Sunday mornings each month during term time. For more information visit our website or email Sally Harrison at sundayclub@sendparishchurch.co.uk or phone 01483 223725.

FUNDRAISING	TOTAL	DEC
Pennies basket	£1932.41	£6.97
Angela's cards	£328.82	<i>nil</i>
Produce	£619.32	<i>nil</i>
Coffee Shop	£184.05	(St Mary's Church)

(NB - Please remember to gift aid all your donations if you pay tax)

Website: www.sendparishchurch.co.uk

NEWS AT ST. MARY'S

Sunday 15th January 2012
The Second Sunday of Epiphany

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Holy Communion and 40th Anniversary
Renewal of Marriage Vows

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NEWS

THANK YOU

Thank you for all your cards and good wishes over Christmas. You are very kind and generous and it is not possible to respond to everyone personally. We much appreciate your support. Tony and Beth

JACKIE ELVEY

David and family express grateful thanks and appreciation for the many messages of sympathy and support we have received, your consideration and prayers and for the attendance at Jackie's funeral in December.

BIBLE STUDY

The next series of Bible Studies begins tomorrow **Monday 16th January** in the Church Room. We will be studying some of the parables and the first session will be on Luke 15 vv.1-32. New members will be very welcome. We meet from 7.15pm for a cup of tea or coffee, and study starts at 7.30pm. If you have any questions please speak to Clive Kirk (Tel: 211799).



COFFEE SHOP

The Coffee Shop will be open again tomorrow **Monday 16th January** in the Church Room, when the special stall will be "Unwanted Gifts!" and the proceeds will go to Connection at St Martin in the Fields. Items for the stall can be given to Ann Court, Pat Randles, Christine Lavender or Jean Heyes.

CONNECTION AT ST MARTIN IN THE FIELDS

At this time of year it seems very appropriate for the Coffee Shop to be supporting a charity which helps the homeless. The Connection at St Martin's provides an integrated package of services which help people to cope with the physical crisis of being homeless, and address the underlying issues which may have caused the homelessness and/or arisen from it. They aim to help people rebuild their lives and move as far as possible towards independence. Connection's unique organisational identity is based on its unswerving commitment to helping homeless people to find their own solutions, resolve their problems and achieve their potential. This is complemented by the combination of the excellent location in central London, its accessibility, the user-led approach, the experienced pool of multi-disciplinary staff and volunteers and the creativity and dedication in helping homeless people to move on in their lives and find routes away from the streets.

ST MARY'S DVD

The last of the DVDs are now in church, so if anyone has not yet got all the copies they need could they please pay the sidesperson or put the money in the green bottle. Many thanks, Sylvia & Bill

CHRISTINGLES 2012

We will be making this year's Christingles on **Saturday 28th January** in the Church Room from 2pm onwards. Refreshments will be served afterwards. Please join us as many hands make light work. Donations of soft sweets such as Jelly Tots will be very welcome. Please, no Dolly Mixtures as, although delicious, they do not attach to cocktail sticks very easily. I have put Children's Society envelopes in the pews for those who want to gift aid their donation to allow time to fill in the details on the flap and for anyone who may not be able to attend the service on Sunday 29th January but still wants to make a donation. Thank you, Sally.

JERUSALEM ARTICHOKE

Astra and Veronica are unable to harvest their Jerusalem Artichokes this year. They know a lot of people like them and would be DELIGHTED if anyone would like to come and help him or her self to some. Telephone number: 222999. (Spade and bags available!)



USED STAMPS

If you have some used stamps and would like to dispose of them to a good cause, please put them in the box at the back of church. Many thanks

NEWSLETTER

If you have any items you would like included in the newsletter please email to news@sendparishchurch.co.uk or give Christine a ring on 01483 768420.

Marriage.....

On her golden wedding anniversary, my grandmother revealed the secret of her long and happy marriage. "On my wedding day, I decided to choose ten of my husband's faults which, for the sake of our marriage, I would overlook," she explained. A guest asked her to name some of the faults. "To tell you the truth," she replied, "I never did get around to listing them. But whenever my husband did something that made me hopping mad, I would say to myself, 'Lucky for him that's one of the ten.'"

