



SAINT MARY'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

WHAT'S ON?

Wayfarers Concert, nine centuries of choral music on 18th August at 5pm. The repertoire for this group consists of early music (Medieval, Renaissance and Baroque pieces for both unaccompanied voices and voices with period instruments) and contemporary choral music by living Australian and Taiwanese composers, as well as some other 20th and 21st century compositions. They will also present Judy's new music theatre work based on Antoine de Saint-Exupéry's *Le Petit Prince*.

Confirmation Course The course begins this week. The material is available on our YouTube Channel (St Mary's Episcopal Church Aberdeen). If you email the Rector, he will send you an accompanying worksheet that will be the basis for assessment and conversation.

Lunchtime Fellowship: Tuesday, 30 August at 12.30pm

Bottle in the Box: there are 3 bottles this time. Pop your £2 in the envelope and write your name next to the bottle you hope to win.

Spree Books are available. £20, £5 of which goes to St Mary's. See Mary Allardyce

Organ Recital: 1 October at 8pm by John Riley of Edinburgh: Musical Discoveries and Conjectures. Chauvet; Gigout; Linke; Wachs; J. S. Bach in East London; Brahms and a Lady on a Bicycle; Postman Pat's Bad Day; Improvisations on submitted themes. Free entry, donations welcome.

Harvest Sunday: on the 2nd of October, we will celebrate Harvest Sunday. There will be a bring and share lunch after service. Please come along!

10er Challenge Save £10/week for one year, to help with the cost of replacing our failing heating system.

WHO'S WHO?

Rector: The Revd Dr James Merrick
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Organist: Mr Christopher Black

Proper 20, Ordinary Time, 14th August 2016

WELCOME TO SAINT MARY'S

Relax and rest in God from the past week.

Rejoice with friends and family.

Be renewed by shared prayer, adoration and thanksgiving.

Children of all ages are welcome. Our children's programme occurs during the 10.15am service.

Communion is open to all who love Jesus Christ. You may drink from the chalice or dip the bread into it. If you prefer not to receive communion, you are welcome to come to the altar for a blessing; indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.

Coffee, tea and biscuits are enjoyed after the 10.15am service.

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RECTOR'S REFLECTION: MISSION AT ST MARY'S

In early May, the Vestry visited Aberdeen Christian Fellowship (ACF) as part of its ongoing conversation on developing our mission at St Mary's. ACF has experienced much growth and has numerous outreach programmes for local people. Although our approach to worship is very different from theirs, we thought we could learn from them. Two things came out of our last Vestry meeting that were inspired by our visit to ACF: (1) attempt to make our worship booklets more accessible and understandable to visitors; and (2) a monthly family service to attract local families. The Rector hopes to present a prototype of a new service booklet to the Vestry at the next meeting. But this Sunday, thanks to the hard work of Tiffany Forth, we are going to try out a family service. Many thanks to the Vestry for their discernment and for all those who helped prepare this service. Let us pray that it will be the start of a great ministry to those in our area.

HOLY COMMUNION (1982 LITURGY) 10.15AM

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Hymn 174, God of Grace and Glory

The Collect for Purity Blue Booklet p2

The Kyrie and Gloria Booklet pp2-4

Prayer for the Week: Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Lesson Jeremiah 23.23-29

Psalm 82: *Deus stetit*

Arise, O God, and rule the earth!

God takes his stand in the council of heaven;
he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:

Arise, O God, and rule the earth!

'How long will you judge unjustly,
and show favor to the wicked?

Arise, O God, and rule the earth!

Save the weak and the orphan;
defend the humble and needy;

Arise, O God, and rule the earth!

Rescue the weak and the poor;
deliver them from the power of the wicked.

Arise, O God, and rule the earth!

Arise, O God, and rule the earth,
for you shall take all nations for your own.

Arise, O God, and rule the earth!

Gloria Patri

Second Lesson Hebrews 11.29-12.2

Gradual Hymn 235, I the Lord of the Sea and the Sky

The Gospel Luke 12.49-56

The Sermon The Drs Mills

The Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed of 381 Booklet p5

Prayers of Intercession A member of the congregation

Confession and Absolution Booklet p6

Sharing of the Peace Booklet p7

LITURGY OF THANKSGIVING

Offertory Hymn 384, O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go

The Great Thanksgiving Booklet pp8-12

Prayer after Communion: Eternal God, we have received a token of your promise. May we who have been nourished by holy things live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing of Students and Teachers

Everliving and All-Knowing God, we thank you for creating from nothing an intelligible world and for gracing human beings with intellects to learn and know: consider, we pray, those who will return to or begin study this week:

Give teachers patience and insight. **Amen.**

Give students focus and diligence. **Amen.**

Give the whole world your Spirit to discern truth from falsehood, that all people will come to know your Son as the one in whom and for whom all things were made. **Amen.**

The Blessing Booklet p13

The Dismissal Booklet p14

Concluding Hymn 422, Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven!

INTERCESSIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Southern Africa
The Most Revd Dr Thabo Makgoba Archbishop of Capetown and Primate of Southern Africa

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St John's, Crown Terrace and the Revd Dr James Merrick, Priest-in-Charge

St Mary's, Carden Place: the Revd Dr James Merrick and family; the Revd Jason Hobbs; Nicola, Martin and Elizabeth Mills; Penny Mutch; Susan Noble; Irene Pratt; Catherine Reid; and all who are not with us.