



St Mary Magdalene
CHURCH, HUCKNALL

St Mary Magdalene with St John the Evangelist - Hucknall

Faith Hope and Love



21st April 2024 – 4th Sunday of Easter

8am – Holy Communion St Mary Magdalene
9.30am – Holy Communion St John the Evangelist
11am – Holy Communion St Mary Magdalene

Collect for today:

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father, Amen.

A prayer for our work with children, young people and their families

O Generous God, Jesus welcomed children when others turned them away and reminded his followers to be like children in their trust of you; give us wisdom to nurture children and young people and reach out that more young people would know they are loved by you and follow in the footsteps of Jesus. In his name we ask. Amen.

Readings for this week

Sunday	Acts 4.5-12 1 John 3.16-end John 10.11-18		
Monday	John 10.1-10(or 11-18)	Thursday	Mark 13.5-13
Tuesday	John 15.18-21	Friday	John 14.1-6
Wednesday	John 12.44-end	Saturday	John 14.7-14

Invitation/Challenge

Being described as a sheep is never flattering – they're often seen as foolish, following the crowd, not thinking for themselves, in need of someone to rescue and sort them out... So maybe it's an appropriate word Jesus uses? But more important than this is the idea of Jesus as the Good Shepherd – who recognises our struggles, our need for help and offers it with gentleness and compassion. Maybe I'm happy to be described as a sheep after all!

People and places to pray for:

- Pray for all who face persecution for their faith or beliefs.
- Pray for those who are struggling to make ends meet.
- Pray for everyone affected by climate change, and for a shared desire to act.
- Pray for Christ's message of peace to be heard and heeded throughout the world.
- Give thanks for all who work to make our community a better place.

The family and friends of those bereaved:

Glenis Adams, Tony Adams, Nick Turner, Raymond Elston, Allan Harris

Those in particular need: Jo Jackson, Henry Meakin, Rian Fernades, Jo C, Robert Thomas, Tom Sanders, Phyllis French, Kathleen Priestley, Tanya Torkarski, Ghislaine, Connie Ball, Barbara Knowles, Harry

<i>What's on this week.....</i>		
Monday	1pm	National Primary Visit St MM
Tuesday	9am 10.15am 6.45 for 7pm	Play & Praise St JE Holy Communion St MM The Chosen STJE Hall
Wednesday	1.30pm	Play & Praise St MM
Thursday	1-3pm 7pm	Well-being Café St MM APCM Meeting St MM
Saturday	8.30-9am	Quiet Prayer St MM
28 th April	8am	Holy Communion St MM
5 th Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11am	Holy Communion St JE Informal Communion St MM

Notices.....

- **APCM this Thurs. 25 April at 7pm in SMM.** Nominations are invited for people to serve as Church Wardens and PCC members. Nomination forms may be found at the back of church. Elections will take place at this meeting.
- **The Electoral Roll** is being revised and will be completed and displayed before the APCM. If you would like to be added to the roll, please see the church warden on duty or pick up a form from the back of either one of the churches. Pam Barron will then compile the new roll.
- **Litter Picking**...anyone interested in joining the Litter Picking Group please contact Liz Charrot
- **Communion Wafers**...*If you require a gluten free wafer for communion, please speak to the church warden or one of the sides people.*
- **Church yard:** If you notice any anti-social behaviour in the church yard, please call the police on 101 **when you see it happening**, or report it on www.nottinghamshire.police.uk
- **Well-being Café: Every Thursday 1-3pm** - A great place to call in for a cuppa, people to talk to and for those who want a prayer too.
- **Play and Praise:** For children under 5 and their parents/carers... Tuesday at St John's 9am and Wednesday at St Mary's – 1.30pm (in term-time).
- **Day time Bible study group/Exploring faith group** If you might be interested in a group to help you grow in faith but don't like going out at night please talk to Helen or Rachael – we are exploring the possibility of starting such a group.

Over the summer we would like to explore some of the
questions you have about God, faith and church.

We know we won't be able to answer all of them, or even know the answer to some of them, but would love to help you explore the questions you have.

The chances are that if you have a question then there will be others in the congregation that have the same question too. Please write your question down and put which the service is you usually attend.

You don't have to put your name on, but you can if you like. If you have a question that you feel may be specific to you then please put your name and a means of contacting you and write "private".

Please give your questions to either Helen or Rachael or one of the Church Wardens. Thank you.

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