

St Mary Magdalene with St John the Evangelist - Hucknall Faith Hope and Love



14th July 2024 – 7th Sunday after Trinity

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

Collect for today:

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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	2 Samuel 6.1-5, 12b-19 Ephesians 1.3-14 Mark 6.14-29		
Monday	Matthew 10.34—11.1	Thursday	Matthew 11.28-end
Tuesday	Matthew 11.20-24	Friday	Matthew 12.1-8
Wednesday	Matthew 11.25-27	Saturday	Matthew 12.14-21

Invitation/Challenge

Being a follower of Jesus is, of course, one of the best things. Knowing you are loved by God, known by name and forgiven – surely this can't be bettered! And yet...

And yet there are times when being a follower of Jesus is difficult, it's costly, it's not always comfortable. It's about thinking for ourselves rather than following the crowd, joining in with everyone else.

And of course we get it wrong, we conform, give in, hold grudges, struggle to be wise and generous.

And God still loves. No matter what. Grace beyond our imagination!

People and places to pray for:

Long before he laid down earth's foundations, he had us in mind, had settled on us as the focus of his love, to be made whole and holy by his love. (Ephesians 1:4)

Lord God, we thank you that every person on earth is a child of God. Me, you, us, them, all unique and all loved by you. Help us to see the potential in all we meet, those we love, those we find it difficult to love and those who have no one to love.

- Lord God we pray for all those who feel undeserving of your love. May they know that there is nothing they have done or can do that would make you stop loving them. We cannot imagine how big and deep and high and wide your love is. Help all to be open to your love that they may be made whole and Holy in Your name.
- Lord we pray for those who feel unloved, those who society turns its back on. May our town be a place of welcome, a place where people can experience community and feel that they belong.
- We pray for those who have no one to love, the lonely and isolated. Those who have lost loved ones or who have experienced relationship breakdowns.
- We pray especially for those who have suffered at the hands of those that claim to love them. The victims of domestic abuse and the vulnerable who have been abused by those that should care for them.

<u>The family and friends of those bereaved:</u> Joy Rigley, Barry Hodgson Valerie Hemingway, Oliver Shilton, Pamela Griffiths

Those in particular need: Henry Meakin, Rian Fernades, Jo C, Robert Thomas, Tom Sanders, Phyllis French, Kathleen Priestley, Tanya Torkarski, Ghislaine, Connie Ball, Barbara Knowles, Harry, Kenneth Chamberlain **To be married:** Graham Thomas and Stasia Guest

What's on this week			
Monday	9am-12pm	Beardall Fields Primary visit St MM	
	10.30am	Daytime Bible Study JGC	
	1.50pm	National Academy Y10 visit St MM	
Tuesday	9am	Play & Praise St JE	
	10.15am	Holy Communion St MM	
	6.45 for 7pm	The Chosen STJE Hall	
Wednesday	1.30pm	Play & Praise St MM	
	6pm	Wedding rehearsal St MM	
Thursday	1-3pm	Well-being Café St MM	
		Mothers' Union Outing	
Friday	12.30pm	Torkard Lunchtime Recital St MM	
Saturday	8.30-9am	Quiet Prayer St MM	
	1pm	Wedding St MM	
Sunday 21st July	8am	Holy Communion St MM	
Mary Magdalene	9.30am	Holy Communion St JE	
	11am	Holy Communion St MM	

Notices.....

- → <u>Praying for Year 6 pupils</u> This is a tricky time for young people moving from one stage of education to another. We have been giving out books about this paid for by Churches Together in Hucknall to year 6 classes and exploring with them: the things they have enjoyed about primary school; the people they are grateful for; and the things they are concerned about as they move. Please pray for all year 6 (11 year olds) as they leave primary school and prepare to move to secondary school but also for those who have left school especially those uncertain of their futures.
- → <u>Thank you</u> to those who contributed towards Christian Aid, we have raised £271.29.
- → Can you spare 2 hours each month to smile and listen, serve coffee and chat? If so we have vacancies at our Thursday Wellbeing Café, 1 till 3 pm. It's a great way to serve our church and community. Details from Jane H, Phil A, or a steward.
- → <u>Summertime Tea and Cake at the Vicarage</u>: You are invited to join us on 23rd July or 27th July (2.30-4pm) at 60 Annesley Road. Please sign up on the sheets at the back of Church if you would like to come.
- → A big thank you to those who gave up their time to attend the safeguarding course with me a few weeks ago. I will be leading the Foundation stage training on Thursday 18th July (10-12pm and 6:30-8:30pm) at the JGC. Volunteers within our churches need to be trained in both the Basic and Foundation safeguarding training. We all appreciate your time volunteering and helping to share the importance of safeguarding with everyone. Many thanks for your continued support. Nicola Turner
- → Andy, one of our church family, is doing a skydive to raise money for Brain Tumour Research on the 10th August. If you would like to donate to this charity to help fund research, please do speak to Andy Talbot.
- → <u>Daytime Bible Study</u> using The Chosen, Monday's 10.30am 12 noon at the John Godber Centre. Please let Rachael or a member of the ministry team know if you would like to come.
- → New for summer and autumn monthly community craft fair at the JGC. 4.8, 1.9 and 6.10.24. Pop the dates in your diary and join us for a lovely crafternoon to sip, shop and share as you catch up and enjoy refreshments, wander around our growing list of creative stallholders and enjoy some creative activities for little ones.

- → <u>For your prayers</u>: At deanery Synod recently we heard about the need for more foster families. I am not asking you to volunteer – but please do pray for all families who cannot cope, children being fostered, families who foster and children and young people living in care in any form.
- → <u>Communion Wafers</u>...If you require a gluten free wafer for communion, please speak to the church warden or one of the sides people.
- → <u>Church yard</u>: 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 <u>www.nottinghamshire.police.uk</u>
- → 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.
- → <u>Play and Praise</u>: 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).

→ FAMILY HUB EVENT

An event for families at the Hucknall Family Hub (NG15 6AJ). Come along and find out what support is available in Hucknall for your family from pregnancy up to the age of 19.

A range of activities will be available for all ages.

Wednesday 31st July 10am - 2pm.

We are an Ecofriendly Church with the Bronze award from Aroche and working towards the Silver award. Please join us in choosing to make responsible decisions for the sake of all of creation, both at church and in our homes and the whole of life.

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