Pew Sheet: Sun 22nd Feb, Saint Mary's Anglican Church



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Vicar: Rev. David Smithson

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10am Family Communion Service

Sermon: "In the Wilderness" Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Valerie Crowther **Prayer:** Melanie Holdsworth

From the Archbishop of Canterbury: "The terrible cruelty of the murders in Denmark, Libya and Nigeria call for deep compassion for the bereaved and killed. The killers seem to rejoice in ever more extreme acts carried out to inflict ever greater terror. We must all weep with those affected, and know that in the love of Christ all evil will be overcome. "In Egypt and Libya, the home of Christian faith, of saints and martyrs since the earliest centuries, more suffering has been perpetrated. The Coptic Church has responded with courage and as always with faith. The light and peace of Christ are at the heart of the faithful lives of Christians, and will not be overcome by the darkness which ISIS seek to spread. I have been in touch with the Anglican Church in Egypt to express solidarity. "Let us pray for the peace of Christ to be evident, and for governments affected to be wise and courageous."

Readings for 22nd Feb:

OT: Genesis 9:8-17 **NT:** 1 Peter 3:18-22 **Gospel:** Mark 1:9-15

Children & Youth: Kids activity packs with a chocolate treat!



MAKE LENT COUNT

Vestry 2015 – Nomination forms are on the table at the back of the church – please consider being a part of this vital ministry

Parish AGM will be held immediately after church over a cuppa on the 22nd March

Building Fund for the hall. Keep these donations coming through thanks! Please clearly mark them "Building Fund"

+ Prayer Points +

- That we will grow closer in our relationships with God during this season of Lent.
- That our love for each other will be sincere, deep and from the heart. May our love for one another prove that we are Christ's disciples.
- For the families of the 21 murdered Egyptian Christians

