

# Tidings of St Mary's



Parish of Saint Mary's York

March 2016

## This Month at St. Mary's

### Why didn't I trust you Lord?

Carole-Ann McGee

Looking back on the past few months of not feeling well, I realized I had let fear take over my life. Even though I prayed for God's peace I became deaf and blind to his comforting words and presence.

Two weeks ago this past Friday as I walked into surgery, a calm and peace came over me that filled my heart and soul with his love and healing. But why didn't I hear and feel his comforting words - I wasn't trusting and for that I and truly sorry and asked for his forgiveness.

By his grace I am healing body and soul. A calm, peace, humility and thankfulness fills my heart as each day I pray that I will never again let fear fill my life.

Thank you to all who upheld me in prayer this past while. Your Christian love and caring has touched my heart.

From Proverbs 3 verses 5 and 6.

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him and he will make straight your paths.*

Join us for our 2nd Annual

### Parish Easter Party (& Invite your Friends!)

Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3:30 - 6 p.m., Parish Hall

Games and Crafts for all ages, with activities for younger children. *Everything will wrap up with a Family Supper.*

### Are you using E-offering?

**Members of St. Mary's** have the option of using e-offering to make contributions to the church. With this program you can arrange for automatic weekly or monthly withdrawals from your chequing account, and you can change the amount at any time. The system is both simple and secure. For members, this option adds convenience, giving an automated and practical way to prioritise giving in their budgets. For the church, the consistency of such donations will help with the parish cash flow. Application forms are available. Speak to Allan Agnew for more information.



### Stewardship Reflection:

The fig tree which bears no fruit is useless to its owner. However, the gardener sees value in it and wants to give it one more opportunity to produce.

Are your gifts lying dormant or are you allowing God to nurture them into production?

Elizabeth Wells