

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE DIVINE, RASTRICK

If you are visiting or have recently moved to Brighthouse and are here for the first time, a warm welcome to you. Join us for tea/coffee and fellowship in the Church Hall after the 10.15 a.m. service each Sunday.

Sunday 3rd April 2016

2nd Sunday of Easter

9 a.m. Holy Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell
10.15 a.m. Parish Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell

Sidesmen: Shirley Stow, Nina Nicholson and Pat Hobson

Readings: Acts 5. 27-32 Sue Smith Page 1097
Revelation 1. 4-8 Allen Smith Page 1233
John 20. 19-end Gerald Savage Page 1089

Prayers: Margaret Ellis

Chalice: Roger Ellis and Margaret Ellis

Brasses: Wednesday Nighters

Sunday 3rd April:

2nd Sunday of Easter – Old & New Organ (*Graham Rayner*)

1. 486. The day of resurrection!
2. 54. Breathe on me breath of God
3. 315. Love's redeeming work is done
4. 303. Lord Jesus think on me
5. 493. The head that once was crowned with thorns
6. 299. Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour

Prayers for the week: Collect for today: Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father. **Amen.**

We pray for the suffering, especially Judith Readshaw, Pat Wilcox, Barbara Siswick, Marjorie Moorhouse, Margaret Hobson, Kathleen Carline, Anne Milnes, Dorothy Taylor, the patients at our local hospices and those who live in Cygnet Lodge. Ease their pain, and heal the damage done to them in body, mind or spirit. Be present to them through the support of family and friends and in the care of doctors and nurses and fill them with the warmth of your love. We pray for those affected by the terrorism around the world.

We bring before you the hopes and fears of our own neighbourhood, especially for those people who live in Castle Avenue, Castle Terrace, Castle Hill and Castle Place,

We pray for those who have died, especially those who have recently died. Grant them peace and rest. Be close to those who mourn and give them comfort of human affection and strength to continue in their own lives.

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3rd Sunday of Easter

9 a.m. Holy Communion led by Rev. Stephen Hannam

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Sidesmen: Derek Davis, Doreen Davis, Simon Davis and Margaret Raine

Readings: Acts 9. 1-6 Margaret Ellis Page 1102

Revelation 5. 11-14 Norman Lake Page 1237

John 21. 1-19 Doreen Davis Page 1090

Prayers: Shona Smaldon

Chalice: Margaret Ellis and David Marshall

Brasses:

Please note photography of all kinds is not allowed in all services

Please contact Rev. Marion Russell (713386) on worship matters (weddings, baptisms, funerals, personal support and prayer).

For administrative matters contact the Church Wardens David Marshall (718182) or Hilary McCarthy (537399)

Website e-mail Alan Hoggard alan.hoggard@blueyonder.co.uk to promote events or information for the website.

Please send newsletter items to David James (01484 715197) or email davidjict@gmail.com by N.B. 5 p.m. on Wednesdays and information to add to the website: www.stjohnsrastrick.org.uk

For young children and carers we have a crèche in the Lady Chapel. There is also a children's area at one side of Church with books, toys and service-relevant materials where they can sit and colour. Bible toys may be taken to 'pews' during the service, then returned to the Children's area.

PRAYER GROUP AT VICARAGE: 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month at 6.30 p.m. ALL WELCOME.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS: Please save used postage stamps for Overgate Hospice and put them in the magazine box.

NEW CHURCH CARDS: Suitable for any occasion. New designs all taken from the centenary flower festival. No price increase, still excellent value at £3 for 6 cards or 50p each. Two different packs are available and are on sale from the table next to the church door. Pat Lee

WE ARE SORRY that we added Glenys Lord's name, instead of that of her husband Philip, to our Easter Flowers remembrance list. Barbara & Christine.

CAR PARK : The PCC are aware that areas of the car park need attention and repair. A contractor has undertaken investigations into the cause of the uneven flags and has reported to the PCC. In the mean time please try to avoid the areas, especially at night.

THE COMMUNITY OF THE RESURRECTION, MIRFIELD are having another **Charity Auction** on Saturday 9th April at 2pm. The wide variety of lots to go under the hammer include; jewellery and watches, antiques (including furniture), medals, coins and stamps, church plate and ornaments, fine art and paintings, swords and militaria, and vintage clothing! Viewing is available Friday 8th April, in the College Refectory (WF14 0BN) between 10.30am and 4.30pm as well as on the morning of the auction. Catalogues and items can be viewed online:

www.mirfieldcommunity.org.uk/auction2016 or you can call Jenny Ashmore or Adele Hannah on 01924 483308 for further information.

EVENTS AND FUNDRAISING GROUP : are looking for ideas for fundraising, fellowship and outreach. Is your group going to hold an event this coming year? Do you as an individual have ideas to put forward? Please tell Hilary, Ann Johnson, Roger or Barbara if you do.

AS A CHURCH WE ARE SUPPORTING BASH FOODBANK: (Brighthouse and Surrounding Homeless). This is a long term commitment and each month different items will be listed as being needed. Besides collecting **tins** and **non-food** items during April we are collecting donations of **tea, coffee and sugar**. **Non-food** items that would be suitable could be **washing up liquid, shampoo and toilet rolls**. There is a basket at the back of church for any donations. Thank you.

MESSY CHURCH require cardboard egg boxes for their next session. Please could you save any and give to Gill, Janine or Anne Aspinall before the 24th April. Gill Mills

*Come along to Church on Sun 24th April,
at 3 pm for ACTIVITIES on a Dragon Theme.*

*All The Family Welcome...
Refreshments provided*



CAN YOU HELP OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO CAN prepare financial accounts for the PCC and produce a report for the APCM? Alan Hoggard has done these accounts for many years and he is now stepping down after doing an excellent job.

Please contact Alan, the clergy or the church wardens if you think you may be able to fulfil this important vacancy, or would like to pass on the name of someone who is interested. NB this role is preparing the accounts for presentation. The work of the Treasurer is done by Cherry Fancourt, for which we thank her.

WE WANT TO BE CONFIDENT CHRISTIANS, GROW OUR CHURCH AND CHANGE THE COMMUNITY. This is an early notice and invitation for us all to meet together for a great 3 week course run along the lines of the Lent Groups – i.e. with a host and a leader at each venue. Would you like to meet during the afternoon or evening? Watch out for details next week for the final details of dates, times and venues. The sessions will start **week commencing Monday 11 April**.

ELECTORAL ROLL

It's that time of year again, when the Electoral Roll is revised.

Membership on the Electoral Roll entitles a person to attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and to vote there in the elections to the Parochial Church Council ("PCC") and to the Deanery Synod. A member aged 16 or more may stand for election to the PCC and a member aged 18 or more may stand for election to the Deanery Synod, the Diocesan Synod and the General Synod.

Please let me have any applications for inclusion not later than today, to be included on the Roll that applies for the APCM.

This is to allow time to have PCC formally approve the revised Electoral Roll, and for it to be displayed for the required 14 days prior to the APCM on 17th April 2016.

Trevor J Lewis Electoral Roll Officer St John The Divine Rastrick

FREEWILL OFFERING ENVELOPES 2016/17 : The freewill offering envelopes for the new financial year are available at the back of Church and will commence on Sunday, 10 April 2016.

Gift Aid users – please take the box set allocated to you by name.

Unnamed boxes are available for general (Non-Gift Aid) use, anyone wishing to discuss Gift Aid or regular giving by standing order should see Cherry Fancourt or Gerald Savage.

LAY PASTORAL MINISTERS: The Diocese runs a three year part time course, based at Mirfield, for those with the skills, interest and aptitude to develop their pastoral ministry. If you feel the Lord may be calling you to consider this, please have an informal chat with Marion.

DIARY 2016

Wednesday 6th April 10.30 am Holy Communion

Friday 8th April 7.30 am. Morning Prayer

Saturday 9th April Sundown Swing Band 7.30 pm. Doors open 7.00 pm. **SOLD OUT !**

Wednesday 13th April 10.30 am. Holy Communion

Wednesday Nighters outing to see Little Shop of Horrors.

Sunday 10th April 3rd Sunday of Lent

9.00 a.m. Holy Communion

10.15 am. Parish Communion

6.30 pm. Prayer Group @ The Vicarage

Friday 15th April 7.30 am. Morning Prayer

Saturday 16th April Full day Rucksack Club walk.

Sunday 17th April APCM

Monday 18th April Beer and Banter @The Globe - Allen Smith in South Africa

Sunday 24th April Messy Church - Dragon themed activities. 3pm.

Please send newsletter items to David James - davidjict@gmail.com - or 01484 715197 by 5 p.m. on Wednesday.