

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 11th March 2018

4th Sunday of Lent

9.00 am Holy Communion led by Rev Stephen Hannam
10.15 am All Age Worship led by Rev Stephen Hannam
Mothering Sunday - Guides Corporate Service
After the service there will be a 'Simple Communion Service'
Sidesman: Doreen Davis, Derek Davis, Simon Davis and Margaret Raine
Readings: Luke 8 19-21 Guide Page 1037
John 2 1-5 Guide Page 1065
Matthew 23 3-7 Guide Page 991
Prayers: Guides
Chalice :
Brasses : Wednesday Nighters

Sunday 11th March: Mothering Sunday – Guides Corporate 4th Sunday of Lent – The Source – Music Group

1. 335 Lord, the light of your love (*Shine, Jesus shine*)
2. . Thank you Lord, for this new day (*Words in Newsletter*)
3. . Jesus put this song into our hearts (*Words in Newsletter*)
4. 23 A new commandment
5. 69 Colours of day
6. 539 We are marching

Prayers God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We pray by name for those known to us who have asked for our prayers: Paul Whitaker, David Coop, Keith Redfearn, Christine Whitaker, Jean Hannam, Pam McNulty, Majorie Moorhouse, Pat Wilcock, Helen Hearson, Glynice Lord, David Williams, Anne and John Milnes. Please pray for Jane and James who are two young people with cancer. Move deeply within the lives of each of these people for your healing power to meet them at their point of need. May they each know your love and presence in new ways. We pray also for your healing love to flow through all those who live and work in residential provision in Rastrick.

We bring before you the hopes and fears of our own neighbourhood, especially those residing in Ashlea Avenue, Ashlea Close, Ashlea Drive, Atherton Lane, Firthhouse Lane, Stratton Road and the staff and children in William Henry Smith School

We pray for those who have recently died especially John Pamment. 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.

Sunday 18th March 2018

5th Sunday of Lent

9.00 am Holy Communion led by Canon Michael Storey
10.15 am Parish Communion led by Rev Marion Russell
7.00 pm Benefice Service at St Matthew's

Sidesman: Julia Tum and Carol Harvey
Readings: Jeremiah 31: 31-34 Diane Knowles Page 793
John 12: 20-33 Cherry Fancourt Page 1080
Prayers: Allen Smith
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 Cartwright (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

There is 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.

KNIT AND NATTER :_Would you like to come and join the knit and natter group? You would be made very welcome at Ella's home 11, Ashlea Avenue, we meet every Wednesday from 10am to noon.

BRIGHOUSE CENTRAL FOODBANK : We keep going! Your gifts of food and toiletries are a considerable source of help and hope to families and individuals who have difficulty in making ends meet. Please continue to donate long-life items in the basket for Brighthouse Central Foodbank, which is the new organisation continuing this part of the former work of BASH and remaining at Central Methodist Church as its operational base. Thank you for your support. Missions and Charities Committee.

STAMPS FROM LETTERS AND CARDS. Please can you continue to save your stamps and put them in the magazine box. Thank you.

QUIZ: I am selling quizzes for £1 each to raise funds for 'The Safe House' in Mara Diocese, which I hope to visit when I go to Mara in July. First prize is an M&S £10 voucher and runner up prize is M&S £5 voucher. The theme is **Do You Know Your Nursery Rhymes?** There are 70 questions. Deadline is 30th April 2018. Many thanks for you support. Margaret Ellis

SPECTACLES: Have you any spectacles or sunglasses that you no longer require? If so, I shall be delighted to receive them to take to Mara. Thank you very much.
Margaret Ellis

FREEWILL OFFERING ENVELOPES 2018/19 The freewill offering envelopes for the new financial year will be available at the back of Church from Sunday, 11 March 2018 and will commence on Sunday, 8 April 2018.

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.

CAN YOU HELP? Do you know of anyone who would be willing to help organise **THE TODDLER GROUP** on Thursday mornings. Some of the young Mums are willing to organise crafts on a rota basis, and now need someone to be the lead. The group meets during school term time. We need someone for after Easter. Please liaise with Barbara if you know of someone.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Rucksack Club Full Day walk: Saturday 17th March.

LENT APPEAL 2018 : This year we are supporting a Christian African Relief Trust (CART) project. CART is based in Huddersfield and has set up projects in several African countries. Please read the information on the board at the back of Church, take a jar to fill during Lent and then return it to Church at Easter. Thank you, Missions and Charities group.

COME AND JOIN US FOR LENT LUNCH in St John's Community Hall Tuesdays 13th and 20th. 12 noon till 1.15 pm. Homemade soup with crusty bread will be served. Hot Cross Buns will be served as well as with coffee and tea. Donations appreciated.

THE TUESDAY LENT LUNCHESES will be followed each week by the showing sections of the BBC video called The Passion. This will be in the Sturrock Room.

FLOWERS FOR EASTER: Traditionally the Congregation provides Flowers at this time. There is a basket at the back of Church for donations. Easter Lilies: If anyone wishes to give an Easter lily in memory of loved ones, please place your donation in an envelope with the name(s) of loved one(s) and hand to Christine or Barbara.

A suggested donation of £5 is requested for each lily.

SAFE HOUSE IN MARA. Many thanks for all the support for the fund-raising, including the coffee morning, for the Safe House - £745 will go out to Mara in the March transfer. Oriel.

GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS. This year we are to meet at The George at 11.40pm, slightly earlier than before. Therefore to give us plenty of time we need to leave St Matthew's at 11am and St John's at 11.15am. The Service at Central will begin at 12 noon.

HAVE YOU SEEN Trevor Lewis's letter about the Electoral Roll? A copy can be found on the table at the back of church.

**GROWING ALLOWED! OUR SECOND AWAY DAY
FOR THE CHURCHES OF ST MATTHEW'S AND ST JOHN'S**

**Saturday 12 May 2018: 9.00 – 9.30 for coffee finishing by 4.00pm latest!
Please save the date!**

Remember the success and fun we had at our last Away Day held at St Peter's Church Centre, Gildersome? Well we are busy organising another Away Day at Gildersome again – the venue was just right for us and it provided a lovely worship and discussion space and gave us superb catering facilities and dining area. If the weather is bright and warm the grounds are really lovely to walk or sit in. Many more details to come. Just watch this space and in your Church magazines!

THE SCOUTS ARE HAVING A PUB QUIZ FUNDRAISER on Friday 23rd March to keep the group running. It starts at 7.30 pm and it is £3.00 per team member. There is a Pie 'N' Peas supper. If you would like to come along please contact connor.michaels@btinternet.com so he can order enough pies.

PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH

God of Mission who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions, And power to our witness.
Help our Church to grow in numbers, In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

DIARY

13th March	12 noon till 1.15 pm Lent Lunch
14th March	9.30 am Benefice Communion at St Matthew's
14th March	Wednesday Nighter's - Christian African Relief Trust
17th March	9.45 am Rucksack Full Day Walk
17th March	2.00 pm John Pamment's funeral at Huddersfield Crematorium
19th March	8.00 pm Beer and Banter @ The Globe - Mark Cheetham
23rd March	7.30 pm Scouts Pub Quiz Fundraiser



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