

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 19th November 2017 2nd Sunday before Advent

9.00 am Holy Communion led by Rev Stephen Hannam
10.15 am All Age Worship led by Alan Hoggard
 Pantomime Corporate
 Bacon Butties before and after the services.
7.00pm The Evening Service at St Matthew's is **CANCELLED**

Sidesmen: Rosemary Lake, Norman Lake and Janine Morrisroe
Readings: Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-18 Pantomime member Page 944
 1 Thes 5: 1-11 Pantomime member Page 1188
 Matthew 25: 14-30 Pantomime member Page 994
Prayers: Pantomime Team

Sunday 19th November: 2nd Sunday before Advent – The Source - Music Group Pantomime Society Corporate

1. 109 For I'm building a people of power
2. 420 Our God is so great
3. 556 We shall stand
4. 51 Bind us together, Lord
5. 292 Jesus put this song into our hearts

Prayers for Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.**Amen.**

We pray by name for those known to us who have asked for our prayers: Margaret Yuile, Christine Whitaker, Jean Hannam, Pam McNulty, Majorie Moorhouse, Pat Wilcock, Helen Hearson, Glynice Lord, David Williams, Anne and John Milnes, and Mandy Rochell. May your healing power be at work within each one in body, mind and spirit and we ask you to be with their loved ones and those who care for them. We pray also for your healing love to flow through all those who live and work in residential provision in Rastrick. (November)

We bring before you the hopes and fears of our own neighbourhood, especially those living in Stoney Hill, Little Woodhouse, Bryan Street, George Street and the staff and children at Highbury School.

We pray for those who have died recently especially Gilbert Haigh, Irene Davidson, Helen Bottomley, Colin Bowen and Susan Lily Cox. 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 26th November 2017

**Christ the King
Sunday next before Advent**

9.00 am Holy Communion led by Rev Marion Russell
10.15 am Parish Communion led by Rev Marion Russell

Sidesmen: Shirley Stow, Nina Nicholson and Pat Hobson
Readings: Ezekiel: 34: 11-16, 20-24 Carol Harvey Page 865
Ephesians 1: 15 - end Pat Hobson Page 1173
Matthew 25: 31-end Christine Wilson Page 995
Prayers: Julia Tum
Chalice : Janine Morrisroe and Cherry Fancourt

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 As the days become colder the need for children's jumpers, cardigans, hats, scarves and mittens become more important. Extra knitters (natterer's) are always welcome at Ella's home 11, Ashlea Avenue every Wednesday from 10am to 12 noon. If you prefer to knit at home you can place your garments in the BASH basket at the back of Church. Happy knitting. Many thanks. Missions and Charities.

BOOKINGS NOW BEING TAKEN FOR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCH
Tuesday 12th December 12.30pm for 1.00pm - £15 (5 courses) contact Cherry 01484 385080 or text 07816757334 to book.

BASH LOCAL Missions and Charities are sad to hear that Bash Local is to close on the 30th November due to lack of funding. Central Methodist Church volunteers are going to keep the FOODBANK going which we at St John's will continue to support. Only food or toiletries can be accepted for the FOODBANK. These gifts will make a big difference to local people who are struggling to feed themselves. Thank you. Missions and Charities Committee.

TICKET SALES FOR MOTHER GOOSE Tickets are now on sale for this year's pantomime, Mother Goose. Prices are 2 tickets for £6 on Monday, £6 (full) and £3 (concession) for Tuesday to Saturday Matinee and all tickets £6 on Saturday night. This is the cheapest, and best value you will get in Calderdale. Contact Felicity Helliwell on 07849 726354 to make your bookings, BUT HURRY!

Finally, are you able to provide a raffle prize for the nightly raffles at the shows? If so please contact Graham Readshaw on 01484 713699 or 07949 082402.

MONDAY EVENING HOUSE GROUP A group meets most Mondays at Shirley Stow's house. We are starting to read and explore James' letter to the early Christians and what it can mean to us today. EVERYONE is welcome and if you find you have to miss one or two evenings this will not be a problem re the content, which we can help you catch up with, but you will miss the fun and friendship!

We gather between 7.30 and 7.45 pm and firstly have tea/coffee and biscuits. And we finish by 9.15 pm. Lifts there and back can be arranged.

ALTERNATIVITY come and prepare for advent on Thursday 23rd November, 7pm at Upper Edge Baptist Church. Reflections and prayers on an Advent theme, interspersed with a light supper. Please bring a dessert you can share with others.

TRAIDCRAFT: Christmas is a time for giving and sharing and what better time to show you care about fighting poverty? Buy some of your cards, gift wrap and presents from Traidcraft this Christmas. Browse the Traidcraft Christmas brochure then get your order in early while stocks last.

3 SMALL OCTAGONAL TABLES are now defunct and are available to anyone who would like to take any of them away. Speak to David James on 715197.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTERS' invite you to Oriel's on Wednesday 22nd November at 8 o'clock to a talk by Sarah Rydell, 'The Chocolate lady', who will bring samples and chocolates to sell. Refreshments will be provided. **EVERYONE** welcome.

THE RT REV DR HELEN-ANN HARTLEY has been announced by 10 Downing Street as the next Suffragan (Area) Bishop of Ripon, in the Anglican Diocese of Leeds. Bishop Dr Hartley who is 44, is at present Bishop of Waikato in New Zealand, an office she has held since 2014. At the time she was the first woman priest ordained in the Church of England to become a bishop. She succeeds Bishop James Bell who retired earlier this year. Announcing the appointment and welcoming Bishop Helen-Ann Hartley at Church House in Leeds on November 9, the Bishop of Leeds, the Rt Revd Nick Baines said, "I am delighted to welcome Bishop Helen-Ann Hartley as the new Bishop of Ripon. She brings expertise as a theologian, and episcopal experience from the wider Anglican Communion. She will add great strengths to the leadership and ministry of this diocese."

SHOE BOX APPEAL Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to this year's Shoe Box appeal. This year we have sent 29 boxes to this amazing cause. Many thanks to all. Gill Mills

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING at Lightcliffe on Sat. Dec. 2nd 10 am --- 1pm. This training is the national C1 level which everyone who holds any level of responsibility in church life is encouraged to undertake, especially church council members who haven't done training in other contexts. Jenny Price would like anyone wanting to go to book by phone with the Safeguarding team. Attendance at courses must be booked in advance with the Diocesan Office on 0113 2000 540.

GRAND CENTRAL RAILWAY is celebrating 10 years of serving our communities this December. To mark this anniversary, the Brighouse Community Cinema, Brighouse Grand Central Ambassadors and Grand Central Railways are showing the film, "The Railway Children" at the Assembly Rooms Brighouse on Thursday 23rd November. All passengers, new and old are welcome to come and celebrate with Grand Central. Come along on the 23rd November and enjoy the community spirit at the Assembly rooms and celebrate Brighouse's direct rail service to the capital in comfort and style with Grand Central Railways. The film starts at 7.30 pm but the party starts at 7pm.

Tickets for the show are £5.00 and profits will go to a local charity. You can buy yours tickets at Ryecorn Wholefoods and Harrison Lord, or, online at brighthousecinema.co.uk For an extra £5 you can have fish and chips at Blakeley's before the film.

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

19th November	Bacon Butties by the Pantomime
19th November	7.00pm Third Sunday Benefice Evening Service
22nd November	10.30 am Holy Communion
22nd November	Wednesday Nighters' Open Evening - Chocolate
24th November	7.30 am Morning Prayer
3 rd December	Mothers Union Christmas stall
4th to 9th December	Pantomime Week
12th December	Christmas Lunch
17 th December	Accord Singers Concert in Church
27th December	St John's Walk and Lunch



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