

## 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 28th January 2018**

**Presentation /4th Sunday of Epiphany**

9.00 am Holy Communion led by Rev Marion Russell  
10.15 am Parish Communion led by Rev Stephen Hannam and Rev Marion Russell  
Wednesday Nighters Corporate Communion

Sidesman:

Readings: Deuteronomy 18:15 Oriel Kelly Page 197  
Revelation 12:1-5a Carol Harvey Page 1241  
Mark 1:21-28 Christine Wilson Page 1002

Prayers: Wednesday Nighters  
Chalice: Barbara Rukin and Janine Morrisroe

**Sunday 28th January: Epiphany 4 – Old & New - Organ - (Graham Rayner)**

1. 16 All people that on earth do dwell
2. 67 Christ is our cornerstone
3. 110 Father, I place into your hands
4. 52 Bread of Heaven
5. 470 Take my life, and let it be
6. 34 As we are gathered
7. 345 Now thank we all our God

**Prayers** God of heaven, you send the gospel to the ends of the earth and your messengers to every nation: send your Holy Spirit to transform us by the good news of everlasting life in Jesus Christ our Lord..**Amen**

We pray by name for those known to us who have asked for our prayers: Keith Redfearn, Christine Whitaker, Jean Hannam, Pam McNulty, Majorie Moorhouse, Pat Wilcock, Helen Hearson, Glynice Lord, David Williams, Anne and John Milnes. 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 Robertson Avenue, Scholey Avenue, Scholey Road and the staff and children in Longroyd School.

We pray for those who have died 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.

**Sunday 4th February 2018**

**4th Sunday before Lent**

9.00 am Holy Communion led by Rev Jill Swallow  
10.15 am Parish Communion led by Rev Jill Swallow

Sidesman: Julia Tum and Carol Harvey

Readings: Proverbs 8: 1, 22-31 Pam Dimbleby Page 641  
Psalm 104: 24-end Congregation Page 607  
Colossians 1:15-20 Derek Davis Page 1182  
John 1: 1-14 Christine Wilson Page 1063

Prayers: Cherry Fancourt

Chalice: Allen Smith 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)

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

**BRIGHOUSE CENTRAL FOODBANK** Missions and Charities are sad that Bash Local has now closed but the good news is that the ongoing legacy will be that the 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 and their families.

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.

**LENT GROUPS** Please would you be able to HOST a Lent Group this year? Groups would start week beginning Monday 19th February for 5 weeks, (26th Feb, March 5th, 12th, & 19th). Please can you offer to LEAD a Lent Group for weeks as above? Please choose a time and day suitable for yourself and importantly tell Barbara Rukin of your decision.

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR TODAY : MOTHERS UNION**

As the original Mothers Union AGM had to be cancelled, it will now be held **TODAY** Sunday, 28th January after the morning service, at approximately 12 noon in the Sturrock Room.

Will members please try and attend. Hopefully it should not be too long but as it is an official meeting, it has to be completed as near as possible to each year end.

**HOUSE GROUP:** The Monday evening house group continues to meet at Shirley Stows house (50 Archbell Ave, HD6 3SU ) at 7:45pm. Regulars and new starters are most welcome.

## **RUCKSACK CLUB AGM – Wednesday 7th February – 7.30 pm**

The meeting will be held in the Sturrock Room followed by a Pie and Pea Supper. Please put your name on the list in Church to order your supper.

If anyone would like to join the Rucksack Club Committee, please put your name on the appropriate list.

## **FULL DAY WALK: Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February**

**Leader :** Stephen and Jennifer Guy - 01484 712874

Walk 6 miles – Apperley Bridge and Leeds Liverpool Canal.

Leave church at 9-45 a.m.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY** Full Day walk: Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March:

**COFFEE MORNING** On Saturday 24th February, I am having a Coffee Morning with Cake Stall, raffle etc. at 8, Healey Wood Gardens from 10.00am-12noon to raise funds for the Safe House in Mara Diocese. The Safe House has been set up to support girls as young as 13, who wish to avoid the FGM culture and its consequences. Female Genital Mutilation is illegal in Tanzania but is still practised by some tribes. The Safe House has had some success in returning girls to their families with a promise that they will be safe but some girls cannot return home. Then the Safe House provides a refuge as well as education and training. Julia has already started the fund raising, so please come along and lend your support. Thank you. Oriel Kelly.

**ADVANCE NOTICE :** The next Table Top Sale and Coffee Morning will be held on Saturday 10th March from 9.00 am to mid-day in St John's Church Hall. If you would like to book a table (£9.00) please speak to Rosemary Lake, call 01484 710339 or text on 07811825471. We are running a Church Stall as usual so would welcome any donations (no electrical items please) and offers of help to run the Stall on the day. Thanks.

**THE HALIFAX WINTER SHELTER** runs by Christians Together in Halifax is hugely grateful for all the immense support they received, However, they are making a plea for help from people who can commit to being part of a daily team to cook the evening meal, reheat, or act as a kitchen hand. If you are willing to commit to this for the next 8 weeks on a Thursday or Friday, or Saturday from about 6pm-8.30pm, please speak to Marion for more information or phone Rev Linda Maslen 07595949153

## **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**

### **TODAY**

	12 pm Mothers Union AGM - Sturrock Room
2nd February	7.30 am Morning Prayer
7th February	7.30 pm Rucksack Club AGM
10th February	Full Day Rucksack Club Walk
19th February	Beer and Banter @ The Globe - Over the hill with P and K
10th March	Table Top Sale and Coffee Morning



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