

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 29th April 2018

The fifth Sunday of Easter

9.00 am Holy Communion led by Rev Jill Swallow/ Alan Hoggard
10.15 am Parish Communion led by Rev Jill Swallow/ Alan Hoggard

Sidesman: Susan Smith, Allen Smith and Carol Harvey
Readings: Acts 8:26-end Holly Mason Page 1101
1 John 4:7-end John Hearson Page 1227
John 15: 1-8 David Marshall Page 1083
Prayers: Soo Sykes
Chalice : Margaret Ellis and Allen Smith
Brasses :

**Sunday 29th April: 5th Sunday of Easter – Old & New – Organ -
(Gordon Balmforth)**

1. 110 Father, I place into your hands
2. 150 God forgave my sin (Freely, freely)
3. 121 Fill thou my life, O Lord my God
4. 52 Bread of heaven on thee we feed
5. 460 Spirit of the Living God
6. 515 The Spirit lives to set us free (Walk in the light)

Collect Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

We pray by name for those known to us who have asked for our prayers: Elaine Thorpe, 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 Castlefields Crescent, Castlefields Drive, Castlefields Road and all the staff and children at Carr Green School.

We pray for 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.

Sunday 6th May 2018

The sixth Sunday of Easter

9.00 am Holy Communion led by Rev Marion Russell
10.15 am Parish Communion led by Rev Marion Russell/ Andrew Griffin

Sidesman: Gerald Savage and Oriel Kelly

Readings: Acts 10:44-end Pat Hobson Page 1105
Psalm 98 Congregation Page 603
John 15: 9-17 Pam Dimpleby Page 1083

Prayers: Cherry Fancourt
Chalice : Roger Ellis and David Marshall
Brasses : Mothers' Union

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 : This month the foodbank is collecting toilet rolls, toothbrushes, tooth paste and boxes containing sachets of powdered potato. Your gifts of food and toiletries are always so gratefully received. Any donations to the basket at the back of church are very welcome. Thank you for your continuing 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 UPDATE

Please hand any completed quiz sheets to me. I have collected £107 so far. The deadline is 30th April. Thank you. Margaret Ellis.

TRAIDCRAFT STALL. New product: Nut and seed snack packs. Healthy, delicious and only 90p. Also some beautiful handmade cards at very reasonable prices. Come and browse!

MAGAZINE DEADLINE is May 20th, not May 22nd.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Half day walk: Sunday 6th May: Leaders - Keith and David 01484 713774
Leaving Church at 1.15pm.

Distance: 5 miles

A five mile walk round the picturesque Langsett Reservoir and the Valley of Desolation in South Yorkshire.

There is some elevation but for the walkers there are super and rewarding views over the surrounding moors and reservoir.

Full day walk: Saturday 26th May: Leaders – Margaret and Roger

BE STILL....

Saturdays 10am - 11am

29th April, 5th & 19th May. **This will take place at St. Matthew's.**

One of the most evocative sentences in the Bible is “Be still and know that I am God” Psalm 46:10. In these special prayer times as we prepare for Thy Kingdom Come, we will explore different ways of ‘being still’ to give our attention to God exploring together, finishing with time for coffee and cake within that hour. This is something to take time over - there’s no need to know anything or contribute anything other than your presence! Come and be welcomed.

THY KINGDOM COME

Leading up to the special days of prayer between Ascension Day and Pentecost (10th - 20th May) we will be considering The Lord’s Prayer to give us a greater understanding. Each Sunday in the Easter season has a different theme! Do pick up a Lord’s Prayer card!

GROWING ALLOWED!

OUR SECOND AWAY DAY FOR ST MATTHEW’S AND ST JOHN’S CHURCHES

Saturday 12 May 2018: 9.00 – 9.30 for coffee finishing by 4.00pm latest!

Please save the date!

The planning in getting on well and we are moving forward *inexorably* to having yet another wonderful day together. Do you remember the success and fun we had at our last Away Day at St Peter’s Church Centre, Gildersome? Well, we will be there again, with the opportunity to be together, worship, chat and to eat in the beautiful surroundings of Peter’s Church. The main course for lunch will be provided, and perhaps you may want to bring one of your own favourite puddings to share. We have booked sunshine as well, so you will find that the grounds are really lovely to walk or sit in.

LENT APPEAL 2018 Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the Lent Appeal for the Warm Cots project in Northern Tanzania. We have been able to send £640 to Christian African Relief Trust, which will buy 8 cots for Mara Diocese. Please read the information on the board at the back of church, which explains more about CART and its projects. CART also has a shop and storage facility in Huddersfield. There is a list of goods that are acceptable/not acceptable to CART currently, either to sell or transport to Africa. If you need more information, please ask one of the members of the Missions and Charities group.

MOTHERS UNION COFFEE DAY will be held on 8th May at Margaret Raine's home, 16 Scholey Avenue, between 10 am-12 noon and 2pm -4pm. There will be a raffle, cake stall and refreshments available.

**There will be a Memorial Service
on Sunday 13 May at 3.00 pm at St Matthew's.**

All are welcome.

If you would like a name added to the list to be read out please add it to the list at the back of church.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK MAY 13-19 Please think deeply about helping during Christian Aid Week. The envelopes are at the back of the Church if you would like to sign up for the delivery and collection of envelopes. Thank you.

WELSH HYMN SINGING FESTIVAL, LINDLEY METHODIST CHURCH.

HD3 3ND Congregational singing in Welsh and English

Saturday 12th May 2.00-3.30 and 4.45-6.30. Tea and Coffee provided between services. For further information ring 01535 6656829.

See Notice Board for more information

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

2nd May 9.30 am Benefice Communion **at St Matthew's**

4th May 7.30 am Morning Prayers

6th May 1.15 pm from church Half Day Rucksack Walk around Langsett Res.

8th May 10am - 12 noon Mother's Union Coffee Morning

10th May 7.30 pm Benefice Ascension Day Holy Communion **St Matthew's**

12th May Away Day

13th-19th May Christian Aid Week



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Parish Calendar : <http://tinyurl.com/jcjrehp>



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