

## 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 September 2017**

**12th Sunday after Trinity**

9.00 am Holy Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell

10.15 am Holy Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell

Sidesmen: Shirley Stow, Nina Nicholson and Pat Hobson

Readings: Jeremiah 15: 15-21 Audrey Belcher Page 774  
Romans 12: 9 - end Carol Harvey Page 1139  
Matthew 16. 21-end Pam Dimpleby Page 984

Prayers: Barbara Rukin

Chalice: Barbara Rukin and David Marshall

### **Sunday 3rd September : 12th Sunday after Trinity – The Source – Organ - (Graham Rayner)**

1. 327 Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided
2. 379 O Breath of Life, come sweeping through us
3. 21 And can it be that I should gain  
Communion CD for listening – Everyday God (Farrell) Inpoured Spirit (Rizza)
4. 526 To God be the glory! Great things he hath done

**Prayers for** God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We pray by name for those known to us who have asked for our prayers: Jean Hannam, Irene Davidson, 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. (September)

We bring before you the hopes and fears of our own neighbourhood, especially for our schools: William Henry Smith, Field Lane, Longroyde, Highbury, Woodhouse, Carr Green, Rastrick High, Rastrick Independent, returning after their summer holiday.

We pray for those who have recently died especially Ron Moore (first husband of Julia Tum and father of James and Helen). Grant him 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 10th September 2017**

**13th Sunday after Trinity**

9.00 am Holy Communion led by Rev. Anne Young  
10.15 am Holy Communion led by Rev. Anne Young

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

Readings: Ezekiel 33: 7-11 Sue Smith Page 864  
Romans 13:8 - end Dianne Knowles Page 1140  
Matthew 18: 15-20 David Marshall Page 985

Prayers: Cherry Fancourt

Chalice: Allen Smith and Janine Morrisroe

**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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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** This is proving very successful and will continue. All hats, mitts and scarves will be kept until needed next Autumn. Cardigans and jumpers will still be taken to BASH. Some people are knitting for other charities - Oxfam, jumpers for Mara and twiddle muffs for people with Alzheimer's. Knit and Natter continues on Wednesdays from 10 am to 12 noon at Ella's Home, 11 Ashlea Avenue. Many thanks. Missions and Charities.

**BASH** Bash local is a Brighouse based charity but also supports the surrounding areas. They support homeless and vulnerable people in the local community via outreach and drop in sessions at their office. Thanks to donations they can also provide food, drink and clothing.

As a Church we are supporting BASH. Your donations of food, toiletries and household products are important and make such a difference to these vulnerable people. Donations can be left in the basket at the back of Church.

A big thank you from BASH and Missions and Charities for your continuing support and the extra special donations for the children during the summer holidays who would have missed their school dinners.

**DUE TO UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES, THE FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST AT ST MATTHEW'S ON SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9TH** has had to be cancelled.

**MONDAY EVENING HOUSE GROUP** A group meets most Mondays at Shirley Stow's house, or sometimes at Dianne Knowles' or John and Jane Hearson's house! Just check with any of them or with Alan Hoggard or Julia and we can confirm which house we will be in next!! We are starting to read and explore Saint Paul's letter to the Galatians 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 meet in 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. House Groups are growing and this is one of the ideas which emerged from our Away Day.

Hope to see you there!

**BEER FESTIVAL 22ND AND 23RD SEPTEMBER** - To date we have raised over £30,000 to support the Church and local Charities. The financial success is due to the generous sponsorship of a Barrel by members of the Church community, organisations and local businesses. It is only through your support that we are able to raise significant monies for these Charities and our Church. This year's charities are the Neonatal Unit, Calderdale Hospital and Bloodwise. The Bloodwise charity is dedicated to funding research into all blood cancers including Leukaemia and Lymphoma in addition to offering support to cancer patients. If you wish to contribute towards the purchase of a barrel further details can be obtained from Roger Ellis or Hilary Cartwright. Today is your last opportunity to sponsor a barrel/or part of as the programme is in its final stages of production.

**PLEASE WILL YOU HELP THE BEER FESTIVAL COMMITTEE BY DELIVERING FLYERS IN YOUR AREA.**

Please look at the list of streets near to where you live.

Select a street and cross the street off the list and count out the correct number of flyers required.

The flyers are in bundles of 10's with a pile of loose ones.

We have found this support really effective in bringing customers to the festival.

Thank you.

### **RUCKSACK CLUB**

#### **Rucksack Club Dates for your Diary**

Half day walk: **TODAY** Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September,

Leaders: Anne and Alan Howarth

Full day walk: Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September,

Leaders: Roger and Margaret Ellis

**TURNING POINT COUNSELLING SERVICE** This service was set up by the Churches Together in Brighouse and Rastrick in 2001. Since then it has grown steadily and currently over 40 people are seen every week. All the counsellors are volunteers and they in turn rely on a team of volunteer receptionists who offer 1 or 2 hours per week to greet the clients and ensure a safe and welcoming environment. If you would like to find out more about the service then please come to our short AGM and social on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September in the upstairs room at Millers Bar. For Further details about the AGM or Turning Point in Brighouse please do call 01484 – 950808.

**NYAKISWA UPDATE** Nyakiswa has a new vicar – Rev. Damian Mbogora. I met him on my recent visit and although he has little English, the congregation are very pleased to have him. He, his wife and children are living in the Vicarage – something which the last vicar never did! We delivered a brand new motorbike to the parish for the use of the vicar. The motorbike, helmet and insurance cost £800 and has been paid for with money sent from St. John's and St. Matthew's, over the past year or so. I was told by Arthur that Nyakiswa is the only parish in Mara Diocese to have a parish motorbike!! Oriel

**SHOE BOX APPEAL.** Though it is still summer, I am looking ahead to November and our Shoe Box Appeal. Please save shoe boxes in readiness for the Autumn, and purchase outdoor games ,balls, skipping ropes, etc that may be more available in the summer months. I will be offering to make boxes up for people this year if that's helpful. More info later. Many Thanks Gill Mills.

### **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 2017**

3rd September	Rucksack Club Walk - Half Day
5th September	Turning Point AGM @ Millers Bar.
6th September	10.30 am Holy Communion
8th September	7.30 am Morning Prayer
16th September	Rucksack Club Walk - Half Day (More details to follow)
22nd/23rd September	Beer Festival



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