

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE DIVINE, RASTRICK

If you are visiting or have recently moved to Brighouse 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 15th March 2015

Lent 4

Mothering Sunday

9 a.m.	Holy Communion led by Rev. Stephen Hannam		
10.15 a.m.	Morning Worship led by Rev. Stephen Hannam		
Sidesmen:	Kathleen Fletcher and Julia Tum		
Readings:	Exodus 2: 1-10	page 58	Cherry Fancourt
	Colossians 3: 12-17	page 1184	Marcus Mason
	Luke 2: 33-35	page 1088	Julia Tum
Prayers:	Glenn Tatton		
Brasses:	Wednesday Nighters		
Hymns:	The Source – Music Group		
1. 559	We want to see Jesus lifted high		
2. 23	A new commandment		
3. 576	When the music fades		
4. 114	From heaven you came (<i>The Servant King</i>)		
5. 469	Teach me to dance		

Prayers for the week: Collect for today: God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

We pray for the suffering, especially Peter Usher, Douglas Hartley, Anne Milnes, Stan Brown, Dorothy Taylor, Holly Ferguson, Geoffrey Nicholson, Neil Shaw, Joan Smith, the patients at our local hospices and those who live in Cygnet Lodge. Ease their pain, and heal the damage done to them in body, mind or spirit. Be present to them through the support of family and friends and in the care of doctors and nurses and fill them with the warmth of your love.

We bring before you the hopes and fears of our own neighbourhood, particularly those who live on Aire Street, Cliffe Road, Gooder Lane and William Henry Smith School

We pray for the departed. Surround all who mourn with your love. Give courage and companionship as they adjust to their loss and be with them as they grieve.

Sunday 22nd March 2015

Passion Sunday

9 a.m.	Holy Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell and Alan Hoggard		
10.15 a.m.	Holy Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell and Alan Hoggard		
Sidesmen:	Janet Thain, Audrey Belcher and Barrie Belcher		
Readings:	Jeremiah 31: 31-34	page 793	Dianne Bates
	Hebrews 5: 5-10	page 1204	Pam Dimbleby
	John 12:20-33	page 1080	Gerald Savage
Prayers:	Cherry Fancourt		
Chalice:	Barbara Rukin 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 McCarthy (537399) Website: www.stjohnsrastrick.org.uk e mail Alan Hoggard alan.hoggard@blueyonder.co.uk to promote events or information for the website.

If you wish to discuss Gift Aid or regular giving by standing order see Cherry or Gerald.

Please send newsletter items to Margaret Ellis (718013) or e mail ellis700@btinternet.com by 5 p.m. on Wednesdays

The Pastoral Care Team is Alan Hoggard, Margaret Ellis, Judith Readshaw, Jo Lewis, Freda Broadbent, Doreen Davis, Anne Aspinall, Cherry Fancourt, Christine James and Dianne Bates

PRAYER GROUP AT VICARAGE 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month at 6.30 p.m. ALL WELCOME

For young children and carers we have a crèche in the Lady Chapel. There is also a children's area at one side of Church with books, toys and service-relevant materials where they can sit and colour. New bible toys may be taken to 'pews' during the service, then returned to the Children's area.

LENT APPEAL: Display is at the back of Church. Fund raising for NORDOFF ROBBINS (Music Transforming Lives)

TABLE TOP SALE: A big thank you to all the team who made this a successful event and also to those who came, brought friends to look round and enjoy the bacon butties and cakes. The total made for Church Funds was £478. *Freda*

LENT HOUSE GROUPS: Lent 4: March 17th-20th, Lent 5: March 24th Service at Upper Edge

BEER AND BANTER: MEN ONLY: The following Mondays at the Globe 23rd March – ‘Land of Fire’ -Roger Hirst
20th April- ‘Life on the Organ’- Philip Tordoff 18th May – ‘Gideon Revisited’- Mark Stevenson
22nd June – ‘An Evening with Mark Cheetham’

FIRE GUARD IN THE STURROCK ROOM: Thank you to the Readshaw family for providing a fireguard.

LENT LUNCHESES: Tuesdays until March 24th 12 noon-1.30 p.m. in the Church Hall. Homemade soup, rolls and tea/coffee Large £2.25 Small £1.50 Hot cross buns 50p

ELECTORAL ROLL: It's that time of year again, when the Electoral Roll is revised. Membership on the Electoral Roll entitles a person to attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and to vote there in the elections to the Parochial Church Council (“PCC”) and to the Deanery Synod. A member aged 16 or more may stand for election to the PCC and a member aged 18 or more may stand for election to the Deanery Synod, the Diocesan Synod and the General Synod. Please let me have any applications for inclusion not later than Sunday 5th April 2015, to be included on the Roll that applies for the APCM. This is to allow time to have PCC formally approve the revised Electoral Roll, and for it to be displayed for the required 14 days prior to the APCM on 19th April 2015. *Trevor J Lewis, Electoral Roll Officer*

UNDER 5's AND BAPTISM WORKSHOP: Saturday 18th April 9.30- 4 p. m. at Bradley Church.
Open to all involved in baptisms and working with the under 5's. Please contact Gill Mills 01484 544749 for details.

HOLIDAY CLUB: Wednesday 1st April at St. Matthew's. All schools and uniformed organisations from both churches invited. If you can help there is a meeting on Thursday 5th February at 7.30 p.m. at St. Matthew's in the Parish Centre.

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 lily costs £5.

WELCOME CENTRE: We are collecting **shampoo and shower gel in March**. Many thanks.

RUCKSACK CLUB WALKS: Saturday 21st March led by Edwin and Julia Tum. Meet in car park at 8.30 a.m. The walk is 8.57 miles and starts from Burnsall in the Yorkshire Dales and follows the Wharfe to Howgill Lane. From there it becomes a gently undulating walk and then ‘carefully pick our way as we go’ up Trollers Gill, then across Appletreewick Pasture to a fabulous downhill track leading us back along Kail Lane to the Wharfe and Burnsall. There is a car park at Burnsall, currently £4.00, with toilets and a refreshment point. If you wish to pre-order a bacon or sausage sandwich (£2.00 / £2.30) ring Julia on 07773334771

Full Day Walk: Saturday 11th April Leader: David Wilson

Full Day Walk: Saturday 2nd May Leaders: Anne and Alan Haworth

DIARY

Tuesday 17th March
12 noon -1.30 p.m. Lent Lunches
Lent House groups

Wednesday 18th March

9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer
10.15 a.m. Holy Communion
7.30 p.m. Lent Lunches

Friday 20th March

7.30 a.m. Morning Prayer
2-4 p.m. and 5-7.30 p.m. Blood donor sessions in the Church Hall. Please give if you are willing and able.

Saturday 21st March

8.30 a.m. Rucksack Club leaves church

Reflections for Holy Week

Monday 20th March, Tuesday 31st March, Wednesday 1st April at 7.30 p.m. at St. Matthew's

Monday 23rd March

8 p.m. Beer an Banter (see above)

Thursday 2nd April

7.30 p.m. Maundy Thursday service at St. Matthew's

Friday 3rd April

Walk of Witness starts at 11.45 a.m. from St. Matthew's, 12 noon at St. John's arriving at Central Methodist for service at 12.30 p.m.

2-3 p.m. St John's Devotion

7.30 p.m. Service at Upper Edge Baptist Church

