

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 1st February 2015

Presentation of Christ in the Temple

9 a.m.	Holy Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell		
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Sidesmen:	Oriell Kelly and Gerald Savage		
Readings:	Malachi 3: 1-5	page 961	Pam Dimbleby
	Hebrews 2: 14-end	page 1202	Dianne Bates
	Luke 2:22-40	page 1208	Roger Ellis
Prayers:	Dianne Bates		
Chalice:	Margaret Ellis and Roger Ellis		
Hymns:	The Source – Music Group		
1. 185	How deep the Father's love for us		
2. 601	You laid aside your majesty		
3. 353	Meekness and majesty		
4. 329	Lord, I come to you (<i>Power of your love</i>)		
5. 217	I'm accepted, I'm forgiven		
6. 265	I will offer up my life		
7. 91	Father God, I wonder		

Voices Rehearsal at 12 noon

Prayers for the week: Collect for today: Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ 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 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 Heath Mount Road, Knowles Road, Archbell Avenue, Glyndon Court and Highbury School

We pray for the departed especially Rev. William Sykes (Janet Thain's brother), Paul Blackburn and Harry Dawson. 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 8th February 2015

2nd Sunday before Lent

9 a.m.	Holy Communion led by Rev. Stephen Hannam		
10.15 a.m.	Holy Communion led by Rev. Stephen Hannam and Alan Hoggard		
Sidesmen:	Kathleen Fletcher and Julia Tum		
Readings:	Proverbs 8:1, 22-31	page 641	Soo Sykes
	Colossians 1: 15-20	page 1182	Graham Readshaw
	John 1:1-14	page 1063	Muriel Coop
Prayers:	Barbara Rukin		
Chalice:	Janine Morrisroe and Barbara Rukin		
Brasses:	Wednesday Nighters		

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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 a children's area 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

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS, REFLECTIONS AND THANKSGIVING: Co-ordinating group: Rev. Marion, Ann Johnson (769297), David Marshall (718182) and Stephen Hannam (716053) Centenary plan with dates available soon. Watch this space!!!!!!

Film of ESTHER: Thursdays 5th and 12th February at 7.30 p.m. in the Sturrock Room to watch and discuss over a cup of tea or coffee. The story is full of tears and sorrow; good conquering evil; a tale of a jump from rags to riches; great joys and celebration; fasting and feasting; and it spotlights on a king who is happy to let others pick up responsibility. *Julia*

MESSY CHURCH: 1st March at 3 p.m. Activities on Family Carers theme for all the family. Refreshments provided.

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.

TABLE TOP SALE: Saturday February 28th. 9 am -12.30pm in the hall. Come and join us to look round and find some bargains amongst both new and pre-loved goods. We will have household items, clothes, toys, jewellery, greeting cards, ornaments and many other things in good condition but no longer needed by their owners. Refreshments will be available in the Sturrock room. Enjoy some home-made cake or a bacon buttie as you chat with friends. If you wish to book a table please ring Freda on 714765. If you have goods to donate to the Church stall contact Shirley Stow. We look forward to seeing you there.

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.

MOBILE PHONES: Do you have any mobile phones that could go to Mara? Time is short as Stephen Spencer and the group of teachers leave on 5th February. Mara don't need chargers only the phone. Please contact Oriel if you have any.

PANTOMIME: AGM Monday, 9th February at 8 pm in the Back Room of the Church Hall. ALL WELCOME

PRAYER BREAKFAST: 9 a.m. Saturday 7th February here at St. John's in the Sturrock Room. This is a lovely opportunity to eat and chat with like minded people, the meeting ending with 10 minutes of prayer on local and world wide needs. *Barbara*

FLOWER ROTA: Add your name to the rota (on the Church notice board) if you wish to provide flowers for a special memory. Please see Christine Wilson and Barbara Rukin for details.

WELCOME CENTRE: We are collecting **meat paste and disposable razors** in February. Many thanks.

RUCKSACK CLUB: AGM on Wednesday 4th February at 7.30 pm in the Sturrock Room followed by a Pie and Peas Supper. Cost is £4 each, including the first drink. Please put names on the list in Church for catering purposes. If you would like to join the Committee, please put your name on the list.

Full Day Walk: Saturday 14th February Leader: Stephen and Jennifer Guy (712874) mob. 07590 712877 Leaving Church: 9.30 a.m. An easy 8 miles from Gargrave along the Pennine Way to East Marton and back along the Leeds - Liverpool Canal. Please put your name on the list in Church or contact Stephen

Date for your diary: Full Day Walk: Saturday 21st March

ASH WEDNESDAY: Senior Church Leaders invite Christians from around the region to join in a procession through Leeds City Centre on 18th February (Ash Wednesday). Convene at 1 pm at St John, New Briggate. Process along Briggate to the Trinity Shopping Centre. Finish at 2pm after prayers in Holy Trinity Boar Lane. Bring a variety of banners, national flags, processional crosses – whatever your tradition and background. See Marion if you intend to go

Sharing ideas for leading small groups: There is a notice on the board at the back of church with details of sessions taking place which are being organised by the diocese. A group from St. John's is going to the Mirfield Centre on Tuesday 3rd February. Come and join us. See Alan for more information.

OPEN GARDENS: Anne Aspinall is co-ordinating another event so please could you open your garden this summer to make another **FANTASTIC** event possible? No details or dates yet. First we need gardens of **ANY SIZE**. Contact Anne 718969 as soon as possible.

DIARY

Wednesday 4th February

9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer 10.15 a.m. Holy Communion 7.30 p.m. Rucksack Club AGM

Thursdays 5th and 12th February

7.30 p.m. The book of Esther (see above)

Friday 6th February

7.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Saturday 7th February

9 a.m. Prayer Breakfast at St. John's

Monday 9th February

8 p.m. Pantomime AGM

Wednesday 18th February

Ash Wednesday service at 7.30 p.m. at St. Matthew's and notice above

Saturday 28th February

Table Top Sale (see above)

