

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 22nd March 2015

Passion Sunday

Lent 5

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
Hymns: **The Source – Music Group**
1. 265 I will offer up my life (*This thankful heart*)
2. 123 God forgave my sin (*Freely, freely*)
3. 348 Make me a channel of your peace
4. 297 Jesus, take me as I am
5. 29 As we are gathered
6. 592 You are Lord of our hearts
7. 38 Be bold, be strong

Prayers for the week: Collect for today: Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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 Railway Street, Railway Terrace, Victoria Street, Victoria Road and Field Lane 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 29th March 2015

Palm Sunday

Lent 6

9 a.m. Holy Communion led by Rev. Stephen Hannam
10.15 a.m. Holy Communion led by Rev. Stephen Hannam
Sidesmen: Shirley Stow, Pat Hobson and Nina Nicholson
Readings: Isaiah 50: 4-9a page 737 Graham Readshaw
Philippians 2: 5-11 page 1179 Soo Sykes
Mark 14:1-15 page 1020 Doreen Davis
Prayers: Dianne Bates
Chalice: Janine Morrisroe and Barbara Rukin

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@bluevonder.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)

ST. JOHN'S CENTENARY OPEN GARDENS: Saturday 18th July. Huge thanks to those who have agreed to open their gardens. Those people should have already been notified of a meeting on Thursday 2nd April 2 p.m. at 160 Woodhouse Lane. It is not too late to join in and if you cannot open your garden, please try to grow some plants, seedlings or cuttings for our plant stall. Many thanks. Anne Aspinall (718969)

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'

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.

Dear All our friends of St John the Divine Church

On behalf of The Welcome Centre we would like to say thank you for kind donations of food and toiletries during 2014 which has enabled us to support many local people. We are currently seeing about 150 people per week and currently local people face many challenges choosing between heating and eating. Best wishes
Emma Greenough- Donations Secretary

RUCKSACK CLUB WALKS: Full Day Walk: Saturday 11th April Leader: David Wilson
Full Day Walk: Saturday 2nd May Leaders: Anne and Alan Haworth

Community of the Resurrection, Mirfield is proud to host a Franco-German Organ Recital, performed by Ben Teague (b. 1992), currently in his first year at the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama studying composition. He is a keen composer as well as performer. Ben takes particular interest in French music, especially Ravel and Debussy, as well as Widor, Vierne and Fauré of the Late French Romantic, and Messiaen, Duruflé, Langlais and others of the 20th century school. The concert will take place in the Community's stunning church on **Saturday 18th April at 7.30pm.** Tickets can be purchased on the door or in advance by contacting Jenny Ashmore (01924 483308) email: jashmore@mirfield.org.uk.

DIARY

Monday 23rd March

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

Tuesday 24th March

12 noon -1.30 p.m. Lent Lunches

7.30 p.m. Lent Groups Service at Upper Edge

Wednesday 25th March

9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

10.15 a.m. Holy Communion

Friday 27th March

7.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Reflections for Holy Week

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

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

Saturday 18th April

See above re concert

Magazine deadline is on Sunday 22nd March at 11.30 a.m.

