

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 everyone for fellowship and light refreshments in the Church hall after the service.

Sunday 23rd November

Christ the King

9 a.m. Holy Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell and Rev. Stephen Hannam

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

Readings: Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24	page	865	Ella Campbell
Ephesians 1: 15-end	page	1173	Norman Lake
Matthew 25: 31-2nd	page	995	David Marshall

Prayers: Glenn T atton

Chalice: Freda Broadbent and David Marshall

Hymns: **Old & New – Organ** (*Graham Rayner*)

1. 97 Crown him with many crowns
 2. 546 Thy kingdom come, O God,
 3. 57 Brother, let me be your servant
 4. 277 Just as I am, without one plea
 5. 525 This is my body, broken for you
 6. 265 Jesus, name above all names (x2)
 7. 70 Christ triumphant ever reigning (*Guiting Power*)
- 12 noon Rastrick Voices rehearsal

Prayers for the week: Collect for today: Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; 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 Stan Brown, Margaret Martingale, 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 New Hey Road, New Road Square, Regent Close, Spout Hill and Sage Grove

We pray for the departed, especially Reg Redfearn. Surround Reg's family and friends and all who mourn with your love. Give courage and companionship as they adjust to their loss and be with them as they grieve. Reg's funeral will take place here on Friday 28th November at 1 p.m. followed by cremation at Fixby crematorium at 2 p.m.

Sunday 30th November

Advent 1

9 a.m. Holy Communion led by Rev. Stephen Hannam

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Sidesmen: Julia Tum, Pat Hobson and Nina Nicholson

Readings: Isaiah 64: 1-9	page	750	Pat Hobson
1 Corinthians 1: 3-9	page	1144	Derek Davis
Matthew 13: 24-end	page	1019	Julia Tum

Prayers: Barbara Rukin

Chalice: Cherry Fancourt and Janine Morrisroe

Brasses: Wednesday Nighters

12 noon Rastrick Voices Rehearsal

Please note photography of all kinds is not allowed in all services

Please contact Rev. Marion Russell (713386) or revd.marion@gmail.com 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.

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

MESSY CHURCH: Everyone please join in Messy Church Christmas Activities in the Church at 3 p.m. on Sunday 7th December. Mince pies and mulled Wine.

TRAIDCRAFT: Superb range of Christmas cards and gifts. Catalogues and order forms on the stall. Please return when completed to Dianne

ADVENT APPEAL: The Missions and Charities group has decided to support the Ravenscliffe at Spring Hall Appeal during Advent. Ravenscliffe High School in Halifax is the only Secondary Special School in Calderdale, providing education for 137 students aged 11-19 years and it is bursting at the seams. The project aims to create a Sixth Form Centre and Community facilities at Spring Hall to accommodate the older students. Calderdale has committed £1.5 million pounds to the project and it is hoped that the building will open its doors in September 2015. The first Community Challenge to raise £700,000 has been achieved and the second to raise a further £500,000 to equip the Centre is well underway. We plan to have a Coffee Morning on Saturday 29th November in the Sturrock Room from 10-12noon to start our fundraising. Please come along to support this very worthwhile cause. Donations of cakes would also be most welcome.

ST MATTHEW'S PARISH CENTRE: Christmas tree switch on and community carol singing on Friday 28th November at 7 p.m. Special guest: Mayor of Calderdale. Refreshments will be available.

TABLE TOP SALE : Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of the Table Top Sale on the day and for the generosity of those who donated items for the church table, baked delicious cakes for sale in the Sturrock room, or supported the event with advertising and delivering fliers. We had a good number of visitors and the total raised is £558.

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS: December 2014-November 2015. Would you like to organise or help with an event during this important year in the life of our Church? Contact a member of the co-ordinating group: Marion Russell, Ann Johnson (769297) annjohnson@hotmail.co.uk, David Marshall (718182) or Stephen Hannam (716053)

CHRISTMAS CONCERT FOR OVERGATE HOSPICE: here on **Saturday, 6th December at 7 p m** featuring Rastrick High School Choir plus Peter Cain and the Guitar Ensemble. Tickets on the door: £3 adults, £1 children.

OPENING AND BLESSING OF NEW KITCHEN AND MU CHRISTMAS GOODIES STALL:
11.45 a.m. on 7th December. Come and celebrate and drink a toast to our fabulous new kitchen.

BEER AND BANTER-MEN ONLY: 8 p.m. Mondays at 'The Globe' 1st December Ian Knowles 'Visiting the War Graves' 22nd December: Christmas Beers & Banter. 26th January: Norman Lake: 'Educating Honley.' *Alan Hoggard*

WELCOME CENTRE: We are collecting **tins of rice pudding in November**. Many thanks for your support. *M Ellis*

RUCKSACK CLUB: Saturday 27th December: St. John's Walk and lunch-hot beef sandwich and chips at Bradley Park Golf Club 2 p.m.

PANTOMIME: Tickets on sale from Sharon Berry (719143) £5 for adults and £3 concessions. Monday night: 2 full price for £5. See Graham if you can offer a raffle prize to be used for Pantomime week.

DIARY

Monday 24th November

Beer and Banter now cancelled

Tuesday 25th November

10-noon Coffee, Reflection and Prayer at 50 Archbell Avenue

Wednesday 26th November

9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

10.15 a.m. Holy Communion

Friday 28th November

7.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Saturday 29th November

10-12 noon Coffee Morning (see above)

Monday 1st December

6.30 p.m. Powerhouse Prayers in the Lady Chapel

Friday 5th December and Wednesday 31st December

Blood donor sessions Are you willing and able to donate?

Saturday 6th December

7 p.m. Concert at St. John's (see above)

Sunday 7th December

11.45 a.m. MU Christmas Goodies stall in the hall and Opening and Blessing of the kitchen

7.15 p.m. Monday 8th- Saturday 13th December

Pantomime-ROBINSON CRUSOE (or maybe Babes in the Wood!!!!!!) in Church Hall

Wednesday 17th December

12.30 p.m. for 1 p.m. Christmas Lunch in Sturrock Room **SOLD OUT**

Wednesday 24th December

3 p.m. and 5 p.m. Christingles and 11.30 p.m. Holy Communion

Thursday 25th December

10.15 a.m. Holy Communion

