

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 22nd May 2016

Trinity Sunday

9 a.m. Holy Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell/Alan Hoggard

10.15 a.m. Holy Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell/Alan Hoggard
Rastrick Voices rehearsal after coffee

6.30 pm. Prayer Group @ The Vicarage

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

Readings: Psalm 8 Carol Harvey Page 546
Romans 5: 1-5 Margaret Ellis Page 1132
John 16: 12-15 Barbara Rukin Page 1084

Prayers: Margaret Ellis

Chalice: David Marshall and Barbara Rukin

Sunday 22nd May: Trinity Sunday - Old & New – Organ (Graham Atherton)

1. 200 Holy, holy, holy!
2. 123 Firmly I believe and truly
3. 121 Fill thou my life, O Lord my God
4. 116 Father, we love you
5. 198 Holy, holy
6. 54 Breathe on me, Breath of God
7. 540 Three in One

Prayers for the week: Collect for today Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever **Amen.**

We pray for the suffering, especially Doreen Davis, Mandy Rochell, Pat Wilcock, Barbara Siswick, Marjorie Moorhouse, Margaret Hobson, Kathleen Carline, Anne Milnes, Dorothy Taylor, 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, especially for those people who live Tofts Grove, Tofts Grove Gardens, Tofts Grove Fold, Tofts Grove Place, Quarry Court and all the children and the staff at Rastrick Independent School.

We pray for those who have died, especially Tony Forrester and Lorna Gronow who have recently died. Grant them 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 29th May 2016

1st Sunday of Trinity

9 a.m. Holy Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell
10.15 a.m. Holy Communion led by Rev. Marion Russell
Rastrick Voices rehearsal after coffee

Sidesmen: Rosemary Lake, Norman Lake and Janine Morrisroe

Readings: 1 Kings 8: 22 -23, 41-43 Norman Lake Page 345
Galatians 1: 1-12 Pat Hobson Page 1168
Luke 7 : 1 -10 David Marshall Page 1035

Prayers: David Marshall
Chalice: Margaret Ellis and Roger Ellis
Brasses: Mothers Union

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 e-mail Alan Hoggard alan.hoggard@blueyonder.co.uk to promote events or information for the website.

Please send newsletter items to David James (01484 715197) or email davidjict@gmail.com by N.B. 5 p.m. on Wednesdays and information to add to the website: www.stjohnsrastrick.org.uk

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. Bible toys may be taken to 'pews' during the service, then returned to the Children's area.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS: Please save used postage stamps for Overgate Hospice and put them in the magazine box.

NEW CHURCH CARDS: Suitable for any occasion. New designs all taken from the centenary flower festival. No price increase, still excellent value at £3 for 6 cards or 50p each. Two different packs are available and are on sale from the table next to the church door. Pat Lee

EVENTS AND FUNDRAISING GROUP : are looking for ideas for fundraising, fellowship and outreach. Is your group going to hold an event this coming year? Do you as an individual have ideas to put forward? Please tell Hilary, Ann Johnson, Roger or Barbara if you do.

AS A CHURCH WE ARE SUPPORTING BASH FOODBANK: (Brighthouse and Surrounding Homeless). This is a long term commitment and each month different items will be listed as being needed. Besides collecting **tins, tea, coffee and sugar** and **non-food** items such as **washing up liquid, shampoo and toilet rolls** during May we are collecting donations of **tea, coffee and sugar**. **Non-food** items that would be suitable could be **washing up liquid, shampoo and toilet rolls**. There is a basket at the back of church for any donations. Thank you.

MISSIONS AND CHARITIES GROUP – RAVENSCLIFFE@ SPRINGHALL : Remember the 2014 Advent Appeal for Ravenscliffe High School in Halifax? The school has now reached the target for the building work to start in September and is making a final push to raise money for equipment. The school is collecting foreign coins, so if you have any spare, please give them to Audrey, Cindy, Cherry, Margaret E or Oriel. Thank you.

PRECINCTS : As you are aware we have been employing a gardener for several years to maintain the upkeep of our precincts the cost has been covered by the Church members donating £ 25.00. In 2015, our Centenary year the PCC decided not to seek a financial contribution due to the many activities held and supported by Church members. This year the council is seeking once again your financial support to cover the cost of maintaining our precincts. **UPDATE** Many of you will be aware of the emergency repair work carried out on the car park, resulting in a bill of circa £1500. We have not been able to request grant monies due to the short time-frame consequently this has made a significant impact on our Finances, In addition we have just completed rewiring the Church cost Circa £4,000. If you feel able to make a larger donation this year to meet the cost of garden and car park maintenance it would greatly appreciated by the PCC. This can be given to either myself or Norman Lake. Many thanks. Roger Ellis.

DAVID ROBERTSHAW (international pianist/composer) has been recording in St John's again this month. We're so fortunate he chose us (when he's more used to playing piano at venues like 'The Ritz' in London). He wanted to use an organ sound on his tracks and chose us as he's a local lad! He's recorded three tracks so far and each one has generated a lot of interest on YouTube. As a thank you to us, and because he believes that it's important for our organ to survive for the future, he's offered to give a concert here in the future, with all the proceeds for our organ fund! He's started raising awareness for us. If you want to see his brilliant recording which makes our church look like a Minster go to <https://youtu.be/1VFTtNLthg>.

RUCKSACK WALK TODAY : Leaving Church: 1.30 pm. Five miles around Ripponden with something for everyone! Medium/hard depending on how you want to view it. Much uphill on the first half mainly on wide tracks and a causy stones. Some mud in a couple of spots but hopefully in May it might have dried up. Today in fantastic weather, the views were amazing. Mostly level and downhill on later half. If Steve can do it maybe you can.

Parking near St Bartholomew's church in Ripponden.

PARISH CALENDAR : Our parish has a calendar which can be viewed by any one to see what is happening across the parish. It is a special calendar because it is made up of layers of calendars. The main calendars are for St John's Church, the community hall, other groups such as the rucksack club and Wednesday nighters. Being able to view the calendar means that if you are planning a family function or a children's party you can check to see if the hall is free and then book it with Rod; his number is at the top of the screen. Or, for example, if you are in a group planning a parish event you can check what other groups are doing so there isn't a clash over dates and see if the hall or church are available. To view the calendar from a computer or smart phone go to <http://tinyurl.com/jcjrehp> .

WEBSITE : The Church has a website **www.stjohnsrastrick.org.uk**
According to the statistics sent from Google hundreds of people are looking at it.
(Just wait until we are on Facebook !)

Your summary for April*

826 people saw your business on Google

30 people asked for directions to your business

10 people found your phone number on Google and called your business

DIARY 2016

Queen's 90th Birthday Celebration at St Matthew's Church, Church Street, Rastrick
Saturday 11th June Exhibitions, games, history from 3pm.
Picnic Tea from 4pm.
Musical Concert in Church at 6pm .

Sunday 12th June Joint Celebration Service 10.00 am at St Matthew's
Sunday 17th July Strawberry Tea in Church Hall and grounds
Sunday 24th July Barbecue and Walk organised by Rucksack Club.

NEWSLETTER ALTERATIONS : If anyone changes their church duties please let me know so the details can be corrected. Thank you. David James.

Please send newsletter items to David James - davidjict@gmail.com - or 01484 715197 by 5 p.m. on Wednesday.