

COLLECT Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

WE PRAY FOR YOUR HEALING LOVE be at work in each one of these we name, according to their need: Steven Lewis. Holly Donohue, Barbara McLaren, Mary Lake, Muriel Coop, Stephen and Jean Hannam, Doreen Clark, Douglas Hartley, Keith Redfearn, Helen Hearson, Glynice Lord, Jane, Wendy Rachael and Phillipa, Anne and John Milnes, and those in local residential provision.

WE PRAY FOR the parishes of St John and St Matthew, for all who live and work in Rastrick, and those who travel through. This week we particularly ask your blessing for the residents of Shaftesbury Avenue, Long Fallas Crescent, Somerset Avenue, Armitage Avenue, Shepherds Thorn Lane, and all our schools which are closed due to the restrictions of Covid-19. We pray for the teachers who continue to teach children of key workers and pupils in special education. We pray for the care homes.

WE PRAY FOR the recently. 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.

2ND APPEAL FOR CRAFT ITEMS AND WOOL. Margaret is taking some items to Newhall at the end of February. If anyone has any spare material wool etc which the girls can use please could you let Margaret or myself know 07904490498. We are happy to collect them. The girls made very good use of your generous donations last time and were over the moon. Stay safe God Bless Ann (Johnson)

PRAYER SQUARES Some of the mothers union members are knitting prayer squares at the moment. For those of you who may not already have been informed by Julia these are little squares with a cross to give to anyone you feel needs comfort whether they be in hospital or ill at home or even need some prayers for other reasons. Our aim is to make a prayer shawl but of course if you know anyone who requires comfort please feel free to pass on one of your squares.

The knitting pattern is attached in the newsletter. Myself or Margaret France would be happy to collect. Happy Clicking and thank you. God Bless Stay Safe.

UPDATE A BIG THANK YOU to all of you who contributed either monetary or goods for our MU emergency bags for the hospital. We were able to supply 160 bags. Amazing !!!! You are all wonderful. God Bless You. Stay Safe Ann .

APPEAL LETTER - just a gentle reminder that we are looking for donations for the repair of the Church and Hall Roofs and the upkeep of the gardens -this is yearly donation agreed by the congregation some years ago and has fallen by the wayside so behind with funds. We have received some generous gifts with many thanks which will help from about 14 people although we have 44 regular givers. Can you please have a think about this and perhaps look at what you might be able to give. Any gifts can be gift-aided.

This can be done on-line -

Yorkshire Bank - Account **St. John (Rastrick) PCC**

Sort Code **05-03-48**

Account **30277552**

Please mark appeal or to myself by cheque or cash. Thank you

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COVID 19 CALDERDALE ROYAL. The Mothers Union have been making hygiene packs for patients being admitted to hospital with no time to collect essential items together These packs contain wet wipes /or tissues. Toothbrush and toothpaste. Soap and a comb. PLEASE If anyone can donate any of these items ESPECIALLY COMBS as we have a particular shortage of these please contact Ann (Johnson) 07904490498. Ann or Julia would be happy to call and collect. Or maybe you have loose change somewhere at the bottom of your bag which would buy a packet of wet wipes for 50p. The hospital are very very grateful for these items especially at this present time as they are extremely busy doing a wonderful job. Grateful thanks go to our own members who have contributed- you are amazing. God Bless You All. With love and prayers. Ann

FOR ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS contact the Church Wardens David Marshall (718182) or Hilary Cartwright (537399) Website e-mail Alan Hoggard

LENT APPEAL 2021 The Lent Appeal this year will be to support Alzheimers Research UK. There will be no jars available for members of the congregation to fill, unless you do your own! Donations can be given by cheque made out to St. John (Rastrick) PCC or direct to the church bank account, details as follows:

Bank: Yorkshire Bank

Name: St. John (Rastrick) PCC

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It will be very helpful if you can let Cherry know about your donation. Thank you.

Missions and Charities Group

PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH

God of Mission who alone brings growth to your Church,

Send your Holy Spirit to give

Vision to our planning,

Wisdom to our actions,

And power to our witness.

Help our Church to grow

In numbers,

In spiritual commitment to you,

And in service to our local community,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



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