

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN THE DIVINE, RASTRICK

Sunday 8th November 2020 Remembrance Sunday

11.00 am No service in church.
Remembrance Sunday service available at
www.stjohnsrastrick.org.uk led by Canon Michael Storey

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| Readings | Psalm 103: 8,13-18 | Susan Milnes |
| | John 15: 9-17 | Graham Readshaw |

COLLECT. God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven 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: Nora Barton, Holly Donohue, Barbara McLaren, Mary Lake, Muriel Coop and Bernard Shaw, Stephen and Jean Hannam, Doreen Clark, Douglas Hartley, , Keith Redfearn, Helen Hearson, Glynice Lord, David Williams, 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 Oaklands, Jubilee Mount, Jubilee Terrace, Lillands Lane, Lillands Terrace and the staff and children at Field Lane School.

WE PRAY FOR the recently departed specially Dennis Woodhead and Brian Rukin. 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.

BRIAN'S FUNERAL After delays from the hospital and Coroner's hearing Brian's Funeral will now be held at Park Wood Crematorium on Monday 9th November at 3pm. Barbara hopes that you will keep the family in mind at this time when only a few invited people can be actually present. Barbara and Family thank everyone all for the kind messages and lovely cards.

DENNIS'S FUNERAL will be led by Canon Michael Storey on 12th November @ Fixby Crematorium. Dennis was an excellent, friendly neighbour to Michael since moved back here in 2007.

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

SHOE BOX APPEAL UPDATE.

Shoe Box Appeal deadline November 8th As we will not be in church again due to lockdown if you need a box collecting or my address to drop a box off contact me on 01484 544749.to make arrangements
Thank you Gill.

JUST TO ADVISE YOU that the Rucksack Club walk on the 14th November is now postponed due to the pandemic lockdown.

The committee will keep you advised of our future plans as and when restrictions permit.

In the meantime look after yourselves.

Roger

NEWS FROM THE CARE HOMES Just done a tour - month after last one: CYGNET LODGE

Spoke to a member of staff in the doorway. All well. Still no visiting allowed.

RASTRICK HALL

Shirley answered the doorbell. New Manager coming in December.

I spoke to Jean Carson "through" her window. Brian is all right after his operation. Sends greetings to the Davis family.

Irene, Eileen, Audrey and June Scott all well. Still no visiting.

Canon Michael Storey

HERE IS A NEWS ITEM FROM DAVID WILLIAMS that has been forwarded by Graham Readshaw

WHY PANTO MUST RETURN TO ST JOHN'S AND ALWAYS CONTINUE

In 1985 I was fortunate to be cast as The King in St John's pantomime production of Sleeping Beauty and I am pleased to say that many of the people involved in 1985 are still very much involved in 2020. Five years later, 1990, I had also joined Waring Green Players, the well-known and much loved local society.

Soon after that I was appearing with other societies including, Brighouse, Spen, Batley and Hebden Bridge Little Theatre.

I then started in a comedy duo performing at charity events around the region. As that came to an end I was "headhunted" (yes, me, headhunted) to be the compere at Hebden Bridge Little Theatre which I did on 6 or 7 occasions.

THEN I decided to enter a competition called "Britain Does Variety" and was the only comic to reach the final at the Lighthouse Theatre, Kettering: I must have done something right as, the following year, I was invited to be the interval act for the same competition at the famous Leeds City Varieties. This, in turn, led to me taking up comedy full time, performing at dinners and shows.

Throughout all this time I have made many, many friends and continued to perform in panto until I had to call it a day some four years ago.

As far as the church is concerned I was confirmed at St Matthew's after initial training by Rev Michael Storey, whom I still class as a dear friend and, although I'm not a regular attendee on a Sunday, I have always helped the church whenever I could, in whatever way possible. I have always attended Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve, except the one year when I was in St James' Hospital, Leeds. Again I have met many friends through church who have supported and helped me in various ways over the years.

All this has happened because, way back in 1985, St John's Pantomime Committee took a chance on a 29 year old no-hoper who found something he could do!

God Bless,
David

(And God Bless David who has brought so much fun, love and laughter into so many thousands of lives over the past 35 years and whom I am proud to call "my friend") GR

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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