

ST JOHN'S CHURCH

RANMOOR

SUNDAY 12th NOVEMBER 2017

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

10:30am	PARISH COMMUNION with Act of Remembrance		
	Setting		Missa Tribus Vocibus <i>Dalitz</i>
	Motet		Rest, sad eyes <i>Rawson</i>
	Hymns		Please see printed order of service
6:30pm	EVENSONG		
	Opening Hymn	419	O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace
	Responses		Plainsong
	Psalm		82
	Office Hymn	372	He who would valiant be
	Canticles		Faux bourdons <i>Andreas</i>
	Anthem		Thou knowest Lord the secrets <i>Purcell</i>
	Sermon		The Very Reverend Peter Bradley
	Hymn after Sermon	240	When all the world to life is waking
	Final Hymn	431	O thou who camest from above

**** 24 October 2017 - UPDATE****

**Essential works on the ceiling following
a recently discovered structural fault.**

At this point in time, worship at St John's will continue in the Parish Centre until further notice. Following receipt of further information, as well as additional consultation and planning concerning the scaffolding requirements and whilst ensuring the organ and fabric of the building are protected, the Churchwardens and PCC have decided that, with great regret, we will not be able to use our building for worship and events until an estimated date of **14 February 2018**. Full choral services and other events due to be held in the church will cease during this period. In the meantime the temporary service pattern of Sunday 10.30am Parish Communion, 6.30pm Evening Prayer and Wednesday 10.30am Said Communion, in the centre, will remain in force for the duration of this period. Sunday morning services will include Footsteps for children, and for younger children a crèche area will be provided. Refreshments will be available after the service and everybody is most welcome to attend. Please note that all bookings in the Parish Centre remain unchanged. Opening hours for the Parish Office are 9.30am to 2.00pm, Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Out of these hours, only in the event of an emergency, please contact the Churchwardens.

NOTICES

We are currently in an interregnum. The Parish Profile has nearly been finalised and this will then allow us to work with our patrons and advertise for our new vicar within the next few weeks. Please hold the Patrons and the PCC in your Prayers during this time.

PARISH PROFILE – We need your help...Today after the service during coffee you will have the opportunity to tell us what you like about St Johns and what you would like from a new vicar.

DURING THE INTERREGNUM the Churchwardens have responsibility for the running of the Church. The Churchwardens are Brian Parfett and Carl Webber. Carl and Brian are contactable on churchwardens@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk. The parish administrator, Claire Webber, will continue to be the key every day contact and will respond quickly and direct any queries that come in to her. Please pray for everyone who has offered to help during the interregnum. Claire can be contacted on: administrator@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk or 0114 230 1199. If a priest is required please contact Claire, who will make arrangements.

EVENSONG will take place this evening at 6.30pm with a small adult choir in the Parish Centre. All are most welcome to attend.

HOLY COMMUNION will take place on Wednesday 13th November at 10.30am in Room 2 of the Parish Centre.

PASTORAL CARE AT ST JOHN'S IN THE INTERREGNUM – The Pastoral Care Team continues to provide short and longer-term support, transport and Communion in the community. We would like everyone to be aware that the person to contact about any pastoral care issues should be Claire Webber, the Parish Administrator.

APPEAL FOR CHORISTER SITTERS – We are in need of additional adults who are able to sit in on chorister rehearsals on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays between 3.30pm and 6pm to comply with St John's Child Safeguarding Policy. Any time you can give, whether it is every day for the whole time, one day a week for one hour or even once a month will help us cover this time. There is nothing expected of you other than your presence in the room and you are welcome to bring a book, something suitable to occupy your time or indeed listen to the rehearsal and chart the choristers' progress! Please contact Claire in the office if you are able to help.

MUSIC PROGRAMME UPDATE - Although you will not have seen much of the Boy Choristers and Girl Choristers of late, firstly because of Half Term and secondly because of the various logistical, legal and musical limitations associated with using the Parish Centre, please be aware that they are hard at work maintaining their daily rehearsal schedule through the week and taking on other singing opportunities as and when. Theory on Saturday mornings also continues on uninterrupted. On Saturday 18 November both the Girl Choristers and soloist Andrew Farn, Boy Chorister and Organ Scholar, have prominent roles supporting the Sheffield Bach Choir and Fine Arts Brass at Sheffield Cathedral in Philip Moore's "From earth to heaven". The concert begins at 7.30pm and all will be most welcome. On Sunday 26 November the Boy Choristers have been invited to

join the Boys and Men's Choir of Chesterfield Parish Church to celebrate the festival of Christ the King with Choral Evensong beginning at 6.30pm. Please come and support this event too if you are able. The Choristers have also started work on Handel's Messiah (in preparation for our concert with the Sheffield Festival Orchestra in St John's on Saturday 24 March 2018) which is a massive work, singing it in "true" Baroque style which is time-consuming and an investment for life as Messiah will always and has always been performed by every choir big and small and their ability to sing it to a professional standard will stand them in good stead - as well as having the potential to earn them income for the rest of their singing lives as people who can sing the whole work "properly" are in short supply! We also have our newly-appointed Chorister Vocal Coach beginning on 13 November who will be training the probationer choristers as well as working with the full choristers individually. The Choristers also have a day out to Quasar Sheffield planned for 16 December, a carol singing event at Fulwood Nursing Home on 18 December just before their Christmas Party that evening. In short, they are very busy! In the meantime, the adult singers will be providing a much-reduced-in-size choir by rotation for the Sunday morning and evening services in the Parish Centre appropriate to our space and resources while the church undergoes repairs. Please speak to Edward Barbieri if you would like to know more.

FOOD BANK – As a church we support the Burngreave Foodbank here in Sheffield. There is a donation box in the corridor of the centre if you wish to donate any non-perishable produce. Thank you.

INSPIRE – The latest issue of our Parish magazine "Inspire" is now available at the price of just £1. Why not pick up a copy for yourself, a friend or neighbour?

WEDNESDAY LUNCH CLUB meets every Wednesday in the Parish Centre. Should you wish to join us for a delicious lunch and some company please contact Claire in the office (0114 230 1199).

SIDESPERSION APPEAL – We are looking for people to help once every EIGHT weeks to welcome people and help distribute service books. This is a great way to be involved in the church family. Please speak to David Hartley (0114 230 1731) or one of the wardens if you are able to offer assistance.

STREET PRAYER - This important piece of outreach and mission in our parish has started again. Each week a prayer card will be delivered to every house on a road in the parish, the road will be prayed for in our intercession in church on the Sunday. Volunteers are needed to help deliver the cards which will be provided. Do re-acquaint yourselves with the display board too. Please contact Alison Wragg if you have any questions.

ADVENT STUDY GROUP - This year we are running a study group during Advent. We shall be meeting on the four Wednesdays in Advent, starting on Wednesday 29th November. The group will meet in the Parish Centre and the meeting will start at 7.30pm. The book we shall be using for our reflections is 'Advent for Everyone - A journey with the Apostles' Tom Wright ISBN 978-0-281-07838-7. (Published 2017). It is not necessary to buy the book but if you wish to do so, I am advised that it is discounted by £3 in the CLC bookshop on West Street. Otherwise, please bring a bible with you. The book is based around four themes of thankfulness, patience, humility & joy. Each theme is

based on the Sunday reading plus a reading for each day of Advent, with questions for group discussion & personal reflection. Each week will be freestanding, so it is not necessary to come to all four weeks if you have other commitments. We hope you will be able to join us for this time of reflection and discussion during Advent. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the corridor.

THE PARISH OFFICE is open Monday to Wednesday 9.30am-2.00pm.

PIE AND PEA QUIZ NIGHT will take place in the Parish Centre on Saturday 18th November 2017 at 6.30-8.30pm. Tickets available from Claire in the Parish Office.

GLUTEN FREE WAFERS are available for communion. If you would like to receive these please have a word with one of the wardens or clergy.

THEATRE TRIP – Come and watch Quartet on Wednesday 21 February 2018 at 19.45 in the Lyceum. £24, each payable by mid-December. If possible cash to Gillian Stanley. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the corridor.

POSADA - Would you like Mary & Joseph to stay with you at your home, school or work during Advent? If you do then please sign up on the sheet in the corridor. A little diary is included with the Posada for you to record what happened during the time they were with you. This can be a very meaningful and reflective thing to do whatever age you might be.

FAIRTRADE REAL ADVENT CALENDARS – We are supporting Fair Trade in Church by selling *Real Advent* calendars with the Christmas story for £4.00 (milk chocolate) and £5 (dark Chocolate) after the main services - please see Jane Thickett if you would like to buy one.

SHOEBOXES - SAMARITAN'S PURSE - The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children around the world, by sending them wrapped shoe boxes filled with things that children will enjoy. Shoeboxes can be picked up from the back of church if you would like to fill one. Please bring your filled shoeboxes back to Church by Sunday 3rd December.

<i>Please pray for those who are sick:</i>	Phoebe Mc Nerney, Sheila Edwards, Hazel Bradey, Reg Law
<i>Please pray for those whose anniversary of death occur this week:</i>	Sarah Cooper, Mimi Ben-Yehuda, Elsie Trowell, James Rowbottom, Jean Hawkswell,
<i>Street Prayer:</i>	We are praying this week for all those who live on Sandygate Park Road.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY: 19TH NOVEMBER

10:30am Parish Communion in the Parish Centre
12.30pm Baptism of Emilia Joy Wright
6.30pm Evensong in the Parish Centre