

# ST JOHN'S CHURCH

## RANMOOR

**SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2018**

Epiphany 2

**10:30am PARISH COMMUNION**

Sermon	<b>Bishop Pete Wilcox</b>
Gloria	<i>Rustington</i>
Setting	Missa Tribus Vocibus <i>Dalitz</i>
Hymns	<i>Please see overleaf</i>

**6:30pm EVENSONG**

Responses	Plainsong
Psalm	96
Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis	Plainsong/Faux Bourdons
Sermon	<b>Revd Angie Lauener</b>
Hymns	47 As with gladness men of old 48 Bethlehem of noblest cities 381 Jerusalem the golden 376 I heard the voice of Jesus say

**A VERY WARM WELCOME TODAY TO  
RT REVD DR PETE WILCOX, THE BISHOP OF SHEFFIELD,  
WHO WILL BE WITH US FOR OUR MORNING SERVICE.**

## 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. Worship continues in the Parish Centre while essential repairs are carried out to the structure of the church building.**

**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](mailto: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](mailto:administrator@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk) or 0114 230 1199. If a priest is required please contact Claire, who will make arrangements.

**CEILING UPDATE** – we have now received the report on our ceiling and this identifies several panels that are in poor condition. We are currently working with the architect and the diocese to identify the work and costs involved. We will continue to keep you updated.

**OUR SERVICES** will be taking place in the garden room from now on with the choirs singing at the back of the room.

**EVENSONG** will take place this evening at 6:30pm tonight in the Parish Centre. All are most welcome to attend.

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

**RIDING LIGHTS, SPONSORED BY NEW WINE**, are coming to **St Luke's, Lodge Moor on Thursday 18 January 2018**. Tickets are available online from New Wine OR by contacting St Luke's Office 230 3199 and leaving contact details. The tickets are £10 online with no discounts OR £10 adult and £7 students and unwaged from St Luke's Office.

**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.

**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.

**INSPIRE ARTICLES** – The editors of Inspire are doing a series on Unusual Hobbies, if you can contribute in any way please let Gillian Stanley, Peter Marrison or Philip Walshaw know. Also, if you have a special celebration coming up and you would like to share this with our church family please let us know. The latest edition of Inspire is available for £1.

**THEATRE TRIP** – Come and watch Quartet on Wednesday 22 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.

**WHAT'S ON IN RANMOOR PARISH CENTRE?** – We have many regular groups and classes that meet in the Parish Centre. Groups of all ages from babies to the elderly meet here - take a look on our website or ask Claire in the Parish Office for more information. A new group that has started recently is Noodle Performing Arts which is performing arts for children. For more information contact Claire in the office.

<i>Please pray for those who are sick:</i>	Sheila Edwards, Hazel Bradey, Reg Law, John Green, Stan Whitehouse, Joanna,
<i>Please pray for those whose anniversary of death occur this week:</i>	Marjorie Stuart-Harris, Jonathon Cowley, Walter Hudson, Dorothy Sybel-Layburn, Gwen Toby
<i>Street Prayer:</i>	We are praying the next few weeks for all those who live on Endcliffe Hall Avenue

## **SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY: 21<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY**

10:30am Parish Communion in the Parish Centre

6:30pm Evensong in the Parish Centre

## PARISH COMMUNION READINGS

### OLD TESTAMENT READING:

### 1 Samuel 3.1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

### NEW TESTAMENT READING:

### Revelation 5.1-10

Then I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals; and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?' And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. Then one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.' Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne. When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. They sing a new song: 'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every tribe and language and people and nation; you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God, and they will reign on earth.'

### GOSPEL READING:

### John 1.43-End

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael

coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

## PARISH COMMUNION HYMNS

### **Introit Hymn – Brightest and best of the stars of the morning**

1 Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,  
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

2 Cold on His cradle the dew-drops are shining,  
Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall;  
Angels adore Him in slumber reclining,  
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.

3 Say, shall we yield Him, in costly devotion,  
Odours of Edom, and offerings divine?  
Gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean,  
Myrrh from the forest, and gold from the mine?

4 Vainly we offer each ample oblation,  
Vainly with gifts would His favour secure;  
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,  
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

5 Brightest and best of the stars of the morning,  
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

**Gloria** (*Tune: Rustington*)

Glory be to God in heaven;  
peace, good will to all the earth.  
Mighty God of all creation,  
Father of surpassing worth:  
we exalt you, we adore you,  
we lift high our thanks and praise.  
Saints and angels bow before you;  
here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ for ever,  
Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
Son of God and gracious Saviour,  
you have come from heav'n above;  
on the cross you died to save us;  
now you reign at God's right hand.  
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us;  
in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you;  
Lord alone, to you we call;  
Holy One in faith we name you,  
throned on high, yet near to all;  
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit,  
in the Father's splendour bright.  
For the peace that we inherit,  
glory be to God on high.

## **Gradual Hymn – Jesus, lover of my soul**

1 Jesus, lover of my soul,  
let me to thy bosom fly,  
while the nearer waters roll,  
while the tempest still is high;  
hide me, O my Saviour, hide,  
till the storm of life is past;  
safe into the haven guide,  
O receive my soul at last!

2 Other refuge have I none;  
hangs my helpless soul on thee;  
leave, ah, leave me not alone,  
still support and comfort me.  
All my trust on thee is stayed,  
all my help from thee I bring;  
cover my defenceless head  
with the shadow of thy wing.

3 Plenteous grace with thee is found,  
grace to cover all my sin;  
let the healing streams abound;  
make and keep me pure within.  
Thou of life the fountain art;  
freely let me take of thee;  
spring thou up within my heart,  
rise to all eternity.

## **Offertory Hymn – Father of heaven, who love profound**

1 Father of heaven, whose love profound  
a ransom for our souls hath found,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
to us thy pardoning love extend.

2 Almighty Son, incarnate Word,  
our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
to us thy saving grace extend.

3 Eternal Spirit, by whose breath  
the soul is raised from sin and death,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
to us thy quickening power extend.

4 Thrice Holy! Father, Spirit, Son;  
mysterious Godhead, Three in One,  
before thy throne we sinners bend,  
grace, pardon, life to us extend.

## Post-Communion Hymn - Songs of thankfulness and praise

1 Songs of thankfulness and praise,  
Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise,  
manifested by the star  
to the sages from afar;  
branch of royal David's stem,  
in thy birth at Bethlehem:  
anthems be to thee addressed:  
God in man made manifest.

2 Manifest at Jordan's stream,  
prophet, priest, and King supreme,  
and at Cana wedding-guest  
in thy Godhead manifest,  
manifest in pow'r divine,  
changing water into wine;  
anthems be to thee addressed:  
God in man made manifest.

3 Manifest in making whole,  
palsied limbs and fainting soul,  
manifest in valiant fight,  
quelling all the devil's might;  
manifest in gracious will,  
ever bringing good from ill;  
anthems be to thee addressed:  
God in man made manifest.

4 Sun and moon shall darkened be,  
stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;  
Christ will then like lightning shine,  
all will see his glorious sign.  
All will then the trumpet hear,  
all will see the judge appear;  
thou by all wilt be confessed:  
God in man made manifest.

5 Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,  
mirrored in thy holy word;  
may we imitate thee now,  
and be pure, as pure art thou;  
that we like to thee may be  
at thy great Epiphany;  
and may praise thee, ever blest,  
God in man made manifest.