

ST JOHN'S CHURCH

RANMOOR

SUNDAY 20th MAY 2018

Pentecost

10:30am	PARISH COMMUNION	<i>Occasional Singers</i>
	Sermon	Revd Julian Sullivan
	Setting	Missa de Angelis <i>arr. Moore</i>
	Motet	Come Holy Ghost <i>Gibbons</i>
	Hymns	<i>Please see overleaf</i>
6:30pm	CHORAL EVENSONG	
	Preces & Responses	Plainsong
	Psalm	139.1-11
	Magnificat	Primi Toni <i>Soriano</i>
	Nunc Dimittis	Canticum Simeonis <i>Victoria</i>
	Anthem	O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace <i>Tye</i>
	Sermon	Revd Malcolm Anker
	Hymns (NEH)	Breathe on me, breath of God
	342	
	337	As pants the hart for cooling streams
	141	Holy Spirit, ever dwelling
	440	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
		(omit vv. 4 & 5)

NOTICES

The Revd Dr Matthew Rhodes, Vicar of Maney in the Diocese of Birmingham, has been appointed vicar of St John the Evangelist's, Ranmoor and Area Dean of Hallam.

Arrangements for Matthew's institution will be announced in due course.

CHORAL EVENSONG will take place in the Garden Room this evening at 6:30pm tonight in the Parish Centre. All are most welcome to attend. **MID-WEEK HOLY COMMUNION** will take place on Wednesday at 10.30am in Room 2 of the Parish Centre.

UPDATED - CEILING REPAIR – FUNDING APPEAL - The Appeal to raise funds to support the cost of the ceiling repair has been launched. Have you considered supporting a specific part of the project? £50 (half a day's scaffold hire), £75 (materials for panel repairs), £100 (H&S check of scaffold), £200 (skip hire), £450 (repair of a ceiling panel), £1,000 asbestos survey), £1,500 (cherry picker hire), £2,250 (a ceiling panel to be replaced), £3,000 (scaffold hire for a month), £10,000 (all essential building works, including cleaning). Please give as generously as you are able, your support will be appreciated. Questions can be put to the Churchwardens or our Gift Aid Secretary, Sandie Parfett, (finance@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk), Tel 0114 230 1199. Thank you.

UPDATED: CEILING - work to complete the strapping of 18 ceiling trusses has been completed. The plasterers have been back on site this week and the Nave roof is being resurveyed to assess its condition now that the strapping has been completed; the strapping MAY have caused additional ceiling panel faults.

NEW! FIRE EVACUATION – in the event of the need to evacuate the Centre, the Duty Warden/Sides people will be responsible for ensuring we all leave the building in an orderly and safe way. All three exits should be used. We will all gather on the Church lawn, being careful when crossing Ranmoor Park Road.

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION (GDPR) - Guidance about GDPR has recently been issued by the Diocese. We are required to ensure that all personal information is kept securely and that people only receive information that they have agreed to receive. We have already started to make changes, a letter is being sent out to everyone on our contacts list to ask whether they wish us to keep in touch with them. If you wish us to keep in touch with you, please respond to the letter as quickly as possible.

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 0114 230 1199. If a priest is required please contact Claire, who will make arrangements.

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.

INSPIRE – The May edition of Inspire is available for £1. If you would like to help out with the Editing of the magazine, please ask the Churchwardens for further information.

SOCIAL EVENING ‘THROUGH ALL THE CHANGING SCENES OF HEALTH – THE LIFE AND HISTORY OF A GP’ WITH JENNY STEPHENSON - FRIDAY 8TH JUNE. ‘Dr Jenny Stephenson is a GP in Walkley having started there in 1985. The Practice itself has a fascinating history which is recounted in the first of Jenny’s history books with humour and honesty. She tackles the challenges of modern-day medicine alongside her patients, seeing how her work parallels that of the former Doctors but has challenges of a different kind. The talk will cover the medical and socio-political changes from when the Medical Centre was built, 1870, to the present, and will illustrate her current work with a number of interesting franklements.’ Jenny’s book will be on sale for the roof appeal for £5 each. The evening will start at 7.30pm when strawberries and prosecco will be served. Tickets are £10 – all money raised towards the ceiling fund. Tickets available from the office.

DELICIOUS BAKING BY GILLIAN STANLEY - Gillian will make cakes and cookies to order, just let Gillian know your requirements and give her a couple of days’ notice. All profits will go towards the church ceiling fund. Thank you Gillian Stanley, 0114 230 2941, gillianstanley@hotmail.com.

NEW! PHOENIX ASSOCIATION AGM – You are invited to attend the St John’s Ranmoor supported local Charity Phoenix Association’s AGM. It will be held on Wed 6th June at 7.30pm at Storth Oaks, 229 Graham Road. We are delighted to welcome James Mountain of Lane End Farm Trust. James is a particularly interesting speaker and will be talking about the horticulture project (known as Purple Camel) at Storth Oaks.

THREE PEAKS CHALLENGE – Carl Webber is walking The National Three Peaks Challenge in June which involves climbing the three highest peaks of Scotland, England and Wales, within 24 hours. The challenge includes 24 miles of hill walking separated by 2 long drives. Carl is raising money for *Macmillan Cancer Research* and would appreciate if you could sponsor him and his colleagues either via the just giving website <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/peseniorops3peaks> or on the sponsorship form in the corridor. Thank you so much for your support.

FUTURE SOCIAL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Friday 8th June – Social Evening with Jenny Stephenson.
- Saturday 30th June – Afternoon Tea – Tickets available soon, more details to follow
- Saturday 14th July – Coach trip to Whitby and Robin Hoods Bay. The cost will be £12 per adult and £6 for children. A sign-up sheet is in the corridor.
- Saturday 21st July - Bishops Garden Party – St Johns will be providing refreshments as we have done in previous years to support the garden party and the Bishops chosen charities. More details to follow.

<i>Please pray for those who are sick:</i>	Graham Couldry, Hazel Bradey and John Kirkham.
<i>Please pray for those whose anniversary of death occur this week:</i>	Keith Todd, James Flint and Daisy Hunt
<i>Street Prayer:</i>	This week we are praying for everyone who live on Hangingwater Road

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY: 27TH MAY

10:30am Parish Communion in the Parish Centre
6:30pm Choral Evensong in the Parish Centre

PARISH COMMUNION READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Ezekiel 37.1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.' So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

Acts 2.1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and

was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

GOSPEL READING:

John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15

'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. 'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

PARISH COMMUNION HYMNS

Introit Hymn – Come down, O love divine

I Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with your own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,

within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

2 O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let your glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

3 And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess God's grace,
till Love creates a place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

Gradual Hymn – O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace

1 O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace,
eternal fount of love,
in flame, we pray, our inmost hearts
with fire from heaven above.

2 As thou in bond of love dost join
the Father and the Son,
so fill us all with mutual love,
and knit our hearts in one.

3 All glory to the Father be,
all glory to the Son,
all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
while endless ages run.

Offertory Hymn – Father, Lord of all creation

1 Father, Lord of all Creation,
Ground of Being, Life and Love;
Height and depth beyond description
Only life in you can prove:
You are mortal life's dependence:
Thought, speech, sight are ours by grace;
Yours is every hour's existence,
Sovereign Lord of time and space.

2 Jesus Christ, the Man for Others,
We, your children, make our prayer:
Give us grace to love as brothers
All whose burdens we can share.
Where your name binds us together
You, Lord Christ, will surely be;
Where no selfishness can sever
There your love may all men see.

3 Holy Spirit, rushing, burning
Wind and flame of Pentecost,
Fire our hearts afresh with yearning
To regain what we have lost.
May your love unite our action,
Nevermore to speak alone:
God, in us abolish faction,
God, through us your love make known.

Post-Communion Hymn – Come thou Holy Spirit, come

1 Come, thou Holy Spirit, come,
and from thy celestial home
shed a ray of light divine;
come, thou Father of the poor,
come, thou source of all our store,
come, within our hearts to shine.

2 O most blessed Light divine,
shine within these hearts of thine,
and our inmost being fill;
where thou art not, man hath naught,
nothing good in deed or thought,
nothing free from taint of ill.

3 On the faithful, who adore
and confess thee, evermore
in thy sevenfold gifts descend:
Give them virtue's sure reward,
give them thy salvation, Lord,
give them joys that never end.

***Please keep this notice sheet or pass it
onto a friend or neighbour.***