

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

A warm welcome to everyone. Children are welcome at all of our services. Parents of young children should feel free to use the children's area at the back of the South aisle during the service if they wish. There is a toilet through the double doors near the organ pipes. Refreshments are served after the morning service at the back of the church; a time to get to know other members of the church family.

SUNDAY 15th OCTOBER 2017 TRINITY 18

9:30am	CHORAL MATINS		<i>Consort & Songmen</i>
	Service led by		Revd Malcolm Anker
	Prelude		Voluntary in A minor <i>Blow</i>
	Opening Hymn	146	Holy, holy holy!
	Preces & Responses		Ferial
	Venite		Britten in E
	Psalm		138
	Te Deum		Metrical <i>Tune 2 - Everton</i>
	Jubilate		Chant B - <i>Harris</i>
	Collection Hymn	457	i The King of love, my shepherd is
	Voluntary		Voluntary in D minor <i>Blow</i>
10:30am	PARISH COMMUNION		<i>Consort & Songmen</i>
	Prelude		Fantasia Crommatica <i>Sweelinck</i>
	Introit Hymn	305	Light's abode, celestial Salem
	Gloria		Metrical <i>Tune 1 - Rustington</i>
	Gradual Hymn	188	Guide me, O thou great redeemer
	Sermon		Revd Malcolm Anker
	Offertory Hymn	100	i Come, ye faithful, raise the strain
	Setting		Darke in A minor
	Motet		Rejoice in the Lord always <i>Purcell</i>
	Final Hymn	293	Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
	Voluntary		Prelude & Fugue in C BWV 545 <i>Bach</i>
6:30pm	CHORAL EVENSONG		<i>Girl Choristers</i>
	Prelude		Plein Jeux <i>du Mage</i>
	Opening Hymn	240	When all the world to life is waking
	Preces & Responses		Ferial
	Psalm		139.1-11
	Office Hymn	64	Be thou my guardian and my guide
	Canticles		New College Service <i>L'Estrange</i>
	Anthem		O sweet and blessed country <i>Holst</i>
	Sermon		Revd Malcolm Anker
	Hymn after Sermon	357	Father, hear the prayer we offer
	Final Hymn	200	Jesus call us! O'er the tumult
	Voluntary		Intrada <i>Ives</i>

<i>Please pray for those who are sick:</i>	Phoebe McNerney, Sheila Edwards, Hazel Bradey
<i>Please pray for those whose anniversary of death occur this week:</i>	Connie West, Patricia Warr
<i>Street Prayer:</i>	We are praying this week for all those who live on Frickley Road, Ranmoor

PARISH COMMUNION READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Isaiah 25.1-9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

Philippians 4.1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

GOSPEL READING:

Matthew 22.1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the

wedding banquet.” But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, “The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.” Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. ‘But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, “Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?” And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, “Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” For many are called, but few are chosen.’

SERVICES, EVENTS & NOTICES THIS WEEK

Please see the noticeboards at the back of the church for further details

Tuesday	17 October	5:30pm	Choral Evensong	<i>Girl Choristers</i>
Wednesday	18 October	10:30am	Holy Communion (said)	
		5:30pm	Choral Evensong	<i>Boy Choristers</i>
Thursday	19 October	7:30pm	Organ Masterworks I/6	<i>Derek Grover</i>

CHORAL EVENSONG sung by the Choristers, Tuesday/Wednesday 5.30pm. Please join us for beautiful language and music from the 1662 Prayer Book and support this important ministry.

ORGAN MASTERWORKS CONCERT - Everybody is invited to the first of our Organ Masterworks Series this Thursday beginning at 7.30pm with Derek Grover, Organist & Associate Director of Music.

GENERAL NOTICES

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.

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.

PHOTOGRAPHS IN CHURCH – There will be photographs taken in church in the coming weeks for our parish profile. If you do not wish your picture to be included please contact the churchwardens.

FOOD BANK – As a church we support the Burngreave Foodbank here in Sheffield. There is a donation box near to the font at the back of the church should you wish to donate any non-perishable produce. Thank you.

INSPIRE – The **October** issue of our Parish magazine “Inspire” is now available at the back of church priced at 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 hymnbooks. 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. This is a one-off commitment and there is a sign up sheet at the back of church. Do re-acquaint yourselves with the display board too. Please contact Alison Wragg if you have any questions.

SHEFFIELD CHURCH ACTION ON POVERTY invite you to their Annual Pilgrimage starting at Victoria Hall, Norfolk Street, Saturday 21st October (9.30am - 1.30pm). The walk has been planned so we can hear about some inspirational projects. We visit the Salvation Army on Duke Street **and** Emmaus near the canal basin and then finish at the Archer Project (Sheffield Cathedral). There's no charge for the walk, people may though wish to make donations to the projects. Want to know more? Contact Briony Broome: briony.broome@hotmail.com

A CHILDREN'S SOCIETY TALK AND COFFEE MORNING will be held at Shirley Hall, next to St Andrew's Church Psalter Lane, Sheffield S11 8YL on Wednesday 25th October, 10am-Noon. Please speak to Gillian Stanley if you would like to come along.

READING SHEFFIELD - 'In Praise of Libraries'. The reading journeys of six of our congregation, past and present feature on Reading Sheffield website, readingsheffield.co.uk. Frank and Maureen Burgin, Sheila Edwards, David Flather, Erica Jeremiah and Jocelyn Wilson. An artist has created a room of memories at Bank St Arts as part of Off the Shelf. Do visit us between 11 and 4, Wed to Sat, October 6-21st. Meet the Lord Mayor 12.30 on the 21st! More information from Mary on 0114 2630691.

ADVENT STUDY GROUP - We are intending to run a study group in Advent. The group will meet on four Wednesday evenings in Advent in the Parish Centre starting on 29th November. We will use a published study guide as we have done before. This group will have lay leaders. If you would like to be involved in the planning and preparation for this, please contact Sandra Green - 01142309180 or sandra.green70@gmail.com

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY: 22ND OCTOBER
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10:30am Parish Communion
6:30pm Choral Evensong

Please pass this notice sheet on to someone you know who might be interested in it.
The readings on the inside can be used throughout the week.