

# ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

## Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2020

### 10.30am PARISH COMMUNION (On ZOOM and Facebook Live)

Organ Prelude	Chant de Paix Jean Langlais (1907-91)
Readings	Zephaniah 1.7,12-18 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11 Matthew 25.14-30
Introit Hymn	Awake, awake fling off the night 5 vv
Gradual Hymn	Lord, thy word abideth 6 vv
Offertory Hymn	Take my life 6 vv
Setting	Darke in A minor (recorded)
Anthem	<i>Misericordia Domini</i> Taizé Andrew and Mabel
Recessional Hymn	How great thou art 4 vv
Organ Voluntary	Dialogue sur les Mixtures Jean Langlais

### 6.30pm CHORAL EVENSONG (On Zoom and Facebook Live)

Organ Prelude	Christe, der du bist Tag und Licht Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)
Readings	1 Kings 1.15-40 Revelation 1.4-18
Setting	Dyson in F
Anthem	De profundis Gregorian chant
Psalms	89:19-36
Organ Voluntary	Toccata in F Johann Pachelbel

### Prayers

**Please pray for those who are sick:**

*Alan H, Graham C, Hazel, Karen, Mark, Peter, Xavier*

**Please pray for those whose anniversary of death is this week:**

*James Rowbottom, Jean Hawkswell*

## NOTICES

**SECOND NATIONAL LOCKDOWN** - Following the governments announcement of a second lockdown in England we have closed the church doors to the public from Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November for 4 weeks. Our services will continue every Sunday at 10.30am and 6.30pm. Both services will be on ZOOM and Facebook Live. We will also continue with morning Prayer at 9am Monday to Saturday on ZOOM and Compline, Monday to Thursday at 8pm on ZOOM. We can allow people to come into the church for private prayer. Should you need to access the Church for this please contact the office 0114 230 1199 or [administrator@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk](mailto:administrator@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk) or Matthew and/or Matt.

**CHRISTMAS STUDY GROUP** - We shall again this year be running a Study Group in preparation for Christmas. We shall be using the diocesan Advent course which is called 'Light in the Darkness' which is available on the 'Lights for Christ' website. <https://www.lightsforchrist.uk/lightinthedarkness> 'The course aims to help us reflect on, at the darkest time of the year, our calling to be Lights for Christ. Its main aim is to help us to draw on our experience of an extraordinary year which is now coming to its close. In doing so, we also look forward as we enter a new season and new year. The course has four parts which all follow a similar structure plus a brief closing reflection and prayer. The four parts are based around words which have been central to many people's experience during all the upheavals of 2020. These are :- Distance, Safe, Trust and Normal. As Advent can be a busy time of the year, we have decided to run the first two parts before Christmas and the third and fourth parts in early January, which fits well with the four themes. We shall be running the course on Zoom on the following Monday evenings at 6.45pm.

- Monday 30th November
- Monday 14th December
- Monday 4th January
- Monday 11th January.

The sessions will last approximately one hour. This will give us the opportunity to join Compline at 8pm if we wish to do so. The first session will be lead by Rev Matt Wood. The remaining three sessions will be lay led. We do hope you will want to join us. If so, please email Claire in the Parish Office ([Administrator@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk](mailto:Administrator@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk) ) or contact Sandra Green either by email or phone ([sandra.green70@gmail.com](mailto:sandra.green70@gmail.com) or 0114 2309180)

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES** - we will shortly be announcing our *planned* Christmas Services, for which this year we will have to ticket in order to manage the numbers attending for social distancing. Look out for this information which will follow over the next couple of weeks. Comfort and Joy is the Church of England Christmas theme and this holds together the hope that Christmas will bring joy and celebration after a uniquely difficult year with an acknowledgement that - for those who have lost loved ones or livelihoods, or who are potentially still not able to be together with loved ones - it may be the Church's



role, both nationally and locally, to provide consolation, rather than assume everyone will be ready to join in jubilation.

**THE CRAFT AND CHATTER GROUP** are holding 2 sessions per week on Zoom, on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1.00 pm. Do join us just to chat or to work on your own hobby as well as chatting. We look forward to seeing you.



**REACH SLEEP-IN FOR ROUNDABOUT** - Our young people were hoping to hold a Sleep-Out event this autumn to raise awareness about the plight of Sheffield's homeless. The current restrictions make this difficult so they will be taking part in a Sleep-In instead. On a night of their choosing between now and late November, they will be giving up their beds and sleeping on their bedroom floor, in another part of the house, or in the back garden. The project is a collaboration with Roundabout, a Sheffield charity that works with young homeless people in the city. If you would like to sponsor this venture you can make a donation via the REACH JustGiving page – go to JustGiving and search for St John's Ranmoor or use the link: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stjohnsranmoorreachsleepon2020>



**PHILIP WALSHAW** – Philip has been writing some more lockdown songs. You can watch and listen to them on our website - under the news section. His latest rendition is a version of Elvis Presley – “Love me Tender”. We hope it brings a smile.

**FAIR TRADE SHOP** - Unfortunately it is not possible to have the usual stall with Fairtrade and Christmas items in church this year. However, Good Taste - the Sheffield Fair Trade Shop in Broomhill have advent calendars, and Christmas cards from Tearfund and Traidcraft, and will deliver them locally if you are not able to get into the shop to pick them up. All the Christmas items and other gifts, Fairtrade chocolate, food etc are available through the new webshop from Good Taste by following this link <https://www.goodtaste.org.uk/shop/> Good Taste will make a donation of 5% of all online, email and phone orders to your choice of one of their 5 charities. Further information can be found on the Charities page of the Good Taste website <https://www.goodtaste.org.uk/charities/> The webshop is new and as yet only includes a small selection of the things available. Please get in touch with Jenny Coleman if there is anything else you would like by phoning 0114 4381428 or email [jenny@goodtaste.org.uk](mailto:jenny@goodtaste.org.uk).



**ORGAN UPDATE** - The organ is now being reinstalled in church and appeal stands at £66,000. The full works, including project management and some additional costs comes in at £105,000 so we're still nearly £40,000 off fundraising the full amount. We are enormously grateful to everyone that has already supported the appeal and

you can find out more about how to give on the website. There's also an article about the work that was in the September edition of Inspire.

**GIVING TO ST JOHN'S** - many thanks to everyone who has continued to give so generously to St John's. With fewer people in church and the Government discouraging the use of cash, along with the closure of bank branches in Sheffield, receiving cash has become more difficult. Would you please consider setting up a regular standing order to St John's for our general fund. Our bank details are: CAF Bank Ltd, Account St John the Evangelist, Ranmoor, Sort Code 40-52-40 Account No. 00097913. When in church, you can use your card and make a donation using the contactless machine. Thank you, your support is appreciated. Questions about giving can be raised with Sandie, via the church office or email: [sandie.parfett@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk](mailto:sandie.parfett@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk) .

**CONTACTING THE OFFICE** - Ranmoor Parish Centre is following government guidance on the second lockdown and will be mainly closed except for a couple of groups that are exempt from closure. Government Guidelines are in place asking for people to work at home, Claire will be working from home and can be contacted on the office number 0114 230 1199 which redirects to Claire's mobile. Claire can also be contacted on her email anytime. [administrator@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk](mailto:administrator@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk) Thank you!

**QUIZ** - Don't forget Pete's fun quiz every Friday at 3pm on the church ZOOM. A great bit of fun to do on a Friday afternoon. Thank you as ever to Pete for keeping everyone entertained throughout the whole of the lockdown period!

**PCC** - The next meeting of the PCC will take place on ZOOM on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm on ZOOM.

### **FOODBANK COLLECTION AND BABY BASICS COLLECTION -**

Thank you to everyone again for your generous donations to the foodbank and to Baby Basics. We are delighted to be launching our Christmas Appeal for the foodbank. In addition to the shopping list of items, we are asking for chocolates, Christmas treats and any items that will help lift the spirits of families during this time.

**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION DATES FROM ST JOHN'S**  
**25<sup>th</sup> November and 9<sup>th</sup> December**

### **SERVICES NEXT WEEK:**

**Monday to Saturday: 9am Morning Prayer (on Zoom)**

**Monday to Thursday: 8pm Compline (on Zoom)**

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November: 10.30am Parish Communion (Facebook live and ZOOM)**

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November: 6.30pm Choral Evensong (Facebook live and ZOOM)**

### **GET IN TOUCH WITH US:**

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