

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

Sunday 20th December 2020

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

10.30am PARISH COMMUNION
(In Church, On ZOOM and Facebook Live)

Organ Voluntary	<i>Es ist ein Ros entsprungen</i> Brahms
Readings	2 Samuel 7.1-11,16, Romans 16.25-27 and Luke 1.26-38.
Introit Hymn	Tell out my soul 4 vv
Gradual Hymn	We have a gospel to proclaim vv 1,2,5,6
Offertory Hymn	The angel Gabriel 4 vv
Setting	Willan Missa Sancta Maria Magdalenae
Anthem	A tender shoot Goldschmidt
Recessional Hymn	Of the Father's love begotten vv 1-3, 6
Organ Voluntary	Toccata on <i>Veni Emmanuel</i> Carter

4pm and 6.30pm Services of Lessons and Carols
(In Church, On Zoom and Facebook Live)

Please see separate Order of Service. If you are planning attending one of the Services in person please book on Eventbrite.

Lessons & Carols

Led by Revd Dr Matthew Rhodes,
come and join our joyous
Service of Lessons and Carols.

To attend in Church
tickets are available via



Eventbrite

www.stjohnsranmoor.org.uk

0114 230 1199

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at 4pm and 6.30pm

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Prayers

Please pray for those who are sick:

Alan H, Graham C, Hazel, Mark, Peter,

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

Ralph Camplin, John Proctor, Geoffrey Warburton, Doris Page, Iris Whalley

NOTICES

OPENING OF CHURCH BUILDING- We are very pleased that the Church building will remain open for our Christmas Church Services ([See Christmas Services click here](#)) Social Distancing will remain in place in Church, please sit where indicated, enter and exit as shown and please wear a mask at all times whilst in the building. Toilets will remain closed to the public. Please help to keep everyone safe.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES – Please take a look at our programme of Christmas Services. The information is all on our [website](#). You will also see that the Christmas Card with details has been emailed out and it is also in the middle of INSPIRE this month. The next Christmas service will be **A Service of Lessons and Carols** on Sunday 20th December. There are 2 services live from Church. 4.00pm and 6.30pm. Tickets to attend in person must be reserved on [Eventbrite](#). You can of course watch on Zoom and on Facebook Live.

“NATIVI-TIER 3” - We may not have a Nativity service this year but we do have our very own Nativity movie. This short, light-hearted, family film features stars from the congregation and choir, your favourite carols and a truly topical re-telling of the Christmas story. The St John's Nativity Movie - available Christmas Eve – on our website and Facebook. The film will be emailed out for you to enjoy.

CHRISTMAS DAY CLEANING – We have to clean the church on Christmas morning between the services. If you are able to assist Matthew and Matt in any way please let us know.



GOLDEN WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS TO SANDRA AND JOHN GREEN - May God continue to bless the love in your hearts and your life together with an ever-deepening faith. Best Wishes on your 50th anniversary from all your Church family here at St John's

CHILDREN'S ADVENT CANDLE COMPETITION – Children of the parish... we would like you to colour in our advent candle. Once you have coloured it in and sent it back to us a winner will be chosen before Christmas Day. The artwork can be sent on email to [Claire in the office](#) or post back to the office. We will display them on our website and in the Parish Centre windows for all to see. Visit our [children's page on the website](#) to download the candle to colour, find it on the weekly email or pick up one from Church next week.

COMPETITION TIME!

STUDY GROUP The next meeting of our Advent Study Group will be on Monday 4th January 2021 at 6.45pm. . The course can be accessed via the church Zoom. We are following the diocesan Advent course which is called 'Light in the Darkness'. It is available on the 'Lights for Christ' website. <https://www.lightsforchrist.uk/lightinthedarkness>. The third session is entitled 'Trust'. The notes for each session are available on the website to download and print in a PDF format if you would prefer a printed version. The third session will be led by John & Sandra Green. We hope you will be able to join us. Please contact Sandra Green (01142309180) if you would like any more information.

SOCIALLY DISTANCED CAROL - As we're not able to sing together this Christmas, we'd like to create a video to be shown at the January All Age service of photos of people from St John's holding up a line from the carol 'We Three Kings'. The choir will be recording the carol to be played as the words are shown. If you would like to take part please contact Sarah Beardsmore to be given a line (sarahbeardsmore@gmail.com or 07904787797).

ORGAN UPDATE - The organ work is nearing the end and at the end of this year we will be closing the appeal. We've raised £66,000 from generous donations and grants. We're still £40,000 off raising the full cost, so if you'd planned to support the appeal but hadn't yet got around to it, then visit the St John's website for more details.

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 .

ALISON WOODING FUNDRAISING - As The temperature continues to dip throughout December, I am choosing to get cold and wet by swimming outdoors every day, to raise valuable funds for the hundreds of homeless women who have no choice about being out in the cold. Thankfully, many find a warm, dry, safe haven at the Marleybone project. This project is one of the many ways that the charity Church Army help the most vulnerable in society. I'm doing this fundraiser in memory of my dear friend , Annie O'Connor, who passed away in June age just 41. Annie was an avid fundraiser for Church Army and an inspirational woman. Annie encouraged me to live life to the full and to make it an adventure, which Wild Swimming certainly is! In one of Annie's journals, she had written the words, 'Don't just live the length of your life, live the breadth as well.' A philosophy that she certainly lived by and one that her untimely death has prompted me to embrace too. Your donation will enable

hundreds of women to begin to understand and to be enabled to live the breadth of their lives. Thank you. Love and prayers, Alison <https://www.justgiving.com/Alison-Wooding2>.

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 Thank you!

SERVICES NEXT WEEK:

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

Tuesday to Thursday: 8pm Compline (on Zoom)

Monday 21st December:

7.30pm The Longest Night

A quiet Christmas Service (on Zoom and in Church)

Thursday 24th December:

11.30pm Midnight Mass *

Friday 25th December:

8.30am BCP communion - Said *

10.30am Parish Communion (Eventbrite) *

Sunday 27th December:

10.30am Parish Communion - said *

**(In Church, Facebook live and ZOOM)*

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**CHRISTMAS
MORNING**

**You are warmly invited to share in our
Christmas Morning Services:**

8.30am Said Communion and 10.30am Parish Communion

Both services are in Church, On ZOOM and Facebook Live

To attend the 10.30am service you will need a pre-booked ticket.

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