

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

Sunday 5th December 2021

2nd Sunday of Advent



The
Children's
Society

10.30am Christingle

(In Church and Facebook Live)

Prelude	Prelude in C minor Louis Vierne
Hymn	Longing for light (Christ be our light)
Hymn	HON 329 Make way, make way
Hymn	HON 51 Away in a manger
Hymn	HON 316 Lord, the light of your love is shining
Anthem	Make me a light – Wilby
Voluntary	Chorale prelude on Nun komm der Heiden Heiland BWV 661 JS Bach

6.30pm Parish Communion (BCP)

(In Church and on Facebook Live)

Prelude	Prelude on 'Still, still, still' Christopher Tambling b 1964
Readings	Baruch 5.1-9; Philippians 1.3-11 Luke 3.1-6
Opening Hymn	NEH 6 Hark the glad sound!
Gradual	NEH 18 Ye servants of the Lord
Offertory	NEH 5 Hark! A herald voice is calling
Recessional	NEH 8 Lift up your heads ye mighty gates
Setting	Casciolini in A Minor
Anthem	<i>Rorate Coeli</i> – Guerrero
Voluntary	Postlude on 'Little Cornard' Alan Bullard b 1947

PRAYERS

Please pray for those who are sick:

Thomas, Flo, Graham C, Jess, Mary, Pauline, Peter

Please pray for those who have died:

Clare Lees, Janet Marsden

Please remember those whose anniversaries fall at this time:

Diana Desmond, Bernard Walton, Douglas Keen, Ren

James Thompson, Sally Flather, Philip Goddard



NOTICES

CHURCH BUILDING COVID GUIDANCE - In England, face coverings must now be worn in many places including shops, public transport etc. **Our guidance is that you wear a mask whilst moving around in church and singing - we have spare masks if you do not have one with you.** We removed social distancing in the middle of the church (side aisles are still socially distanced), and masks are not compulsory.

Sanitiser is available, and Communion will take place without wine. If you feel uncomfortable with any aspect, please contact us. We understand that some people are still shielding and may not feel ready to return to the church building and we will continue to broadcast Facebook live each week for the morning and evening service. We have now reverted to our regular service pattern - [please see the church website.](#)

JOINING WORSHIP FROM HOME - Joining on Facebook Live is easy - [click here to join any of our facebook services:](#) or type the following into your browser: https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsChurchRanmoor/live_videos It shows a gallery of all past lives, and shows a live tab when we're actually live.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND EVENTS - the Church Christmas Card has been published and sent around the Parish - thank you to the people who have delivered them. If you receive Inspire you will have a copy in there and there are some still at the back of church. Do share around friends and family who may be interested in joining us over Christmas!

UNIVERSITY CHAMBER CHOIR WINTER CONCERT - DECEMBER 4TH, 19:30 - Sheffield University chamber choir will be holding a winter concert at Firth Hall on Saturday, 4th December, singing festive pieces by Stanford, Rheinberger, and Bach, among others. You can purchase tickets on the University Concerts website: £11.50 full price / £9 concessions / £6 student and under-30. For more details, chat to Matthew Warbis or Susanna Farrell, or email the choir at chamberchoir@sheffield.ac.uk

DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS - We will be decorating the church with flowers for Christmas on Thursday 23rd December 2021 between 9.45am and 11.45am. We will need lots of arrangers to help us please as we aim to make flower arrangements for the church porch, the font, the pedestals at the front of church, the chapel and a welcome arrangement inside the doors. Due to the hefty increase in the cost of flowers this year we have decided that the best option would be to decorate the window sills using just holly and the battery operated candles that we already possess. We would also love to recruit some more people to help us with the flowers throughout the year! If you are new to flower arranging and are interested in learning we are a very friendly group of people and we'd gladly give you help and encouragement on the day or perhaps you might like to just come along and watch the arrangements take shape!

If you would like to help or be involved, please could you get in touch with us. Thank you. We look forward to hearing from you. Jackie Lowe (0114 2303999, Jackielowe22@btconnect.com); Sandra Green (0114 2309180, sandra.green70@gmail.com)

Donations towards the cost of Christmas Flowers - We rely on the generous donations of the congregation to be able to purchase flowers to decorate the church and we would be very grateful for any donations towards the Christmas flowers please. Thank you.



CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARD – from next week a large Christmas card will be in church for members of the congregation to sign in lieu of sending individual cards to each other. The young people in our congregation have designed the card. Any donations left in the box by the card can be cash or cheques payable to **Phoenix Association** (PA). PA is an independent registered charity which devotes its entire

effort to supporting the residents and staff of the separate charity Phoenix Futures (PF) which provides residential rehabilitation treatment in Sheffield for people in recovery from substance misuse. Up to 90 people can be in residence in the Sheffield PF houses at one time. PA raises funds and donates them for residents' sport, education, outdoor activities and resettlement and we also form a friendly "bridge" between the people at PF in Sheffield and the local community. What help PA can provide is extra to that which PF provides and we know that our input does help to increase the rates of retention within the treatment programme. PA is unique in that it is the only local community support organisation to PF at any of PF's locations. Phoenix Association would be most grateful for any donation made by St John's congregation.



Supporting Phoenix Futures Sheffield in the local community



A Huge thank you to everyone who was able to donate to our Christmas appeal for the foodbank. We had a huge amount of gifts, books, sweets, chocolate, treats for Christmas parcels and it was all very gratefully received. The next normal collection will be on Wednesday 15th December 10-12noon.



LUNCH CLUB – If you would like to register your interest in coming along to join us for a meal, or if you have a family member, loved one, friend or neighbour who you think might enjoy it please speak to Matthew, Matt or Claire. The last lunch club of the term will be on Wednesday 15th December and this will be our Christmas lunch. We will resume lunches on Wednesday 12th January 2022.

GIVING TO ST JOHN'S - We have a variety of ways set up that you can give to St Johns. We have now set up a **donation** page on our website. www.stjohnsranmoor.org.uk You can give one off payments or set up regular payments via the secure portal on the website. We have also got QR Codes and a fixed Text to give number that you can donate on. We hope that we have made giving to St John's much easier. **OR Click, Tap or Scan this QR Code to make an online donation to our Church:**



SERVICES NEXT WEEK:

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

Wednesday 11.30am in Room 2 of the Parish Centre: Holy Communion

Wednesday 5.30pm in Church: Choral Evensong

Thursday 9th December – 8pm Festive organ recital

Saturday 11th December 4pm – Christmas Carols and refreshments (outdoor event)

Sunday 12th December – 3rd Sunday of Advent

10.30am Parish Communion (*In Church & Facebook live*)

6.30pm Choral Evensong (*In Church & Facebook live*)

GET IN TOUCH WITH US:

CONTACTING THE OFFICE – Please contact Claire in the office on 0114 230 1199
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OUR SERVICES & EVENTS IN ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

Friday 26th November
4pm Messy Christmas Crafts

Sunday 28th November
Advent Sunday
10.30am Parish Communion
6.30pm Advent Procession

Sunday 5th December
10.30am All Age service – Christingle
6.30pm Parish Communion

Thursday 9th December
8pm Christmas Organ Recital

Saturday 11th December
4pm Christmas Carols and refreshments
(outdoors around the tree)

Sunday 12th December
10.30am Parish Communion
6.30pm Choral Evensong

Sunday 19th December
10.30am Parish Communion
6.30pm Nine Lessons and Carols **Eventbrite**

Monday 20th December
6pm Quiet Christmas
(a reflective liturgy for Christmas week)

Friday 24th December
Christmas Eve
4pm Nativity **Eventbrite**
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Saturday 25th December
Christmas Day
10.30am Parish Communion **Eventbrite**

Sunday 26th December
No Services at St Johns
10.30am Holy Communion at St Mary's Walkley
7pm Evening Service at St Marks Broomhill

Eventbrite

For a few of our very busy services this year we are using Eventbrite. Where you see **Eventbrite** next to the service you will have to go online and reserve a ticket to attend the service. If you cannot join us in person don't worry, as all our services listed here will be on Facebook live too. *To book our **Eventbrite** ticketed services visit our **Christmas Services** page on the **St John's Ranmoor Website**.*

Throughout December:

Monday to Saturday:
9am Morning Prayer in Church and on ZOOM

Wednesdays:
11.30am Holy Communion in the Parish Centre
5.30pm Choral Evensong

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*Our programme of services is subject to change, and we will closely monitor government guidelines.
Keep up to date via our website.*