

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

Sunday 12th December 2021

3rd Sunday of Advent



10.30am Parish Communion (In Church and Facebook Live)

Prelude	The Holy Boy - John Ireland
Readings	Zephaniah 3.14-20 Philippians 4.4-7 Luke 3.7-18
Introit	HON 401 On Jordan's Bank
Gradual	HON 334 May the mind of Christ my Saviour
Offertory	HON 362 O for a thousand tongues to sing
Recessional	HON 209 Hills of the north rejoice
Setting	Ireland in C
Anthem	<i>Jacob's Ladder</i> - Darlington
Voluntary	Fantasia in C Minor BWV 562 - J. S. Bach

6.30pm Choral Evensong (In Church and on Facebook Live)

Prelude	Ground Orlando Gibbons 1583-1625
Psalm	Psalm 62
Readings	Isaiah 35 Luke 1.57-66
Hymn	NEH 14 The advent of our God
Hymn	NEH 366 God of mercy, God of grace
Hymn	NEH 365 God moves in a mysterious way
Responses	Plainsong
Canticles	<i>The Short Service</i> - Gibbons
Anthem	<i>This is the Record of John</i> - Gibbons
Voluntary	The Lord of Salisbury's Pavan Orlando Gibbons

PRAYERS

Please pray for those who are sick:

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



Please remember those whose anniversaries fall at this time:

Dorothy Moore, Horace Ardron, Margaret Walker, Ewart Higgins, Mary Carrie, Audrey Hawkins, Sylvie Lehman, Alex Holt

NOTICES

CHURCH BUILDING COVID GUIDANCE - Following the Governments latest update on Plan B this week **you must wear a mask whilst in the church building at all times** – we have spare masks if you do not have one with you. We are also asking people to **considering doing lateral flow tests** before coming to church if you are able to. We removed social distancing in the middle of the church (side aisles are still socially distanced). **Coffee will be suspended** for the time after the morning services. Sanitiser is available, and Communion will take place without wine. If you feel uncomfortable with any aspect, please contact us. Full risk assessment is on the church website. 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. For our 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.



Laura and Cara will be coming in on Sunday morning to talk about local homeless charity Nomad. Nomad is a Sheffield based charity that was created in 1989 by Jackie and Barry, two local people from Pitsmoor. Their frustration at the lack of provision in the city drove them to start their own charity. Nomad, and their sister charity, Four Trees Letting, aim to provide, not just housing, but holistic support to empower people to transition out of homelessness by enabling them to move on from past circumstances, access opportunities, achieve their goals and live as they choose. For more information, please visit their website or speak to Clare Wood - <https://nomadsheffield.co.uk/blog/categories/news/>

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE – Please buy a raffle ticket in aid of the Phoenix Association. Gillian Stanley has made an extra delicious Christmas cake to be raffled. The draw will take place on the 12th of December after the morning service.

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 – 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
Sunday 19th December – 4th Sunday of Advent
10.30am Parish Communion (In Church & Facebook live)
6.30pm Nine Lessons & Carols (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.