

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

Sunday 19th December 2021

4th Sunday of Advent



10.30am Parish Communion
(In Church and Facebook Live)

Readings	Hebrews 10.5-10; Micah 5.2-5a Luke 1.39-55
Introit	HON 358 O come, O come
Gradual	HON 471 The angel Gabriel
Offertory	HON 467 Tell out my soul
Recessional	NEH 9 Lo, he comes with clouds descending
Setting:	Missa super Dixit Maria - Hassler
Anthem:	Dixit Maria - Hassler

6.30pm Nine Lessons and Carols
(In Church and on Facebook Live)

Prelude	Preludes on Christmas Carols- Contemporary composers
Voluntary	In dulci júbilo BWV 729- J.S. Bach

See separate Order of Service

PRAYERS

Please pray for those who are sick:

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

Those who have died:

Adrian Downing, Viv England



Please remember those whose anniversaries fall at this time:

Ralph Camplin, John Proctor, Charlie Ward, Geoffrey Warburton, Doris Page

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.

NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS SERVICE IS FULL. We apologise if this has caused any disappointment, but we must restrict numbers for our larger and busier services. To book for the nativity or for Christmas morning please visit [Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/st-johns-church-ranmoor-31757858693](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/st-johns-church-ranmoor-31757858693)

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 RAFFLE –2 members of the lunch club won the raffle prizes which included a delicious Christmas fruit cake donated by Gillian Stanley and a knitted teddy donated by Janet Anker. Thank you to everyone who bought a ticket and supported the appeal for Phoenix Association.

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



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

Monday 20th December

6pm Quiet Christmas

(a reflective liturgy for Christmas week)

Friday 24th December- Christmas Eve

4pm Nativity

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Saturday 25th December-Christmas Day

10.30am Parish Communion

Sunday 26th December

No Services at St Johns

10.30am Holy Communion at St Mary's Walkley

7pm Evening Service at St Marks Broomhill

GET IN TOUCH WITH US:

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