ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR Sunday 27th November 2022 ADVENT SUNDAY



10.30am Parish Communion (In Church and Facebook Live)

Prelude Reading

Introit Gradual Offertory Recessional Setting Anthem Voluntary Adult Choir Intermezzo Eric Thiman (1900-75) Isaiah 2.1-5 Romans 13.11-14 Matthew 24.36-44 HON 196 Hark! A herald voice is calling HON 489 The Lord will come and not be slow HON 315 Lord of our life, and God of our salvation HON 529 Wake, O wake with tidings thrilling Mass in A Minor – Claudio Casciolini Rorate Coeli – Francisco Guerrero Finale, Eric Thiman

6.30pm Advent Procession

(In Church & Facebook – will be possible to view on Facebook within 24 hours) Choristers and Adult Choir

See separate order of service

Prelude Voluntary Gott hat das Evangelium, J.G. Walther (1684-1748) Nun komm der Heiden Heiland, J. G Walther

PRAYERS

Please pray for those who are sick:

Bryan, Harold, Hilary, Reg, Tony



Please remember those whose anniversaries fall at this time:

Mary Forster, Raymond Ashford, John Lomax, Peter Maxwell Baker, John Eaton, Prof Peter Smith, Jose Fletcher, Andre Katz, Edith Savage

NOTICES

<u>CHURCH BUILDING COVID GUIDANCE</u> - Facemasks are not a legal requirement and are therefore optional. We have removed specified areas of socially distanced seating, but the side aisles tend to be quieter, so do sit there if you'd prefer more space. Sanitiser is readily available around the building. If you feel uncomfortable with any aspect of our approach to Covid safety, please contact us. A full risk assessment is on the church website.

CHURCH FLORAL DECORATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS - We will be decorating the church



window sills on **Friday 16th December** between 9.30am – 12.00am and the porch, pedestals, welcome arrangement and font on **Wednesday 21st December** between 9.30am-12.00 am. We will need lots of arrangers to help us on both dates please. Sandra and Jackie will purchase the flowers from the market. If you have fatsia, phormium, laurel, skimmia, variegated holly or tree ivy available to cut and bring with you on the day that would be great.

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 We look forward to hearing from you. Jackie Lowe (0114 2303999, vou. jackielowe22@btconnect.com) Green 2309180. Sandra (0114 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.

LUNCH CLUB HELPERS AND COOKS - Our lunch club is thriving with a great turn out of

regulars and new people each week. We really want to add to our already amazing team of volunteers who **cook**, **assist** in the kitchen and help **serve food** and **clean up**. If you can spare a couple of hours once a month or every couple of months, we would love to hear from you. Get in touch with Claire in the office if you are interested – we need you!



DISCUSSION GROUP - Would you be interested in meeting for an open discussion about matters of life and faith? Please talk to Matthew or send him an email, letting him know what days/times are good for you. (matthew.rhodes@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk)

POSADA - We will be doing a mission partnership posada this year - if you are interested please pick up a leaflet from the back of church or speak to Claire or Matthew

CHRISTMAS SERVICE TIMES CARDS - We have a number of Christmas Card with all our Christmas Services and Events. Please can you take a bundle and deliver to your street in the Parish. Please write the name of the streets you will deliver to in the Parish so we don't duplicate deliveries. Many Thanks



TO ANY MEMBER OF ST JOHN'S CONGREGATION WHO LIVES ALONE. After the uplifting experience of Sunday morning worship would you welcome the opportunity to get together and share lunch and company? We, Janet and Wendy, are hoping to start a new social event (the "Sunday Social") in the parish centre one Sunday a month, ~ Proverbs 2749 immediately after the morning service, to provide companionship

and a simple lunch, for those who might like to attend. If there is sufficient interest it will most likely start at the end of January. The meal we would hope to provide would be something like a jacket potato with fillings and salad. The main purpose, however, is to provide time and facilities for socialising. Conversation will be encouraged! Board games, Uno, Beetle, dominoes and jigsaws etc will be available. The Sunday Social will finish at about 3.00pm with tea and cake before we all go home; anyone in the congregation who lives alone would be welcome to join us (but there will obviously need to be a limit in numbers). It is likely that there will not be a set payment for attending the Sunday Social but it is hoped that each person who attends would be prepared to make a voluntary contribution towards the church refurbishment fund (toilets!). At this stage we are just trying to find out how many of the congregation might be interested in joining us; this is to help us decide whether to go ahead with it. If you would like to show that you would be interested in attending this Sunday Social please let Claire (in the office) know by Monday December 12th. Thank you, Janet Anker and Wendy Weeks



FAIR TRADE STALL - We will be selling goods from the fair-trade stall on the second Sunday of the month. Starting on the 11th December, - there will be some stocking fillers and small treats and gifts available. The following dates will be 8th January, 12th February and 12th March.

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 (scan this) and a fixed 'text to give' number that you can donate on. Text 70085 to give £5 (plus your standard network text message rate).



<u>CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES</u> – Mary Booth will be collecting the Childrens society boxes on **Sunday 4th December**. If you have one to be returned, please bring it to the service or bring it to the parish office before then.

FOODBANK COLLECTION DATES: 7th and 14th December; 11th January (note that the dates are not our normal pattern for collection)

JOINING WORSHIP FROM HOME: <u>click here to join any of our facebook services</u>: or type the following into your browser:

<u>https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsChurchRanmoor/live_videos</u> It shows a gallery of all past broadcasts. Morning Services will always be live on Facebook. Evening Services will appear within 24 hours of them taking place.

CONTACTING THE OFFICE:

Please contact the office on

0114 230 1199<u>administrator@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk_www.stjohnranmoor.org.uk</u> a LIVE tab when we are actually live.

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

**1st December Organ Recital – Peter Heginbotham will be giving a recital starting at 8pm. Entrance is free with a retiring collection.

<u>**10тн December Christmas Extravaganza</u>- tickets on sale from the Church office, Sarah Beardsmore or via <u>Eventbrite</u>

** 20^{тн} December – Messy Christmas – A morning of fun and craft for Christmas. Free Ticket to be reserved on Eventbrite.

** 24TH DECEMBER - CHRISTINGLE AND NATIVITY - please reserve your ticket for this service. On Eventbrite

SERVICES NEXT WEEK

Monday to Saturday: 9am Morning Prayer (on Zoom) Monday:: Sanctuary in the side chapel at 7.30pm Wednesday: 11.30am Holy Communion (in the Parish Centre) & 5.30 pm Choral Evensong Thursday: 8pm Christmas Organ Recital Peter Heginbotham **Sunday 4th December - Advent II** 10.30am All Age Service (In church and on Eacebook Live)

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