

# ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR

## Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2022

### 3rd Sunday of Advent



## 10.30am Parish Communion

(In Church and Facebook Live)

Choristers and adult Choir

Prelude	Carillon on Antioch Mary Beth Bennett (b1954)
Reading	Isaiah 35.1-10 James 5.7-10 Matthew 11.2-11
Introit	HON 198 Hark the glad sound
Gradual	HON 334 May the mind of Christ my Saviour
Offertory	HON 193 Hail to the Lord's anointed
Recessional	HON 362 O for a thousand tongues to sing
Setting	Missa Brevis – Andrea Gabrieli
Anthem	Rejoice in the Lord alway – Henry Purcell
Voluntary	Voluntary for Advent Charles W Pearce (1856-1928)

## 6.30pm Choral Evensong

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

Adult Choir

Prelude	Meditation on Conditor alma siderum Rebecca Groom te Velde (1956)
Psalm	12
Readings	Isaiah 5.8-30 Acts 13.13-41
Hymns	NEH 14 The advent of our God NEH 366 God of mercy, God of grace NEH 365 God moves in a mysterious way
Responses	Plainsong
Canticles	Magnificat Octavi Toni – Orlando de Lassus Nunc Dimittis – Josquin des Prez
Anthem	Conditor alme siderum - G V da Palestrina
Voluntary	Wachet auf Gustav Merkel (1827-1885)

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## PRAYERS

Please pray for those who are sick:

*Georgina, Harold, Hilary, Reg, Tony*



Please remember those whose anniversaries fall at this time:

*Philip Goddard, Dorothy Moore, Horace Ardron, Margaret Elizabeth Walker, Ewart Higgins, Mary Carrie, Audrey Hawkins, Sylvia Lehman, Alex Holt,*

## NOTICES

**CHURCH BUILDING COVID GUIDANCE** - 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.

**CHRISTIAN AID THANK YOU!** - Thank you to everyone who took part in our carol singing in Sheffield last weekend. We raised £749 - a marvellous amount - Good weather meant everyone enjoyed singing, and lots of people stopped to listen.

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



window sills on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** between 9.30am - 12.00am and the porch, pedestals, welcome arrangement and font on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> 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 you. We look forward to hearing from you.

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**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.

**CAROL SINGING IN OUR CARE HOMES** - As part of our dementia awareness, members of the 3 mission partnership churches will be singing carols at various care/nursing homes within our parishes and anybody from one congregation can join with members of the other congregations to sing at the homes. **The first sing is Monday 12<sup>th</sup>** in the Broomhall/Broomhill area. 6.00 pm Broomgrove - 30 Broomgrove Rd, S10 2LR' 6.45pm Hallamshire Residential home - 3 Broomhall Road, S10 2DN, 7.30 pm Taptonholme Care home - 14 Taptonville Crescent, S10 5BP

The second sing is **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> 3pm** at the Laurels and Limes 115 Manchester Rd, Sheffield S10 5DN Please take a facemask and only attend if you are well.

**UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD CHAMBER CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT - SATURDAY 17TH DECEMBER, 19:30** -

The University of Sheffield Chamber Choir will be holding their Christmas concert on Saturday 17th December at 19:30, in Firth Hall. The programme will feature a variety of festive pieces by composers including Rodney Bennett, Leighton, Britten, MacMillan, and Coleridge-Taylor, among others. You can purchase tickets on the University Concerts website: £11.50 full price / £9 concessions / £6 student and under-30. Tickets will be more expensive on the door.

For more details, please chat to Matthew Warbis, or email the choir at [chamberchoir@sheffield.ac.uk](mailto:chamberchoir@sheffield.ac.uk)

**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!



**MINCE PIES APPEAL** FOR CAROLS AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE AND NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS - We are having mulled wine and mince pies after both these services. If you can donate a box of mince pies we would be very grateful. Please leave at the back of church near the coffee area or drop into the parish office. The Carols around the Christmas tree is on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> at 4pm outside and the Nine Lessons and Carols are on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm



**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, 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 12<sup>th</sup>. 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 11<sup>th</sup> December**, - there will be some stocking fillers and small treats and gifts available. The following dates will be 8<sup>th</sup> January, 12<sup>th</sup> February and 12<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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).*



## FOODBANK COLLECTION DATES:

14th December and 11th January,

(note that the dates are not our normal pattern for collection)

**JOINING WORSHIP FROM HOME:** [click here to join any of our facebook services:](#) or type the following into your browser:

[https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsChurchRanmoor/live\\_videos](https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsChurchRanmoor/live_videos) It shows a gallery of all past broadcasts and shows a **LIVE** tab when we are actually live.

Morning Services will always be live on Facebook.

Evening Services will appear within 24 hours of them taking place.

## UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

**\*\* SUNDAY 18TH DECEMBER AT 6.30PM** - Nine Lessons and Carols

**\*\* 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER – MESSY CHRISTMAS** – A morning of fun and craft for Christmas. Free Ticket to be reserved on [Eventbrite](#).

**\*\* 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER – CHRISTINGLE AND NATIVITY** – please reserve your ticket for this service. On [Eventbrite](#)

## SERVICES NEXT WEEK

**Monday to Saturday:**

9am Morning Prayer (on Zoom)

**Wednesday:** 11.30am Holy Communion (in the Parish Centre)

& 5.30 pm Choral Evensong – Adult choir will be singing

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – 4pm Carols around the Christmas Tree

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December - Advent 4**

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