ST JOHN'S CHURCH, RANMOOR Sunday 25th February 2024 Second Sunday of Lent

10.30am Parish Communion (In Church and YouTube)

Adult Choir

Prelude Readings	Praeludium quarti toni- Wilhelm Karges (1613-1699) Genesis 17.1-7,15-16 Romans 4.13-25 Mark 8.31-38
Introit Gradual Offertory Recessional Setting Anthem	 HON 478 The God of Abraham praise HON 288 King of glory, King of peace HON 465 Take up thy cross HON 560 Will you come and follow me Missa quarti toni Tomas Luis de Victoria It is a thing most wonderful Phillip Moore
Voluntary	Fantasia in D minor - Mathias Weckmann (1621-1674

6.30pm Choral Evensong

(In Church and YouTube)



 CONTACTING THE OFFICE: Please contact the office on 0114 230

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Please pray for those who are sick: Ian, Marie, Tony, Trudie

Please remember those whose anniversaries fall at this time:

Beth Anderson, Izzy Squire, Margaret Lowe, Helen Cowley, Josie Hague, Noreen Brenda Pleavin, Jacqueline Wragg

NOTICES

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. <u>www.stjohnsranmoor.org.uk</u> 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).

Pink Cards – if you make a direct bank payment you can pick up a pink card to put on the offertory plate in lieu of your cash / cheque donation.

JOINING WORSHIP FROM HOME: Our Services are broadcast live on Youtube. Click here or follow this link:

https://www.youtube.com/@stjohnsranmoor4448/streams OR If you prefer to watch on Facebook please join via our Facebook Page or type the following into your browser:

https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsChurchRanmoor when we are live on YouTube it will appear on the newsfeed of our Facebook Page.

FILMING - filming for a promotional video about St John's will take place on 25th Feb, 6th March and 10th March. If you do not wish to appear in the film, please could you let one of the clergy know. Consent forms are available and need to be completed by anyone appearing in the film.

<u>SUNDAY SOCIAL REMINDER –</u> The next Sunday Social will be on February 25th and the subsequent date are March 24th, April 28th, May 26th, June 23rd and July 28th. If you would like to come along please contact Janet Anker or Wendy Weeks, or call the office 0114 230 1199.

MAYFIELD VALLEY LITTER PICK - THURSDAY 7th MARCH, [Thursday 14th if weather is bad on the 7th], Start time: 9.30 a.m. Meet at Norfolk Arms Pub, 2 Ringinglow Road, S11 7TS Equipment will be provided. (Bring your own gardening gloves). Everyone welcome, Let us know you're coming at : Lodgemoorlitterpicks@gmail.com nethergreenlitterpickers@gmail.com



PARISH CENTRE GARDEN - there will be a working party in the Parish Centre garden on Monday 11th March 9.30-12.30. All welcome!





THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES I am the new coordinator for The Children's Society boxes at St John's church. The boxes are emptied once a year and are now due to be collected in, the contents counted and a payment sent to The Children's Society. St John's congregation have for many years used the box scheme to donate to The Children's Society for the very valuable work they do in helping to support the young people who have it toughest. If you are a box holder can I ask that you please bring your box to church on Sundays and hand it to me or one of the clergy or take it to the Parish Centre Office, Mon-Wed 9.30-2.30. Thank you.

If you are interested in being a Box holder or might like to make a regular donation by direct debit to The Children's Society please do contact me. Jackie Lowe jackielowe22@btconnect.com 0114 2303999. Thank you.

EASTER LILIES - If anyone would like to make a donation towards the purchase of a lily in memory of someone who has died, this will be incorporated in one of the flower arrangements in church on Easter Sunday. We will also be placing a list of the people to be remembered at the back of church. A suggested donation is £2.50. Please contact Sandra Green 2309180 or Jackie Lowe 2303999 Thank you.

FLORAL DECORATIONS IN CHURCH FOR EASTER - We will be decorating the church for Easter on Saturday 30th March at 9.45am and would be grateful if anyone is able to help us. We are mindful of the environment and are intending to create the arrangements without the use of floral foam (Oasis). 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 peo-ple 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



EASTER CARD DESIGNS! - This year it is our turn here at St John's to make and send Easter cards to our neighbours. I would love for the children to design an Easter picture as bright and colourful as possible which we will then make into a card. You may like to share the Easter story with your children to help remember the real meaning of Easter to inspire their creations. I am running a competition with a prize for the best design and a small treat for all entries. Please could I have your child's Easter picture by Friday 16th February. You can hand the pictures to me or email them to: claire.eaton@stjohnsranmoor.org.uk

<u>LENT 2024</u> - We shall now be running one Study Group during Lent. This will be on a Thursday afternoon from 2.30 - 4.00 pm in the Parish Centre. We shall be using Tom

Wright's book Lent and Easter for Everyone - From wilderness to glory' by Tom Wright. (ISBN 978-0281-07141-8). Tom Wright is a very well-respected theologian and author and former Bishop of Durham. The book has seven weeks of daily readings and reflections. These can be used as the basis for individual reading and prayer during Lent and the Easter season and we will focus on selected readings for our Lent Groups. Relevant material will be provided for each of the study groups so you can still participate if you have not purchased the book. Each week the material will be self supporting, so you don't need to attend all the sessions. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church. We look forward to welcoming you to the group and do hope you will be able to join us. Sandra Green

<u>SCISSORS PAPER STONE BLOG</u> - Follow the fortunes of local stone mason, Job Stone, on the Scissors Paper Stone blog this week. Find it on the Church's website and in the blog post folder in front of the Church Library. Job Stone lived on Tapton Hill, behind Tapton Congregational Church - one of the few stonemasons in this city to have a small article written about him on his death. It is entitled 'Death of a Successful Stonemason'. Did he work on our church during his successful career? We have yet to find out.



The Next Foodbank collection will be on Wednesday 6th March. 10am to 12.30pm on the church drive.

Next Week:

Monday to Saturday: 9am Morning Prayer (on Zoom) Monday 7.30pm Sanctuary in the side chapel Wednesday 11.30am Holy Communion 5.30pm Choral Evensong Choristers; Sumsion in G; Responses Plainsong; When I survey the wondrous Cross -Malcolm Archer

Psalm 51

Sunday 3rd March

10.30am All Age Service 6.30pm BCP Communion

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